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Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chairperson Ritt in the Old Main Room of the Bone Student Center.

Roll Call

Secretary Gowdy called the roll and announced that a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes of April 27 Meeting

XIV-133 On a motion by Mr. Tuttle, seconded by Mr. Mohr, the minutes of the April 27 meeting were approved on a voice vote.

Chairperson's Remarks

Mr. Ritt said he would be on vacation May 12-26. Mr. Quick's schedule is variable. During the absence of Mr. Ritt and Mr. Quick, Ms. Gowdy, Secretary, would be chairperson pro tem.

Dean White's report on Organized Research Awards for Fiscal '84 (July 1, 1983-June 30, 1984) is on file in the Senate Office. Department chairpersons and college deans also received a copy of the report.

Mr. Ritt said there was a correction in the Executive Committee minutes of May 4: In item 2, Mr. Quick asked to have the Athletic Council nominations (students) be on the Senate agenda without formal approval by the Rules Committee. The Executive Committee approved this request and the nominations were on tonight's agenda.

Mr. Ritt called attention to the Senate schedule for July through December as attached to the April 20 Executive Committee minutes (a copy is appended to these minutes).

The faculty representatives for the provost search committee have been selected by the five colleges and the names sent to the Senate Office. Mr. Ritt had communicated these names to the President. Four students had applied for the three seats on the provost search committee. Vita for these students had been distributed to members of the Senate and voting would take place at the next Senate meeting (June 15, 1983). At that point all elected members of the search committee will have been chosen. Mr. Gamsky noted that the vita contained information on academic probation but questioned if it had been checked whether any of the students might be on disciplinary probation. It was pointed out that the question does not appear on the form. Mr. Plummer said such inquiry would be a violation of students' rights to be checked without their knowledge. Mr. Ritt said rules of confidentiality would be followed. Each student will be contacted to obtain permission and, if possible, this information will be made available to the members of the Senate.

Mr. Tuttle asked if Mr. Ritt would provide the names of the five people elected to the provost search committee. With the permission of the President, Mr.

Ritt said those elected were: Robert Stefl, Fine Arts; Donna Jo Workman, Applied Science and Technology; Bernard McCarney, Arts and Sciences; Evelyn Rex, Education; and Scott Massin, Business.

Vice Chairperson's Remarks

Mr. Quick said the Senate had received the additional nominations for student non-athlete members of the Athletic Council: Karen Vinci and Brian Hagaman. He report that he and Mr. Hugdahl (Student Affairs Committee Chairperson) had determined that it would be better to wait until fall to select the two graduate student members of the Senate instead of doing it as soon as possible as he had announced at the April 27 meeting.

Mr. Quick introduced Terri Kic, Student Association Assembly Vice Chairperson, who was present to make remarks in the absence of the Student Association President.

Student Body President's Remarks

For Mr. Bedingfield, Ms. Kic made the following remarks. Last week applicants for the position of Normal Town Council Liaison were screened and Barry Rucks, a junior business administration major, was chosen for the position. Last week the Student Association Assembly approved the nomination of Michael Yashar, a senior, double major in chemistry and biology, as the student representative to the Board of Regents. Also last week, Tim Houghton, Student Association Vice President, Randy Waites, Chairman of the Assembly, Student Bedingfield, Student Association President, and Ms. Kic met for breakfast with members of the Normal Town Council, the City Manager Dave Anderson, and Police Chief Lehr, among others, to discuss student/town relations. The meeting was extremely productive and there are plans to have more such meetings in the future to improve relations with the Town of Normal.

Administrators' Remarks

Mr. Watkins also announced that Michael Yashar would serve for ISU as the Student Regent for FY-84, July 1, 1983, through June 30, 1984. Mr. Yashar would also serve as student representative on the Needs and Priorities Committee by virtue of being Student Regent.

Mr. Watkins said he had been in Springfield, May 10, with other university presidents for budget hearings for higher education and other state agencies. The meeting began at 2 p.m. and ended at 2:40 without his saying a single word. Nor did any other university person. The only question asked was of Dave Pierce of the Community College Board staff: Why did higher education people not use self-service pumps to fill up state cars? The Senate Appropriations Committee took testimony from the same group two weeks previously and passed out bills. There had been an attempt with the first go-around (routinely defeated) to amend down to the Governor's level (assuming a 4% personnel reduction and an increase in tuition). The bills were sent out at the Board of Higher Education level with the full understanding that senators did not know what really was going to happen vis-a-vis tax change.

At this point it would be very erroneous to assume anything. The action is now in the House of Representatives but no hearing has been set. This action by the Senate committee should not be taken as good news. There is no indication where the universities stand on appropriations nor is it known whether there will be any increase in taxes. If there were an increase in taxes, \$900 million

would be subtracted immediately from the funds raised for what is owed or already committed.

Yesterday (May 10), the Provost's Office met with Rod Groves and Carol Floyd of the Board of Regents' staff to discuss a problem with one of the university's New and Expanded Program Requests (NEPR's). The Board of Regents' staff will not support the Institute for Computer Information Development as titled. They will support the amount of money requested, but not the title. Nor will they support the structure of administrative costs of that program. Mr. Watkins said he needed flexibility to negotiate what we can get their support for. Mr. Miller, who participated in yesterday's discussion, said the President had correctly stated the situation.

Mr. Friedhoff asked what the administrative costs were. Mr. Watkins pointed out that \$431,000 was the total cost of the program. The Board staff would fight for the total \$431,000, but not for administrative costs or for an institute. Mr. Miller recalled administrative costs were about \$70,000. Mr. Tuttle asked if administrative costs would have to be found by the university from somewhere else. Mr. Watkins said the money should go into direct instruction with administrative costs handled internally. Mr. Tuttle again asked if we would have to come up with "x" amount of money to recognize the benefits of the NEPR. Mr. Miller said all money could be put into faculty lines at this time. Board staff were concerned that they would lose the fight for the establishment of a separate institute. Mr. Tuttle asked if the university could afford to administer a \$350,000 program with present administrative support. Mr. Miller thought there was staff support for the project. They were willing to let the university administer within the lines but not willing to establish a structure.

Mr. Watkins said he was asking Senate consent to try to save the program request. Mr. Ritt suggested that after the negotiations were completed they could be presented to the Academic Affairs Committee and then to the Senate, but Mr. Watkins pointed out there was not time for this. The negotiations had to be completed by May 27. Mr. Ritt said there would be no problem with minor changes; i.e., changes in the title did not violate anything the Senate had approved. Mr. Watkins said it would certainly be changed from the concept of an institute. The spirit of the proposal would remain. Results would be produced in a less formal way, not in a less effective way. In response to a question by Ms. Crafts, Mr. Miller said the Board staff wanted to remove the director, the costs of a director's office, and to remove the title. They supported the concept of need for faculty retraining, student education, and outreach to the community. In response to a question by Mr. Taylor, Mr. Miller said Mike Powers (Applied Computer Science Department Chairperson) had no objections to the negotiated changes. Working out the structure would be a university-wide effort.

Mr. Ritt asked Mr. Watkins if a "sense of the Senate" resolution would give him the Senate direction he needed. Yes, it would.

XIV-134 Mr. Taylor moved (seconded by Ms. Crafts) a sense of the Senate resolution for the President to negotiate the Applied Computer Science NEPR with the staff of the Board of Regents.

In response to a question, Mr. Watkins said the university--as it had in the past--would be continuing reallocation of resources to meet demand. Reallocation was an on-going process.

The resolution was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Gamsky had no remarks. Mr. Ritt asked Dr. Warren Harden and Dr. Jeffrey Chinn if they had remarks in the absence of Mr. Strand and Mr. Boothe. They did not.

ACTION ITEM

Athletic Council Nominations

XIV-135 Mr. Pontius, Rules Committee Chairperson, moved approval of the student non-athletes for the Athletic Council: Richard Weber, Brian Hagaman, Lisa Lindsmith, and Karen Vinci. The motion was seconded by Mr. Piland and passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Committee Reports

Student Affairs. Mr. Hugdahl, Chairperson, said the graduate student Senate seats would be filled in the fall.

Administrative Affairs. Ms. Crafts, Chairperson, said the committee would meet briefly following adjournment of the Senate meeting.

Rules Committee. Mr. Pontius said the committee would meet following adjournment of the Senate meeting.

Faculty Affairs. Mr. Mohr, Executive Committee liaison, said the committee still had not elected a chairperson due to a lack of a quorum at meetings of the committee.

Mr. Ritt noted that he would not select the two faculty members of the Budget Committee for the Financial Exigency Committee until after the Faculty Affairs Committee had elected a chairperson. That person would serve, ex officio, on the Financial Exigency Committee along with the chair of Academic Affairs.

Communications

Mr. Friedhoff commented on the successful meeting with the Town of Normal, described by Ms. Kic, and was glad to hear good relations were being established. He asked Ms. Kic to elaborate on the meeting. Ms. Kic said one of the items discussed was the Party Patrol. The hope was to open lines of communications between the students and the town.

Mr. Watkins noted that lines of communication have not been closed before: meetings of various university staff and Town of Normal representatives have been held on a continuing basis three or four times per year. Both the university and the town have hosted such events.

Mr. Pazmino clarified that this particular effort had been initiated by the Student Association and the Student Association Assembly.

Adjournment

XIV-136 Ms. Crafts moved for adjournment at 7:50 p.m. (seconded by Mr. Mohr). The motion carried.

For the Academic Senate,

Laura E. Gowdy, Secretary

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8:15 a.m.

Academic Senate

Circus Room

Bone Student Center

7 p.m.

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July 20, 1983

July 27, 1983

August 10, 1983

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August 24, 1983

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October 12, 1983

October 19, 1983

October 26, 1983

November 2, 1983

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November 16, 1983

November 30, 1983*

December 7, 1983

December 14, 1983*

July through December meetings approved by the Executive Committee on April 20, 1983

*Old Main Room, Bone Student Center