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ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES

September 12, 1990

Volume XXII, No. 2

Call to Order

Roll Call

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Adjournment

Meetings of the Academic Senate are open to members of the University community. Persons attending the meetings may participate in discussions with the consent of the Senate. Persons desiring to bring items to the attention of the Senate may do so by contacting any member of the Senate.

ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES

(Not Approved by the Academic Senate)

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CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Len Schmaltz called the meeting of the Academic Senate to order at 7:07 p.m. in the Circus Room of the Bone Student Center.

ROLL CALL

Secretary Jan Johnson called the roll and declared a quorum present.

Approval of Minutes of August 29, 1990 Academic Senate Meeting

XXII-9 Motion to approve the Minutes of August 29, 1990 Academic Senate Meeting by Senator Ritch (Second, Raucci) carried on a voice vote.

Chairperson's Remarks

Chairperson Schmaltz announced that Dr. Connie Ley, Chair of the Department of Home Economics, has agreed to serve as Parliamentarian for the Academic Senate. Because of a previous engagement she was not able to be with us tonight.

I have been asked several times and have received a letter from one of the Senators about the "Hershey's Sign" on the 4th floor of Stevenson Hall. It is a sign the College of Business sponsors, which flashes electronic messages. Late this afternoon, I received a phone call from the Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Stewart Stabley, who is in charge of the signs on campus, and the sign will be removed tomorrow or very shortly.

Senator White: Do you know why he decided to do this?

Chairperson Schmaltz: Mr. Stabley said he had talked to the Dean of the College of Business and that they agreed to remove the sign. I was not home when the call came in, but he left a message on my answering machine. Mr. Stabley wanted the Senate to know that the sign would be removed.

Senator White: Is there any blinding distinction between the walls of Williams Hall and the walls of Stevenson Hall?

Chairperson Schmaltz: He did not discuss that. I do not know if the sign in Williams Hall will be removed as well. The one that was complained about was the sign in Stevenson Hall.

Senator White: The letter that I wrote to you complains about both signs.

Chairperson Schmaltz: Perhaps you may wish to contact him with your questions: Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Stewart Stabley.

Senator Zeidenstein: Since this has come before the Senate, what are you talking about?

Chairperson Schmaltz: It came before the Senate last year by Senator Kagle. He was concerned about the aesthetics.

Senator White: It is an illuminated sign, and there is a computerized message that reads out. It is usually Hershey's chocolate -- with a cascade of mints and chocolates.

Senator Zeidenstein: Why are we talking about this?

Chairperson Schmaltz: It came before the Senate a year ago, and it recently was brought up again by Senator White and others in the English Department who evidently find the sign to be visual pollution. They feel that it violates the sign policy of the institution in the University Policy Manual.

Senator White's letter was given to Senator Zeidenstein.

Vice Chairperson's Remarks

Vice Chairperson Eric Raucci had no remarks.

Student Body President's Remarks

Student Body President Terrence Sykes stated that it might please some people to know that the evaluations would not be going out this semester. However, we are not giving up.

Administrators' Remarks

President Wallace reported to the Senate that he has made appointments with several Senate Committees regarding the five year enrollment reduction plan. He has appointments with Student Affairs, Academic Affairs, Administrative Affairs, and the Budget Committee. He will also meet with the Greek Council presidents. The Deans and Vice Presidents have begun to work on the assumptions which will be included in a working paper and shared with the Academic Senate, Committees, and the Chancellor

and Board of Regents. We plan to protect the Greek system, and also questions about student fees need to be studied and answered. Regarding questions about empty dormitories, we now have a deficit of over 400,000 square feet of academic and administrative space, and could use the dormitories for this space deficit.

Provost Strand had no remarks.

Vice President for Student Affairs, Neal Gamsky, had no remarks.

Vice President for Business and Finance, James Alexander, had no remarks.

Action Items

Approval of Appointment to Council for Teacher Education

XXII-10

Motion by Collier (Second, Comadena) to appoint Dr. Larry McBride, History, to the Council for Teacher Education, for a 1992 term.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Panel of Ten Nominations

The following faculty members were nominated for the Panel of Ten: (Election will take place September 26, 1990)

SUSAN K. APPEL, ART
CAROL CHRISMAN, ACS
J. CHRIS EISELE, EAF
JIM L. GRIMM, MARKETING
MARGARET ANN HAYDEN, HEC
DOUGLAS D. HESSE, ENGLISH
KENNETH E. JESSE, PHYSICS
BARBARA E. KURTZ, FOR
WAYNE N. LOCKWOOD, JR., I.T.
DAVID J. MAC DONALD, HISTORY
MILDRED PRATT, SASW
MARK SIDERITS, PHILOSOPHY
CHARLES T. SPENCER, HSC
MANHAR THAKORE, MILNER LIBRARY
KERRY W. TUDOR, AGRICULTURE
MICHAEL W. WINCHELL, BEA
DAVID W. WRIGHT, COMMUNICATION
RICHARD YOUNGS, CURR. & INSTRUC.
SANDRA ZIELINSKI, THEATRE

COMMUNICATIONS

SENSE OF THE SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS Dr. Ira S. Cohen has served as the Parliamentarian of the Academic Senate continuously since 1985, and

WHEREAS he has discharged this office conscientiously and with great dedication and

WHEREAS Dr. Cohen has been source of advice and consultation for the chairperson and members of the Academic Senate on numerous occasions

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Academic Senate of Illinois State University gratefully acknowledges Ira Cohen's many contributions to shared governance and wishes him continued success in his University endeavors.

Motion by Walker (Second, Ritch) to pass the Sense of the Senate Resolution honoring Ira Cohen as Parliamentarian carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Committee Reports

Academic Affairs Committee - Senator Walker had no report.

Administrative Affairs Committee - Senator Nelsen announced that his committee would meet with Dr. Wallace in the President's Conference Room (Hovey 419) on Monday, September 17, at 9:00 a.m. They have three items on the Agenda: Future Calendars; Administrative Changes; and Physical Plant Operations.

Budget Committee - Senator Mohr announced a meeting following Academic Senate.

Faculty Affairs Committee - Senator Ritt had no report.

Rules Committee - Senator Raucchi thanked his committee for their help in getting things done. Several items would be presented to the next Senate meeting. He announced a short meeting of all student senators after Academic Senate.

Student Affairs Committee - Senator Sykes announced a meeting of the Student Affairs Committee at 5:30 p.m. on Monday in Hovey 419.

Senator Svoboda: What happened to the letter from ACT UP of Central Illinois regarding Professor Brosnahan's survey?

Chairperson Schmaltz: The Executive Committee received this information as a communication, considered the issue, and did not feel that it was an appropriate matter for the Academic Senate. They did not approve or disapprove of the survey in any way.

Provost Strand: I don't want to start a lengthy discussion on a topic that was not on the Senate agenda. For the sake of clarity, the Department Chair was requested to consider the allegations, and he indicated that since the use of this survey instrument was voluntary, he had no objection to it. Also, he noted that he had not received any complaints about it. I also referred the matter to the Institutional Research Review Board and that committee indicated that since the survey was not part of a research project, it did not fall within their province.

Senator Raucci moved to adjourn (Second, Schurman). Motion carried on a voice vote. Meeting of the Academic Senate adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

FOR THE ACADEMIC SENATE

JAN JOHNSON, SECRETARY

