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Volume XXI, No 4

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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.

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(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 7:02 p.m.

SEATING OF NEW SENATOR

Chairperson Schmaltz introduced a new student senator, Edwin Svoboda, a Political Science major.

ROLL CALL

Secretary John Freed called the roll and declared a quorum present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 6 AND SEPTEMBER 13, 1989

XXI-21 Senator Rendleman moved approval of the September 6th and 13th Academic Senate Minutes (Second, Tuttle). Motion carried on a voice vote.

Chairperson's Remarks

Chairperson Schmaltz thanked President and Mrs. Wallace for inviting the Senators to a reception at their home on Monday evening.

He announced a faculty caucus in the Ballroom following Academic Senate adjournment. Three candidates would be selected for the Inter-Governmental Commission that will be studying the System of Systems. There will be a few other matters discussed also.

I have been asked by a number of senators about the outcomes of the proposed changes in the Board of Regents policies which the Senate discussed and passed a resolution on. I sent the resolution with a cover letter to every member of the Board. I also sent a packet of articles from the local press. I also addressed the Board itself when it met here last Thursday and hopefully adequately presented your concerns to the Board.

The outcome of all that is that they did in fact as they had announced delay a vote on the proposed changes. In addition, Chairperson Burns appointed an ad hoc committee to study alternate possible wording for the changes. There has been some confusion about who is a member of that committee. Currently there are two members of that committee: Chairperson Burns and Regent Wellbank. It is an ad hoc committee of two. The three chairs of the Senates at NIU, ISU, and SSU, all members of JUAC are not members of that committee. Presumably, we will be consulted, but we are not members of that committee. Similarly, the three Presidents, NIU, ISU, and SSU, are not members of that committee. Presumably they will be consulted. I have been asked repeatedly, when is your committee going to meet, how often are you going to meet, where are you going to meet, etc., --we are not going to meet because I am not a member of said committee.

Senator Johnson: Have you been consulted yet? Schmaltz: No. Although, I have been told that there will be something available by the end of the week.

Senator Gritzmacher: Wasn't it announced that there would only be a two week period of time? Schmaltz: That is my impression. I said in my address to the Board that I would cooperate with the committee, however, I thought that that was far too short a time.

Senator Mohr: Did anybody during the meeting question the representativeness of that committee?

Senator Schmaltz: The committee was not announced until Wednesday afternoon, and some things were said at the meeting on Thursday which led some people to believe that the committee would consist of eight people rather than two.

Senator Mohr: It seems that it is a foregone conclusion what this committee will recommend.

#### **Vice Chairperson's Remarks**

Vice Chairperson Scott Rendleman had no remarks.

#### **Student Body President's Remarks**

Student Body President Dan Schramm announced that the SBBD had nominated Tim Schurman as the student nominee from Illinois State for the Integovernmental Commission to study the System of Systems. Tim is a former Academic Senator, currently the Chair of the Student Advisory Board, and the IBHE.

Senator Schmaltz asked if there were not to be four nominees.

Senator Schramm: It was our understanding that there were to be four students from all the campuses. I was asked to nominate one student.

Senator Arnold: Read from the memorandum and the SBBD nomination was correct.

#### Administrators' Remarks

President Wallace: I received a letter from one of the Senators asking for some information on some of the capital constructions. I will start with the Fell Hall renovation. The question had to do with the assignment of space in Fell Hall. We have 52,000 square feet of space, 42,000 of which is assigned to the academic sector: Communication, Academic Advisement, Special Student Services, and Financial Aid. That project is underway. The Science Building, we are in the process of getting the architect identified. There is a sequence of time during which the architect is selected, a million dollars of planning money has been released, and bids will be let, etc. That facility of \$20,000,000 will contain about 72,000 square feet of space. We do not have a plan for how Felmley Hall will be used after the new science building is completed. That will be looked at in the near future. We also have a proposed Student Services Building that we hopefully will fund from the bond restructuring. Let me just take a minute on that. Our strategy is to follow the campus masterplan designed where the academic program would be in the center of the Quad. The plan is to restructure our bonded indebtedness and extending that indebtedness from the year 2008 to the year 2014, so that the student fees would be the same. That is going to generate a pool of money (approval requested of the Board meeting in October) and out of that pool of money we are looking at moving people in student services out of Fairchild and DeGarmo and into a new building for student services outside of the Quad of about 24,000 square feet. The money that is generated from that restructuring of bond debt would also cover, if we chose to do so, parking garages and other projects outside of the appropriated budget category. We are continuing with our plan to try to remove functions funded under the non-appropriated budget from buildings that were built under appropriated funds so that the space can be used for academics. We will continue with that plan. We are now looking at about 138,000 square feet of space if you take the Science Building, the Student Services Building, and the Fell Hall Renovation. We will continue with that strategy and hopefully can reach during the next five years the goal of 300,000 square feet of academic space which will have to come mostly from the non-appropriated budgets. As you will recall, during the last ten years, ISU has had one new building: the Ropp Agricultural Building. The Board of Regents' total over the last ten years

of \$40 million dollars appropriated to the BOR.

I was also asked about the Horton Fieldhouse. The way that project started out was to be supported by non-appropriated dollars. As that plan has developed, roughly 1/3 was to come from fees and athletic fees, another 1/3 from recreation fees, and another 1/3 from appropriated dollars. It would be very difficult to get such a proposal out of the University, approved by the Board and have the dollars appropriated for such a project. What students see is a fee increase to support a recreational program. I think we started with a plan that did not include appropriated monies which last Spring ended up somehow different from that assumption. We are not going to release planning dollars until this gets straightened out. I think there is the assumption of the student contingent that they would be better off building a recreation building based strictly on a student fee increase.

Senator Richardson: Would this recreational space be in addition to what already exists at the old Skatium on Beech Street?

President Wallace: Our students have pointed out that you can take our recreation building and put it inside Northern's recreation building; which then could be put inside Southern Illinois' recreation building. The students feel that they might get more for their money rather than going through a renovation project from a separate recreation building of the appropriate facilities for a University of this size.

Senator Richardson: Do you have any plans for the Skatium?

President Wallace: If the students got a recreation building that was big enough, then the answer is no. The students have said that that building has reached its capacity in less than a year. It has a high level of use in a very short period of time. As they have looked at the University, they have correctly observed that we offer very little in the way of recreational activities. I think I am correct in saying that the students feel they are willing to assess themselves a recreational fee. We have Athletics, Recreation, and the Department of Health and Physical Education that are involved.

Senator Richardson: Do you have any plans -- as I mentioned in the letter, we've got Fell Hall which will be used for academics, and the science building which would be next on the Capital Budget, do you have any idea what the next major capital expenditure will be?

President Wallace: Not really. I think we have a few ideas, but I think we need to look at our usage of space on campus. We find that we have a high degree of the use of our classrooms between 10:00 in the morning until 2:00 in the afternoon. We really should look at our utilization of classrooms for a longer period of the day. We could consolidate to accommodate classes and lower our inventory of rooms which could be turned into other kinds of space that we need--labs, seminar rooms, etc. We need to look at the efficiency of use of space. Then I think that we need to try to reassign some of that space, and then we can decide what our needs are. I do feel that we need to come back to the lease/purchase concept at some point in time. Certainly, the College of Applied Science and Technology has real needs that they were hoping the purchase of Normal Community High School would take care of, but that opportunity will not be there. We are not quite at that point. I think we are looking at setting up a five-year goal of 300,000 sq. ft. of space. In order to have to do that will not rely solely on appropriated dollars probably.

Senator Gritzmacher: Hasn't money been appropriated for the Library?

Provost Strand: Planning money has been requested, but it has not been approved. Part of the long-range capital budget plan for the University is an addition to Milner Library because of the demonstrated shortage of space. The request is in the Capital Request.

Senator Freed: Are there any plans to do anything with the Media Services Building (the Old Union) since it is centrally located on the Quad to turn it over to academic purposes and move those kinds of facilities over to somewhere else?

Provost Strand: At the moment there are no plans for use of that space for anything other than its current assignment. Conceivably, however, that could be changed in this zone concept in which we are looking at prime space on the Quad. We have made some rather expensive investments in the television production studios which would involve a considerable expense to relocate unless we find some alternate.

President Wallace: I think we have to look at buildings around the Quad and decide whether they are appropriated or non-appropriated funded buildings.

Vice President Gamsky: We are looking at further expansion of the Student Services Building. It may be expanded another 13,000 square feet. We could move more student services out of buildings where they are now housed. Right now we are looking

at Health Services and Counseling Center being housed in the new Student Services Building. There could be another 13,000 net assignable square feet in that building.

Provost Strand's Remarks: I asked to have placed at each of your locations tonight a copy of a communique from Phil Adams at the Board of Regents concerning House Bill 2687. This communique indicates that Governor Thompson amendatorily vetoed House Bill 2687 which would have required a specific course on race relations at public universities in Illinois. The amendatory veto of this piece of legislation is, I believe, very appropriate. I think any time the members of the General Assembly begin to get involved in curriculum content, they are straying into a very delicate area. I would say to you, however, that we continue to be very interested in trying to make sure that there is a sensitivity to this particular topic on the part of the people who are pursuing an undergraduate education at Illinois State University. There are a number of courses which currently relate to this topic. We will be engaging in a very major overhaul of our University Studies Program in the near future and President Wallace will be announcing that tomorrow. There also will be reference to that topic in a newsletter from my office next week. We are not in any way diminishing the importance of this topic but feel there are better ways to address it than that proposed by the General Assembly.

Vice President for Student Affairs Neal Gamsky had no remarks.

Vice President for Business and Finance Warren Harden had an excused absence.

#### ACTION ITEMS

##### 1. Panel of Ten Election

(Administrative Selection Committee Chairperson Panel)

Academic Senate elected the following persons to the 1989-1990 Administrative Selection Committee Chairperson Panel:

Janet M. Cook, ACS  
Edmund T. Dorner, HSC  
Jim L. Grimm, Marketing  
David J. MacDonald, History  
Walter B. Mead, POS  
George Skadron, Physics  
Joe E. Talkington, I.T.  
Iris Varner, B.E.A.  
Curtis White, English  
Jeffrey A. Wood, Agriculture



2. Rules Committee Recommendations for Replacements on External Committees:

XXI-22 Motion by Senator Newby, Chairperson of Rules Committee, (Second, Alstrum) to approve Rules Committee Recommendations for replacements on External Committees carried on a voice vote. Appointments are as follows:

- ACADEMIC STANDARDS COMMITTEE  
Michael Lorber, C & I, Chairperson  
David Tucker, SED (1992)
- COUNCIL ON UNIVERSITY STUDIES  
Toni Warren, SED (1990)
- REINSTATEMENT COMMITTEE  
Emily Long, C & I (1990)
- SCERB  
Francis Steck, I.T. (1990)
- SCERB HEARING PANEL  
Suraj Kapoor, Comm. (1991)
- SCERB GRIEVANCE PANEL
- ALTERNATES  
Jeanette Crooks, SASW  
Ryan Brown, I. T.
- STUDENT CENTER AUDITORIUM POLICY BOARD  
Manhar Thakore, Milner Lib. (1991)

3. Approval of Student Senator Lynn Jurgel To Serve on the Honorary Degree Selection Committee.

XXI-23 Motion by Rendleman (Second, Ritch) to approve Student Senator Lynn Jurgel to serve on the Honorary Degree Selection Committee carried on a voice vote.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE - Chairperson Carroll Taylor reported that his committee would meet following Senate, before the faculty caucus.

**ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** - Chairperson Richardson reported that his committee would strive to achieve two primary goals this Senate year: Revision of the Presidential Selection Committee Process and the Evaluation of Administrators (including the Chancellor). Our language is very vague in the Presidential Selection Committee Process, it simply says that the Academic Senate shall be responsible for selecting members on the committee. Hopefully, we will have before you as an information item at the next Senate meeting, an amendment to the Constitution to change that process. We would like to discuss a few items with the faculty in the caucus tonight.

**BUDGET COMMITTEE** - Chairperson Walker had no report.

**FACULTY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** - Chairperson Ritt reported that there are a few items for his committee to consider, so he would like to have a meeting tonight after the faculty caucus.

**RULES COMMITTEE** - Chairperson Marilyn Newby welcomed senators Hoss and Svoboda to the committee.

Senator Liedtke: I would like to know what the current status is on the meeting you were to have with University Counsel, Joe Goleash and the President regarding the "role of the Senate".

Chairperson Newby: We have had correspondence with Mr. Goleash and are awaiting his response.

**STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** - No report.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

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Senator Vancil moved to adjourn (Second, Newby). Motion carried on a voice vote. Meeting of the Academic Senate adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

**FOR THE ACADEMIC SENATE**

**JOHN B. FREED, SECRETARY**

