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ACADEMIC SENATE AGENDA
TIME: 7 P.M., Wednesday, April 29, 1998
PLACE: Circus Room, Bone Student Center

Call to Order

Approval of Minutes of April 15, 1998

Chairperson's Remarks

Vice Chairperson's Remarks

Student Government Association President's Remarks

Administrators' Remarks

Committee Reports

Action Items:

1. Election of Members to Academic Freedom Committee
2. Election of Members to Faculty Ethics & Grievance Committee
3. Election of Members to Administrative Selection Committee (Panel of Ten)
4. Appointments to External Committees (Rules)
5. 03.18.98.02 Administration Evaluation Policies (Administrative Affairs)
6. 04.07.98.01 Period of Commentary on the President (Administrative Affairs)

Information Items:

None

Communications

Adjournment

Meetings of the Academic Senate are open to members of the University community. Persons attending the meeting participate in discussion 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
(Approved)

April 29, 1998

Volume XXIX, No.14

Call to Order

Chairperson Paul Borg called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. and stated that the Academic Senate meeting will be operating under the constitution adopted in 1969 as amended through 1996.

Roll Call

Secretary Curt White called the roll and declared a quorum.

Approval of Minutes

Motion XXIX-148 by Senator Lockwood (seconded Senator Clark) to approve the minutes of April 15, 1998, with corrections on the Table, (Page 7,) the records for Motion 145 and 144 were exchanged; Motion 146 was 30 aye and 6 nay. The minutes reflect accurately the results of the vote.

Page 10, paragraph 3, SAS should be CAS (College of Arts and Sciences).

By consensus with two abstentions the April 15 minutes were approved as corrected.

ACTION ITEMS

Chairperson Borg departed from the typical order of business to conduct the election of members to the Faculty Ethics and Grievance Committee, Academic Freedom Committee, and the Administrative Selection Committee (Panel of Ten). The results are reported later in these minutes.

Chairperson's Remarks

Chairperson Borg reported that the summary of promotion and tenure decisions is ready for discussion. Borg will notify the faculty by e-mail how the summary will be made available.

The ad hoc committee on shared governance began considerations on April 23 and will continue to meet over the summer.

Borg was informed today about the University Policies Project. This project will provide a website for all University policies. An advisory committee is being formed to guide this project and a request has been made for a faculty senator (preferably a member of the Administrative Affairs Committee) to be a part of this committee.

On May 8 the Board of Trustees (BOT) will meet. An open discussion is scheduled for 8:00 – 9:00 a.m., in the Founders Suite at which time the BOT proposed Vision Statement will be reviewed. The proposed Vision Statement was an information item at the February BOT meeting. Borg will make the text available for anyone who wants to read it.

The Applied Computer Science Department will hold a reception May 6, 3:00-5:00 p.m., in the Founders Suite for Jan Cook who is retiring from the University.

Vice Chairperson's Remarks

Vice Chairperson Michelle Brook asked student senators to fill out address forms before leaving tonight's meeting and reminded them to pick up their Academic Senate packets. Brook wished the students good luck with final exams.

Student Government Association President's Remarks

Senator Brown said that because her fall schedule conflicts with Academic Senate meetings and the Executive Committee meetings she will not be able to attend the meetings. Brook asked the Rules Committee to look into a rules change for other student representation when the SGA president cannot attend.

Administrator's Remarks

President Strand remarked that on April 30 the State of Illinois House Appropriations Committee will convene. The hearing for Illinois State University is slated for 8:00 a.m. Those attending from Illinois State include Senators Brown and Borg, Vice President Taylor, Student Trustee Scott Joyce, Trustee Carl Kasten, and President Strand.

The President's Select Committee on Governance, chaired by Rodger Tarr, held their first meeting.

The BOT Vision Statement that will be reviewed at the BOT meeting was distributed in February. The Campus Communications Committee recommended some refinements in the language. The genesis of the BOT Vision Statement flows from the Strategic Plan and Themes endorsed by the Academic Senate a few years ago.

The student trustee to replace Scott Joyce is Sheamus Mannion. Mannion is the past vice chairperson of the Student Government Association.

Vice President Taylor said that tomorrow a statement will be made announcing his retirement from the University March 31, 1999. President Strand said it is with reluctance that we see Vice President Taylor retire.

Committee Reports

Academic Affairs: Senator Walters reported that the Academic Affairs committee met tonight and did not elect a secretary.

Administrative Affairs: Senator Lockwood had no report.

Budget Committee: Senator Nelsen reported that the Budget Committee met this evening and Senator Newgren was elected secretary. Senator Taylor presented the committee with a summary of Governor Edgar's recommendation for the budget as it flowed from the IBHE. In addition, the proposed tuition and fee increase for fiscal year 2000 was presented. This proposal is subject to revision. The increase is about 3.2% and is under the BOT guidelines for an increase of disposable income.

Faculty Affairs: Senator McCaw stated that the ASPT Reform Committee will continue to discuss the draft reform document through May and that a rewrite is scheduled for the summer. The document will be ready for distribution in fall 1998.

Rules Committee: Senator Reid reported that the committee met last Friday but did not select a secretary. The committee began to nominate members of the faculty to serve on external committees.

Student Affairs: Senator Brook reported that discussions were held on the student election code which is outdated. Another point of discussion concerned textbooks and the possibility of developing a web page as an alternative for buying and selling used textbooks.

Action Items:

The results of the election to three faculty committees are as follows:

1. Election of members to Academic Freedom Committee for three-year terms
Greg Aloia, Special Education
Roger Anderson, Biological Sciences
Michael Gorr, Philosophy
Connie Horton, Psychology
Khondar Karim, Physics
Sesha Kethineni, Criminal Justice Sciences
Dan Wilhelm, Theatre
Arnold Wolfe, Communications
2. Election of members to Faculty Ethics & Grievance Committee for three-year terms
Jayne Bucy, Psychology
Charles Griffin, Sociology & Anthropology
Arnold Insel, Mathematics
Maribeth Lartz, Special Education
William Morgan, English
John Stark, Theatre
3. Election of members to Administrative Selection Committee (Panel of Ten) for one-year terms
Kenneth Berk, Mathematics
Laura Berk, Psychology
Irene Brosnahan, English
Jack Chizmar, Economics
David Falcone, Criminal Justice Sciences
Claude Graeff, Management & Quantitative Methods
Patrick O'Rourke, Agriculture
Pamela Ritch, Theatre
Susan Smith, Social Work
David Weber, Biological Sciences
4. Appointments to External Committees (Rules)

Senator Reid moved to accept the slate of faculty nominations to the various committees. By consensus the slate was accepted on a unanimous voice vote with 2 abstentions.

Athletic Council

Rodger Tarr, English
Jeff Bakken, Special Education
Deborah Lindberg, Accounting

Honors Council

Nancy Lind, Political Science
Jean McDonald, Milner Library
Connie Ley, Family & Consumer Science
Scott Rankin, Art

Library Committee

Ramaswamy Radhakrishnan, Management & Quantitative Methods

Reinstatement Committee

Priscilla Matthews, Milner Library
Mack Bowen, Special Education

University Curriculum Committee

Emerson Wiens, Industrial Technology
Thomas Craig, Accounting
Marilyn Moore, Curriculum & Instruction

Senator Reid moved to accept the slate of six students to the Honors Council. The slate was accepted by a unanimous voice vote with 2 abstentions.

Honors Council

Shannon Falls, Accounting
Ben Hutley, Mathematics
Allison Krietemeier, Elementary Education
Julie Louis, Mass Communications
Kristin Schultz, Elementary Education
Adam Young, Biological Sciences

Senator Reid moved to accept the slate of student nominations for the Entertainment Committee. The slate was accepted by a voice vote with two abstentions.

Entertainment Committee

Shelly Clumpner, Mass Communications
Deborah Cool, Accounting
Anthony Davis, Computer Science/Business Administration
Kelly Degenhart, Public Relations
Chad Haynes, Public Relations/Sociology
Romel Jamison, Theater/Marketing
Steve Koszut, Music
Milton Mighty, Mass Communications
Brian Nitzkin, Theater
Cynthia Schwarz, English

Alternate Members

James Gschwind, Insurance
Julie Hightower, Marketing

5. 03.18.98.02 Administrator Evaluation Policies (Administrative Affairs).

Motion XXIX – 149 by Senator Clark (seconded, Blum) to accept the Proposed Replacement Policy and Procedures for Administrator Evaluation. See 03.18.48.02 (revised). A discussion followed about the frequency of an evaluation. The Administrative Affairs Committee settled on a five-year evaluation. It was noted that an annual review of deans and chairpersons involves an annual faculty survey as part of the evaluation.

Senator Clark distributed A Model for Confidentiality. There was considerable discussion about the terms "confidential" and "anonymous." Clark agreed to a friendly amendment to the motion that the evaluation include Chairpersons.

Motion XXIX-150 by Senator Nelsen to change three references of the word confidential to anonymous on page 2, 4, and 8.

Motion XXIX-151 by Senator Lockwood (seconded, White) to cut off debate on Motion 150 passed by a unanimous voice vote in favor, 0 opposed and 2 abstentions.

Motion XXIX-150 passed on a roll call vote, 21 aye, 8 nay, 7 abstentions to change confidential to anonymous.

Senator Noyes (seconded, Lockwood) offered a friendly amendment to be added as Item V to the Administrator Evaluation Policy and Procedures to establish a timeframe and schedule for the evaluations. The amendment was accepted by Senators Clark and Blum.

Item V. By September 30 of each year, the Deans, Provost, and President will provide to the Academic Senate a list of those who are to have a formative evaluation and those who are to have a summative evaluation. They will also provide a schedule by which the various portions of the evaluation will be finished.

Motion XXIX-152 by Senator Otsuka (seconded Noyes) to amend the Administrator Evaluation Policy and Procedures so that all summative evaluations are conducted once every three years.

Motion XXIX - 153 by Senator Lockwood (seconded, Brook) to end the debate and address the previous question. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote with 2 abstentions.

Motion XXIX-152 to amend the Administrator Evaluation Policy and Procedures so that all summative evaluations are done once every three years. The motion failed to carry on a hand vote, 2 aye, 29 nay, and 5 abstentions.

Motion XXIX-149 to approve the Administrator Evaluation Policy and Procedures as amended by Nelsen and the friendly amendment, by a show of hands 30 aye, 0 nay, and 4 abstentions.

Senator Borg said that the effective date for implementation will be when it is signed by the President.

6. 04.07.98.01 Period of Commentary on the President.

Evaluation of the President. It shall be the annual responsibility of the Administrative Affairs Committee of the Academic Senate to administer a period of commentary (open to all members of the University community) on the job performance of the President. The Administrative Affairs Committee shall report its findings in summary form to the President, the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate in executive session, and to the Board of Trustees. This summary shall be forwarded by March 1 of each year.

Motion XXIX-154 Senator Clark moved (seconded, Jerich) to accept the Period of Commentary on the President. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote, with 5 abstentions.

Information items: None

Communications: None

Adjournment

Motion XXIX-155 by Senator VanVooren (seconded Schmaltz) to adjourn. The motion carried by a voiced consensus. The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Recorded, Linda Wellenreiter

