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ACADEMIC SENATE AGENDA
TIME: 7 P.M., Wednesday, September 16, 1998
PLACE: Circus Room, Bone Student Center

Call to Order

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes of 9/2/98

Chairperson's Remarks

Vice Chairperson's Remarks

Student Government Association President's Remarks

Administrators' Remarks

Committee Reports

Action Items:

Faculty and student appointments to External Committees

Information Item:

04.08.98.01 Deletion of Special Applications Sequence in Applied Computer Science (Academic Affairs Committee)

08.24.98.02 Milner Library Bylaws (Rules Committee)

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)

September 16, 1998

Volume XXX, No. 2

Call to Order

Chairperson Paul Borg called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Secretary Curt White called the roll and declared a quorum.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion XXX-12 by Senator Newgren, seconded by Senator Zielinski, to approve the minutes of September 2, 1998. Approved unanimously.

Chairperson's Remarks

Chairperson Paul Borg: Announced we are still recognizing the constitution of 1969. Welcomed new senator Ed Wells from Department of Criminal Justice Sciences.

Senator Borg distributed a letter from the Chair of the Board of Trustees. Unfortunately, it was not the letter he had expected to receive. He regretted that it was not more explicit in detail. There has been no indication that we will receive additional communication from the Board regarding their to changes to the constitution.

Vice Chairperson's Remarks

Vice Chairperson Michelle Brook: Reminded student senators to pick up their senate packets regularly in the senate office. She is looking for students to serve on several external committees and would appreciate any help in identifying students who would want to participate in the governance process.

Student Government Association President's Remarks

Heather Brown, Student Government Association President, is unable to attend Senate meetings this semester. The Vice President has been offered the opportunity to speak. No report from Vice President.

Administrators' Remarks

• **President Strand:**

Senator Strand reminded the Senate that he would make his State of the University Address on Thursday, September 17.

He introduced a report from the Illinois Board of Higher Education, "Education for the 21st Century: a Citizen's Agenda for Illinois Higher Education," which is a strategic plan for higher education in Illinois. The plan is still in its developmental stage and campus input is being sought. He read the eight proposed goals of the plan:

- ◆ Increase the educational attainment of Illinois citizens
- ◆ Extend access to higher education
- ◆ Assure that college is affordable
- ◆ Enhance access and success for members of underrepresented groups
- ◆ Improve the quality of education
- ◆ Enhance responsiveness to students, employers, communities, and the state
- ◆ Strengthen school-college partnerships
- ◆ Improve productivity

Senator Strand requested that any comments, reservations or additions to the report be submitted to him by Wednesday, September 23, 1998.

Discussion:

Senator McCaw: Asked for specifics regarding the productivity goal.

Senator Strand: There is a feeling on the part of many people that higher education can somehow reallocate funds from lower to higher priorities and engage in strategic planning in order to make sure that it addresses some of the other goals that are listed in this document. When you have a chance to read some of the comments about productivity goals, that will come through to you, but the absence of action statements leaves it somewhat ambiguous as to just what might follow. We do file with the Board of Higher Education a productivity report each year and the data indicates that we are one of the most productive and cost effective public universities in Illinois.

Senator Reid: Stated that he believed there was a good deal of interest in the use of technology for distance learning, but was concerned that we know if this would even work before we integrate it into a curriculum.

Senator Strand: Internet courses and degrees are becoming increasingly available. It is difficult in many cases to monitor the quality of that activity. While looking at ways to monitor the quality, we need to attend to this avenue of education for the benefit of those individuals who are place-bound or with mid-career circumstances who would like additional education, but who can't come to campus for traditional instruction. So there is a caution but also an encouragement that universities look for ways to offer this type of instruction in a quality manner.

Senator Goldfarb: In reviewing the document, it is clear there is an interest in the balance between core curriculum and workforce preparation.

Senator Jerich: Asked if we might invite Dr. Sanders or one of his staff to a Senate meeting to explain the document in further detail.

Senator Borg: As the report was distributed just before the meeting, we should perhaps have a discussion at a later Senate meeting after everyone has had a chance to read the document.

Senator Strand: With regard to inviting Dr. Sanders or one of his staff to attend a Senate meeting, he was sure he or a staff member would be willing to attend. However, Senator Strand stated that the most meaningful way to communicate with the IBHE staff would be through written communication.

Administrators' Remarks Continued

• **Provost Goldfarb:**

Senator Goldfarb reported that the "Living Ethics" series had gotten underway in a very successful fashion. There are a number of events coming up: Open House in Hovey Hall on Friday, September 25, 1998. Also there will be an open faculty meeting October 20, 1998 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in Capen Auditorium. Senator Goldfarb encouraged all faculty members to attend. He is looking forward to interacting with colleagues from across the campus, engaging in dialogue about issues and concerns that they may have. Senator Goldfarb is also doing the same thing with AP staff, civil service staff, as well as non-tenure tract faculty in order to try to reach out to all the constituencies across campus.

- **Vice President Bragg:**

No report.

Vice President Boschini:

Senator Boschini welcomed two minority faculty staff for our Minority Scholar in Residency program: Dr. Eddie Clark, Professor, Department of Psychology at St. Louis University will visit October 18 – 22, 1998, nominated by Dr. Pryor (ISU Department of Psychology). Dr. Noma Anderson, Chair of the Department of Communication Sciences at Howard University, will visit November 8 -11, 1998, nominated by Dr. Bowman (ISU Speech Pathology Department).

Committee Reports:

Academic Affairs: Senator Walters reported that the committee did not meet this week. Will meet Wednesday, September 30 at 6:30 p.m.

Administrative Affairs: Senator Clark reported that the committee met at 6:30 this evening. They are going to put out the 2002-2003 calendars for comment. They are beginning to look at the job descriptions for academic department chairpersons as well as for college deans. Standard meeting times for Administrative Affairs meetings are at 6:00 p.m. prior to each Senate meeting.

Budget Committee: Senator Newgren reported the committee met tonight at 6:00 p.m. for the first time. Will meet again in two weeks at 6:30 p.m. prior to the next Senate meeting.

Faculty Affairs: Senator McCaw reported that last Thursday they received the second draft of the ASPT document from the University Review Committee. They met on Wednesday and had a very productive discussion. The draft is a major improvement over what was distributed last year. Meetings will be held Mondays and Wednesdays, 10:30 to noon, to revise the draft and get a working document that they then can distribute. The committee expects the working draft to be ready before November.

Rules Committee: Met this evening at 6:00 p.m. Senator Reid reported that the committee is

- 1) Setting up a subcommittee to look at the entire committee structure;
- 2) Reviewing bylaws of the Senate in terms of changes made in the two constitutions, (those changes that are common to both the Board's and the Senate's constitution). A subcommittee will be doing that as well.
- 3) Looking at new Mennonite College bylaws.
- 4) Senator Brook has sent them a number of suggestions in terms of changes in the bylaws and they will be looking into those as well.

Next meeting will be in two weeks at 6:00 p.m.

Student Affairs: Senator Brook stated that the revision process of the Student Elections Code is getting underway. Anyone who has comments, suggestions or concerns regarding the Code should contact her. The next meeting will be held 3:30-4:30 p.m., Tuesday, September 22 at Hovey 301.

Senator Borg asked that committee chairs submit a list of meeting times and places to the Academic Senate office.

Action Items:

Faculty and student appointments to External Committees.

Motion XXX-13 by Senator Reid, seconded by Senator Clark, to approve the slate of faculty and student appointments to External Committees. Motion passed unanimously.

1) ***Election of Faculty Member to Academic Standards Committee:***

Kathleen Keenan-Takagi, MUS (CFA)

Election of Faculty Member to Faculty Elections Committee:

Dan Wilhelm, THE (CFA)

3) ***Appointment by Provost and confirmed by Academic Senate to Council for Teacher Education:***

Lawrence McBride, HIS (CAS)

Lotus Hershberger, MAT (CAS)

4) ***Election of Student to University Forum Committee as Alternate:***

Mike Gorsuch, Senior (POS)

Information Item:

04.08.98.01 Deletion of Special Applications Sequence in Applied Computer Science Minor. Senator Walters reported that the deletion of the minor had been unanimously approved by various curricular committees. This item will become an action item at the next Senate meeting.

08.24.98.02 Senator Reid reported only a few revisions were made to the Milner Bylaws. Second page of by-laws – The agenda for the meeting will be publicized at least *three days* rather than one week before the date of the meeting. Also on page two, the secretary *should* compose and distribute minutes instead of *shall* compose and distribute minutes to faculty and staff within one week after each meeting. At the top of page two, a majority of the *elected* members of the council will vote. Since there is one ex-officio member, it was not entirely clear. On page three, the library faculty council is given the authority to set up standing committees, in particular, it will set up election committees. In the last section, the library faculty council shall review the substance of these by-laws at least every *two* years rather than at the end of one year. These revisions also should become action items at the next Senate meeting.

Communication:

Senator Strand: Trustee Sheamus Mannion was a trustee in residence on Tuesday of this week and tomorrow two other trustees will be in residence, Nancy Froelich, College of Applied Science and Technology, and Carl Kasten with the College of Education. He thanked the various colleges and divisions who have assisted in hosting these trustees. Each college will be hosting a trustee at some point during this semester.

Senator Mannion: Had the opportunity to go to Instructional Technology Services. It was a great opportunity and very insightful. He expressed his gratitude for the opportunity.

Adjournment:

Motion XXX-14 to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. The motion carried unanimously on a standing vote.

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Name	Attendance	Motion 12	Motion 13	Motion 14
baumgartner	x	yes	yes	yes
Blum	excused			
Borg	x	yes	yes	yes
Boschini	x	yes	yes	yes
Bragg	x	yes	yes	yes
Brook	x	yes	yes	yes
Brown	excused			
Campbell	x	yes	yes	yes
Clark	x	yes	yes	yes
Day	excused			
Garner	x	yes	yes	yes
Goldfarb	x	yes	yes	yes
Grasso	x	yes	yes	yes
Haddad	excused			
Hammond	absent			
Hazelton	absent			
Hillman	x	yes	yes	yes
Jerich	x	yes	yes	yes
Kuchyt	x	yes	yes	yes
Kurtz	x	yes	yes	yes
MacDonald	x	yes	yes	yes
Mannion	x	yes	yes	yes
McCaw	x	yes	yes	yes
Molina	excused			
Murdock	absent			
Nelsen	excused			
Newgren	x	yes	yes	yes
Noyes	x	yes	yes	yes
Otsuka	x	yes	yes	yes
Paszkeit	absent			
Peagler	x	yes	yes	yes
Poulakidos	x	yes	yes	yes
Razaki	x	yes	yes	yes
Reid	x	yes	yes	yes
Schmaltz	absent			
Schwartz	x	yes	yes	yes
Short	x	yes	yes	yes
Siegrist	absent			
Strand	x	yes	yes	yes
Strickland	excused			
Timmerman				
-Lugg	excused			
Van Draska	x	yes	yes	yes
VanVooren	x	yes	yes	yes
Varner	x	yes	yes	yes
Walters	x	yes	yes	yes
Waple	x	yes	yes	yes
Wells	x	yes	yes	yes
White	x	yes	yes	yes
Williams	x	yes	yes	yes
Zielinski	x	yes	yes	yes