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ACADEMIC SENATE AGENDA

TIME: 7 P.M., Wednesday, September 1, 1999 PLACE: Circus Room, Bone Student Center

Call to Order

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes of 5/5/99

Chairperson's Remarks

Vice Chairperson's Remarks

Student Government Association President's Remarks

Administrators' Remarks

Committee Reports

Action Items:

05.20.99.05	External Committee Elections: SCERB and SCERB Grievance Committee
06.28.99.01A	Council for Teacher Education Elections
07.13.99.01	Election of Faculty Advisory Committee Representative and alternate to the
	Illinois Board of Higher Education
08.23.99.01	Election of Students to Honors Council
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03.15.99.04 College of Business Bylaws (Rules Committee)

Discussion: Executive Session

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Communications

Adjournment

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ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES (Approved)

September 1, 1999

Volume XXXI, No. 1

Call to Order

Chairperson Curt White called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Secretary Barbara Kurtz called the roll and declared a quorum.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion XXXI–4 by Senator Razaki (seconded by Senator Newgren) to approved the minutes of May 5, 1999. Minutes approved unanimously.

Chairperson's Remarks

Chairperson Curt White: Welcomed the Senate to a new academic year and thanked President Boschini for the Senate dinner before the meeting. Senator White welcomed a new administrator, Jude Boyer, VP for Administrative Affairs, and Sara Campbell, representative from Mennonite College of Nursing. Sara will serve as an ex-officio member of the Senate for this academic year.

Senator Brian Clark has resigned from the Senate. Taking his place is David Weber of Biology. Senator White welcomed Senator Weber to the Senate and also welcomed Senator Ron Meier to his first Senate meeting.

Senator White reminded all Senate members that the parking passes contained in the Senate packets were for Senate meetings only.

The Senate web site is up and running. Senator White has published letters informing the Senate and university community about Senate activities and upcoming discussions. His letters of June 30 and August 28 are available at the "Message from the Chair" site. We have a forum section at the web site that we will begin to use when issues come up that are large enough to merit a forum. The first issue will probably be the discussion on shared governance.

The address for the web site was erroneously printed as wolf.its.ilstu.edu/Academic Senate in the weekly *Report*. However, there is no space between "Academic" and "Senate". The correct address for the Senate web site is **wolf.its.ilstu.edu/AcademicSenate**. Senator White asked that Senate members make sure that their colleges and peers knew about the web site. Committee chairs also need to begin to use the web site to create their own areas. In particular, we need to make the web site a place where information can be found, but also where points of view can be delivered to us.

Vice Chairperson's Remarks

Vice Chairperson Chris Knox: Welcomed the new graduate student representative, Jeff Waple, and also the new Student Trustee, Ken Panfilio. Senator Waple stated that we did have another graduate student, however, the Senate meetings conflict will his class schedule. Senator Knox is in the process of finding another graduate student.

On Thursday, August 28, 1999, Festival ISU was held. Senator Knox participated in the festival with the Student Government Association and received applications for student membership on several external committees. Senator Knox reported that one of the things he has endeavored to do is to get more students involved in shared governance.

Senator Knox asked that all student senators who had not done so to submit their biographies to the Senate office for publication at the Senate web site.

On Wednesday, August 25, the student senators held a very successful student caucus. They discussed the Constitution and the shared governance issues.

Student Government Association President's Remarks:

Senator Ford: The Student Government Association was involved with Preview during the summer and had the opportunity of informing new students about student government and encouraging them to become involved. SGA held its first meeting on August 31 and planned many activities for this semester. You can review upcoming events on the SGA publicity board in the Bone Student Center.

Administrators' Remarks

• **President Boschini:** Welcomed everyone back for the 1999-2000 academic year. He stated that he is looking forward to a good year ahead working with everyone. We have a big class of new professors this year and also a much bigger class of new students, up slightly from last year. President Boschini stated that he will have more details about the increase in the freshmen student class when the census data is received on the 10th day of school.

President Boschini introduced Dr. Abiodan Goke-Pariola, who is participating as a fellow at ISU in a program sponsored by the American Council of Education. He will work in the President's office for the academic year.

President Boschini reported that he attended his first meeting Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) meeting on August 23 and 24 as President. They discussed the "virtual campus", which is a program they currently have on line. President Boschini also attended an orientation for new Board members and he reported that two Board members have resigned.

The first budget meeting with the Illinois Board of Education will be held sometime in mid-September when members of IBHE will come to campus.

President Boschini is working on the details of the shared governance committee. Former President Strand appointed a committee studying the proposals of both the President's Select Committee on Governance and the Senate's Ad hoc Committee on Shared Governance. The committee will work with students, faculty, and staff to find out if they are in favor or opposed to the other two committees' recommendations. We will have more details soon.

President Boschini is in the process of starting two new administrative searches, one for Vice-President of Business and Finance and the other for Vice-President of Student Affairs. He has already talked with several people on the Senate about being on those search committees. He stated that he has recently hired an Athletic Director, Mr. Kurt Wisenberger, formerly of Wake Forrest, Illinois. Mr. Wisenberger began working as Director on August 16, 1999.

Senator Day: What was the size of the incoming faculty?

President Boschini: There are 74 new tenure track faculty members.

Senator Razaki: How many tenure-track faculty retired last year?

Dr. Sharon Stanford: Approximately 45 faculty retired, but there were others who left the university who were not retiring.

Senate McCaw: Asked President Boschini if he would share the upcoming budget proposal with the Budget Committee. The President responded that he would.

• **Provost Goldfarb:** We have a robust incoming freshman class at approximately 200 to 300 students greater than what was predicted. We can confirm this number once the 10th day census report is received.

We are in the midst of several searches in Academic Affairs. We will be doing two searches almost immediately, one for the Dean of University Libraries and the other for Graduate Studies, Research and International Education. Both terms were for two-year appointments that will end at the end of this academic year. We have several new administrators on board. We have two new deans, Roosevelt Newson, who joins us from Georgia Southern University, as Dean of the College of Fine Arts. We also have Nancy Ridenour, from Texas Tech University where she was the Dean of the College of Nursing, joining us as Dean of the Mennonite College of Nursing. We also have a new Vice President for Undergraduate Studies, Dr. Eric Thomas, who joins us from Mississippi Valley State University, where he was a professor of biology and also served as Provost. We will also be doing a search for the Director of General Education. For this year, Provost Goldfarb has asked Norma Stumbo to act as Director.

We are looking forward to another exciting academic year focusing on the distinctiveness exercise. The Board is very much interested in us trying to identify what makes this institution distinct and ways in which we can enhance excellence at Illinois State. President Boschini has indicated strong support for that agenda. We have put the committee together and it will be announced in the next ISU Report. It has all of the people recommended from the Senate, by the deans, Administrative Professional Council and Civil Service Council sitting on this committee. Hopefully we will have a committee that will represent all of the constituents on campus. The Vice-President's have also asked to sit on that committee indicating how important they believe setting this agenda is. The President has asked that the committee submit a report to him by April 1, 2000. The committee will meet for the first time next week.

• Vice President of Student Affairs

Vice President Boyer: We have had one of the smoothest move-ins for incoming students we have had in a long time. The Passages program put on for the new students went very well. We are finding that more and more students are taking advantage of it.

• Vice President for Business and Finance

Vice President Bragg: The General Assembly passed and the Governor signed our fiscal year 2000 appropriation for Illinois State University. We received a 4.1% increase in general funds. We received appropriation for the operations for Mennonite College of Nursing of about \$7 million. We

received all of the support that we for which we asked for our base salary increases, plus the third year of the salary enhancement program, this year devoted to faculty salary enhancements. We also received a 10% increase in library support and about a half million dollars for maintenance programs.

We received ancillary support for the "Illinois First Program", which higher education did not participate in directly. Many thanks go to our local representatives Senator Maitland and Representatives Brady and Rutherford for that.

We received \$8.9 million to augment the gift that we received from State Farm to construct a new building for the College of Business and another \$1.2 million for capital renewal programs. So we received about \$21.2 million this year to be spent on capital programs. We have just selected the architect and engineers for the College of Business structure. They will go through a yearlong process of design and a least a year of construction after that. So roughly speaking, the building should be erected in 20 to 24 months.

We already crafted the budget proposal for the Board of Trustees and the Board approved a budget increase request of about \$12 million, an approximately 9.3% increase. This is just the beginning of a long process. We will not know the final FY2001 allocations until next summer.

Committee Reports:

Academic Affairs Committee

Senator Schwartz: Academic Affairs has not met yet, but will meet prior to the next Senate meeting.

Administrative Affairs Committee:

Senator Van Draska: Administrative Affairs has not met, but will meet when this meeting is over.

Budget Committee:

Senator Strickland: The Budget Committee has not met, but will meet after tonight's meeting.

Faculty Affairs Committee:

Senator Kurtz: The Faculty Affairs Committee will meet for the first time after tonight's meeting.

Rules Committee:

Senator Newgren: Rules will meet after tonight's meeting.

Student Affairs Committee:

Senator Gillespie: The Student Affairs Committee will meet on September 15 at 6:00 p.m. in the first floor West Lounge.

Senator White: All committee chairs are reminded again to contact the Senate office about setting up their individual committee sites within the Academic Senate web site.

Action Items:

External Committee Elections: SCERB and SCERB Grievance Committee Motion XXXI-5: by Senator Knox to elect the slate of student nominees to the Student Code and Review Board (SCERB) and the Student Code and Review Board Grievance Committee. Motion was approved unanimously.

SCERB

Tiffany Askew, CIS

SCERB Grievance Committee

Jennifer Luginsky, EED Jackie Weiher, AUD Michael Zajac, HIS

06.28.99.01A Council for Teacher Education Elections

Motion XXXI-6: by Senator Newgren to confirm the Provost's appointments of three faculty members to the Council for Teacher Education. The Senate approved the motion unanimously.

Council on Teacher Education

Sally Pancrazio, Chairperson Bob Fisher, COE representative Margaret Kelly, CFA representative

07.13.99.01 Election of Faculty Advisory Committee Representative and Alternate to the Illinois Board of Higher Education

Barbara Nouri, the previous representative to the Faculty Advisory Committee (FAC), resigned during the summer of 1999.

Motion XXXI-7: by Senator Day nominating Lane Crothers as FAC representative to the Illinois Board of Higher Education. There were no other nominations. The Senate approved the motion unanimously.

Motion XXXI-8: by Senator Razaki to elect Ken Jerich as alternate representative to FAC. There were no other nominations. The motion was approved unanimously.

08.23.99.01 Election of Students to the Honors Council

Motion XXXI-9: by Senator Knox to elect the slate of students to the Honors Council. Motion approved unanimously.

Senator Noyes: Asked if it would be better to have cross representative on the Honors Council. A number of the students on the slate were from the same department.

Senator White: These were the only applications for the Honors Council that we have received.

Honors Council

Stacy Kelly, CHEM Scott Kording, BUS Lynn Roberts, Human Resource Management Josh Schumacher, BIO Mona Bormet, BUS Patrick Rauen, CHEM

Approval of 1998 Constitution

Senator White: Faculty and students have caucused separately to discuss the approval of the 1998 Constitution approved by the Board of Trustees. The university community has essentially operated under two Constitutions for the last year and a half. This body has never endorsed the Constitution adopted by our Board of Trustees in the spring of 1998. The intention of this action item is for the Senate to officially adopt the Constitution that was adopted by the Board in the spring of 1998. What is making this possible is a Memorandum of Understanding, which was signed by Chairperson Borg last year with Senate support, and a letter we received this summer from President Boschini clarifying the question of whether or not the Memorandum applied to the Constitution itself. As you will recall, the Board gave itself the unilateral authority to amend the Constitution. We have now clarified the understanding of these memorandums relative to the Constitution and we are now at the point where we can consider officially accepting the Constitution of 1998 as adopted by the Board of Trustees.

Motion XXXI-10: by Senator Whitmore to adopt the Constitution of 1998 adopted by the Board of Trustees. Senator Goodwin seconded the nomination.

Senator Schmaltz: Asked if we were still operating under the Constitution of 1969. He also asked if this modification of the Constitution would need a two-third-majority vote.

Senator White: Clarified that the Senate was currently operating under the 1969 Constitution.

Parliamentarian Semlak: Stated that we would need a two-thirds vote to approve the Board's Constitution.

Senator Schmaltz: Is opposed to the adopting the Board's Constitution. He stated that the Board has already violated our Constitution in its Constitutional changes, first in the Presidential search and then presenting us with their Constitution. Although the Board has had the power, they have never imposed a Constitution upon us before. It was up to us to bring it to them after we got a two-thirds majority and they were free to accept it or reject it. Now things are going to come down from the Board and we are unsure what we can do about them other than to accept them. He said he saw this as the end of shared governance. Senator Schmaltz requested a roll call vote for the acceptance of the Constitution.

Senator Walker: The Board's Constitution does not exclude proposals from going from this body to the Board of Trustees. Shared governance goes both ways and we are not just at the mercy of propositions coming down. We can continue to propose issues to the Board of Trustees as we always have.

Senator White: Clarified that that was the function of both the Memorandum of Understanding and the memo from President Boschini. The Board has committed to the understanding that, in certain areas, it will not adopt policy affecting academics, faculty, or student issues without first receiving the recommendations of the Senate. So it is possible for something to begin at the Board level, but they will not adopt it without first seeking our advice.

Senator Reid: To the best of his knowledge, all the Memorandum of Understanding says it that the Board anticipates accepting our recommendations except in exceptional circumstances

regarding those issues. Senator Reid stated that the Board had not indicated in the Memorandum that it would necessarily ask for communications.

Senator White: Read a portion of the Memorandum of Understanding. "The President and Board of Trustee agree that the faculty (or appropriate representative bodies, such as the Academic Senate) has primary responsibility for academic issues, faculty affairs issues and educational issues related to student life and is entrusted with the authority to recommend policies on those issues to the President. The President and the Board anticipate that these recommendations will be modified or rejected only in exceptional circumstances. The Board of Trustees anticipates further that in the interest of open communication, the President will communicate with the Academic Senate concerning any rationale for modification or rejection of an Academic Senate recommendation pertaining to academic issues, faculty affairs issues and educational issues related to student life."

Senator Reid: It says absolutely nothing about them having to wait for recommendations. We just have the authority to recommend. Although I think the Memorandum promises nothing, it is an important document. It is based very carefully on the Administrative Professionals' and a few other organizations' documents on shared governance. Senator Reid stated that he strongly supported it if the Constitution is based upon it. However, in the end the Board has the final authority. Our only hope, and particularly administrators in the Senate, is to work with the Board and convince them where recommendations and decisions should come from.

Move the Previous Question:

Senator Razaki: We have spent more than year on this. We have gone through a lot of strife and conflict and it is time to move on. He therefore moved the previous question. **Motion XXXI-11:** by Senator Razaki to move to a vote on the Constitution. Seconded by Senator Zielinksi. The motion was approved unanimously.

Point of Information:

Senator Williams: Are we including as part of our vote on the Constitution the inclusion of the Memorandum of Understanding?

Senator White: The Memorandum of Understanding signed by Dr. Borg, Mr. Sulaski and former President Strand was appended to the Constitution by President Strand in the Senate meeting last year when we adopted the resolution and confirmed that Dr. Borg should sign it. The Chair's interpretation is that the Memorandum is attached to and should appear with the Constitution.

Role Call Vote to Approve Board of Trustee's Constitution:

The Senate approved the Constitution adopted by the Board of Trustees with 40 yes votes, 5 no votes and 2 abstentions.

Information Items:

03.15.99.04 College of Business Bylaws-Revised (Rules Committee)

Senator Newgren: The Rules Committee reviewed and approved the College of Business bylaws. He asked that Dr. Dixie Mills, Dean of the College of Business, address the Senate regarding the bylaws revisions.

Dr. Mills: The revisions are fairly minor. The major change in the bylaws is to increase the size the Human Resource Development Team, which has a lot of responsibilities and felt quite overworked last year. We recognized that we really needed more faculty involved in that, so we have added another elected member from each department to that team. Since we did not have a separate elections committee, we needed to specify in the bylaws what group would be responsible for elections.

The Senate will vote on approval of the bylaws at its meeting of September 15, 1999.

Discussion: Executive Session

08.23.99.02-03 Recommendations for FY00 Salary Increments and Tenure and Promotion Report

Motion XXXI-12: by Senator McCaw to move into executive session to discuss personnel issues. Seconded by Senator Van Draska. Motion was approved unanimously.

Communications:

State University Retirement System Representative:

Senator Newgren: We are in need of a replacement for Tom Baer, who retired from the State University Retirement System Members Advisory Committee. If anyone has an interest in serving as a representative to SURS, and it does not have to be a Senate member, please contact Dr. Newgren.

MotionXXXI-13: Senate adjourned by standing vote.



Date: 9/1/99		Approval of Minutes	Elections	CTE Election	FAC Election	FAC Election of Alternate	Honors Council Election	Constitution Approval	Move to a Vote on Constit.	Move into Exec. Session	
Names	ATTENDANCE	Motion 4 Unanimous	Motion 5 Unanimous	Motion 6 Unanimous	Motion 7 Unanimous	Motion 8 Unanimous	Motion 9 Unanimous	Motion 10	Motion 11 Unanimous	Motion 12 Unanimous	Motion 13 Unanimous
Andrade	X			,				YES			
Bell	X							YES			
Boschini	X							YES			
Boyer	X							YES			
Bragg	X							YES			
Campbell, M.	X							YES	1	61,0	
Chang	X		1					YES			
Clemmons	EXCUSED										
Crothers	X							YES			
Day	X							YES			
Dicker	X		-					YES			
El-Zanati	X							NAY			
Ford	X		-					YES			
Gillespie	X							YES			
Goldfarb	X							YES			
Goodwin								YES			
Graba	X										
Horvat	X							YES			
Knox	X							YES	-		
Knox	X							YES			
	X				-			YES			
Lemaster	X							YES			
Linsner	EXCUSED										
McCaw	X		-					NAY	-		
Meier	X							ABSTAIN			
Moomey	X							YES			
Morgan	X							YES			
Newgren	X							YES			
Noyes	X							YES	-		
Olejarz	X							YES			
Otsuka	X							NAY			
Panfilio	X							ABSTAIN			
Razaki	X							YES			
Reid	X							YES			
Schmaltz	X							NAY			
Schwartz	X							YES			
Strickland	Х							NAY			
Thomas	x							YES			
Timmerman											
-Lugg	X							YES			
Van Draska	X						**	YES			
Walker	X							YES			
Waple	X							YES			
Weber	X							YES			
Wells	x							YES			
Wennerstrom	x							YES			
White	x							YES			
Whitmore	X							YES			
Williams	X							YES			
Wolf	X							YES			
Zielinski	X							YES			