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**ACADEMIC SENATE AGENDA**  
**TIME: 7 P.M., Wednesday, April 21, 1999**  
**PLACE: Circus Room, Bone Student Center**

*Call to Order*

*Roll Call*

*Approval of Minutes of 4/7/99*

*Chairperson's Remarks*

New Senator: Ron Meiers (unable to attend tonight) replaces Wayne Nelsen.

*Vice Chairperson's Remarks*

*Student Government Association President's Remarks*

*Administrators' Remarks*

- *President David Strand*
- *Provost Al Goldfarb*
- *Vice President Vic Boschini*
- *Vice President Steven Bragg*

*Committee Reports*

- *Academic Affairs Committee*
- *Administrative Affairs Committee*
- *Budget Committee*
- *Faculty Affairs Committee*
- *Rules Committee*
- *Student Affairs Committee*

*Action Items:*

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| 04.06.99.01 | Nominations and Vitae for Panel of 10, Academic Freedom and Faculty Ethics and Grievance Committees |
| 03.15.99.05 | Senate Calendar   |
| 03.25.99.02 | Mennonite College of Nursing Bylaws   |

*Information Items:*

Academic Plan

*Communications*

*Adjournment*

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**ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES**  
**(Approved)**

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**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 XXX-116** by Senator Boschini (seconded by Senator Clark) to approve the minutes of April 7, 1999.

Corrections and additions: Page 2, Motion XXX-106 – Change “to nominating” to “nominating”.  
Change attendance from absent to present: Senator Graba, who entered the meeting after roll call, was marked as absent.

Add statements by Senator Clark regarding University Service Awards:

**Senator Clark:** Stated that he did not believe it was appropriate for a person's service philosophy to be considered for a service award. The service award is based on accomplishments and contributions, not politically correct justifications.

Minutes approved unanimously.

**Chairperson's Remarks**

**Chairperson Curt White:** Stated that he has begun meeting with various groups in central administration and has discussed several issues: By July 1, we should be able to e-mail every faculty member on campus as a whole. The Senate office will be working on improving the Senate web site during the summer. Senator White reported that the policy project on line, directed by Laura Pedrick, could be found at [www.policy.ilstu.edu](http://www.policy.ilstu.edu).

The internal committees will meet for the first time this evening after the Senate meeting. There are two proposals that the Senate needs to approve during its last meeting on May 5. The proposals are for the M.S. in Arts Technology and the new Integrated B.S./Master of Professional Accountancy program. The Budget and Academic Affairs Committees will review the proposals. They will come before the Senate as Information Items with a request to move them to Action Items at the May 5 meeting. The Rules Committee has the College of Business bylaws as its first order of business.

Senator White also reminded Senate members that the Bone Student Center parking passes distributed to all Senate members were for use only during the Senate meetings.

**Vice Chairperson's Remarks**

**Vice Chairperson Chris Knox:** Last Monday, internal committee memberships were finalized. Senator Knox reported that he had three candidates for the two graduate student positions available on the Sen-

ate. He hopes to have the final selections by the next Senate meeting. Senator Knox stated that he is still looking for students to serve on external committees. This is proving to be a difficult process.

Last Monday night, the student senators and the Student Government Association held a joint meeting. Senator Knox stated that they felt that it was important to have closer relations between both organizations. They will meet again next Tuesday, April 27.

#### **Student Government Association President's Remarks:**

**Senator Ford:** No report.

#### **Administrators' Remarks**

- **President Strand:** Last week the House Appropriations Committee began hearings on a variety of bills, including those for the appropriations process for ISU. President Strand reported that our hearing went very well. The Illinois Senate previously had its hearing on all its bills and reduced the governor's recommended level of funding for public universities. We are now working with the governor's office and are optimistic that there will be funds closer to the governor's level for the funding of public universities. Even at the Illinois Senate's level of funding, the budget is still a very good budget for ISU and other public universities.
- **Provost Goldfarb:** The Mennonite College of Nursing search is complete. Nancy Ridenour, has been appointed as Dean. Hopefully, she can start in this position by June 15. She is coming to ISU from Texas Tech University. Senator Goldfarb has received recommendations from the College of Fine Arts for the Dean position and is in the midst of checking references. The search committee for Associate Vice President for Undergraduate Studies recently met and committee members are narrowing down the pool of candidates.

Senator Goldfarb is still awaiting nominees from CAST and the College of Education for the academic distinctiveness and enhancing excellence committee. He hopes to have the committee formed before the semester ends. Senator Goldfarb reported that he is expecting to soon receive reports from the technology committee, which is reviewing ISU's available technology resources with recommendations for improving them. He further reported that he should receive a report soon from the child care task force.

Senator Goldfarb has made recommendations to the President and the University Review committee regarding ASPT. He stated that the ASPT committee will try to move the ASPT processes forward as early as possible in the spring semester.

- **Vice President Boschini:** No report.
- **Vice President Bragg:** Excused absence.

#### **Action Items:**

##### **Panel of 10 Elections**

Nominations for the Panel of 10 were submitted to the Senate office from academic department chairpersons and nominees submitted vita for the Senate's review. Senate members reviewed the vita and then voted for nominees by ballot, electing nominees by a majority vote. The following nominees were elected:

Savario Mungo	Curriculum and Instruction
Louis Perez	History
Paul Walker	Agriculture
David Weber	Biological Sciences
Salvatore Catanzaro	Psychology
Robert Stefl	Art
Diane Urey	Foreign Languages
Marjorie Jones	Chemistry
Kathleen McKinney	Sociology
Hank Campbell	Industrial Technology

### **Senate Calendar**

**Motion XXX-117:** by Senator Clark (second by Senator Whitmore) to approve the Senate calendar for July 1999 – May 2000. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Mennonite College of Nursing Bylaws**

**Motion XXX-118:** by Senator Reid (second by Senator Wells). He moved that the Senate pass the Mennonite College of Nursing bylaws.

**Senator Clark:** Noted that there would be a minimum of six committees for the college to serve on and each committee would have a minimum of three faculty on it. He reported that, according to information he had received, there would be between five and nine full-time tenure and tenure track faculty eligible to serve on the committees. He believed that there would not be enough employees to fill the committees.

**Senator Reid:** Noted that both full-time tenure/tenure track and full-time non-tenure track faculty were eligible to serve on the committees. The staffing for Mennonite is not yet set, but there will be five returning faculty on tenure track and one to three additional tenure track. There should be about nine full-time non-tenure track and nine part-time faculty for a total of 20.5 FTE. The Rules Committee felt that it was best that the college have an opportunity to decide if it wanted to serve on all of the committees for which it was eligible.

Mennonite College of Nursing bylaws were approved unanimously.

### **Academic Freedom Committee and Faculty Ethics and Grievance Committee Elections**

**Motion XXX-119:** by Senator Razaki to elect the slate of nominees for the Academic Freedom Committee and Faculty Ethics and Grievance Committee. Nominations were received from academic department chairpersons and one faculty member from the Marketing Department submitted his nomination by petition for the Faculty Ethics and Grievance Committee.

Motion passed unanimously. The following individuals were elected.

### **Faculty Ethics and Grievance Committee**

Daniel Graybill	Psychology
Jim Grimm	Marketing
William Lesch	Marketing
Sarah Jones Gentry	Music
Chad Buckley	Milner

Marion Micke Health Sciences  
Yvonne Unrau Social Work (Nominated as a replacement for  
Linda Cummins 1997-2000)

### **Academic Freedom Committee**

Norman Bettis Curriculum and Instruction  
Rick Whitacre Agriculture  
Eloise Cline Milner  
Glenn Reeder Psychology  
Julie Johnson Art  
Mark Temple Health Sciences  
James Van Der Laan Foreign Languages  
Cheryl Stampley Social Work

### **Information Items:**

#### **Academic Plan**

**Senator Goldfarb:** Briefly described the Academic Plan. The Academic Planning Committee is an external committee of the Senate. The committee meets throughout the fall and early into the spring semester putting together the plan. The plan contains the mission statement of the university and of each of the colleges. It also contains the institutional priority statements and priority actions, and program review summaries of curricular programs that were scheduled for IBHE review. The full reports of the program reviews are available at Milner Library. Senator Goldfarb stated that he hoped that we could tie the academic planning process to the strategic planning process and that, ultimately, when we develop the academic distinctiveness plan, the academic plan is tied to those issues.

**Senator Crothers:** Referred to page 16 regarding renovation. One major concern of faculty is the relocation of space for classes and office space during renovations. He wanted assurance that appropriate planning for reorganization would take place.

**Dr. Chapman:** In the coming year, about 10% of the funds for renovation will be released. These funds will be spent over a period of more than one year strictly for the planning, engineering and design phase.

**Senator Knox:** Referred to page 11, #7. He asked how many students would be involved on the committee to continue the General Education curriculum review and assessment. He felt that student input on this would be vital.

**Senator Goldfarb:** He stated that no committee had actually been formed to review and assess the reformed program. He stated that he would check on the student representation on the General Education Committee. At this point, we are developing and collecting materials to assess the program, which includes evaluations from students who are taking the GE coursework. One survey will be conducted for freshmen this year and a second survey next year of second year students. Data will be compared to a survey conducted in 1996.

**Senator Graba:** Asked if all advisors were aware of General Education reforms. He stated that some students have been advised to take classes that were not needed.

**Senator Goldfarb:** Stated that workshops were offered last week for advisors of undergraduate students to ensure that they understood which classes students were required to take to satisfy GE requirements.

**Senator Reid:** Page 21, #8, the College of Arts and Science FY2000 objectives. What type of courses will be offered for the Masters in Liberal Arts degree and what type of jobs would people try to get after obtaining a degree in this program.

**Senator Goldfarb:** This degree is being looked at by both the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Fine Arts and is still in the planning stage. It is our desire to create a degree that will cross disciplines in the humanities and liberal arts.

**Senator Scmaltz:** This degree might be obtained by teachers who teach in a variety of areas and who want to broaden their base knowledge.

The Senate discussed various other aspects of the Academic Plan.

### *Communications*

**Motion XXX-120:** by Senator Clark, seconded by Senator McCaw, to adjourn. Unanimous by standing vote.



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