

Minutes: November 13, 2001

Bozorth Hall Auditorium Attendance: H. Appelson, L. Arnold, J. Benevento, G. Biren, C. Calliari, B. Caswell, J. Chang, J. Chaskes, C. Clark, S. Clough, M. Davis, D. Gilchrist, T. Hamer, C. Hasit, L. Hohwald, L. Holbrook, M. Itzkowitz, J. Kay, L. Kress, P. Laumakis, D. Lemaire, M. Li, J. Mallory-Church, B. Marlin, J. Maxson, S. McHenry, P. Mosto, O. Ojewujy, J. Orlins, J. Peterson, R. Polikar, J. Rada, L. Reeves, E. Rusch, N. Schmelz, K. Sieftring, K. Small, S. Spencer, L. Stephans, W. Still, E. Streb, S. Taber, S. Thomas, C. Vitto, H. Vogel, P. vonLockette, S. Weidman, J. Xin, T. Yurak, D. Mirchandani Not in Attendance: E. Chaloupka, E. Guerra, B. Habte-Giorgis, H. Hartman, D. Hathaway, M. Marino, R. McBee, D. Miller, J. Newell, M. Stieber, M. Vigorita, T. Wade
Sabbatical Leave: J. Moss
Call to Order: Meeting convened by President Ed Streb at 11:00 AM. Changes to Agenda: -Julie Mallory-Church informed President Streb that she will not be stepping down as Chair of the Student Relations Committee, and therefore it is not necessary to elect a new chair to that committee.
-President announced that a new Senator At Large has to be elected to the Senate Executive Committee. Approve Agenda: Motion made to approve meeting agenda, seconded and carried. Motion to Approve Minutes of October 16, 2001: Motion to approve, seconded and carried. Open Period: Dr. Farish was not able to attend due a conflict in meeting schedules. No other non-senators wished to address the Senate. Nominations:
-Nomination to appoint Dorie Gilchrest as Chair for Committee on Committees. Motion to approve, seconded and carried.
-Nomination to appoint Lorin Arnold, nomination to appoint Herb Appelson for Senator At Large to the Executive Committee to replace Pat Mosto. Herb Appelson declined the nomination. Motion to approve, seconded and carried to appoint Lorin Arnold as Senator at Large to the Executive Committee. Senate President's Report:
-The cap & gown reimbursement debate was discussed with President Farish and Bob Zazzali. Anyone who purchased a cap and gown after September 1, 2001 would be reimbursed. Protocol remains as follows: new faculty and professional staff; department chairs; remaining faculty and professional staff who want a cap and gown will be placed in a lottery. All purchases must be through the University Bookstore. The amount of reimbursement is up to \$500.00.
-Another Senate member is needed, but not essential to be appointed to the Parking Appeals Committee.
-A meeting with the Senate officers and the Provost was recently held regarding discussion about the grade grievance process. It is not clear who will be responsible for these processes, but until the end of this academic year the Dean of Students will be the responsible party. The matter has been referred to the Academic Policies & Procedures Committee.
-The Senate Executive Committee will have dinner with the Board of Trustees after the Trustee's next meeting. Standing Committees:
-Academic Policies & Procedures: The committee met and identified areas needing attention, including the auditing policy of the Art Department. Also discussed was the matter of the appropriateness of individuals wearing their honors regalia. The matter has been tabled. The other matter to be investigated is the withdrawal policies.
-Campus Aesthetics & Environmental Concerns: The committee met on October 29, 2001 and discussed general plans for the campus.
-Career Development: no report
-Committee on Committees: Motion to appoint Shannon Killeen to the University Scholarship

Committee; Leslie Spencer to the Tenure & Recontracting Committee; Linda Packman to the Bookstore Committee, seconded and carried.

Sal Spina is temporarily serving on the Tenure & Recontracting Committee as a professional representative until Stuart McGee returns from sick leave.

-Curriculum Committee: A meeting is scheduled on November 16, 2001 regarding curriculum proposals.

-Intercollegiate Athletics: A meeting is scheduled on November 19, 2001.

-Learning Outcomes Assessment Committee: James Newell will meet with the Provost on November 15, 2001 to discuss the roles of this committee.

-Professional Ethics & Welfare: no report

-Promotion Committee: no report

-Recruitment, Admissions & Retention: A meeting is scheduled on November 29, 2001.

-Research & Technological Resources: Jennifer Kay reported that this committee is meeting with the Provost to have clarification as to their actual responsibilities within the Academic Affairs Action Plan.

-Sabbatical Leave: Applications are being submitted. Last day to submit applications is November 26, 2001.

-Student Relations: A meeting was held on November 7, 2001: (1) concern was that this committee was to have five student representatives from the SGA, but no students attended the meeting. The means to get more student input is being explored; (2) there is a concern that there has been an increase of students seeking counseling to high stress levels due to the war that the country is currently involved in; (3) exploring the matter of a mandated academic course for all student leaders.

-Tenure & Recontracting: Reviews and deliberations have been completed.

-University Budget & Planning: no report New Business:

-Bruce Caswell reported that hearings by the Scheduling Committee are to be announced this week.

-The AFT has sent Bob Zazzali a series of proposals radically altering the promotion process. Donna Hathaway, Ed Streb and Cindy Vitto met with Stan Urban regarding some concerns of the content of these proposals: (1) the elimination of the University Senate Committee (2) changing the role of the College Committees, as the union is proposing that there be a departmental committee recommendation and a dean's recommendation, and that if they do not agree then a promotion be appealed through a College Committee for arbitration; (3) eliminate departmental guidelines and adhere to university guidelines; (4) elimination of the outside reviewer for promotion to full professor. Meeting adjourned: 12:00 PM Respectfully submitted,
Pat Mosto, University Senate Secretary