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FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

DECEMBER 7, 1992

CALL TO ORDER

The Faculty Senate of Eastern Kentucky University met on Monday, December 7, 1992, in the Faculty Dining Room of the Powell Building. The Senate Chair, Joan McGill, called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

G. Bickum	*V. Falkenberg	M. Fleming
M. Grise	J. Jones	*M. Klatte
*T. Ricks	*J. Rowlett	P. Shuttleworth
R. Sims	H. Tracy	K. Tunnell

*Indicates prior notification to Faculty Senate Secretary.

Visitors to the Senate were Dr. Richard M. Clewett, Jr., English; Dr. David C. Hufford, Medical Technology; Dr. Ella F. Hunter, Nursing BAC; Dr. Karen L. Rudick, Speech and Theatre Arts; Dr. Norman M. Spain, Loss Prevention & Safety; Dr. Susan C. Willis, Home Economics; Dr. Paul J. Wirtz, Ed Student Services; and Mr. Mark White, Eastern Progress.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chair McGill called for corrections to the November 2, 1992, minutes. There being no corrections, the minutes were approved as distributed.

REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT: DR. FUNDERBURK

The president reported about the restructuring of higher education and the evolving university. He mentioned that several copies of a publication entitled Trustees and Troubled Times in Higher Education, published by the Association of Governing Boards and addressing current issues in higher education, will be placed on reserve in the Crabbe Library. He also mentioned that he attended a recent American Association of State Colleges and Universities meeting, which focused on how to manage universities in times of decreased state funding and the financial impact of global economic competition. Some institutions are turning certain campus services, such as physical plant operations and food services, over to the private sector to manage. The president opposes a move in this direction.

Dr. Funderburk next commented on the effect of S.B. 398, which

became effective July 1st and concerns affirmative action and desegregation in Kentucky higher education institutions. Currently the Council on Higher Education is working on administrative regulations to implement the bill in the areas of student affairs and employment. Eastern is presently working on goals in these areas.

REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: CHAIR MCGILL

The Executive Committee met on November 16, 1992. In January, the Executive Committee will meet on Wednesday, January 20, instead of Monday, January 11. Dr. Enzie came to the November meeting and discussed the report from the Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Merit Pay. Senators W. Wright and Engle agreed to meet with that committee to look more at process and not just outcomes. Senator S. Davis and Dr. Clewett discussed the progress of the Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Grading. The Senate Committee on Budget and the Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Communication asked to postpone their reports until February.

In looking at non-traditional students the chair has met with the Vice President for Student Affairs, the Dean for Student Development, and the Director of Advising and Testing. The University committee, Improvement of Instruction, will be asked to look at honors and recognition in relation to non-traditional students. Members of a Commuter Students Committee, whose final report was received by the Council on Student Affairs in May, 1990, have offered to share with the Executive Committee their findings related to non-traditional students.

REPORT FROM THE FACULTY REGENT: SENATOR FREED

Senator Freed reported that at the last COSFL meeting he attended the organization considered requesting that a member from COSFL be placed on the Kentucky Teachers Retirement Board. Approximately forty-five faculty members had a positive and informative meeting with Board of Regents Chair Jim Gilbert on December 1st. Several concerned faculty members and students had contacted Freed about the university's plans in acquiring the Watts property. He stated that the Board approved ECU only to look into buying the property and it was much too early to prejudge potential university use of Elmwood. And lastly, he reported the planned 2% state budget cut and faculty's need to be concerned about the cuts.

President Funderburk responded to concerns about the university's acquisition of the Watts property. He mentioned that Eastern has been interested in the estate for many years and only recently an opportunity became available to possibly acquire the property. If Eastern acquires the property, the university will be looking for a middle ground between ardent preservationists and those who want to tear the house down. He stated that the university can not justify keeping the surrounding property

untouched.

REPORT FROM COSFL: SENATOR W. WRIGHT

Senator W. Wright reported that at the recent COSFL meeting at the University of Louisville. Richard Freed was elected treasurer and Ward Wright was appointed to rewrite the organization's constitution. A draft letter about of higher education financing needs requires more time for fine tuning before it will be sent. In university reports Western Kentucky University is considering a no confidence vote for President Meredith; the University of Louisville is developing faculty accountability forms; Northern Kentucky University is undergoing numerous academic administrative personnel changes; Murray State and Morehead are considering tuition waivers for faculty; and the University of Kentucky and Morehead are considering administrative reorganizations to save money and become more efficient.

NEW BUSINESS

REPORT FROM THE COUNCIL ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS: SENATOR ENZIE

Senator Enzie moved proposals from several colleges. The College of Allied Health and Nursing: change name from Department of Medical Technology to Department of Clinical Laboratory Sciences; change name of Baccalaureate Degree in Medical Technology to Baccalaureate Degree in Clinical Laboratory Science; change name of Associate Degree in Medical Laboratory Technology to Clinical Laboratory Technology; change name of Department of Medical Record Science to Department of Health Information; change name of Associate Degree in Medical Record Technology to Associate Degree in Health Information Technology; change name of Baccalaureate Degree in Medical Record Administration to Baccalaureate Degree in Health Information Management; change name of Post-Baccalaureate Certificate program, Department of Medical Record Science to Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Health Information Management; and proposed a Medical Administrative Certificate Program. Senator Gale seconded the motion which passed by voice vote.

The College of Applied Arts and Technology: new minor in Aviation Administration; change name of minor in Aviation to minor in Aviation Flight; new minors in Architectural Drafting Technology, Computer Electronics Technology, Printing Technology, and Quality Assurance Technology; suspend Wood Products Manufacturing Option to the B.S. in Manufacturing Technology; new minor in Broadcast News; change name of B.A. in Broadcasting to B.A. in Broadcasting and Electronic Media; change name of minor in Media Sales to minor in Advertising; and change name of the Department of Home Economics to Department of Human Environmental Sciences. Senator Kleine seconded the motion, which passed by voice vote.

College of Business: a new option in Human Resource Management to be added to existing B.B.A. program in Management. Senator R. Davis seconded the motion, which passed by voice vote.

The College of Education: a new option in Hearing Impairment Teacher Certification Program and suspension of the Sociology option to the M.A. in Education Program. Senator Henson seconded the motion, which passed by voice vote.

The College of Law Enforcement: change title of B.S. in Security and Loss Prevention to B.S. in Assets Protection; change in option from Loss Prevention Management to Assets Protection Management; change in option from Security and Loss Prevention to Assets Protection Studies; change in minor from Security and Loss Prevention to Assets Protection Management; and change title of Associate Degree in Business and Industrial Security to Associate Degree in Assets Protection Management. Senator Baugh seconded the motion, which passed by voice vote.

The College of Natural and Mathematical Sciences: change the name of minor in Applied Statistics to minor in Statistics and change the name of option in Applied Statistics Physics to option in Engineering Physics. Senator Batch seconded the motion which, passed by voice vote.

Senator Enzie moved to amend a previously adopted motion on the school calendar "that the Dean of Undergraduate Studies will provide for 15 night sessions in every relevant case" to "that the instructor of an evening class which is scheduled to meet less than 15 times be permitted to determine when and how to make up the time during the semester. It will be his/her option to extend the time of each class meeting, to meet at an alternate time, or to develop a plan for making up the time in another manner. The instructor will report the meeting times of the class to the Chair of the Department and place them in the course syllabus." Senator Duncan seconded the substitute motion. After considerable discussion the substitute motion passed by a standing vote of 33 to 27.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Senator Enzie spoke on the motion to amend the Academic Bankruptcy of Eastern Work Policy. He stated that the proposal came from the Council of Deans and is intended to modify current policy which is more restrictive than other institutions in the state. After some discussion Senator Stebbins moved to amend the following sentence: "However, if bankrupted courses could have satisfied requirements had they not been bankrupted, the dean may waive requirements met by those courses and allow the students to substitute elective courses equivalent in hours to those waived." to "However, the dean of the college in which the student is enrolled may waive major, supporting, and general education requirements met by bankrupted courses (in which the student

received at least a C or higher grade), while requiring the student to substitute elective courses equivalent in hours to those waived." Senator Vance seconded the amendment. The amendment passed by voice vote. The Senate then approved by voice vote the amended motion.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

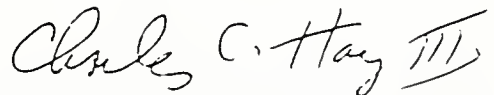
Ad Hoc Committee on Grading: Senator S. Davis

Senator S. Davis moved "that the Faculty Senate go on record as favoring the campus-wide use of an 'augmented' system of grades, that is, one that employs more possible grades than the present system." Committee member Dr. Richard Clewett discussed the need for uniformity, consistency, and fairness in the plus/minus system. After considerable discussion, the motion passed by a standing vote of 32 to 28.

Senator S. Davis moved "that the grading system at Eastern Kentucky University be altered to include the grades B+ and C+. This 'augmented' grading system is to be used in both graduate and undergraduate courses, campus-wide, and the 'plus' grades will have the qualitative values of 3.5 and 2.5, respectively, on a four-point scale. These numerical values will be included in calculating grade point averages." After some discussion Senator C. Dean moved to postpone the motion to the next meeting. Senator Miller seconded the motion, which passed by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Senate, Senator Enzie moved adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 5:06 p.m.



Charles C. Hay III
Faculty Senate Secretary