MINUTES OF THE FACULTY SENATE MEETING APRIL 19, 1990

ATTENDANCE: (√ present) (∗ proxy)

Nigel Allan
William Archambeault
Althea Ashe
Mary Balthazar
Adam Bourgoyne
Panthea Broughton
Griffin Campbell
Michael Carpenter
George Catalano
Russell Chapman
Doo-Young Cho
Neal Cronin
Jim Culbertson
Thomas Dietz
Frane Di Maio
Suzann Dorman
Greseda Doty

√ Sam E. Feagle
√ Marlon F. Fletcher
√ Carol Foll
√ Lane Foll
√ Michelle Gelrich
√ Gary Ginther
√ Robert Housey
√ Jan Herlinger
√ Dan Hillman
√ Douglas Holt
√ Tom Hosie
√ Seth Johnson
√ James Katsler
√ Gerald Kennedy
√ Ralph Kinney
√ David Kirchner
√ William Lane

√ Frances Lawrence
√ Tom Lester
√ Charles Lindau
√ David Longstreth
√ Robert McIlhenny
√ Norma Martin
√ Michelle Masse
√ James Miller
√ Robert Neuman
√ Kenneth Orbach
√ Dorothy Pashley
√ Michael Pitts
√ Ralph Portier
√ Gene Reagan
√ Malcolm Richardson
√ Milton Rush
√ Arnold Saxton

√ Barun Sen Gupta
√ Peter Soderbergh
√ L. Lee Southern
√ Neal Stoltzfus
√ Ethelyn Stott
√ Harriet Taylor
√ Charles Teddle
√ Joel Tolhine
√ Emily Toth
√ Suzanne Turner
√ Steven Weintraub
√ James Werbel
√ James Wharton
√ Selma Zebouri

PROXIES: Don Scott for Senator Archambeault
Senator Soderbergh for Senator Housey
Senator Soderbergh for Senator Ginther
Senator Werbel for Senator Orbach
Senator Lester for Senator Catalano
Senator Broughton for Senator Masse

Senator Broughton for Senator Cronin
Senator Broughton for Senator Toth
Senator Di Maio for Senator Zebouri
Senator Pitts for Senator Housey
Senator L. Foll for Senator Pashley

President Kinney called the meeting to order at 3:05 and welcomed Brenda Averette (Staff Senate), Abner Hammond and Patrick Lipscomb (CLIU), Sharon Hogan, Nancy Pope, and Stanley Wilder (Middleton Library), Kenneth Killen, Dean Carruth McGehee, and press representatives Clay Sollie, Morgan Stewart, and Danielle Thompson.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting of March 14, 1990. With the exception that Senator Lane was proxy for Senator Culbertson, Beth Paskoff was proxy for Senator Carpenter, Senator Sen Gupta was proxy for Harriet Taylor, and President Kinney did attend the meeting, the Minutes were approved as corrected.

2. President's Report. All Senators were asked to help assure interest in the election of new Senators who are truly interested in the Senate's activities.

The LSU Administration has responded to the Personnel Policies Committee suggestions regarding performance review for deans and department chairs. A meeting is expected between the committee and the Administration to iron out differences in perspective.

The ad-hoc Re-cycling Committee has been formed. The members are: Anthony Lewis (chair), Joe Kelley, Rick Moreland, John Pizer, and James Werbel.

A University Space Utilization Committee has been formed by Executive Vice-Chancellor Coleman. Ralph Portier and Suzanne Turner (Executive Committee members) have been appointed. They will report at the May meeting.

Another request has been sent to the Board of Supervisors to implement the Tuition Waiver Plan (for dependents of faculty and staff).

The Senate Executive Committee is trying to find an effective method to support the Staff in their efforts to be included in pay raises, if any, next year. Please let the Executive Committee know of your suggestions.

The Senate Executive Committee will meet with Vice-Chancellor Marge for a final working session on PS-36. The essence of this draft will be presented at the May meeting.

Staff Senate Report. Ron Pleasance, System Director of Human Resources & Risk Management and chairman of the Board of State Group Benefits has stated that forthcoming legislation will have some negative effect on health insurance. Several bills have been filed already. The faculty and staff are encouraged to watch this year's session very closely.

The LSU System has approved two dental plans and a supplemental health policy which should be in place by July 1 through payroll deduction.

An optional life insurance is being offered to employees. If enough employees return the enrollment forms (deadline May 15) the plan will be offered. A certain number must be interested in order to offer the group rates.
3. Election of the Officers and Executive Committee of the 1989-91 Faculty Senate

President. Nominated was Ralph Kinney. Ralph Kinney was nominated from the floor. Ralph Kinney was elected.

Vice-President. Nominated were Ralph Portier and Peter Soderbergh. There were no nominations from the floor. Ralph Portier was elected.

Secretary. Nominated was Sam Feagley. There were no nominations from the floor. Sam Feagley was elected.

Member at Large. Nominated were Norma Martin, Michael Pitts, Harriet Taylor, and Joel Tolhine. There were no nominations from the floor. Norma Martin and Joel Tolhine were elected.

4. Acceptance of Faculty Senate Committee Reports. A motion to accept the Committee Reports collectively was made, seconded, and passed.

Faculty Senate Report No. 89-1, Committee on Courses and Curricula
89-2, Committee on Faculty Grievance
89-3, Committee on Computing
89-4, Committee on Commencement Exercises
89-5, Committee on International Education
89-6, Committee on Review and Long-Range Planning

5. “State of the Library” - Director Sharon Hogan. Director Hogan stated that the budget is broken down into materials 36.6%, salaries 45.6%, Student wages 5.1%, and other 12.6% for the year 1989. Compared to an average SAB Research Library, the library spends a larger % on materials, a lower % on salaries and student wages and other costs. Over the last years a dramatic toll was taken on the material budget which consists of books, journals, binding, and other items such as maps, microfilm and videos. The break-down of materials expenditures Monographs 23%, Serials 67%, Binding 35.2%, and other materials 6%. In 1985-86 the budget was $1,180,000. In 1986-87 it was $1,280,000, 1987-88 it was $1,390,000, etc. Inflation has increased the cost of books by 22%. Even during this lack of money, the library has installed automation, improved circulation, acquisitions, microfiche, serial holdings, CP-Ron, etc. The LSU Libraries ARL ranking in volumes added in '84 was 42. In '88 it was 53. In total expenditures in '84 LSU ranked 54 and '89 ranked 79. In materials expenditure in '84 it was 32, while in '89 it ranked 68. The composite ranking was 52. In summary the steady state budget has taken a toll on collection purchasing, serials, and books and on the library's status as a research resource.

6. LSU Budget Committee report - Anna Perrault. The Budget Committee consists of all the Vice-Chancellors, two faculty, and one student representative. The other faculty member is Tom Lester. Professor Perrault reported that two-thirds of the 1% of the machine run budget which had been escrowed for emergency expenses at the university administrative level had been released by the Budget Committee to be allocated back to units by the respective Vice-Chancellors. The remaining one-third of the 1% has been allocated to necessary expenditures by the Budget Committee. Of the funds available to the committee from the anticipated return of allocated funds at the end of the year and the one-third of 1% of the escrow, all but $24,000 had been spent by the end of March. The major expenditures were over $500,000 in physical plant/maintenance and $275,000 in civil service equity adjustments which had been postponed for two years. If there is no additional funding from the state for the university general budget next fiscal year, there will be a shortfall of approximately $5.5 million. Professor Perrault invited any faculty member wanting more information to contact either of the faculty representatives to the Budget Committee.

7. Conference of LA Colleges & Universities (CCLU) delegates' report - Abner Hammond (delegate) stated that Senators Ewing and Bankston and Representative Orr spoke on the topic "Higher Education-The Legislative Perspective." A Senate staff committee has prepared a document "Louisiana's Challenge: Higher Education 2000" and has spread the word that higher education is the key to the future of LA and needs an immediate and substantial financial transfusion. Higher education is being emphasized as a necessary and critical component in changing the economics, and the social and environmental forecast of Louisiana.

George Hardy (Board of Regents), T.L. James (LABI), Arnold Lincone (Board of Economic Development) addressed the topic "Higher Education and Economic Recovery" and stressed linking economic recovery to education. Mr. Lincone stressed the state's efforts to improve economic growth through improvements of the infrastructure. Higher education and business must work together to produce educated employees who will fit the future requirements of the work force.

8. Old Business. Final action on Faculty Senate Resolution 89-15 (A transfer student's grade of NC will not be changed to an "F") There was a discussion. The question was called and Faculty Senate Resolution 89-15 passed.

Final action on Faculty Senate Resolution 89-16 (evaluate out-of-state admissions by same standards used for instate students). There was a discussion. The question was called and Faculty Senate Resolution failed to pass.

9. New Business. There was no new business.

There being no further business, President Kinney adjourned the meeting at 4:28 p.m. The next Faculty Senate meeting is Thursday, May 3, 1990, in the Royal Ballroom of the LSU Union.

Respectfully submitted,

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Pamela Broughton, Secretary