MINUTES OF THE FACULTY SENATE MEETING NOVEMBER 8, 1984

ATTENDANCE:  (v present)  (* proxie)

- Paul Abel
- Margaret Anderson
- Debra Dobray
- Joseph Ricapito
- Daniel Kyle
- Norwin Linnartz
- Mary Sirridge
- Edith Babin
- Terry Drayer
- Patrick Lipscomb
- Lea McGee
- Daniel Littlefield
- O. Carruth McGhee
- William Stanley
- Sue Bartlett
- Peggy Draughn
- Edward Dunigan
- Richard Norem
- Robert O'Connell
- T. Bonner Stewart
- Carol Bader
- Daniel Daugherty
- Edward Fogle
- Margaret Parker
- T. Monnohan Trivedi
- John Baker
- Charles Fryling
- Robert Godke
- Paul Paskoff
- R. Eugene Trivedi
- Dorothy Bankston
- Thomas Gulledge
- Robert Goode
- Kenneth Paxton
- George Machob
- M. S. Bolner
- Edward Henderson
- Ronald Gough
- John Pennybacker
- Michael Haldon
- Michael Burnett
- David Cordell
- Neil Keatner
- Geoffrey Price
- Mark Williams
- Jo Alice Carter
- William Henk
- Susanne Pucci
- Terry Worthy
- Peggy Chalaron
- Martha Collins
- Jane Reagan
- Daniel Yannitell
- David Bolner for Senator Chalaron
- Senator McGe for Senator Stanley

PROXIES:
- Senator Lipscomb for Senator Ricapito
- Senator Worthy for Senator Carter
- Samuel Meyers for Senator Turner
- Kaylene Long for Senator Bader
- Mark Zucker for Senator Daugherty
- Senator Linnartz for Senator Dunigan
- Senator McGee for Senator Collins
- Senator Dobray for Senator Gulledge

Senator Armas for Senator Yannitell

President Paxton called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. and welcomed new Senator Monnohan Trivedi (replaces Charles Whitehurst who resigned from the university), and press representatives Reed Branson, Angela Francalocia, Nora Norris, and Clancy Soileau

Parliamentarian for the meeting was Senator Gough

1. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting of October 10, 1984

With the exception that Debra Dobray did attend the meeting, the Minutes were approved as distributed.

2. President's Report

The Executive Committee has appointed an ad-hoc committee to respond to the report issued by the Task Force on Computing. Members of the committee are: Bob McIlhenny, Nuclear Science Center; Donald Kraft, Computer Science; Daniel Yannitell, Mechanical Engineering; Pat Crawford, Veterinary Medicine; and Tom Gulledge, Quantitative Business Analysis. Professor McIlhenny was asked to chair this committee. The committee will meet with the Executive Committee soon.

The Executive Committee has received inquiries about concerns of various faculty. These questions have been referred to appropriate committees for action.

President Paxton reminded the Senators of the Faculty Forum series and encouraged everyone to attend. The last presentation in the series this semester will be on November 27, and will feature Professor James Olney (English) who will speak on "Some Forms of Autobiography." He also encouraged all to attend the Tax Sheltered Annuity seminar on November 28, in the Union. The seminar could be beneficial to both staff and faculty.

3. Old Business

Senator Armas discussed the background of the Sabbatical Leave Report and stated that the charge given to the committee was not to rewrite PS-12, but to note the consensus of the faculty concerning sabbatical leaves. He introduced the report of the 1983-84 Sabbatical Leave Committee which consisted of proposed changes in PS-12, pp. 13-14. There was a lengthy discussion in which three friendly amendments or changes were introduced. Senator Bolner suggested not deleting "or equivalent" on line one. Senator Graves suggested changing "one academic year" on line 21 to "two consecutive regular semesters". Senator McGee suggested changing the third paragraph to read "Petitions for sabbatical leave are initiated at the department level during the fall semester. Each petitioners will be notified of the administrations final decision by December 31." A motion to accept the Sabbatical Leave Report with the three friendly amendments was made by Senator McGee, seconded by Senator Bankston, and passed. (see attached)
4. New Business

Senator Fogel introduced a resolution concerning the makeup of the membership of the Graduate Council, and discussed the need for such a change. He asked that the resolution be classified "minor" so that the vote would be at this meeting as the Deans and Directors were making their recommendations now for appointments to the Graduate Council. There was a lengthy discussion. A motion to have Faculty Senate Resolution 84-3 termed "minor" and accept was made by Senator Fogel, seconded by Senator Lipscomb, and passed unanimously.

FACULTY SENATE RESOLUTION 84-3

WHEREAS, the appointed membership of the Graduate Council has at no time in the past five years included more than one colleague from a traditional humanities department among its ten members,

AND WHEREAS, a university owes its title as a university to its commitment to teaching and research in all three of the broad areas into which academic disciplines are generally classified, the sciences, the social sciences, and the humanities,

AND WHEREAS the Graduate Council in its commendable effort to insure excellence in the Graduate Faculty across the university needs the counsel of members familiar from the inside with the variety of characteristic forms and modes of research, with the typical time-tables for developing research, and with the venues for publication in each of these three major areas,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the appointed membership of the Graduate Council should include no fewer than two colleagues whose academic appointments are in each of the three broad areas, the humanities, the social sciences, and the sciences,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that appointments to the Graduate Council should be made to achieve such a disciplinary representation as soon as possible.

Senator O'Connell, concerned with the poor quality of maintenance and janitorial service on campus, introduced Faculty Senate Resolution 84-4. There was a discussion that mostly agreed with Senator O'Connell about the need for something to be done. Senator O'Connell asked that the Resolution be termed "minor" and voted on at this meeting. There being no objection a motion to accept Faculty Senate Resolution 84-4 was made by Senator O'Connell, seconded by Senator Arnas, and passed. It was decided that President Paxton would invite the appropriate Vice-Chancellor to a future meeting to address this matter.

FACULTY SENATE RESOLUTION 84-4

WHEREAS, the prevalent view throughout the whole campus is that buildings and grounds maintenance is of extremely poor quality,

AND WHEREAS, the prevalent view is that janitorial services are very poor,

AND WHEREAS, the prevalent view is that academic-type buildings receive low priority vis-a-vis administration buildings,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the university administration give immediate consideration to the assignment of high priority to the redress of the situation.

There being no further business, President Paxton adjourned the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Lea McGee, Secretary