MINUTES OF THE FACULTY SENATE MEETING SEPTEMBER 12, 1991

Visitors at the meeting were: Jennifer Cargill (Dean of Libraries); Lisa Harris (Admissions); Kay Harrison (Friends of the Library); Laura Lemoine Lindsay (Academic Affairs); Alma Roy (Staff Senate); Ron Snider (Chair, Courses and Curricula Committee); and Joyce Tippy (LSU Public Relations).

Parliamentarian for the meeting was Ralph Kinney.

President Pat Culbertson called the meeting to order at 3:05 P.M.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting of May 2, 1991. The secretary announced three corrections to the minutes. Item #5: deletion of "(2 to be elected);" insertion of "All were elected;" and deletion of the last two sentences. Item #6: last sentence should read "George Catalano and Elsie Hebert were elected." Item #11: (between item #10 and text of Faculty Senate Resolution 90-14): "Faculty Senate Resolution 90-14 was introduced by Larry Farh. By a two-thirds vote it was brought to the floor for action." The minutes were approved with these corrections.

2. President’s Report. President Culbertson introduced himself and expressed his appreciation for the senate leadership of his predecessor, Ralph Kinney, and for the service of outgoing Executive Committee members Ralph Portier, Sam Feagley and Joel Tohline. He introduced the members of the current Executive Committee, and described briefly the function of the Committee. It meets on Thursdays at 11:00 A.M. in the Orleans Room of the LSU Union. Senators are encouraged to contact the committee with their ideas and concerns.

In his summary of summer activities, President Culbertson mentioned Senate Executive Committee participation in interviews with candidates for Provost; the role he and Ralph Kinney performed on a fact-finding committee appointed by Chancellor Davis to study a problem in the School of Journalism and Dr. Kinney’s continuing role as liaison between the Chancellor’s office and the School; continuing work by the ASH Committee on admissions standards; another "new" look at the "W" grade policy; nominations for the ASH Dean Search Committee submitted by the Executive Committee; plans for implementation of Faculty Senate Resolution 90-14 (providing for feedback on performance of Chairs and Deans); and a study of faculty and staff benefits being conducted by a Board of Supervisors committee chaired by Elaine Abell.

4. Report by Lisa Harris (Director of Admissions) on "enrollment". Recent recruiting efforts have been effective. Freshman enrollment increased slightly and graduate enrollment substantially. There is a slight increase in the number of international students, and, as a result of more scholarships, more African-American students. The average ACT score is 23. Recruitment is underway for future classes.

5. Report by Jim Richardson (Associate Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs) on "faculty raises". Raise money was distributed among counter offers, promotion raises, equity adjustments and merit raises. Faculty members will receive an average raise of slightly more than four percent, effective in October. Decisions on money distribution were made by the colleges. Dr. Richardson responded to several questions of the Senators.
6. Election of Member-at Large to the Executive Committee from among new senators. Nominated by the Executive Committee were Billie Collier (Human Ecology) and George Strain (Vet. Med.). There were no nominations from the floor. George Strain was elected.

7. Old Business. Final action on Faculty Senate Resolution 90-16 (regarding membership on the Courses & Curricula Committee) Ron Snider, Chair of Courses and Curricula Committee recommended that the Resolution be tabled. Senator Kinney moved, a vote was taken and the motion passed.


There being no further business, President Culbertson adjourned the meeting at 4:20 P.M. The next Faculty Senate meeting will take place on October 14, 1991 in the Royal Ballroom of the LSU Union.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Parker, Secretary

ATTENDANCE

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Eric Achberger
Fereydoun Asharadeh
Althea Ashe
Nick Apostolou
William Ark
Mary Balthazar
Michael Bank
James Borck
Adam Bourgeois
James Byo
Giffen Campbell
James Campbell
Michael Carpenter
James Catano
Peggy Chaloner
Billie Collier

Holli Cox
Neal Cronin
William Daly
Thomas Dietz
Larry Farn
Martin Feldman
George Frankfurter
Robert Gambrell
Wayne Gauthier
Gary Ginter
Samuel Godber
Robert Grodner
Elisa Hebert
Jan Herring
Dan Hillman
D. Homberger

Tom Hribemek
Richard Imlay
James Keisler
William Kelso
Ralph Kinney
John Konopak
Joe Kotrlik
Nick Markovich
Norma Martin
Spencer Maxcy
Kathleen McMillen
Donna Mealey
Kenneth Nagelberg
Deborah Normand
Thomas Owen
Margaret Parker

Charles Parks
K.K. Pashley
John Pizer
Gene Reagan
Miles Richardson
L. Leslie Rosso
Emo Sajo
Judith Schiebout
Peter Soderbergh
George Strain
Emily Toth
Suzanne Turner
John Wefel
James Werbel
James Wharton

PROXIES: Senator Borck for Senator Normand
Senator Apostolou for Senator Farn
Senator Cronin for Senator Catano

B. Ross for Senator Hebert
Senator Kotrlik for Senator Collier
Jim Otte for Senator Reagan