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University Faculty Assembly 06-19-87 Meeting Minutes

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MINUTES

UNIVERSITY FACULTY ASSEMBLY

A meeting of the University Faculty Assembly was held on Friday,
June 19, 1987 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 212 of Massie Hall. There were
thirty members present.

CALL TO ORDER

U.F.A. President, Dr. Trampe, called the meeting to order at 10:00
A.M. Friday, June 19, 1987.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Trampe asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. In the
absence of any corrections, he declared the minutes approved.

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

No communications or correspondence were presented.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS

The Executive Board gave no report.

AGENDA APPROVAL

No one asked that additional items be added to the agenda.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee on Committees-Anna Gampp

No report at this time.

Educational Policies and Curriculum Committee-Dr. Law

Dr. Law asked Dr. Biddle to address the general education core
requirement issue. Dr. Biddle gave a presentation during which he
accomplished the following:

1. Outlined the history of the the "old" core and the "new"
   core.
2. Stated why the EPCC supports the integrated core.
3. Defined and explained the "Distributive" approach to
   curriculum development.
4. Defined and explained the "Core" approach to curriculum
   development.
5. Defined and explained an "Integrated Core".
6. Defined and explained a "Multi/Interdisciplinary" approach
   to curriculum development.

Questions and discussion followed the presentation. Dr. Biddle
mentioned that the various divisions will determine the core subject
matter and additional faculty development will be necessary.

When asked about the relationship between program proposals and the new core, Dr. Biddle responded that the OBR has given verbal approval to a tentative core outline. However, the final proposals due in December will include fully detailed course syllabi.

When asked how the new core affected two year programs, Dr. Biddle explained that the proposed core is defined as a four year baccalaureate core. Careful student advising will be required to assure that students take the proper courses.

Discussion addressed the issue of how to develop and implement the core. It is apparent that the core needs a "home" and that someone must take charge of the coordinating effort. This matter is being discussed with Dr. Ewigleben at present. It is likely that a sub-committee of the the EPCC will be assigned this charge. Divisions must develop the specific courses and research indicates that consultants are desirable.

The following motion was made: "I move that the Faculty of Shawnee State University adopt for its general education requirement for its baccalaureate degrees an integrative core curriculum." The motion received a second and a vote indicated approval.

Faculty Affairs Committee-Ms. Kramer

No report at this time.

Fiscal Affairs Commmittee-Dr. Kadel

No report at this time.

Student Affairs Committee-Mr. Thomas

No report at this time.

Faculty Development/Research and Creative Activities Committee
    Ms. Kegley

Ms. Kegley reported that she has received 19 surveys from faculty members wishing to pursue advanced study during the next two years. She asked that any additional surveys be returned to her by June 30th. Some individuals stated they had not received the survey and were encouraged to see Ms. Kegley for a survey form. She mentioned that the survey was being taken to facilitate a cost analysis. The committee is not evaluating specific proposals at this time. The committee will meet on July 1, 8:30 A.M., Annex Conference Room.

Facilities Committee-Mr. Estepp

No report at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business was pending.

NEW BUSINESS

Core Curriculum

The motion regarding the new core curriculum was discussed during the EPCC report.

Committee Action Flow Chart

A flow chart developed by the Executive Board of the UFA was distributed, reviewed and discussed. This chart was developed to serve as a guide for UFA committees by defining the sequence of events typically followed as committees complete their charges.

When asked if minor course numbering changes and the like must pass through the entire sequence, Dr. Trampe stated that this flow chart is designed primarily for matters of policy and procedure that will eventually go to the President. It is not expected that minor issues will require the close scrutiny suggested by the flow chart. It was suggested that the flow chart be titled "Proposed Flow Chart for UFA Committee Work Resulting in the Development and Approval of Policies". Informally, the Assembly agreed to adopt the chart as a working draft for the summer and evaluate its performance in the fall.

Discussion centered upon defining the types of issues which must come before the UFA for a vote. It was suggested that committees must be vigilant so as not to by-pass the UFA approval process.

Proxies

Dr. Trampe stated that he is not comfortable with the use of a proxy at a UFA meeting and asked if other members shared this reservation. It was suggested that a proxy is not necessary during the Fall, Winter and Spring Terms as UFA meetings will be scheduled during the Thursday time block when classes do not meet. However, during the Summer Term, a proxy may be the only legitimate way to obtain faculty input.

Sub-Committee vs. Ad Hoc Committee

In response to a question, it was determined that a sub-committee includes at least one regular committee member.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion duly made and seconded, members voted to adjourn at 11:30 a.m.