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Minutes of the University Faculty Assembly Meeting
October 6, 1994

1. A quorum was reached at 4:15 p.m. The meeting was called to order at that time by Anita Gilmer, President. Attending: 34 faculty (final count 39), Dr. Veri, Dr. Addington, Tess Midkiff, Dr. Kadel, Dr. Jahnke

2. An agenda revision was proposed, that the report of the Committee on Committees would be made immediately after Approval of the Minutes. Agenda revision was accepted unanimously.

3. The minutes of the last UFA Meeting September 28, 1993, were read and unanimously approved.

4. Committee on Committees Report (Roger Scherer).
    4.1 The following appointments were announced:
        Blue Ribbon Committee: Jeff Bauer, Robin Hagen-Smith
        Administrative Review Committee: Dennis Travis replacing
            Jessica Jahnke.
        Computer Advisory Committee: Marti Sherman.
        Foundation: Jerry Ruby.
        University Senate: Phil Gearhardt replacing Tom Stead
            (Fall'94 quarter, only).
        Academic Affairs Committee: Barb Edwards replacing Nan Yun
            (LOA)
        Committee of Nine: Eleanor Marsh.
    4.2 The following vacancies need to be filled:
        Student Affairs: Kathleen Simon or Dane Osborne (Need to
            vote for one.)

5. Faculty Affairs Committee (Kaddour Boukaabar) - Nothing to report.

6. University Senate Committee reports:
    6.1 Academic Affairs (Steve Doster) - At the September AAC meeting, the committee reviewed its first year (1993-94) goals and performance, and looked at the broad issues for 1994-94.
    6.2 Affirmative Action (Chris O'Connor) - Reviewing the requirements for the potential development of an affirmative action program (AAP).
    6.3 Athletics - No report.
    6.4 Facilities - No report.
    6.5 Fiscal (Dan Moore) - guardedly optimistic regarding financial projections, student enrollment holding at earlier projections for the fall'94 quarter.
    6.6 Professional Development - Anita Gilmer reminded the UFA that the university-wide reply to the Regent's Report on Faculty Workload was nearing its due date. The committee drafting the reply was scheduled to meet on October xx, 1994 regarding SSU's reply, the model for the teaching award, and the implementation of technology based methods as an alternative to traditional teaching. Dr. Addington added his reminder of the urgency and importance of SSU's response.

6.7   Student Affairs (Ginny Hamilton) - Nothing to report.

7.   UFA Executive Board Report (Anita Gilmer)
   7.1   Reported on the Chancellors Faculty Advisory Board meeting
          she recently attended where a new report "The High
          performance Campus" contains a new higher educational
          funding model was presented. Dr. Veri added that the
          objective of this report was to provide a better allocation
          of state funding for higher education, that the proposed
          model is performance based (a function of the university
          mission statement), that it includes funds for the
          implementation of technology as an instructional tool, and
          that plant operations and maintenance will no longer be
          budgeted on a square-foot basis. On December 3, 1994 Dr.
          Creamer is having a workshop on how to "mine" the new
          funding formula.
   7.2   A proposal to have a state-wide assembly of "faculty
          chairs," to determine the level of interest in forming a
          statewide organization of "UFA type" organization chairs to
          communicate faculty issues.

8.   New Business
   8.1   Resolution 94-1, approved.
   8.2   Resolution 94-2, tabled after discussion.
          Discussion regarding the definition of early registration.
          Refer to university catalogue language. Discussion of ways
          to implement such as "hyped" advising week, posting of
          special office hours by appointment, of the requirement to
          get advisor's signature on registration. (yes, except for
          freshpersons)
   8.3   One-night-a-week classes - Discussion regarding why the
          matter was not brought before the Senate or the UFA. Steve
          Doster commented that the Senate's Academic Affairs
          Committee AAC held the position that one-night-a-week-
          classes were a "working condition" and as such the committee
          never received or acted on a proposal. Dr. Addington added
          that this was done to meet the educational needs of the
          students in our service area, pointing out that the
          Registrar's office reported an increase of 13.3% in part-
          time students, a 4.2% increase in full-time students, and an
          overall increase of 10% in students this Fall that may have
          occurred in part due to the availability of one night a week
          classes. Discussion continued regarding the and the manner
          in which the policy was implemented.
   8.4   Interim terms - Discussion regarding manner in which they
          were implemented.
   8.5   Concerns expressed as a result of one-night-a-week classes
          and interim term: importance of communication with faculty
          regarding their implementation; concern over the reliability
          of the data presented by the Registrar's office and the lack
          of some means with which to evaluate the data; concern over
          the quality of the courses offered as one-night-a-week and

during the interim terms; the use of adjuncts in the interim terms.

    8.6   Suggestion made for further UFA discussion of one-night-a-week classes and interim term.

9.   Adjournment at 5:30 p.m.

Carl Hilgarth, Secretary, UFA

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