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UNIVERSITY FACULTY ASSEMBLY

MEETING

Thursday, December 2, 1993
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
ATC 134

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. AGENDA APPROVAL

3. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 28, 1993 MINUTES

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

5. NEW BUSINESS:
   A. Faculty Advising Week

6. ON-GOING BUSINESS
   A. Committee Reports
      1. Committee on Committees
      2. Faculty Affairs Committee
      3. Ad Hoc Committee on Administrative Review
   B. Reports from Faculty Representatives on US Committees
      1. Academic Affairs Committee ~ DOUG
      2. Affirmative Action Committee ~ KELLEY
      3. Athletic & Intramural Committee ~ VALENTINE
      4. Facilities Committee
      5. Fiscal Affairs Committee
      6. Personnel Development Committee ~ KADDOW
      7. Student Affairs Committee
   C. Executive Board Reports
   D. Communications/Correspondence

7. ADJOURNMENT

Note: No Business was Transacted at This Dec 1993 Meeting for lack of a Quorum.
MINUTES
UFA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, 28 October, 1993  4:00pm

There being a quorum of the membership present, the following business was conducted:

CALL TO ORDER

Prof. Kelley, President, opened the meeting with a call to order and after having been satisfied of a quorum, proceeded.

AGENDA APPROVAL

President Kelley moved for the approval of the October 28, 1993 agenda with one change: that the presentation by Dr. Veri be moved to item 4 on the agenda. The motion was approved.

MINUTES APPROVAL

President Kelley moved for the approval of the June 10, 1993 minutes. The motion was approved.

PRESENTATION BY DR. VERI AND DR. CREAMER

Dr. Veri presented his views on the current budget crisis. He explained the ways that the budget and the corresponding shortfall has been calculated. Dr. Creamer then presented a breakdown of the budget and the areas that are short of funds for the current fiscal year (see attached handouts). He explained the way that yearly funds are calculated by the OBR, citing that the main reason for lower-than-projected figures was partially due to current student demographics, especially where the Freshman class is concerned. He stated that we are facing an approximate shortfall value of $750,000. Discussions between Dr. Veri, Dr. Creamer and the faculty followed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business to report upon.

NEW BUSINESS

A. FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

President Kelley explained the process of determining the current, proposed guidelines for administering the distribution of the faculty scholarship. He asked for a motion to approve the guidelines as presented. Prof. Buchanan-Berrigan moved for approval and second was made by Prof. Boukaabar. Discussion followed. Prof. Buchanan-Berrigan moved to amend item #3 to include wording so that only students who are not currently receiving any other form of financial aid would be eligible. Prof. Marouf seconded. Discussion followed. The question was called and the motion was defeated. Prof. Mirabello moved to make "academic excellence"(GPA) the only requirement for qualification. Prof. Hadjiyannis seconded. The question was called and the motion was defeated. President Kelley then called the question on the first motion to approve the proposal as presented. The motion was approved.

B. UFA/US COORDINATION

President Kelley explained the rationale behind the proposed amendments that would clarify the relationship between the UFA and the US in regards to how and when the UFA might respond to US actions in certain areas of Faculty concerns. He asked for the approval of the proposed changes. Prof. Lorentz moved and Prof. Marouf seconded to accept the proposal as presented. Discussion followed. The question was called and the motion was approved.
ON-GOING BUSINESS

A. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES
   Prof. Yang discussed the appointment to the University Foundation that was decided between Prof. Marouf and Prof. Ruby, with Prof. Marouf being appointed.

2. FACULTY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
   Prof. Hadiyannis reported that the committee was going to meet at 5:00pm, immediately following the general UFA meeting to elect the new chair of the committee.

3. AD HOC COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW
   Prof. Miner reported that the committee was ready to "test the instrument" on campus.

B. REPORTS FROM FACULTY REPRESENTATIVES ON US COMMITTEES

1. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
   Prof. Doster informed the group about the restructuring of the Academic Affairs under the new US guidelines. He elaborated on the new OBR procedures for proposing new degree programs. He stated that there would be an open hearing on the proposed student Freshman center.

2. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE
   Prof. Kegley asked for any and all concerns regarding this committee to be directed to her attention.

3. ATHLETIC AND INTRAMURAL COMMITTEE
   Prof. Lawson discussed future planning and budget cut areas.

4. FACILITIES COMMITTEE
   Prof. Ruby reported that the committee is still in its formative stages.

5. FISCAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
   Prof. Gemmer reported that the committee is concerned with the current budgetary problems and will continue to look into the situation and report back to the body.

6. PERSONNEL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
   Prof. Boukaabar reported that the committee is still forming and that they are suggesting the use of a survey in the future.

7. STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
   It was stated that the first meeting of the committee would be very soon and that the Freshman Center was the main item of concern.

C. EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS

Prof. Gilmer reported that she has been serving on the OBR's committee to investigate teaching excellence measures and the merits of research versus teaching institutions. She asked that any questions or suggestions, especially concerning the three questions that she put out on E-Mail, be directed to her attention.

D. COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE
   There were no communications or corresponsdences.

ADJOURNMENT
Prof. Yang moved for adjournment and Prof. Hamilton seconded. The motion was approved.
The University Faculty Assembly invites faculty to identify each quarter’s first week of early registration as a special time for student advising. This can be accomplished by faculty posting on their office doors sign-up sheets dividing their regular office hours into fifteen-minute slots available for advisee appointments.