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UNIVERSITY SENATE MEETING #6

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 10, 1994

Call to Order

Chair C. Veri called the University Senate meeting to order at 4:10 p.m. on February 10, 1994.

Roll Taking

Secretary/Treasurer Shelpman commenced Roll-Taking.

ABSENT MEMBERS:

E. Boyles, D. Buchanan-Berrigan, D. Creamer, R. Diamond, L. Dickerson, R. Burke, P. Duncan, L. Estepp, P. Gearheart, D. Gleason, T. Merry, R. Payne, V. Stacy, C. Perry, P. Sparks, T. Stead, M. Tackett, M. Walker, J. Wessel, K. Bussa, J. Nesler, E. Miner, J. Miller, S. Little

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Shelpman stated that the minutes of the January 13 meeting were available to all Senate members. Ms. Shelpman moved and Ms. Domo seconded a motion to approve the January 13 minutes with no revisions. The motion carried.

Announcements and Remarks from the Senate Chair - Clive Veri

Chair C. Veri addressed the Senate members. He read a letter addressed to the University Senate from Speaker Vernal G. Riffe with regard to his recent announcement to retire and the Senate's resolution of support and urging of his reconsideration of retirement.

Mr. Veri gave a brief overview of the approved legislation on the Ethics Bill and stated that the legislation does have an impact on the President and Board of Trustee members. Presidents will now be required to disclose all private/outside income plus all reimbursement for in/out-state travel unless the University is affiliated with the organization. Trustees will be required to report private income over \$500. Faculty will still be able to receive honorarium without reporting the information.

Mr. Veri also stated that new legislation on Student Trustee

voting rights and attending executive session of the Board and a new capital construction bill are now being considered. Earlier approved legislation, amended House Bill 152, is still being refined. Ms. Buchanan-Berrigan, SSU's faculty representative, was on the state-wide faculty workload committee that drafted guidelines for the portion of the legislation that deals with teaching load for undergraduate instruction. Provost Addington collected summaries from campus constituent groups and put in letter form to OBR with all group summaries as attachments. The faculty workload committee will establish guidelines on the recommendations they receive.

Mr. Veri announced that Chancellor Hairston has petitioned the Governor's Office for \$13 million (or 1% of the OBR's instructional budget) of the state's revenue windfall and proposes to use the money for two proposals: (1) to provide incentive funds to improve undergraduate teaching and (2) to target workforce training needs such as "School-to-Work, Work-to-School" programs.

Announcements from the Senate Floor

None.

Executive Board Reports

Vice Chair Report - John Kelley

Vice Chair Kelley announced that officers of the Executive Board need to be elected between February 15 and April 1. He also stated that there was some discussion of putting together a committee to consider the review of the US Constitution. The Executive Board will consider the issue at its next meeting. Mr. Kelley asked that correspondence of interest to the US be E-mailed to him.

Secretary-Treasurer Report - Suzanne Shelpman

Ms. Shelpman recognized and welcomed new senate members Patrick Leedom, Facilities Committee, Chris O'Connor, Affirmative Action Committee & Chair of the committee and Jim Miller, Academic Affairs Committee.

Ms. Shelpman stated that the beginning balance of the US budget to date was \$3,791.03 with disbursements of \$84.90; ending balance, \$3,706.13. Ms. Shelpman stated that Mr. Boukaabar had requisitioned the Executive Board for \$500 for professional development activities and the request was approved.

Committee Reports

Academic Affairs Committee - Steve Doster, Chair

Mr. Doster stated that he had nothing new to report at this time.

Affirmative Action Committee - Chris O'Connor, Chair

Mr. O'Connor reported that the Affirmative Action Committee continues to be interested in feedback from constituents and that informational posters are up in every building on campus in the event that someone would need help. His committee will be reviewing and updating current policies on a continuing basis.

Athletic and Intramural Committee - John Valentine, Chair

Mr. Valentine stated that the Athletic and Intramural Committee has been very busy the past few weeks. Pat Moore, chair of the fund-raising sub-committee, gave a brief report on the "BEARS Jackpot" cash give-away raffle to establish a pool of money for all athletics to use for extra-ordinary expenses that might occur. The raffle will be an annual event with \$7,500 in cash prizes given away. Only 200 tickets will be sold with the hope of netting \$12,500 for the special athletic fund.

Mr. Valentine reported that the remuneration sub-committee was currently working on developing guidelines for coaches salaries and will also establish guidelines for the cheerleading advisor and Athletic/Intramural Director.

Mr. Lawson reported that the five-year planning sub-committee will meet on February 14 at 7:00 a.m. in the University Center and will have Harry Weinbrecht, former SSU Athletic Director as guest speaker.

Facilities Committee - Mike Day, Chair

Mr. Day reported that the Facilities Committee has put together a meeting schedule as follows: 2/17, 3/3 and 3/17. He encouraged everyone to attend the meetings as new topics will be discussed each time.

Fiscal Affairs - Joanne Charles, Chair

Ms. Charles announced that the Fiscal Affairs Committee will meet weekly between now and June in order to put together a budget for FY 95. The committee is currently working on a

budget schedule and a process to get information to cost center directors.

Professional Development - Kaddour Boukaabar, Chair

Mr. Boukaabar reported that a one-day seminar on computers, coordinated by Anita Gilmer, will be held on April 8 and that information will be forthcoming on a schedule for training on the VAX system. He also reported that Marcia Tackett and Elinda Boyles are in the planning phase for a MAC workshop. A workshop on "Increasing Ability to Understand Behavior" is also scheduled for February 24 from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon at the Ramada Inn.

Student Affairs - Dick Howard, Chair

Mr. Howard reported that the Student Affairs Committee met on February 4 and passed to the Executive Board, two policies for approval; Housing Policy and Grade Grievance Policy. Mr. Howard also reported that the status of the Center for Freshman Studies was reviewed and is currently on hold at this time and that the Advising Policy is still under review.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

Mr. Doster moved and Mr. Kelley seconded a motion to withdraw the Executive Board motion of dispensation of AAC's non-controversial academic issues. Discussion followed. Mr. Doster stated that he felt the issue needed more representation and study before being acted on. Motion carried.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia J. Moore
Scribe