

Minutes From Faculty Senate Meeting 10/5/01

Members Present: Chair Rick Appleman, David Hobbs, Rick Donovan, Dave Carter, Mary MacLaughlin, Danette Melvin, Kelly Amtmann, Jim Handley.

Item #1- Motion was made to accept the minutes from the 9/24 meeting. Discussion took place regarding items omitted from the minutes. These included:

1. Members reviewed faculty senate representation on committees. Motion made to attach revised document to the 9/24 minutes. Seconded and passed unanimously.
2. Motion made to include the Benefits Committee Report to the 9/24 minutes. Seconded and passed unanimously.
3. Motion made to add the wording, "passed unanimously" to the minutes from the 9/24 meeting regarding the motion made to send the memo to administration concerning the lab director's promotions. Seconded and passed unanimously.
4. Discussion took place concerning the vagueness of the 9/24 minutes regarding the discussions that took place between Andrea Stierle, Susan Patton and the rest of the faculty senate about the lab director's promotions. Members present, excluding K. Amtmann and D. Melvin, did not feel it was a problem.

Motion made to accept the revised minutes. Seconded and passed with two votes of opposition.

Item #2- Report from R. Appleman and D. Melvin about the BOR meeting of 9/27 and 9/28.

Item #3- Discussion about the meeting with the CHE on 10/16. Some general topics included salaries, workload, funding, budget cuts for travel. Members agreed it would be a good idea to have representation at the meeting. Some members had specific topics they may take to the meeting.

Item #4- The Chancellor requested that the Faculty Senate discuss the academic calendar for 2001-2. The members present could reach no consensus.

Item #5- Discussion took place about the Faculty Senate wanting the Chancellor, VCAA, and the budget director to come to a meeting to discuss the recent promotions of the lab director's. The topics of concern included:

1. Following promotion procedures as outlined in the Faculty and Staff handbook.
2. Any change from non-tenure to tenure track positions must include a formal and appropriate search.
3. Faculty are not present during the summer months when important administrative decisions are made, thus promoting mistrust between administration and faculty.

Motion made to invite these members to a meeting on 10/12. Seconded and passed unanimously.

Item #6- Jim Handley brought to our attention that the Senate still had not amended the bylaws to include part-time faculty representation on the Senate. Motion made to amend bylaws, nominate and elect this member at the next full faculty meeting. Seconded and passed unanimously.

Motion made to adjourn meeting. Seconded and passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Amtmann