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FACULTY SENATE

NEXT MEETING: September 25, 1995, 2:45 PM, Culp Forum

NOTE TO DEPARTMENT CHAIRS: Please share the Senate agenda, minutes, and any other enclosures with your faculty prior to the scheduled meeting. Senate meetings are open to all faculty.

AGENDA FOR SENATE MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES September 11, 1995 meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

SACS follow-up report

Discussion of the Policy and Procedure for Use of Memorial Center and Brooks Gym

Update on library plans

University wide priorities to be addressed by the Faculty Senate and priorities for the Faculty Senate Standing Committees

NEW BUSINESS

Peggy Cantrell, Interim Dean of the Graduate School, will inform the Senate of the priorities at the Graduate School

Jane Melendez, 1994-95 Chair of the Standing Committee on Race Relations, will comment on the committee's recommendations.

Plans for improvement of undergraduate academic advisement

Mark Steadman will request nominations for a Faculty Senator to serve on the Information Resources Council. If you plan to nominate someone for this committee membership, please clear the nomination with that person beforehand.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Please note: The meeting following the September 25, 1995 meeting will take place on October 9, 1995. Please come prepared to address the standing committee priorities.

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

September 25, 1995

NEXT MEETING: October 9, 1995, 2:45PM, Culp Forum

CALL TO ORDER With a quorum present Donn Gresso called the meeting to order at 2:50 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES The September 11, 1995 minutes were approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Update on Library Plans The update about the plans for the new ETSU library was presented to senators. A handout which accompanied the presentation is available at the Senate office.

SACS Follow-Up Report Dr. Bert Bach reported on a joint meeting of the Deans' Council, Chairs' Council, and Faculty Senate Executive Committee in regard to the action to be taken on the SACS Follow-Up Report. Those present at the meeting considered a format which had been suggested for collecting and reporting data to document the linkage connecting faculty evaluation, action taken on evaluation suggestions, and the outcomes of the action. It had been agreed at the meeting that the suggested format was appropriate for reporting quantitative data when accompanied by narrative or explanatory information, but that it was not appropriate for collecting data. A subcommittee had been appointed to study alternative data collecting formats.

Discussion of the Policy and Procedure for Use of Memorial Center and Brooks Gym After brief discussion, it was decided that concerns about the proposed policy should be addressed to the Faculty Senate Concerns and Grievances Committee. This committee will process and organize the concerns for presentation to the Senate.

University wide priorities to be addressed by the Faculty Senate and Priorities for the Faculty Senate Standing Committees Donn Gresso delivered a handout which displayed in matrix form the priorities set by the Senate and the Standing Committees.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Wilsie Bishop reported on plans for improvement of undergraduate academic advisement. Questions to be addressed in reviewing current academic advisement practices and needs are as follow:

1. Is academic advisement at ETSU effective?
2. What evidence of problems in academic advisement do we have, and what alternatives exist for addressing them?
3. What is the current commitment of financial resources to academic advisement, and are they well spent?
4. What are the implications for using new or existing technologies to address advisement?
5. What is the appropriate function for an office advising undeclared majors, and how should it relate to overall academic advisement at the university?
6. Should ETSU have mandatory academic advisement of all undergraduate students?
7. Is advisement of adult students adequate?
8. Are there other issues that warrant review?

Peggy Cantrell, Interim Dean of the Graduate School, informed the Senate of the 1995-1996 priorities at the Graduate School, as follow:

1. Develop and enforce effective policies, procedures, and protocols.
2. Promote and improve the service orientation and efficiency of the Graduate School office.
3. Enhance the role of the Graduate Coordinator and the Graduate Council.
4. Promote the Graduate School's leadership role in quality of education.
5. Develop strategic planning and databased decision-making.
6. Improve the graduate catalog.
7. Promote the Graduate School and graduate programs.
8. Develop a recruitment plan for the Graduate School.
9. Ensure the Graduate School's continued role in research and research training support.

Jane Melendez, 1994-1995 Chair of the Standing Committee on Race Relations, supplied Senators with the committee's annual report and recommendations.

Mark Steadman requested nominations for a Faculty Senator to serve on the Information Resources Council. No nominations were forthcoming.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Donn Gresso announced that each college should select a person to be on standby for the possibility that the Tenure/Promotion Appeals Committee must convene.

Donn Gresso announced that Jimmy Hahs, who had been hospitalized, was feeling better.

Donn Gresso reminded Senators that the Standing Committees will meet as a part of the next Faculty Senate meeting.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting adjourned at 4:37 PM

Respectfully submitted,

E. Jane Melendez

FACULTY SENATE ATTENDANCE 1994-1995

*Excused

**Absent

App. Sci. & Tech.

Martin Barret
Marian Clark
*Jimmy Hahs
**Keith Johnson

Business

Murray Anthony
Mike McKinney
John Quigley
Mark Steadman

Library

Stephen Patrick

Medicine

**Steven Berk
William Browder

David Chi

**Gail Gallemore

Leo Harvill

**Guha Krishnaswamy

**JoAnn Rosenfeld

**William Stone

Nursing

Lynn Abusamra
**Sally Crawford
**Lee Glenn
Sharon Rose

Arts & Sciences

Steve Brown
Peggy Cantrell
Paul Kamolnick
Anne LeCroy
Jack Mooney
George Poole
Steven Ralston
Naill Shanks
Bonny Stanley
Ed Williams

Dev. Studies

Jane Melendez

Education

Donn Gresso
Norma MacRae
Terrence Tollefson
Janis Weedman
Starlet Williams

Public & Allied Health

Julie Harrill Bowers
Mark Hagy
Albert Iglar
Donna Robbins