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Faculty Senate Agenda
Monday, November 25, 1996
2:45 PM / Culp Center Forum Room

GENERAL NOTE: The Faculty Senate Homepage has a slightly new ULR address. The new address is: "http://www.etsu-tn.edu/senate/". The white paper on academic tenure has been added to the menu.

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AGENDA FOR SENATE MEETING

- **CALL TO ORDER**
- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** November 11, 1996
- **NEW BUSINESS**
 - 3:00 - 3:30 pm, ETSU campus intranet - Dr. James Woolen
 - 3:30 - 4:00 pm, Kellogg grant opportunities - Dr. Bert Bach, Dr. Bruce Behringer, and Dr. Jean Speer
- **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- **ADJOURNMENT**



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FACULTY SENATE
East Tennessee State University
MINUTES - NOVEMBER 25, 1996

Last updated: 4 January 1997

**UPCOMING MEETING: January
13, 1997, 2:45PM, Culp Forum
Room**

**FOLLOWING MEETING: January 27,
1997, 2:45PM, Culp Forum Room**

Present: Abusamra, Barrett, Berk, Boland, Brown, Chi, Clark, Crawford, Drew, Harvill, Iglar, Johnson, King, Knight, MacKay, MacRae, Miller, Palmer, Patrick, Quigley, Robinson, Rose, Shanks, Stanley, Steadman, Stone, Taylor, Tollefson, Williams.

Excused: LeCroy, Melendez, Mooney, Ralston, Robbins.

Absent: Browder, Gallemore, Kamolnick, Krishnaswamy, McKinney, Stanton, Weedman.

Guests: James Woolen, Eric Job, Dale Hilliard, Bert Bach, Bruce Behringer, Jean Speer.

CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present President John Quigley called the meeting to order at 2:49 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The November 11, 1996 minutes were approved unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bill Fisher made four announcements to the Senate.

For general distribution (orange sheet), there was the ETSU Employee Health Coverage Information for 1996-97. This contains the names, addresses, and phone numbers of contact persons for the various campus programs, including the Campus Sick Leave Bank (both faculty and staff), Medical School Services, Employee Insurance Claims Coordinator, and the Employee Benefits Committee.

Also for distribution, was the Tennessee Optional Retirement Program (ORP) Performance Report for the period ending September 30, 1996. Fisher announced that this would be the last report appearing in print. All future reports will be found on the internet. The projected URL is "<http://www.utm.edu/~hemmans/tnorp.htm>".

The third item concerned a memo pertaining to a review of the UT proposed (draft) early retirement plan which was distributed at a meeting at Tennessee State University. It is important in that this topic is being considered by the TBR. Fisher was unaware if similar discussions have been held at ETSU.

Lastly, Fisher announced that two faculty members have not cashed their 1995 longevity checks and one faculty member has not cashed their 1996 longevity check. This means that the University will have some unclaimed assets on their balance sheets this year.

NEW BUSINESS - PRESENTATIONS

- **From 3:00 - 3:30 pm, Dr. James Woolen, Vice- President for Information Resources, spoke before the Senate on internet and the campus intranet.** He distributed several handouts which contained information from the ETSU Homepage and which can be found under the listing of Administrative Offices and IRIS (Information Resources and Intranet Services). This page will provide the viewer with the status of various networking projects on campus. He stated that ETSU obtains its intranet connection via TECNET and confirmed that our local internet provider has had to add several T-1 lines to accommodate our growing needs. ETSU has 1700 computers on the campus network all sharing a single bandwidth and Woolen indicated that TBR must negotiate changes in the system. It current costs roughly \$900 per month to add another T-1 line. The second page of the handout referred to the goals and objectives of the Intranet Authentication and Internet Firewall Research Task Force, which is studying the different methodology to conduct authentication. Faculty and staff on the campus network does not have a problem with authentication since one must login and submit a user password to enter the system. The problem with authentication comes from the open labs where there is not the same control. The third page contained the status of the connection project - Phase I, focusing on the three buildings of on the VA Campus (bldgs 1, 2, and 119). Phase one should be complete by the end of December and will include 300 new internet/intranet connections. Phase II was recently bid and will include eight additional buildings (Ball, Brown, Burluson, Gilbreath, Hutcheson, Lamb, Mathes and Wilson-Wallis halls) on the campus network over the next six months (by the end of June). A second packet of information was distributed and contained fact sheets on the Office of Information Resources. Woolen then opened the floor for discussion. Various comments related to computer user fees, retired faculty access, upgrade to various existing campus network so pc's can run windows applications, internet appliance for use in the library, cd-rom on networks, site licensing problems with library databases, the need for an ongoing master plan for information resources. For additional comments contact woolen@etsu-tn.edu.
- **From 3:30 - 4:00, Drs. Bert Bach, Bruce Behringer and Jean Speer discussed the Phase 3 Kellogg grant opportunities on campus.** Dr. Bach opened the presentation with a brief outline of the project which would expand the community partnership programs outside the health/medical realm to other fields, disciplines and departments on campus. In December 1995 there was a planning meeting in Battle Creek and four universities were invited to participate in their program. This consortium agreement is between West Virginia University, University of Texas - El Paso, Northeastern University, and ETSU. A proposal is to be made to Kellogg by December 15th. Behringer then discussed the movement of ETSU's original participation from the Kellogg health division (beginning in 1991) to that of the higher education division and the interdisciplinary community partnership model. ETSU is currently in their 4th cohort part of the existing program. He reiterated the goals and expanded scope to create a new standard of community service involving faculty, students and community partnerships. Speer discussed the internal process of the proposal as it relates to ETSU. Our involvement would focus on the Southern Appalachian region, including 91 counties in 6 states within a 100 mile radius of ETSU. This project, the Appalachian Community New Century Partnerships, would help sustain the quality of life within this region. Part of the responsibility of each involved community would be to define their own needs and to focus on changes and resources. Current cohorts, Mountain City and Rogersville, have tentatively agreed to be part of this expanded program. Two additional communities would be initially added to the network. Cooperative events and projects between these communities and the university would be planned. The project would include the establishment of community learning systems and interdisciplinary problem solving. On the University side, this program may include curriculum changes and opportunities for community service, as well as better coordination of informational needs. All of this will result in the

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establishment of councils and working groups to evaluate and implement the desired changes as it relates to community involvement. If anyone has questions or want to become involved with the program, please contact either Behringer or Speer. The floor was opened for discussion. Among the topics discussed were several examples of partnerships which relate to job creation and preparation.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:02 pm.



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East Tennessee State University Faculty Senate Memorandum

TO: All Deans

FROM: John Quigley, President, Faculty Senate

SUBJECT: Faculty Senate Elections - URGENT

DATE: January 6, 1997

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At the request of the Faculty Senate Elections Committee, the Executive Committee urges each college to hold all elections for the 1997-98 Faculty Senate vacancies by March 1st. This change to spring elections is requested so that the Elections Committee can solicit candidates for the Executive Committee officers and will enable returning senators to be considered for any vacant positions. Spring elections, held in April, will also enable the new officers to begin effective planning and preparation of agendas and strategies for the upcoming academic year before classes begin in the fall. Please notify Stephen Patrick, Secretary, at x6994 or patrick@etsu-tn.edu of the names of newly elected senators. Thanks for your cooperation on this urgent matter.

List of retiring senators at the end of 1996-97 term.

Applied Science and Technology (2 vacancies): 1) Marian Clark 2) Keith Johnson
Arts and Sciences (3 vacancies): 3) Jack Mooney 4) Niall Shanks 5) Bonny Stanley
Business: (1 vacancy) 6) Mark Steadman
Education: (2 vacancies) 7) Norma MacRae 8) Terry Tollefson
Library (1 vacancy) 9) Stephen Patrick
Medicine (2 vacancies) 10) William Browder 11) Guha Krishnaswamy
Nursing (1 vacancy) 12) Sally Crawford
Public and Allied Health (2 vacancies) 13) Julie Bowers 14) Donna Robbins