

Date: April 11, 1969
To: All Faculty Members
From: Chairman of the Faculty
Subject: Special Session of the Senate

At the urgent request of the Faculty Welfare Committee and with the approval of the Agenda Committee, I would like to call a special session of the Senate to meet on Tuesday, April 22, 1969, at 4:00 P.M. in New Austin 132.

This meeting will consider only one item, a revision of our Blue Cross-Blue Shield Insurance Program. The meeting should last no more than 20-25 minutes.

I cannot overemphasize the importance of all senators being present for this meeting. If this matter is not acted upon by this special session, it will involve several months delay before the expanded coverage can go into effect.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Minutes
3. Report of Committee
 - A. Report of the Faculty Welfare Committee (See Report Below)

Report Of The Faculty Welfare Committee

The Faculty Welfare Committee met with Mr. Lloyd Rhodes on Wednesday, April 2, 1969, to review a proposed revision of the Blue Cross-Blue Shield Hospitalization and Medical Care Insurance program. Mr. Rhodes presented an outline which compared the benefits, coverages, and rates presently available with those which would be in effect under the new proposal.

After review and discussion, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend the new program of coverages and rates to the Faculty Senate. In order that the faculty and staff receive these increased benefits at the earliest possible date, it is necessary that the Faculty Senate consider the Committee recommendation immediately. Mr. Rhodes indicated that adoption of the plan by the end of April would make it possible to complete the administrative and enrollment details before the end of the school year, and that the new coverages would become effective in June, 1969. Mr. Rhodes stated that if the plan is not considered until Fall, 1969, the earliest date the new program could become effective would be sometime in November or December, 1969.

The Committee recommends the adoption of the new program and that the faculty and staff be presented the opportunity to enroll in the new program prior to the end of the 1968-69 school year.

April 14, 1969

To: All Faculty Senate Senators

From: Chairman of the Faculty

Subject: Proposed New Program Of Medical Insurance

Enclosed you will find the proposed new program of medical insurance which is on the Agenda for the Special Senate Meeting on April 22, 1969. Please study this before coming to the meeting. Mr. Rhodes has requested that you bring this to the meeting.

FACULTY SENATE

Minutes of April 22, 1969

The Faculty Senate met on Tuesday, April 22, 1969, at 4:00 p.m. in Room 132, New Austin. The Chairman called the meeting to order and the secretary checked the roll by the seating chart. The following members were absent: Kevin Ryan, John Ball, Donald Durland, Albert Peralion, James Rees, William Sanderson, Leon Johnson, Daniel Stillwell, Norman Rosenfeld, Larry Kendrick, Fred Regan, John B. Davis, Moses Sheppard and Hazel Stapleton.

The Chairman asked for additions or corrections to the minutes of March 25, 1969. Since there were none, the motion was made to approve the minutes and the motion passed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Ray Jones, chairman of the Faculty Welfare Committee presented the report from this committee. Mr. Jones reviewed the material concerning the new program offered under Blue Cross-Blue Shield Hospitalization and Medical Care Insurance program which had been sent to the faculty prior to this meeting. Mr. Jones introduced Mr. Lloyd Rhodes and Mr. Andrews of Blue Cross. Mr. Rhodes explained the comparison of benefits available to the group participants at East Carolina University under this program, comparing the present coverage with the new high option plan. He explained that Blue Cross had kept a close look at the rising cost of hospital care and felt that the changes offered under the new high option plan as well as the new low option coverage would be beneficial to the group.

The senators raised a few questions which were answered by Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Andrews as the explanation proceeded.

Mr. Rhodes ended the explanation by stating that East Carolina University has the lowest rate table available under Blue Cross because the company has had such good claims experience with the East Carolina University group. He said that this was not a rate increase, rather it was a benefit change. Mr. Jones moved to adopt the new program offered under Blue Cross-Blue Shield as presented. The motion was seconded and the motion carried with one opposing vote.

Mr. Price adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily S. Boyce, Secretary