

## FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

February 19, 1974

The Faculty Senate met on Tuesday, February 19, 1974, at 3:00 P.M. in Room 101, Nursing Building. The following members were absent: Moeller, Reep, O'Connor, McGee, Caspar, Steelman, Schmidt, Barnes, Ross, Hampton, and Hoots. The following alternates were present: Lewis, Stanforth, Everett, Carroll, and Read.

In the minutes of January 22, 1974, it was noted that Ball and Castellow had been present and that Moeller had been absent with Lewis present as his alternate. The minutes were approved as corrected. The Chairman stated that Senators who were late should check with the secretary in order to be certain they were counted as present.

### SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

The Chairman stated that he had received a number of questions concerning the progress, (or lack of progress), of the East Carolina University Code; after several inquiries, he has been informed that a committee of the Board of Trustees was working on the Code and that this committee planned to present the Code to the next meeting of the Board of Trustees; information indicates that the Board has not set a date for their next meeting.

The Chairman stated that the AAUP had expressed interest in inviting the members of the Board of Trustees to be guests at a banquet or dinner when they hold their next meeting on campus; and to invite the Chairman of the Board, Robert Jones, to speak to the group. He asked if there were any objections in allowing the Faculty Senate to act as "co-host" if such a gathering was held; there were no objections. The Chairman expressed the hope that if such a meeting did take place, the members of the Senate would take advantage of the opportunity to meet the members of the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Woodside mentioned the two articles in the Fountainhead concerning the Ad Hoc Traffic Committee and noted that both articles appeared before the minutes of the January 22 meeting of the Senate had been distributed and that neither Professor Stephenson nor Professor Hankins had been aware that Professors Carl Adler, V. Rosenfeld and Hoots had been added to the Committee. He stated that he had met with Professor Hankins and Adler and believed that any misunderstanding concerning the full charge of the committee had been cleared up. He asked Professor Adler for a report on the Committee's progress and Mr. Adler stated that the committee had met and that the professional planners on the committee were working on a day-to-day basis and the entire committee would meet every two or three weeks to discuss the progress made. Also, Ms. Rosenfeld, Mr. Woodside, and Mr. Hankins were to meet with Vice Chancellor Moore.

Chairman Woodside announced that Mr. East will call an organizational meeting of the Committee on Hearings. Also, appointments will be made in the near future to fill two vacancies on the Career Education Committee.

The Faculty Assembly will meet Friday and Saturday, February 22 and 23, 1974.

The Chairman discussed the Constitutional ruling that the seat of a member absent more than three consecutive meetings shall be declared vacant and the unit involved may hold elections to fill the vacancy.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.



REPORT OF COMMITTEES

UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Mr. Grossnickle presented the items up for approval (See Faculty Senate Agenda for February 19, 1974, and the Curriculum Committee Minutes for January 17, 1974). It was noted that the word "organization" in the first item should be "Education." Mr. Grossnickle moved that all five items be approved. Mr. McDaniel seconded. The motion passed.

FACULTY WELFARE COMMITTEE

Ms. Bell presented the Faculty Welfare Committee recommendation concerning salary equalization. (See Faculty Senate Agenda for February 19, 1974). Mr. M. Williams asked about the feeling of the committee with reference to the possibility that we may lose. Ms. Bell replied that the idea of the committee was that this be considered as comparable institutions. Mr. McDaniel requested that the wording be repaired and suggested that the Faculty Assembly delegates might help write this. It was stated that this was to be discussed at the upcoming Faculty Assembly meeting. Also UNC-CH considers themselves to be in a different category and prefer the term standardization. Ms. Bell moved that the wording be changed to read "The Faculty Welfare Committee requests that the Faculty Senate petition Chancellor Jenkins to pursue salary standardization on the basis of comparable responsibilities and professional qualifications for the faculties of the University of North Carolina." Mr. Adler seconded. The amendment passed. The motion as amended passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Mr. Ferrell presented the recommendation of the Committee on Committees concerning the addition of two more members to the Student Scholarship, Fellowship and Financial Aid Committee (See Faculty Senate Agenda for February 19, 1974). The motion passed. Concerning the second item, Mr. Ferrell stated that after the initial committee had been selected, future nominations for the Committee on Hearings would permit nominations from the floor. The Committee on Hearings is loosely structured and is a standing committee of the Faculty Senate. For information, Mr. Ferrell also stated the five informal rules under which the Committee on Committees operates in selecting nominees to the fifteen committees. (1) No person, other than ex-officio, serves on more than one committee, (2) No two persons from the same unit or division are on the same committee, (3) In March each faculty member is asked to volunteer and list choices of committee. The Committee on Committees tries to select from the first choice, (4) An effort is made to balance the representation of each committee with respect to sex, interests, etc., (5) Recommendation from Committee Chairmen, or the administration as well as personal knowledge of the committee members also play a part in the final selection.

NEW BUSINESS

Due to other meetings, Mr. Horne and Mr. Clemens were unable to attend to answer questions concerning the intent and effect of admissions policies. The Chairman asked if the Senate wished to postpone this item until the next meeting or perhaps they might present their questions so that Mr. Horne and Mr. Clemens could be prepared to answer them.

Mr. Yarbrough stated that he had some questions which had been brought up to him which perhaps Mr. Howell could answer. He asked why the formula had been changed for the predicted grade point average. He stated that the new formula seemed to push everything to the middle. For example, one prospective student who was first



in a class of 311 with an SAT score of 1420 had only 2.9 predicted GPA. Also, he understood guidance counselors were asking why they should send their good students to East Carolina University when they have a letter which indicates East Carolina University will accept any applicant, therefore, better students may not apply. Mr. Howell stated that thus far, 99 students had been admitted to the experimental program and another group of applicants is being held in abeyance, some of whom would probably be admitted to the experimental program and some rejected. He also stated that High School guidance counselors seemed to rate their success on how many students they get into Chapel Hill. There is a need to go beyond the counselors and reach the students directly. It was stated by a Senator that we need to be concerned with the image it may create, that although we wish to admit the number of students we want, we should not drive away the really good students such as the National Merit Finalists with which the Scholarship Committee is working. Mr. T. Williams commented that it seemed to be a public relations matter, perhaps there is a need to look at the letter referred to and to look into setting up some body from the academic community to screen the information that goes out. Mr. Ferrell suggested that this be done through the Student Recruitment Committee. Mr. Bailey stated that in his contact with the high schools the community colleges were the most critical of East Carolina University and they see the experimental program as infringing on them. All schools are coming into the high schools looking for the better students except East Carolina University. Other schools telephone the students individually. Mr. McDaniel stated that the first newspaper article had been badly received and the headline could have properly read "ECU lowers standards to that of UNC-CH". Mr. Adler suggested that we give the new admissions procedure a chance in order to see if it will work. A question was asked if the faculty had any input into these requirements. It was stated that the faculty has not had any input in the past. However, the Senate had taken some action recently concerning retention. It was generally agreed that admissions policies are adopted in the Admissions Office. Mr. Ferrell stated that it looked like admissions and recruitment were being confused. Mr. Howell stated that in the relatively recent past there was such an influx of students that recruitment by the Admissions Office had been unnecessary. Mr. Collins stated that it was the students in the middle third which were keeping the community colleges in business and that these students must be recruited vigorously. These students can be educated to at least succeed even though they may not excel. The community colleges encourage their people to attend every PTA in the area as speakers and to pass out brochures. Mr. T. Williams moved that the Student Recruitment Committee review and evaluate present means of recruiting students and report back to the Senate. The motion was seconded. Mr. Grossnickle moved to amend "to report back by the next meeting of the Faculty Senate". Mr. T. Williams seconded. The amendment passed. The motion as amended passed.

The Chairman stated that if the Senate desired to have Mr. Horne or Mr. Clemens at the next meeting, please notify him by the next meeting of the Agenda Committee. Also, please notify the secretary in writing of the alternates elected.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 P.M.!!!!

Respectfully submitted,

Stella Daugherty  
Secretary

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