

FACULTY SENATE

There will be a meeting of the Faculty Senate on Tuesday, January 18, 1977,
at 2:00 p.m. in Room 244, Mendenhall Student Center.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Minutes
3. Special Order of the Day
 - A. Status of Codes
 - B. Dissemination of Senate resolution on State funding of private colleges/ universities (see Faculty Senate Minutes of December 14, 1976)
 - C. Appointments to Committees
4. Unfinished Business
5. Report of Committees
 - A. Committee on Committees
 - B. University Curriculum Committee: Physical Therapy (a) PTHE 3121-increase hours from 2 s.h. to 3 s.h. which increases total hours for degree to 130s.h. (b) change in cognate requirements (see University Curriculum Committee Minutes for January 6, 1977)
 - C. Ad Hoc Screening Committee

Codes submitted to the Senate for approval will be forwarded to the unit's senator(s). Faculty of those units who desire to see the code should see their senator(s).
 - D. Faculty Governance Committee (see attachment)
6. New Business
 - A. Motion to amend the Resolution submitted by Instructional Survey Committee which the Faculty Senate amended and passed at the November 16, 1976 meeting (see Faculty Senate Agenda and Minutes for November 16, 1976)

FACULTY GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

The Faculty Governance Committee recommended the following action:

- (1) The Governance Committee finds that the History Department Code is ambiguous on page 4, Section IV, paragraph 2, sentence 2, and on page 7, paragraph 2, item 2, and on page 7, Section V, sentence 2.

The sentence on page four indicates that all standing committee action shall be subject to approval by the History Department, or by faculty so specified. This is clear in and of itself, but the question arises regarding the item on page 7: Does the action of recommending criteria for permanent tenure, reappointment, and promotion (in the case of this appeal, promotion only) fall under approval by the department or under approval by some more specific body? The second sentence of Section V on page 7 indicates that recommendations concerning promotions shall be approved by a meeting of faculty members holding professorial rank senior to that of the faculty member under consideration. The specific question now becomes: Do those recommendations include the criteria as well as the candidates? Or were recommendations concerning criteria for promotion (and for recommending for permanent tenure and for reappointment) meant to be approved by the entire department?

The ambiguity here is further evidenced in sentences 3 and 4 under Section V of page 7, where recommendations concerning tenure seem to leave out altogether the idea that criteria are to be approved by the same body that approves of recommendations for granting permanent tenure, viz., the body of permanently tenured faculty.

- (2) The Governance Committee recommends to the Senate that the History Department clarify these passages in its code by amending and inserting in all appropriate places whether the department, specific individuals, or some committee is responsible for considering committee recommendations.