

MINUTES

FACULTY SENATE OF EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY SIXTH REGULAR MEETING OF 1980/81 ACADEMIC YEAR

17 February 1981

The Faculty Senate met on Tuesday 17 February 1981 at 2:10 p.m. in Mendenhall Student Center, Room 221. The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Thomas Johnson. Upon the calling of the roll, the following members were absent: Ross (Art), Gulati (Business), Levey and Mikkelsen (Education), Sadler* (Library Science), Barakat and Mozley (Medicine), Sammons* (Nursing), Barnes* (Allied Health), Cheng* (Health Sciences Library), Schmidt* (Music), and ex officio: Laupus, Maier, Meyer, Hursey. Alternates present were: Neal for Spruill (Geology), Georgalis (Philosophy), Bienstock for Tudor (Aerospace).

*Denotes Senators who joined session later

Agenda Item 2: The minutes of 27 January 1981 were approved with the following corrections: (1) Reference to page 2, line 16 was in error; the minutes should have read "page 2, line 22." (2) The eighth amendment from Allied Health inadvertently omitted from page 4 should have been included: page 5, line 25: delete the word "shall" following the word "members". (3) Strike the phrase "...to those committees," third line from bottom of page 5. (4) Professor Gowen (History) requested that the reason for his question concerning accuracy of data in SOAP's recommendations be included on page 3. He felt that SOAP's recommendations were contrary to obvious fact.

Hough questioned Bodo Nischan's appointment to the Agenda Committee. The Chair agreed to take it under advisement.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

Agenda Item 3A: Announcements

Chair made the following remarks and announcements:

1. A letter was received from Chancellor Brewer concerning resolutions passed by the Senate at its January 27, 1981, meeting. The Chancellor has taken under advisement the proposed ECU Code which will be discussed with (1) Vice Chancellors, Deans, Chairmen; (2) Educational Policies and Planning Committee; and (3) University Attorney. Should revisions be received, the Chancellor will notify the Senate. Upon agreement by the Senate and Chancellor's Office, the final document will be forwarded to Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees for their consideration. The Committee will transmit the revised Code to the full Board.

Chancellor Brewer approved curriculum revisions.

The resolution concerning University reorganization was forwarded to Dr. Friday, the Trustees, and to each member of the Senate.

2. Don Ensley, Community Health, has been appointed to the Hearing Committee to fill the vacancy created by Bruce Wardrep's resignation. His term will expire April, 1981.
3. Committee annual reports will be due May 6, 1981, in order to be prepared by the Faculty Senate Office and distributed to the Chancellor and the Senators.
4. The Faculty and Staff Dining facility is now open for lunch in Mendenhall.
5. Dr. William Friday will be speaking at the Phi Kappa Phi Symposium on Higher Education on February 25, 1981, in Hendrix Theatre.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Agenda Item 4A: Committee on Committees

University Libraries Committee

The Senate approved the amended charge. (81-9)

Student Scholarships, Fellowships and Financial Aid Committee

The revised charge was adopted by the Senate. (81-10)

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Agenda Item 5A: Committee on Committees

Professor Ayers (Chemistry) presented the first reading of the revised charge of the University Curriculum Committee. She noted editorial changes in 4A: lines 7 and 9 strike "shall" and change "review" to reviews" and "make" to "makes". Professor Grossnickle (Psychology) moved to remove "and the Director of Library Services" from ex officio membership. Professor S. Daugherty (Mathematics) seconded. Discussion followed concerning the necessity of including or excluding the Director of Library Services from membership. Grossnickle said that the Committee has an accurate method of determining if library holdings are adequate for curriculum changes and that subject librarians could be contacted if questions arise.

Professor E. Ryan (Philosophy) spoke against Grossnickle's motion by stating that it would be important for the Director of Libraries to have input into curriculum changes. Professor Briley (Library Services) questioned Grossnickle about the Curriculum Committee's current method of determining adequate library resources. He indicated that presently there is a question on the

"New Course Proposal" form concerning adequate library holdings and that the Committee intends to enforce this question more strictly in the future. Grossnickle also added that the thirteen committee members constitute a sufficient number to carry out the charge of the Committee. Grossnickle's motion to amend the charge passed. (80-11) Final action will take place at the March 17, 1981, Faculty Senate meeting.

Agenda Item 5B: Agenda Committee

Meeting dates of the Faculty Senate and Agenda Committee for 1981/82 were adopted by the Senate (See attachment to February 17, 1981, Faculty Senate Agenda.) (81-12)

Agenda Item 5C: Faculty Welfare Committee

Professor Sehgal, chair, presented a resolution from the Committee for Senate discussion (see February 17 Faculty Senate Agenda). He noted that the phrase "at the Chancellor's Home" in item 6 should have been removed. Other editorial changes were made in item 6: "Continue to" (honor) added and (reception)/dinner added. Professor C. Adler (Physics) moved to delete "staff" in paragraphs one and four. Professor Ledbetter (Business) seconded. The motion was adopted. (81-13) Sehgal mentioned that these seven items represent a good start toward securing more retiree benefits. The amended resolution was approved. (81-14)

Agenda Item 5D: University Libraries Committee

This agenda item was postponed and will appear on the March 17, 1981, agenda.

Agenda Item 5E: University Curriculum Committee

The Senate approved the two curriculum changes presented by Grossnickle: (1) revised B.S. Degree in Theatre Arts and (2) revised B.S. Degree in Medical Technology. (81-15)

Agenda Item 5F: University Computer Committee

Professor Athey, chair, reported to the Senate on the status of computer service. Glen Crowe, Director of the Computing Center, has written a proposal whereby the University, Pitt Memorial Hospital and the Medical School jointly will fund a multiprocessor machine. Bids will be sent out during the next few months with a machine installed possibly as early as May. Athey noted that it will take six to eight months to convert the administrative jobs from the present Burroughs to the new computer and that all jobs should be switched in 18 months. The Burroughs computer will then be left entirely for the academic community. A new contract has been negotiated which will remain in effect until July, 1982, at which time either a new contract must be negotiated or a new computer purchased.

The Computer Planning Task Force recommended a central computer site data community subsystem with networks of clusters of terminals throughout campus that could be used by the students. The proposal also suggested an Office of Academic Computing, which would include a full-time administrator for academic services, a full complement of academic users/consultants, a software developmental group of programmers, and a maintenance staff for the academic community facilities and operations. At the present time the academic community is serviced by one entry-level programmer.

The University Computer Committee asks the Senate to support the idea of an Office of Academic Computing, which will have input into new development and advancement of academic computing on campus. The Committee suggests that at least a half- or full-time faculty position, through released time, be instituted to administer this office.

Athey outlined policies for departmental and student use of computers.

Professor Haskins (Art) inquired about an offer of an IBM computer. Athey answered that there is a company in the State that wishes to terminate its lease and has offered the machine to the University for \$100,000. A problem exists, however, in obtaining software, not to mention the software purchase costs which would run from \$100,000 to \$200,000. Also, maintenance costs would involve from \$5,000 to \$10,000 a month.

There being no new business, the sixth regular meeting of the Faculty Senate adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

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