

ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES
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Call to Order

Chairperson Lane Crothers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Chairperson Crothers called the roll and declared a quorum.

Approval of Minutes of November 6, 2002

Motion XXXIV-49: By Senator Ligunas, second by Senator Mehta, to approve the Academic Senate minutes of November 6, 2002. The minutes were unanimously approved

Chairperson's Remarks

Senator Crothers: The first provost candidate has just completed her interview and the second is starting this evening. I appreciate the opportunity given to the Senate to meet with the candidates. It is important that more Senate members attend these meetings. We want to have as much involvement as possible in the selection of a new provost.

Student Government Association President's Remarks

Senator Bathauer: There are several Senate student vacancies, so please let your students know that we are accepting applications through the end of the week. We may extend that deadline. SGA is also participating in the Provost interviews. Student senators can attend the SGA interviews as well as the Senate ones. I encourage your participation.

Senator Razaki: How many student positions are available?

Senator Bathauer: We have three underrepresented student vacancies. One vacancy is for the College of Nursing and another for the College of Fine Arts. Two positions are for off campus students and one is for an on campus student.

Administrators' Remarks

- ***President Vic Boschini: Excused Absence***
- ***Provost Al Bowman: Excused Absence***
- ***Vice President of Student Affairs Helen Mamarchev: Excused Absence***
- ***Vice President of Finance and Planning Steve Bragg:*** The President participated in a meeting on November 18 with the IBHE. That body met with the representatives from the public universities, community colleges, Illinois Mathematics and Science Committee and Student Assistance Commission to assess the implications of the gubernatorial election and provide advice for the IBHE as they start to craft their fiscal year 2004 budget recommendations. No one had any answers or clear perspective of what is happening with the budget or the new administration. There was a press conference held by the Economic and Fiscal Commission, which is the revenue projection arm of the General Assembly, revising downward the revenue projections for the current year by another \$380 million, which I am trying to confirm. I am also trying to confirm whether that is an additional \$380 million or whether they have increased their original \$200 million. I think it would be a good time to look at our contingency plans and discuss whether those are the plans we want to follow should mid-year cuts happen again.

The projected deficit is now between \$2.5 to \$3 billion. We do know that higher education will be a separate committee in the new administration's transition team. It will have two teams, one to look at governance and the other to focus on accountability.

Senator Barone: I would like to applaud the administration for holding this economic planning conference to which the governor-elect is sending a representative. I think that this is a constructive way to engage people in Springfield.

Senator Bragg: The President was really instrumental in doing that and I will pass that on to him.

Committee Reports:

Academic Affairs Committee

Senator Lindblom: The committee voted to approve the College of Arts and Sciences new Foreign Language proposal. We did attach to that a recommendation that a three-year review be a part of it. Senators Armstrong, Thomas and I met with the Council on General Education and worked out a timeline for the five-year review of the General Education Program. The timeline for that review extends from now until the

middle or end of the next academic year. We have broken the review down to two components. It will begin with a review of FOI and move on to a larger overall review of the General Education Program. We have built in opportunities for faculty, students and staff to offer input through forums and we will also seek written feedback.

Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee

Senator Lartz: We continued our discussion on the Consensual Relations Policy with the Rules Committee. At our next meeting, we will discuss whether or not to endorse the request for school designation from the Department of Applied Computer Science.

Faculty Affairs Committee

Senator Winchip: This evening, we had two guests from the Department of Recreation Services, who provided us with a rationale for golf fees for student, faculty, staff and the public. We hope to have recommendations after our next meeting, which we will present to the Senate.

Planning and Finance Committee:

Interim Committee Chairperson Senator Tudor: We discussed the goals and visions of the committee as they relate to the University's budgeting and planning processes. Another important part of discussion involved the importance of coordinating our activities with the NCA Committees and also with the Educating Illinois Coordinating Committee. We will invite Joe Rives to our next meeting.

Rules Committee:

Interim Committee Chairperson Senator Crumpler: We met with the Administrative Affairs Committee this evening to discuss the Consensual Relations policy. Our other task for the remainder of the term is the ethics and grievance document.

Senator Crothers: When might the Consensual Relations Policy come to the Senate?

Senator Crumpler: We will do our best to meet the deadline of December 31.

Senator Crothers: Don't worry about that deadline because we can't meet it with only one meeting left.

Senator Crumpler: I would hope then to bring it forward early next semester.

Action Items:

Election of Honorary Degree Committee Representatives

Motion XXXIV-50: By Senator Fowles, second by Senator Hampton, to ratify the Student Government Association's election of Nicole Clemmons to the Honorary Degree Committee and to elect one faculty Senate representative, Senator Ken Jerich, and one student Senate representative, Senator Ryan Allen, to the committee. The motion was unanimously approved.

05.28.02.04 Council for Teacher Education Bylaws-Revised (Rules Committee)

Motion XXXIV-51: By Senator Crumpler to approve the Council for Teacher Education Bylaws.

Senator Lindblom: I recommend that we remove this document from the agenda. Changes to the bylaws are to be reviewed by the Academic Affairs Committee. I also recommend that we add a sentence that is in the *Committee Structure of the Academic Senate* ("Blue Book"), which reads, "The Council for Teacher Education reports to the Academic Affairs Committee and to the Provost." The Academic Affairs Committee requests a week or so to look at the document and then to bring it back to the Senate at a later date.

Motion XXXIV-52: By Senator Lindblom, second by Senator Armstrong, to remove the CTE Bylaws from the agenda.

Senator Landau: The purpose of the Council of Teacher Education, as indicated in this draft of the bylaws, is to oversee academic programs leading to certification of teachers and other professional education personnel who work in pre-K through 12 school settings. However, there is no reference, beyond the purpose statement, of any other credentialed school personnel. This document needs to be presented in a language beyond teacher education or the purpose statement needs to be adjusted accordingly.

Senator Crumpler: Are you asking for more specific language to spell out the programs that would be governed under this document?

Senator Landau: The document needs to capture the training programs that would generate other certificates. It is too narrow given the expressed purpose.

Senator Crothers: We are actually debating the motion to remove this from the agenda.

Call the Question: By Senator Landau.

Vote on Motion: The motion to remove the bylaws from the Senate agenda was unanimously approved.

Information Item:**11.08.02.02 Student Involvement Transcripts (Academic Affairs Committee)**

Senator Lindblom: We received the SGA resolution of April 2, 2002, in which the Student Government Association endorses the concept of a student involvement transcript. The Academic Affairs Committee recommends that this process go through. We did that knowing that student involvement transcripts are already on the administration's agenda and is mentioned in *Educating Illinois*. However, we did have a number of questions and concerns and those are included in our memo submitted to the Senate.

Senator Crothers: What would you like to see done with the questions that you have raised?

Senator Lindblom: We would like the Senate's endorsement and our questions and concerns to be sent to the individuals who are actually planning and implementing student involvement transcripts.

Senator Crothers: Would I be correct, Senator Thomas, to assume that this would go to your area?

Senator Thomas: That would be incorrect. It was previously considered by an ad hoc committee some time ago and was subsequently considered by an *Educating Illinois* implementation team. However, I don't think that anything has come forward from the implementation team. I think that this is more a Student Affairs' issue than an Academic Affairs' one.

Senator Plantholt: What exactly are we doing? Would this be a Senate statement endorsing a resolution from SGA, but for which there is no specific plan yet?

Senator Lindblom: That's correct. That is why we included our questions and concerns so that as the planning is done, those can be taken into account.

Senator Crothers: Were we to move this to an action item, we could certainly put a proviso in that motion requesting that once a final plan is put into place, that it come to us for discussion and endorsement.

Senator Coliz: Did the question of cost come up?

Senator Lindblom: The specific costs never came up, but the issue of costs was an important part of the conversation. We did include in our memo, "What priority would student involvement transcripts have given current budget concerns. How much of a student fee would instituting student involvement transcripts require? The costs would be less if there were no verification of the student activities.

Senator Lartz: Could we record the student activities in the live text portfolio since the students have to pay for that anyway?

Senator Lindblom: That did not come up in our discussion. We have not been informed of any approval of live text.

Senator Razaki: I don't know what the University's role should be and why we should even be taking this on, unless that students pay for it with a fee and fully fund this effort themselves.

Senator Bathauer: In my opinion, anything that the University can do to promote the activities that its students participated in while they were here would only benefit the reputation of the University as well as aid in the placement of students when they leave. The Student Government Association does not have a mechanism to determine what the costs are, so we asked the Senate to look at this and to forward it on. If it is the decision of an implementation team that the students should pay for this, then that is something we can consider, but right now, we don't know what those costs are.

Senator Maroules: In my view, this is a good way for the University to express the commitment of cultivating students outside of the academic classroom, as well as making students more marketable candidates for jobs.

Senator Plantholt: It sounds like a lot of the cost depends on how much verification is done. Would everything have to be verified?

Senator Lindblom: It could be an ISU document that it is not verified by the University. All that is verified is that the student gave us this information.

Senator Boser: That seems to be risky.

Senator Mehta: Are we just asking for the Senate's endorsement, along with the recommendations, to be passed on to an implementation committee, and then for that committee to bring its final recommendations back to the Senate?

Senator Crothers: In order to do what you are suggesting, a formal motion to approve and endorse would also have to include an expectation that they would report back to us the answers to these questions and then that would require a subsequent approval.

Motion XXXIV-53: Senator Mehta, second by Senator Maroules, to move the student involvement transcripts to action.

Senator Razaki: I oppose the motion for moving it to action because I don't think we have enough information to decide anything at all.

Vote on Motion: By roll call vote, the motion to move the student involvement transcripts to action did not pass. By a vote of 24 to 14, the motion did not meet the two-thirds requirement to amend the agenda.

Senator Crothers: I would suggest that Academic Affairs work with Student Government to begin to answer many of the questions that are in its memo and then perhaps come forward with a more formal proposal.

Communications:

Curricular Program Proposals

10.28.02.01 Deletion of Public Relations Sequence in Communications and Deletion of Education Sequences in Special Education –
Approved on Senate Consent Agenda 11/11/02

Senate Resolution

Motion XXXIV-54: By Senator Razaki, second by Senator Hampton, for a Sense of the Senate Resolution to wish Senator Barbara Kurtz a speedy recovery. The motion was unanimously approved.

Adjournment

Motion XXXIV-55: To adjourn. The motion was approved by standing vote.

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ATTENDANCE AND MOTIONS		NV = NON-VOTING						
		Approval of Minutes	Honorary Degree Committee Election	CTE Bylaws Approval	CTE Bylaws - Remove from Agenda	Move Student Involvement Transcripts to Action Item	Senate Resolution for Senator Kurtz	Adjourn
MEMBERS	Attendance	Motion 49	Motion 50	Motion 51	Motion 52	Motion 53	Motion 54	Motion 55
		Unanimous	Unanimous	Bylaws Removed from Agenda	Passed by voice vote	Motion Did not Pass By 2/3 Majority	Unanimous	Unanimous
ALLEN	X					YES		
ANDERSON	X					YES		
APER	X					YES		
ARMSTRONG	X					YES		
BARONE (Chair of Chairs Council)	X	NV	NV		NV	NV	NV	
BATHAUER	X					YES		
BAUM	X					YES		
BERG	ABSENT					ABSENT		
BORG	EXCUSED					EXCUSED		
BOSCHINI	EXCUSED	NV	NV		NV	NV	NV	
BOSER	X					YES		
BOWMAN	EXCUSED	NV	NV		NV	NV	NV	

BRAGG	X	NV	NV		NV	NV	NV	
BRASSEUR	X					NO		
BURK	X					NO		
CHUSID	ABSENT					ABSENT		
CLEMMONS	X					YES		
COLIZ	X					NO		
CROTHERS	X					ABSTAIN		
CRUMPLER	X					NO		
CUNNINGHAM	X					YES		
DEUTSCH	EXCUSED					EXCUSED		
FEASTER	X					YES		
FOWLES	X					NO		
GAYLOR	X					YES		
HAMPTON	X					YES		
HOLLAND	ABSENT					ABSENT		
HOWARD	EXCUSED					EXCUSED		
JERICH	X					NO		
KURTZ	EXCUSED					EXCUSED		
LACIO	X					YES		
LANDAU	X					NO		
LARTZ	X					NO		
LIGUNAS	X					YES		
LINDBLOM	X					YES		
MAMARCHEV	EXCUSED	NV	NV		NV	NV	NV	
MAROULES	X	NV	NV		NV	NV	NV	
McGINNIS	EXCUSED	NV	NV		NV	NV	NV	
MECKSTROTH	X					YES		
MEHTA	X					YES		
MEYER	X					YES		
MOHAMMADI	X					NO		
NIEMANN	X					ABSENT		
NUR-AWALEH	EXCUSED					EXCUSED		
O'BRIEN	X					YES		
O'DONNELL	X					NO		
PATEL	ABSENT					ABSENT		
PLANTHOLT	X					YES		

PRYOR	X					NO		
RADHAKRISHNAN	X					NO		
RAZAKI	X					NO		
REID	EXCUSED					EXCUSED		
REYNOLDS	X					YES		
ROSSMAN (Deans Council Rep.)	X	NV	NV		NV	NV	NV	
THOMAS	X	NV	NV		NV	NV	NV	
TUDOR	X					NO		
VIRGIL	X					YES		
WATERSTRAAT	X					YES		
WINCHIP	X					YES		