

Executive Committee Minutes

October 18, 1999

(Approved)

Chairperson Curt White called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Chris Knox, Barbara Kurtz, Fred Noyes, Khalid Razaki, Curt White, Steve Whitmore, Al Goldfarb, Matt Goodwin, Vanatta Ford

Excused Absence: President Boschini, Sandra Zielinski, Steve McCaw

Approval of Executive Minutes

Motion XXXI-41 by Senator Knox, second by Senator Whitmore, to approve the October 4, 1999 Executive Committee minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Oral Communications:

10.07.99.01 From Norma Honn: President Boschini will be absent from Executive Committee meeting of 10/18/99.

10.07.99.02 From University Curriculum Committee: Proposal for new major and minor in Industrial Technology (To Academic Affairs and Budget Committees).

10.11.99.01 From Jill Benson: Request for student nominations for the Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges program (To Dr. Eric Thomas and Student Affairs Committee).

10.12.99.01 From Lauren Brown and Cheryl Elzy: Minutes from Library Committee and proposal for addition to Milner Library.

10.15.99.01 From Gigi Fansler: Seeking nominations for Strand Diversity Achievement Award.

10.15.99.02 From Wayne Lockwood: Academic Priorities Facilities Improvements Summary (To Administrative Affairs Committee).

10.15.99.03 From Margaret Haefner: Nominations and portfolios for Service Awards (To Faculty Affairs Committee) The Senate office has received seven nominations for the new service awards, the Outstanding University Service Award and the Service Initiative Award, (four from CAS, two from CAST and one from Milner). Nominations and portfolios will be forwarded to the Faculty Affairs Committee.

Senator Razaki: Stated that information about nominations for the service awards was not widely disseminated. He added that no information had ever come from the dean of his college or department chair regarding the Search Committees for the administrative searches.

Senator Noyes: Stated that he too had received no information about the service award nominations.

Senator Goldfarb: Stated that this year, the Senate would make the selection for the service awards. Next year, we will set up an external committee to do so.

Senator White: Stated that it would not be appropriate for the Senate to make nominations as well as decide on the recipients.

Senator Razaki: Stated that his understanding was that anyone could make a nomination. However, if faculty did not receive notification, then they would not be aware of the process.

Senator White: If we turned the judging over to a subcommittee (Faculty Affairs Committee), then the Executive Committee could stimulate additional nominations.

Senator Goldfarb: Suggested that the Senate office contact the college deans and chairpersons to solicit additional nominations.

10.15.99.04 From Kenneth Jesse, Professor Emeritus: Complaint about entertainment at ISU.

Communications (distributed):

10.13.99.01 Forwarded by Eric Thomas Memos from Alan Dillingham and 1996 Academic Affairs Committee: Academic Progress Alert System (To Academic Affairs and Student Affairs). The Academic Progress Alert System informs students of their academic progress at certain intervals. The program is to be reviewed every three years. Dr. Eric Thomas, Associate Vice President of Undergraduate Studies, and the Academic Affairs and Student Affairs Committees will review the progress of the program.

Senator Noyes: Stated that the problem with the program is that there was a very short period of time to get real data on students' progress. We also need to find out from the Registrar how many people turned in grades. It doesn't help the students if progress reports are compiled at a time that instructors do not have grades for students. He stated that the program could provide valuable information to students, however, the time constraints should be reviewed.

Proposed Agenda for Academic Senate Meeting 10/27/99 at 7:00 P.M.

Action Items:

10.22.99.02 Faculty Election to Honors Council (Rules Committee)

Information Items:

09.24.99.01 Proposal for Minor in East Asian Studies (Academic Affairs and Budget Committees)

09.24.99.02 Deletion of Minor in Japanese Studies (Academic Affairs Committee)

07.27.99.01 College of Education Revised Bylaws (Rules Committee)

09.14.99.02 College of Applied Science and Technology Revised Bylaws (Rules Com.)

Discussion: Technology/Provost

Motion XXXI-42: To approve the agenda by Senator Noyes, second by Senator Whitmore. Agenda was approved unanimously.

Discussion:

Technology

Senator White: Asked about the creation of the new position of a vice president of technology. He also asked about the search process for this position.

Senator Goldfarb: We will be combining all of the areas of technology under the Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs. Senator Goldfarb reported that this was not a new

position. There are two administrative positions that have never been filled for a Vice President and an Associate Vice President. The appointment is an interim appointment for two years, at the end of which a search will be conducted. Senator Goldfarb has asked Professor David Williams, Associate Dean of the College of Fine Arts, to fill the interim position.

Capital Campaign

Senator White: Asked what the timeline should be to follow up on last week's discussion on the Comprehensive Capital Campaign. We should think about following it up in some form, whether that means bringing a resolution to the floor endorsing the campaign or actually beginning to do some groundwork for extending the campaign from the Senate to the rest of the faculty and student body.

Senator Razaki: Suggested that the Senate hold faculty and student caucuses to discuss the topic.

The Executive Committee agreed to hold caucuses. The date for the caucuses will be decided at a future Executive Committee meeting.

Caucus: Non-Tenure Track Faculty: Policy issues regarding non-tenure track faculty will be discussed at a faculty Senate caucus on Wednesday, November 10, 1999, at 6:00 p.m. in the Circus Room of the Bone Student Center.

College Bylaws Revisions

Senator Noyes: Stated that the policies in the bylaws for searching for new department chairpersons are not consistent among all colleges. There is a lot of inconsistency and a lot of openings for interpretation regarding this issue. I think that there should be specific procedures.

He added that a letter attached to the revised College of Education bylaws stated that an election had been held to approve or reject the bylaws. However, Senator Noyes said that the first time he had seen the revised bylaws from his college was when they were distributed to the Rules Committee.

Senator White: There are no search stipulations for the chairperson positions in the policies and procedures document. So at this point, it is up to the colleges. Senator White suggested that Senator Noyes propose to the Rules Committee that it draft a universal policy to be placed in the policies and procedures handbook.

Motion XXXI-43: To adjourn. Approved unanimously.