

**Executive Committee Minutes**  
**September 5, 2000**  
**(Approved)**

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

Present: Charlie Biondollilo, President Boschini, Khalid Razaki, Curt White, Cori Brown, Lane Crothers, John Walker

Excused Absences: Matt Goodwin, Fred Noyes, Patricia Meckstroth, Al Goldfarb

Guest: Dave Williams

***Approval of Executive Committee Minutes of August 21, 2000***

**Motion XXXII-10:** by Senator Razaki, second by Senator Brown, to approve the minutes of August 21, 2000. The minutes were approved unanimously.

***Communications (oral):***

- 08.23.00.02 From Norma Honn: President's absence from Executive Committee meeting of 9/5/00
- 08.27.00.02 From Jenny Metcalf: Availability of grants from Parents Association

***Communications (distributed):***

- 08.23.00.01 From Al Goldfarb: Request for Senate Faculty Caucus for review of ASPT Policies
- 08.27.00.01 From Al Goldfarb: Advertising Policy, Appropriate Use of Technology Policy, University Organization Sales Policy
- 08.29.00.01 Bob Sutherland: Student Health Concerns (To Student Affairs Committee) Dr. Sutherland memo's refers to the formation of a committee on student health concerns. His memo will be forwarded to the Student Affairs Committee for their review. If Student Affairs decides that a committee should be established, they will make their recommendations to the Senate as a whole and forward its recommendations to the Rules Committee for the formation of the committee. If Student Affairs decides that the committee should be a subcommittee of SGA, they will forward their recommendations to that body.
- 08.31.00.01 From Al Goldfarb: Notification of Summative Evaluations for Administrators (To Administrative Affairs Committee)

***Proposed Agenda for Academic Senate Meeting 9/13/00 at 7:00 P.M.***

**Action Items:**

Faculty and Student Elections to External Committees

Election of Senate Student Representative for Executive Committee

***Communications:***

Distinctiveness and Excellence Committee Discussion Continued (Laura Pedrick)

Illinois Board of Higher Education Faculty Advisory Committee Report (Senator Crothers)

***Adjournment***

***Senate Caucus: Budget and ASPT Information***

**Motion XXXII-11:** By Senator Razaki, second by Senator Biondollilo, to approve the agenda. Agenda was unanimously approved.

**Discussion:**

**08.27.00.01 Appropriate Use of Technology, Advertisement and Sales Policies**

**Dave Williams, Associate Vice President for Technology:** About four months ago, I was asked to look at clarifying the sales and advertising policies of the University in terms of the web. For the sales policy, we added that since ISU does not currently have e-commerce capability in place for secure real-time credit card transactions, these transactions will need to be done by traditional means via phone, fax and secure web forms. We also added that sales efforts are defined as arrangements by registered student organizations or University departments for the purpose of generating income for the sponsoring group and that the sponsoring group must be *present* (including web presence for web sales) at the point of sale.

**Senator Crothers:** I raised a question about this when I got a campus solicitation for cell phone service that was sent out by the Athletic Department. I felt that it was a terrible way to invest the University's time and money. I don't feel that the changes you have outlined address this.

**Dr. Williams:** For both the sales policy and the advertising policy, my only role was to look at some web issues. For the advertising policy, we wanted to make sure that our users made a clear distinction between what was advertising and what was not. We suggested using the suffix ".org" for advertising and that no advertising would appear on ".ilstu.edu" sites.

**Senator Biondolillo:** Right now we have some issues with the electronic board at the arena as well as advertising with McDonald's. How are these in compliance with the current advertising policy?

**Senator White:** Those issues and Senator Crother's issue are broader than what Dr. Williams has addressed. At some point, we would like to have a more systemic review of the policies.

**Senator Crothers:** I was under the impression that that was what we were promised by the Provost and that this was what we were getting back from that promise.

**Senator Boschini:** We will take this back to the drawing board and present revisions again.

**Dr. Williams:** We have a pressing need to have the current changes approved and then we could look at further changes at another time.

The other issue is the Appropriate Use Policy. It is basically the policy that governs our activities on the internet. A significant change in the policy is that, in the past, there were special groups to review infractions of the Appropriate Use Policy. Now it has been streamlined so that once it goes beyond the warning stage, it gets passed to the traditional groups that would review these kinds of things. For example, if it were a criminal act, it would go to the ISU police. If it deals with harassment, it would go to the Diversity and Affirmative Action Office.

**Senator White:** The next thing to do is to schedule these documents as information items at the Senate meeting of September 27. There would not be any voting on them, but it would give the Senate an opportunity to ask questions.

**Senator Crothers:** Is there a reason this is not going to Administrative Affairs.

**Senator White:** Yes, it is a policy matter and we do not vote on policy matters; we merely provide advice.

***Request for Faculty Member Appointment to Board of Trustees***

**Senator White:** As suggested by the faculty caucus, I have talked with President Boschini about the possibility of having a lunch with Mr. Sulaski, Chairperson of the Board of Trustees, with the hope of gaining his support of going to the legislature and lobbying for a faculty member on the Board of Trustees. At the caucus, we also discussed a petition that is to be sponsored by the Senate among the faculty supporting the idea of a faculty member on the Board. The third thing to embark upon is research that is to be done by the Senate, either the Executive Committee or the Faculty Affairs Committee, about other universities within the state having faculty members on Boards of Trustees. These were the three suggestions that came out of the caucus.

**Senator Boschini:** I did talk with Mr. Sulaski this weekend and he is more than willing to meet with Senator White. However, I do not perceive such an appointment to the Board. Mr. Sulaski is solidly against ever having a faculty member on the Board. I think that I, too, am against it because if you look at why Boards were started, you will see that they were started because there should be a lay Board. I asked Senator White what the reasons were that you would want a faculty member on the Board and to every reason that he gave, I responded that that would be within the President's duties.

**Senator White:** Could the Board itself designate an ex-officio?

**Senator Boschini:** No, the Boards are set up by state law and the only way to assign an individual is through legislation.

**Senator Razaki:** I think that some portion of the faculty thinks that the President should support this effort. If you don't support it, I think there will be a loss of some political capital on your part with the faculty. I don't see any good reason not to have a faculty member on the Board.

**Senator Boschini:** Tell me how you would rationalize having a faculty on the Board and not an AP and civil service member.

**Senator Razaki:** There are only two crucial groups on campus, one of them is the students and the other is the faculty. They are the heart and soul of the education process.

**Senator Crothers:** Why students and no one else?

**Senator Boschini:** The Boards were set up as lay Boards to govern the campuses so that no person who was a part of the power structure, no employee group, would be part of the Boards.

**Senator Crothers:** There can be no personality answers to institutional questions. I am very happy with the job that you are doing; however, there is a level of concern that the next President may not do the same. The answer being given is: trust the President.

**Senator Boschini:** I am asking that you trust the process and trust the structure.

**Senator White:** If you look at the Constitution, it says that the role of the President is to communicate the position of the faculty to the Board and the position of the Board to the faculty, so the issue is not one of trust, but whether or not the President is doing his job well.

**Senator Bondolillo:** I think that President Boschini is representing the faculty. Students could also say that we would like to have an ex-officio student because we don't feel that our student trustee is representing us appropriately.

**Senator White:** The problem is that we are used to thinking of the President not as a faculty member but as a professional administrator. If we think of the President as a CEO, then we need a faculty member on the Board. If we think of the President as a faculty member serving for a limited time and who will ultimately return to the faculty, then the argument is not as good. President Boschini does think of himself as a faculty member. However, some of the negative things that have happened here in the past would not have happened if we had had a faculty member on the Board.

The Executive Committee agreed that the Faculty Affairs Committee would be the body to work on the survey and the petition for a faculty member on the Board of Trustees. They also agreed that Senator White should meet with Mr. Sulaski to discuss the issue.

**Motion XXXII-12:** To adjourn by Senator Razaki, second by Senator Noyes, approved unanimously by standing vote.

