

**Executive Committee Minutes  
Monday, September 17, 2001  
(Approved)**

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

Present: Mark Albrecht, Lane Crothers, Eileen Fowles, Khalid Razaki, Curt White, Susan Winchip, John Walker, Vic Boschini, Ziggy Kowalski, Carolyn Bathauer, la'Rufus Mitchell

**Excused Absence:** Al Goldfarb

***Approval of Executive Committee Minutes of 09/04/01***

**Motion XXXIII-17:** By Senator Walker, second by Senator Fowles, to approve the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of September 4, 2001. The motion was unanimously approved.

***Communications (oral):***

08.30.01.01 From President Boschini: Approval of Senate actions of May 2, 2001

09.10.01.01 From Ruth Townsend: Diversity and Affirmative Action Search Committee Training

***Proposed Agenda for Academic Senate Meeting of 09/26/01 at 7:00 P.M.***

***Roll Call***

***Approval of Minutes***

***Remarks***

***Committee Reports***

***NCAA Certification Process: Jeff Wood***

***Communications***

***Adjournment***

**Motion XXXIII-18:** by Senator Razaki, second by Senator Kowalski, to approve the proposed Senate Agenda for September 26, 2001. The motion was unanimously approved.

***Discussion***

***Non-Tenure Track Faculty Senate Representative***

**Senator White:** We approved the addition of a non-tenure track faculty representative on the Senate in the changes to the Senate membership in January, but we still do not have such a representative. We need to decide how that individual should be elected to the Senate.

**Senator Walker:** In the interim, I think the Provost should appoint a non-tenure track faculty member while the Rules Committee reviews this issue.

**Senator Razaki:** If the Provost does appoint someone, he should actually send out an email asking for nominations and self-nominations.

**Senator Walker:** He should appoint someone in the interim with the understanding that this is just an interim appointment so that non-tenure track faculty will have some representation until we have a process in place by which there can be an election.

**Senator White:** We will reflect this in the minutes and inform the Provost.

### ***Council of Illinois University Senates Position Paper***

**Senator White:** I have an update on the Council of Illinois University Senates. We have an agenda for this year. Our first issue will be the state funding of private institutions. Lane is going to help us to draft that position paper. We are going to discuss this document by email and then send it to all of the senates for approval. We will have a meeting in the spring that will be a lobbying effort.

### ***Forum on Historical Perspective of September 11 Events***

**Senator White:** John Wilson, the editor of the *Indy*, mentioned that the *Indy* wants to sponsor a forum regarding issues related to the events of September 11. I suggested that perhaps the Senate could hold such a forum and include participation from the *Indy*. My principle concern is that the media has not provided any context for a meaningful understanding of these events. The goal of the forum would be to begin to provide a geopolitical, historical and theoretical context within which to understand these events.

**Senator Razaki:** I think the forum should provide a balance of viewpoints. History is always in terms of some type of context just in the choice of which historical facts you mention or do not mention.

**Senator Crothers:** I don't feel that I am partisan when I present a historical perspective.

**Senator White:** I just don't want this forum to be a pro or anti type of situation.

**Motion XXXIII-19:** by Senator Razaki, second by Senator Walker, to create a committee to organize a panel to provide a historical context for the terrorist attacks of September 11. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Senator Crothers:** Two weeks from now, there will be a Global Review held on this issue. It is entitled *Clash of Civilizations? The Sources of September 11, 2001*.

**Senator White:** Instead of having our own forum, we could just help them sponsor their program.

**Senator Walker:** I would like to see the Student Government Association play a role in this, especially to get students involved. There are a lot of questions and concerns among students right now and I think something like this would be tremendously beneficial. How does the SGA feel about having this appropriated by the Senate?

**Senator Kowalski:** We think that it is a good idea that we are all joining up to do this. However, we want to make sure that by our name being put on it, it is not going to be construed in the wrong way. We want the openness. We want the students to get the knowledge.

**Senator Bathauer:** I think that we need to convey that this forum is a context for education so that we do not have the same problems that SGA encountered before. The Senate needs to convey the specific reason for the forum as best it can.

### ***Status of Students in Military***

**Senator Walker:** I have a student who is in the military. He informed me after the events on Tuesday that he may not be returning to ISU. Does the university have a policy on that type of thing?

**Senator Boschini:** We are sending this information to every department chair. There is a federal law explicitly stating how faculty should handle this. The information is also on the web.

### ***ASPT Policies***

**Senator Crothers:** I recently received Curt's email about the ASPT (Appointment, Salary, Promotion and Tenure) issue of "grandfathering", continuing certain aspects of policies that were in place before those policies were revised, and a quasi-contract. I personally believe that that policy is inherently perverse given that essentially you are telling people that even if they have surpassed the qualifications for promotion, they cannot be promoted because they have not passed some year criteria.

**Senator Razaki:** The guidelines say that in exceptional circumstances, if your performance is above and beyond the norm, you can be promoted prior to recommendation for tenure.

**Senator White:** What we decided in the caucus last week was that the University Review Committee (URC), Provost and College of Education would talk about this policy. If we mean for the Senate to get involved again in revisions of current ASPT documents, there first has to be a proposal.

**Senator Crothers:** I don't think we can get these changes approved by the URC.

**Senator White:** The URC reports to the Senate. If we ask the URC to investigate an issue, they will send us a recommendation. It is then the Senate's responsibility to accept, reject or revise it. The President then has final approval of any changes made to the ASPT policies.

### *Adjournment*

**Motion XXXIII-20:** The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved by standing vote.