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Minutes of June 26, 1997 Faculty Senate Meeting

The Valdosta State University Faculty Senate meeting convened at 3:00 p.m. in Powell Hall Auditorium.

Members present were: President and Chair - Hugh C. Bailey; Vice President, Academic Affairs
L. Benjamin; Executive Secretary - F. Ware; Parliamentarian - D. Marks; Ex-officio Senators - J. Brignati
(absent), K. Ferrell (absent), L. Milbrandt, T. Dasher, K. Stanley (absent), F.D. Toth (absent), F. Brown
(absent), E. Clark (absent), G. Gaumond (absent); College of the Arts: V. Pennington (absent), J. Davis,
C. Klein (absent), C. Edwards, M. Harbin; College of Arts and Sciences; S. Goel, J. Hiers, M. Leake,
D. Marks, P. Marks, S. Childs, B. Derrick, L. Hanes, B. Brown (proxy P. Marks), D. Boyd, S. Gravett (absent),
K. Rumstay (absent), E. Sheeley, M. Hardin (absent), A. Lazari (absent), D. Bogyo (absent); College of
Business Administration: A. Reddy (absent), J. Oliver (absent), F. Ware, H. Ray (absent); College of
Education: G. Akins (proxy J. Dorminey), C. Backes, R. Deavours, R. Johnston, J. Hertzog (absent), J. Lee,
J. Dorminey, M. Griffin, T. Root-Sirmans (absent), K. Wells (absent), R. McClung, M. Garber (proxy M. Griffin),
J. Hummel; College of Nursing: S. Cantrell (absent), D. Roush; Developmental Studies: W. Lefiles (absent), C.
Walker (absent); Odum Library: S. Crawford, D. VanPetten (proxy S. Crawford); Pres. of SGA: G. Williams

The meeting was called to order to order by President Bailey and proxies were identified by F. Ware.

The minutes of May 29, 1997 meeting were approved.

Unfinished Business

Report of the Special Committee on Pre- and Post-Tenure Review - E. Sheeley stated that the document that had been remanded back for clarification as to whether or not department heads should be included in that review was discussed in a meeting. The committee's understanding was that the Board of Regents does not have a policy stating specifically that department heads will <u>not</u> be reviewed. After some discussion a motion was made to include department heads in the post-tenure process. **The motion to include department heads in the post-tenure review process was approved.**

- D. Boyd presented the Parking usage Committee Recommendation which is furnished herein as Attachment #1. President Bailey asked if only the last three revenue sources cited in the Recommendation document (parking meters,graduated fines, and student transportation fees) would be used for covering parking costs in the future. He stated that he personally could not accept that, and that he would reluctantly have to veto this recommendation if the Senate passed it. He explained that he would not want to rule out individuals paying a portion of the cost in the future. He stated that if we wanted to add the possibility of individual fees to the combination of parking meters on timed spaces, graduated fines, and student transportation fees, he would be happy to accept that.
- D. Boyd replied that the committee members feel very strongly that it is not right to expect faculty and staff to pay to come to work. President Bailey explained that he could not say that he would never levy any fees on faculty members.

Gerald Williams, SGA President, pointed out that parking is a privilege that students pay for, not a right, especially due to the scarcity of parking spaces on campus. He noted that the students bear the brunt of parking and transportation fees.

C. Backes, Chair of the Environmental Issues Committee (the umbrella committee over the Parking Usage Subcommittee) stated that nothing they do is a mandate to Dr. Bailey or any other administrators. He stated that when their recommendations come down, they come down exactly as that. D.Marks, Parliamentarian, hastened to say that the Senate is different from every other committee on campus, that what is passed by the Senate, not vetoed by the President, becomes institutional policy. He said that we have a recommendation from a committee, and a reaction from the President that he finds it unacceptable in the present form. Dr. Marks explained the proper parliamentary procedure which should be followed at this point. He suggested that the reasonable thing to do would be an amendment to include fees, with an opportunity to discuss the amendment. J. Davis offered an amendment to the proposal that we include the possibility of faculty and staff fees be added to the list of items. The motion was seconded. After a brief discussion, the amendment was passed and the recommendation as amended was approved.

New Business

a. Dr. Lloyd Benjamin requested adoption of the June 9, 1997 Academic Committee Report. F. Ware, Executive Secretary, related that the minutes of the June 9, 1997 meeting of the Academic Committee were approved by E-mail, have been available for viewing electronically, but were not available today in hard copy format as anticipated. D. Marks stated that he was uncomfortable with passing the minutes sight unseen.

President Bailey asked Dr. Ware to send a copy of the minutes to the Senators for a vote. The results would be tabulated and that would be official. [Editorial note: This was done that afternoon by Campus Mail, and sufficient responses were returned by June 30 to allow **the minutes to be adopted.**] Dr. Benjamin concluded the Academic Committee report by thanking Martha Reynolds and Louis Levy, members of the Committee.

b. Report of the Committee on Committees - D. Roush. Professor Roush's report is furnished herein as Attachment #2.

The Senate approved the roster, with statutory and standing committees, subject to future fine tuning. (These documents were included in today's <u>Agenda</u> as Attachment #3, and are not included as attachments to the <u>Minutes</u>.).

- D. Marks, Chair of the Nominating Committee, announced that Peggy Cleveland is happy to be nominated for the Committee on Committees' position as Ex-officio Senator for 1997-2000. He then asked for the Senate's approval. The motion was seconded and **passed**.
- c. Report of the Institutional Planning Committee L. Hanes stated that since the Faculty Senate has voted on committees for next year, a working copy of guidelines for program review will be put on the Faculty Senate homepage for responses and suggestions in writing or by E-mail directed to the new chair of IPC.
- d. Report of the Faculty Affairs Committee J. Dorminey said that there were two items to be voted on. The first item is a set of proposed instruments for the Evaluation of Administrators. After some discussion on the evaluation instruments, **the motion was approved by the Senate**.
- Dr. Dorminey next presented for consideration the Faculty Affairs Committee's proposed Policy for Faculty Leave With Pay for Professional Development. President Bailey pointed out a title correction which would be necessary.
- B. Derrick proposed an amendment to the document: "Recipients will be allowed to continue benefits including retirement benefits during the leave. The University will continue its contributions for any period of full pay. For recipients on half salary the University will pay at least half its contributions. Recipients will continue to accrue time toward retirement tenure and promotion."

President Bailey stated that before he could approve, he would have to submit it to the Vice Chancellor and get he approval or disapproval.

After further discussion it was decided that the committee look at this further and report at the October Senate Meeting.

D. Marks stated that there was a motion from the committee on the floor and an

amendment to that that has been made and seconded. At this point a motion to remand that with a discussion back to the committee. **The motion was passed.**

e. Report of the Faculty Grievance Committee - B. Derrick's report is furnished herein as Attachment #3.

f. Report of the Senate Executive Committee - F. Ware stated that Item #1 - Request from the College of Business Administration's Student Relations Quality Improvement Committee that student Social Security Numbers not be used as student identification numbers, had been remanded to the Student Services Committee for study and recommendations to the Faculty Senate.

Dr. Ware also announced that Item #2 - Issue of using one course to satisfy requirements in both major and minor, was remanded to the Academic Committee for study and recommendations to the Faculty Senate. Item #3 was an information item explaining that page 126 (Appendix XIX), inadvertently omitted in the recent printing of revised pages in the Faculty Handbook, was distributed as Attachment #6 to today's Agenda packet.

Item #4 - Faculty Senate Issues Status Report was distributed at the beginning of the meeting. Dr. Ware asked that the Senators look at the Status Report and report any corrections or additions to him right away for use in preparing the Annual Report which is due July 1. An updated version of the status report (which is in the form of a matrix) will be distributed at the first Fall quarter, 1997 Faculty Senate meeting (September 25). Dr. Ware said that he wanted to make sure that all of the work done by the Academic Committee, the Registrar, and academic units in dealing with semester conversion was shown on this matrix.

Item #5 - Faculty Senate Annual Report. Dr. Ware reminded committee chairs to submit any last minute changes which they wished considered when the subject summary report is prepared.

General Discussion

Jim Black, Director of Auxiliary Services, thanked D. Boyd and his Parking Usage Committee, also G. Williams with whom he worked closely on policies. He stated that he was in the committee meeting when it was recommended that the fee be split and that faculty members pay more so that staff members and bi-weekly personnel pay less; he was moved by the sensitivity and compassion of that action. Mr. Black then presented Jill Ferrell, Director of Parking and Transportation, and Michelle Pritchett, Parking Supervisor. He said that his department depended upon the Senate's recommendations and suggestions. He announced that one can find out about what the department does on the web pages.

J. Black related that the parking lot which has been designed to be established on Georgia Avenue will not be ready when the main construction begins on the Science Building. He explained that they would improve the current lots. They will be reserved for faculty and staff. There will be a new parking permit and ticketing system. The parking fee will apply to anyone who parks on campus. He said that he wanted this department to be one that serves everyone well.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.