

FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY

ACADEMIC SENATE

*Minutes of the Meeting
April 5, 1988*

ATTENDANCE

1.1. Members Present. A. Bandstra, J. Bandstra, Beetley, Bethel, Breault, Chaffin, Cook, Cooper, Dudek, Frank, Gillette, Hankes, Hanson, Helsing, Henry, Hynes, Lackey, Lovsted, Maas, Matrosic, Moffett, Murray, Oldfield, Payton, Pomnichowski, Russell, Shansky, Slywka, Spagnuolo, Stich, Totten, Travis, Valas, Voorhees, Wilson.

1.2. Members Absent. Coon (excused), Ravell, Westendorp (excused).

1.3. Guests. G. Atteberry (Public Safety), I. Barnes (Allied Health), S. DePew (Business Affairs), R. Dickinson (Library), J. Hawkins (Human Resources), P. Mantella (Business Affairs), G. Nash (Academic Affairs), J. Shane (Technology), S. Stover (Arts & Sciences), R. Tiede (Business Affairs).

CALL TO ORDER

2.1. President Gillette called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. in the President's Room, Rankin Center.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1. The minutes of the March 22 meeting were approved as presented.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

4.1. President Gillette announced that Julia Chaffin will represent the Senate on the newly-formed Transfer Policy Task Force.

4.2. Gillette reported that the Intramural Recreation Committee has scheduled for Friday, April 8.

4.3. Gillette announced that Robert Ferguson (Arts & Sciences) and Garth McHattie (Education) have been chosen as this year's recipients of the Distinguished Teacher Awards.

SPECIAL REPORT

5.1. Vice President for Business Affairs, Roy Tiede, and Gary Atteberry, Campus Safety, entertained questions from the Senate floor.

5.2. Tiede explained that the question of who shall and shall not pay for Rankin Center parking has not yet been resolved. He suggested the formation of a committee comprised of representatives from faculty, staff, and students to study the entire problem of campus parking.

5.3. Atteberry explained that student managers are employed to maintain security in campus buildings on the weekends and that these students should carry an identification tag, an armband, a clipboard and keys. Atteberry encouraged faculty to report directly to him any concerns about student managers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

University Curriculum Committee

- 6.1. Pomnichowski reported that the University Curriculum Committee has deemed the following to be minor curriculum changes.
- 6.2. The School of Arts and Sciences New Courses--German 201, 202, and 203.
- 6.3. The School of Education Course Change--Criminal Justice PE 210 changed to CJ 410 and changed from 2 credits (0+6) to 4 credits (2+8).
- 6.4. The School of Allied Health Course Sequence Changes and Modifications--in DT 114 and DT 116.
- 6.5. Pomnichowski reported that several proposals are currently being processed.

Tuition Task Force

- 7.1. Sally DePew reported that the Tuition Task Force, a subcommittee of the Long Range Strategic Planning Committee, will present a proposal to the Board of Control at its April meeting for a first reading.
- 7.2. The proposal will recommend a reduction in the number of hours defining a full-time student credit load from the current 12 through 19 to 12 through 16, requiring students who take more than 16 hours to pay additional fees. The proposal is intended to reduce the large numbers of courses dropped each quarter. It is also anticipated that the proposal will generate some additional revenue.
- 7.3. Since many programs currently require more than 16 credit hours per quarter for program completion in four years, the Task Force has recommended that these programs be reviewed by the Office of Academic Affairs and the Program Review Council.
- 7.4. The proposal will also recommend a tuition increase of \$82 per quarter.
- 7.5. Matrosic moved that Senate strongly support the principle of a significant tuition increase as reflected by the recommendations of the Tuition Task Force and that this support be conveyed to the Board of Control. Hanks supported. Motion carried unanimously.

Mission and Role Revision Subcommittee

8.1. Ray Dickinson presented a report on the proposed revision of the Mission and Role Statement, noting that there was only one major change--the deletion of the statement "open-door policy." Dickinson noted that this was not to be construed as increased selectivity in terms of enrollment, but rather that the university would accept those students for whom it could reasonably provide an education given its resources. The matter will be placed on the April 19 agenda for consideration.

NEW BUSINESS

Proposed Revisions to Building Construction Technology and Construction Engineering Technology

9.1. Pomnichowski moved that the Senate approve the proposed revisions to the Building Construction Technology Program and to the Construction Engineering Technology Program as recommended by the University Curriculum Committee. Chaffin supported. Motion carried.

Proposed Revisions to the Social Work Major Curriculum

10.1. Helsing moved that the Senate approve the proposed revisions to the Social Work Major Curriculum as recommended by the University Curriculum Committee. Travis supported.

10.2. Russell moved to amend the motion to add Literature 326 to the lists of program electives described in the proposal. Dudek supported.

10.3. It was noted that the addition of the literature course was approved by Sandy Stover, the initiator of the curriculum proposal.

10.4. Amendment carried. Main Motion carried.

Semester Feasibility Study

11.1. Beetley presented the report of the Semester Feasibility Study Committee. The matter will be placed on the April 19 agenda.

Open-door/Admissions Policy Study

12.1. Murray announced that a report from the Committee would be forthcoming.

Guidelines for Curriculum Changes

13.1. Russell moved that the Senate form a committee to review the present procedures for the curricular change and approval and to recommend any appropriate revisions to the Senate. Hanson supported. Motion failed.

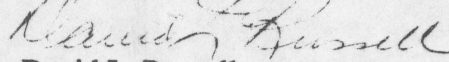
NEXT MEETING

14.1. The next meeting of the Academic Senate will be at 7:00 p.m., April 19, 1988, in 321 VFS Allied Health.

ADJOURNMENT

15.1. President Gillette declared the meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Respectfully submitted,



David L. Russell
Secretary

Approved:
