

Ferris State University
Academic Senate

Minutes of the Meeting
April 5, 1994

Attendance

1.1. Members Present: Bradt, Breault, Brown, Caskey, Conati, Dakkuri, Doyle, Gillard, Hastings-Bishop, Jablonski, Kebler, Key, Kosanovich, Palmer, Peterson, Rumpf, Rupe, Russell, G. Slywka, Stolarek, Totten, Uniacke, Valas, von der Osten.

1.2. Members Absent: Anderson, Bartholome (excused), Billings, Griffin (excused), Hagstrom, Horn, Keys, King, Muccio, Nagel, Pomnichowski, Ryan (excused), C. Slywka, Teferra.

Call to Order

2.1. President Breault called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

3.1. The minutes of the March 1 meeting were approved following a correction in ¶ 6.1, changing "Indiana Vocational Technical Institute" to "Indiana Vocational Technical State College."

Open Forum

4.1. No concerns were presented.

Announcements

Senate President Breault

5.1. President Breault that the Executive Committee met with Vice President Abebe in March and discussed, among other matters, the forthcoming agreement between Ferris and Indiana Vocational Technical State College a clarification of the capstone experience, the Fiscal Restructuring Plan, and the Arts and Sciences remodeling project.

5.2. Breault announced that the Senate has received the formal communication advising the Senate of the need to present a response to the Fiscal Restructuring Plan by October 14, 1994.

Committee Reports

University Curriculum Committee

6.1. von der Osten reported that the UCC approved the proposed Off-Campus Nursing Program at the Applied Technology Center with some reservations registered about the advisability of using distance learning techniques with on-campus students.

Elections Committee

7.1. Uniacke reminded the Senate of the upcoming election on Wednesday, April 6 from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

University Retention Committee

8.1. Brenda Brown, the Senate's representative on the University Retention Committee, reported on the activities of that committee over the past year, noting that the committee's goal was to achieve a university-wide effort for retention.

New Business

Manufacturing Engineering Technology Metal-Stamping Program

9.1. It was moved by Valas and seconded by Peterson that the Academic Senate grant final approval to the proposed Metal-Stamping Program from the Department of Manufacturing Engineering Technology. Motion carried.

Off-Campus Program Approval Policy

10.1. It was moved by Uniacke and seconded by Rumpf that the Academic Senate grant final approval to the proposed Policy for the Approval of Off-Campus Programs as amended by the Senate on March 1, 1994. Motion carried

Open Forum

11.1. Rupe reported on several matters being discussed by the Athletic Advisory Committee and noted that the national search for the new Athletic Director was now underway.

11.2. Kosavonich requested information on the status of programs originally closed by the Fiscal Restructuring Plan and Vice President Abebe noted that students are now being admitted to those programs and that students formerly turned away were being contacted advising them that the programs were once again open.

11.3. Vice President Abebe reported on President Popovich's meeting with NCA which resulted in a postponement of the NCA site visit until January of 1995 due

to the extenuating circumstances surrounding the Fiscal Restructuring Plan and the ensuing court injunction.

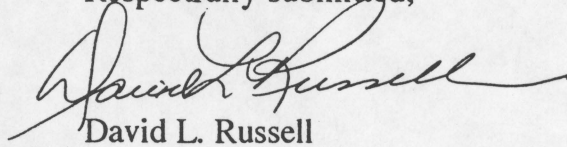
Next Meeting

12.1. The next meeting of the Academic Senate will be on Tuesday, April 26, at 10:05 a.m. in the President's Room, Rankin Center.

Adjournment

13.1. President Breault declared the meeting adjourned at 10:40.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "David L. Russell".

David L. Russell
Secretary