Ferris State University Academic Senate

Minutes of the Meeting September 5, 1995

Attendance

1.1 Members Present: Anderson, Conati, Denyes, Griffin, Hanna, Hastings-Bishop, Heidemann, Huey, Huff, Jameson, Jungck, Kane, Key, Keys, Matrosic, Moffett, Monson, Nerbonne, Papo, Patten, Ryan, Saladin, Shepler, Slywka, Smith, Stephen, Stich, Sytsma, Thapa, Totten, Uniacke, Wheeler, Winchell.

1.2 Members Absent: Kelson (excused), Krumins, Lewis, Rupe (excused), Stuart, Wininger (excused).

1.3 Guests: T. Abebe, D. Burcham, E. Harris, L. Lunsted, T. Oldfield, W. Sederburg.

Call to Order

1.1 President Moffett called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. The minutes from the April 25 meetings were approved (10:05 and 11:05 meetings).

Open Forum

2.1 No concerns were expressed at this time.

Announcements

- 3.1 President Sederburg presented attachment B.
- 3.2 Vice President Abebe
 - knows of contract concerns
 - wants work on program review, and for his office to work on charter schools
 - colleges need to start planning initiatives.
- 3.3 President Moffett
 - all Senators are to fill in their schedule sheets.

Committee Reports

- 4.1 University Curriculum Committee--Donna Smith
 - need to update and streamline the UCC manuals
 - next meeting is next week.

Gary Huey mentioned the opportunity for Ferris to offer Graduate level classes for K-12 teachers for their continued certification. Discussion on who will determine course content and oversee the academic quality, and verify that the courses are meeting the teachers needs.

4.2 Senate Governance Committee--Greg Key

• this week will decide from the returned forms who will be on which committee.

Special Report

- 5.1 Dan Burcham, Acting Dean of Enrollment Services, presented attachments C and D.
 - still registering students.
 - up 9 10% in new enrollees.

Jeff Cross mentioned the report that the Deans have that shows where (what program area) students came from, and where they went.

New Business

- 6.1 Senate Goals--Attachment E.
 - Move and second to accept.
 - Discussion
 - on assigning a person to each of these goals.
 - add improvements to library.
 - is evaluation of all positions implied?
 - no mention of maintenance of academic standards.
 - goals from last year are included in these.
 - 93-94 Senate passed a goal of updating Senate Charter, but no one was assigned, and nothing was done.
 - executive committee could assign people to these.
 - should be made behavioral objectives.
 - Move to table this to the executive committee, passed

Open Forum

7.1 Donna Smith--work is progressing to get the UCC manual on the mainframe.

8.1 Discussion on late (Thursday and Friday) registration and problems of enrolling students in beginning English, etc. when sections are closed. The offering of overloads, opening new sections and staggering students checksheets were mentioned.

Next Meeting

9.1 The next regularly scheduled Senate meeting will be Tuesday, October 3, 1995, at 10:05 am in the President's Room, Rankin Center.

Adjournment

10.1. The meeting adjourned at 11:35 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Stephen Senate Secretary

Approved Moffitt 193/95

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