

**Ferris State University  
Academic Senate Meeting  
Tuesday, February 6, 2001 - 10:00 a.m.  
President's Room, Rankin Center**

I. **Call to Order: President Konrad** called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

II. **Attendance**

**Senators Present:** Abbabasadi, Aiken, Bandstra, Chamberlain, Clarke, Conati, Drake, El-Saidi, Ferdowski, Griffin, Hanna, Jablonski, Johnson, Kane, Key, Konrad, Kowalkoski, Loesch, Lovsted, Nagel, Nelson, Nista, Palmer, Papo, Parry Peterson-Klein, Pilgrim, Ryan, Shepler, Stern, Squicciarini, Thapa, Vermeer

**Senators Absent:** Carlton-Smith, Hancock (excused), Klope (excused), Krumins (excused), Speirs, Westhoven (excused), Winger

**Guests:** Gregory Frazer, Barbara Chapman, Karlton Gray, Tom Oldfield, William Sederburg, William Potter, Douglas Haneline, James Brady, Vince King, Russ Hess, Penny Engler, Mike Cairns, Terry Doyle, Dan Burcham, Shawn LaGasse, Ann Breitenwischer, Karen Norman, Craig Westman, Ronnie Higgs, Bruce Forintos

III. **Approval of Minutes** - Motion by **Senator Aiken**, support from **Senator Ryan** to approve minutes of January 16, 2001 as written. Motion carries.

IV. **Open Forum**

**Penny Engler**, the Executive Director of the Michigan Ophthalmological Society and a board member of the Health Occupational Student Association of Michigan, addressed the Senate. She urged the Senate to recommend the continuation of the Opticianry Program at Ferris State University.

V. **Committee Reports**

**University Curriculum Committee – Senator Lovsted** provided Senators with a list of items that the UCC is currently reviewing (See Attachment A).

**Senate Election Committee – Senator Ferdowski** advised the Senate that elections would be held on March 27 and 28, 2001. (See Attachment B)

**President Sederburg** gave a short presentation to the Senate on the Information Technology at Ferris State University. (See Attachment C)

VI. **New Business**

A. **Academic Program Review – Dr. Vincent King**

**Motion by Senator Aiken, with support from Senator Ryan**, to receive for first reading the recommendation of the Academic Program Review Committee for Opticianry at Ferris State University.

Dr. King advised the Senate the Academic Program Review Committee recommends that the Opticianry Program be continued with monitoring and other requirements set forth by

the Academic Program Review Committee in the 1997/98 review of the program. (See Attachment D) Dr. King and Russ Hess responded to questions from the Senators about the program and the recommendation.

**B. Admissions Standards Task Force**

**Motion by Senator Aiken, with support from Senator Griffin**, to open for discussion the Admissions Standards Task Force Report (See Attachment E for complete document). Terry Doyle answered questions about the report. Additional comments or suggestions should be directed to Terry at, Ext. 2808

**VII. Announcements**

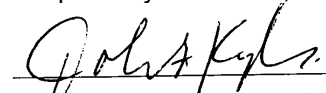
**Vice President Chapman** provided Senators with a brief update of Academic Affairs activities. (See Attachment F)

**President Konrad** announced that the next Senate meeting would be March 13, 2001.

**VIII. Open Forum – No comments at this time.**

**IX. Adjournment – President Konrad** adjourned the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



John Kane, Secretary

Approved,

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Cindy Konrad, President