

MINUTES
OCTOBER 08, 1996 FACULTY SENATE MEETING

1. Call to Order.

Frank Hanson, Chair of the Faculty Senate, called the October meeting of the 1996- 97 Faculty Senate to order on Tuesday, October 8, 1996 in Room 219 North of the University Center at 2:20 p.m.

2. Roll Call.

The following members were present: Arntson, Blumberg, Bren, Cartwright, Clayton, de Onis, Downing, Eamon, Epps, Fraedrich, Freiberg, Ghosh, Hanson, Huang, Jentoft, Jones, Karges, Klug, Kozlowicz, Molloy, Nelson, Ossers, Parks, Payson, Reid, Savage, Schauer, Snow, Sorensen, Tetley, Thatcher, Topp, Webb, Weston and Witherill.

The following members were absent: Clements*, Goroff and Hurstad*. (* informed secretary.)

3. Approval of Minutes.

The minutes of the September, 1995 Senate meetings were unanimously approved without correction.

4. Announcements.

Senate Chair Hanson reported on the Regents meeting. Advising was one of the major topics covered. A system task force is studying campuses, including Whitewater and will be making a report. Other areas discussed included new technologies and their implementation, management flexibility, the "graying" of the faculty, the university in a competitive atmosphere, outreach and distance education and strategic investment.

The faculty representatives met with Katharine Lyall who answered questions. She discussed the implications of DOA Secretary Klauser's retirement and replacement by Mark Bugher, stated that UW System will be recommending 5% increases in compensation in each of the next two years, and encouraged faculty to be active in contacting their legislators. Ashok Bhargava is UW-W's representative on the UW System Compensation Committee. Other topics discussed were the tenure situation in Minnesota, intellectual property rights in distance education, Web site rights, UW- Madison's system of faculty governance, and a new commission on creating quality jobs in Wisconsin which Lyall is chairing.

At the Chancellor's Cabinet meeting topics discussed included the budget, the effects of distance education, and student non-academic discipline procedures.

Hanson then distributed copies of an Admissions and Academic Standards Committee resolution passed last March which limits students to no more than three final examinations a day and establishes procedures for limiting the number of exams. The resolution will be on next month's agenda, and Senators are encouraged to read it. Hanson then announced that Mike Spellman, Steve Summers, and Jeff Barnett had come to the meeting to discuss the capital campaign to raise ten million dollars. Spellman described the procedures, and Richard Schauer expressed his concern that the methods of solicitation might place undue pressure on untenured faculty. A discussion followed in which Dean Barnett and Jerry Witherill expressed their views.

Next Harry Johansen, chair of the Commencement Committee, was introduced. He described proposed changes in commencement procedures, including the plan to hold all commencements indoors. A lengthy discussion followed.

5. Reports.

The reports of the Curriculum Committee meetings on September 13 and 27 were unanimously approved on a Jentoft/Reid motion. The report's format was praised.

Frank Hanson announced who the members of the Faculty Salary Committee and their meeting schedule. He is seeking input for the salary plan and asks that Senators tell him of their concerns and encourage members of their constituencies to communicate their suggestions and concerns to members of the committee.

Richard Schauer reported on the progress which the Faculty Rules Committee is making on the promotions policy. Its proposals should be on next month's agenda. The committee will soon be meeting with the Chancellor and Provost.

6. Resolutions.

A retirement resolution for Dolores Klitzke, Faculty Senate Secretary from 1981 to 1996 was unanimously approved on a Weston/Sorensen resolution.

Retirement resolutions for Nancy Lewis and Agate Nesaule of the Department of Modern Languages and Literature were unanimously approved on Savage/Witherill and Savage/DeOnis resolutions.

7. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Payson
Secretary, Faculty Senate