

97-98 Faculty Senate
Meeting Minutes from
March 10, 1998

1. Call to Order: The March 10, 1998 Faculty Senate meeting was called to order at 2:19 pm by Chair Frank Hanson in room 210N of the James R. Connor University Center.
2. Roll Call: Secretary Klug called the roll. Faculty senators present: Blumberg, Bradley, Bren, Clements, Downing, Eamon Ellenwood, Epps, Erdmann, Freiberg, Ghosh, Hanson, Heiss, Hogan, Huang, Hurstad, Jones, Karges, Klug, Kozlowicz, Macur, Marks, Molloy, Monfils, Nelson, Ossers, Parks, Savage, Schauer, Sorensen, Topp, Traore, Weston, Yin. Faculty senators absent: Cartwright (informed secretary), Griffin (on leave), Snow, and Tetley.
3. Approval of Minutes for February 10, 1998 meeting: A correction of the minutes was requested by Steven Albrechtsen in the matter if Blood Borne Pathogens and Stress testing. The statement should read: The Institutional Review Board has made a report to the Chancellor and has stated the "the Chancellor has sole discretion in determining additional levels of review and/or approval." A copy of that report is available upon request. On an Ellenwood/Schauer motion, the minutes were approved as corrected.
4. Information Items:

TEXTBOOK RENTAL - The Textbook Rental policy has returned from the Chancellor and was approved with the exception of the recommendation of \$75 for supplemental books purchased by the student. The figure was retained at \$60 due to budget requests. Chair Hanson will send a memorandum to the Chancellor requesting the higher dollar amount for next year.

FACULTY SALARY PLAN - IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT The modified faculty salary plan as voted on by the Faculty Senators was passed and accepted by the Chancellor.

RELOCATION OF THE FACULTY SENATE OFFICES - It has been proposed that the Faculty Senate office be relocated to the Student Center along with the Academic Staff Assembly offices and the Whitewater Student Government offices. Secretarial support for the Faculty Senate would be reinstated.

LIBRARY ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION - The Library Endowment Foundation will be holding a book sale on April 14-16, 1998. Donations and customers are requested.

REPORTS ON FRESHMAN ACCOMMODATION AND PS2000 - Reports on new Freshman Accommodations and on the PeopleSoft 2000 project were given by Interim Provost Davis, Interim Associate Vice Chancellor Telfer, and Executive Director of Admissions McGuire. Interim Provost Davis' remarks are given in the memorandum titled "Plan for Accommodating Students Next Fall" dated 3/11/98. A copy of this memo was sent to each faculty member. Interim Associate Vice Chancellor Telfer's remarks are summarized in the following table handed out at the Senate meeting.

PS2000 Project Purchase, Installation, and Conversion Costs

	Original Budget	Revised Budget
Application Software	798,600	523,600
Operating System and Database Software	236,961	12,961
Firewall, Conversion Software and Other	185,000	125,000
File Server	559,000	559,000
Consulting Assistance	705,000	705,000
Training	649,800	649,800
Y2K Conversion Costs	320,000	320,000
Overtime and Additional Help	392,176	392,176

Total Purchase, Installation
And Conversion Costs 3,848,537 3,289,537

Annual Maintenance Costs
on Software 240,000 130,000

The comments made by Executive Director of Admissions McGuire are summarized as follows:

- dissemination of an informational CDROM developed by MCS students
- expansion of the search for high achieving students
- holding of 14 on-campus days
- development of a telemarketing system to contact each applying student and offer assistance
- keeping the Admissions office open on Wednesday evenings
- initiating an advertising campaign for the Janesville, Waukesha, and Fox Valley areas
- expansion of the school visitation program
- continuation of the Summer on-campus program

Retention Activities include the following:

- decrease the number of students in the "undecided" classification
- emphasize the Early Warning System, i.e. mid-term grades
- proposing a centralized advising system
- publishing of a parental newsletter

Retention need to be fine tuned. We must recruit high school graduates that are academically able-students that possess the proficiency skills (math, English, Speech); and thus decrease the number of repeats and the academic probation level. The size of the freshmen class is not as important as how academically capable they are.

5. Report of Committees:

- a. Legislative Liaison, Steve Karges
The Senate is doing very little now due to a 16/16 split in party affiliation. There will be a special election on April 7, 1998 which should decide the compositional issue. There is also a possibility of Governor Thompson calling a special legislative session later on.
- b. University Curriculum Committee - no report

6. Unfinished Business:

- a. Policy on Employment of Retired Unclassified Personnel:
Senators Weston/Erdmann moved/seconded the acceptance of the revised version of the policy on employment of retire unclassified employees. Discussion followed. The Senate passed the revised policy.

7. New Business:

- a. Ronald Crabb (Finance) was re-nominated and elected as our representative to the University Insurance Association.
- b. Salary Savings Resolution
Schauer/Savage moved acceptance of the resolution on salary savings. Discussion followed.

At 4:20 p.m. a quorum was called for. There not being a quorum present, the Senate was adjourned.

Hadley Klug
Faculty Senate Secretary