

97-98 Faculty Senate
Meeting Minutes from
April 14, 1998

1. Call to Order: The April 14, 1998 Faculty Senate meeting was called to order at 2:15 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: Bren, Cartwright, Clements, Downing, Eamon Ellenwood, Epps, Erdmann, Freiberg, Hanson, Heiss, Huang, Jones, Klug, Kozlowicz, Macur, Marks, Molloy, Nelson, Ossers, Parks, Savage, Sorensen, Tetley, Topp, Traore. Faculty senators absent: Blumberg, Bradley, Ghosh (informed chair), Griffin (on leave), Hogan, Hurstad (informed secretary), Karges, Monfils, Snow (on sabbatical), Weston (informed secretary), and Yin.

*Special Order of Business Request:

It was requested by Senator Savage that a special order of business be inserted in the agenda concerning the rejection of Richard Schauer's letter of resignation. It was further requested that the Senate address this item at 2:30 PM. The Chair accepted the special order of business.

3. Approval of Minutes for March 10, 1998 meeting: On a Sorensen/Molloy motion, the minutes were approved as written.
4. Information Items:
 - Founder's Day/Dedication of the University Center will be held on Saturday, April 25, 1998.
 - Faculty Elections are being held. Please vote!!
 - The Library Reference Department Endowment Fund book sale is being held on April 14-16. Please donate and/or buy books.
 - The UW System Compensation Advisory Committee meeting will be held on April 21. Ashok Bhargava is our representative. The meeting will discuss distribution guidelines for the coming academic biennium. Faculty should contact Dr. Bhargava if you have views you would like him to share at the meeting.
 - The UW System Instructional Academic Staff Study is on the Web and our campus response is to be offered by Interim Provost Davis on April 15.
 - The UW System Diversity Plan is progressing through approval and implementation stages.
 - Governance Center Plans. Plans are proceeding for the lower level UC location with computer and staff support.

5. Report of Committees:

- a. A two part University Curriculum Committee report was addressed.

Handbook Revisions - Epps/Ossers moved to accept the revisions of the Curriculum Handbook as presented in the Senate agenda packet. A question was raised as to the role of the dean in the curriculum approval process. Senator Eamon moved to delete all deans actions in the curriculum process. Motion died for lack of a second. The original motion was voted on and passed with a negative vote.

University Curriculum Committee actions of March 6, 1998. Macur/Erdmann moved to approve the actions taken by the UCC at its meeting of March 6, 1998. Motion Passed.

It being 2:30 PM, the special order of business was invoked. Savage/Kozlowicz moved that the Faculty Senate reject the

resignations of Richard Schauer from the Faculty Senate and the Faculty Personnel Rules Committee. A discussion ensued. In a prepared statement, Senator Erdmann made the following points: He believes the Personnel Rules committee would be crippled without Schauer; The Senate is obligated to recognize Schauer for his long and dedicated service to both the Senate and the Rules Committee; It is important that we insure that our colleagues are treated fairly and with justice; It was requested that Chancellor Greenhill engage in a discussion with the faculty and give the reasons why he denied tenure to Professor McClure.

A number of other statements were made in support of Schauer culminating in a lengthy narration by him of the events leading up to his letter of resignation.

A vote was requested on the motion to reject Schauer's resignation from the Faculty Senate and the Personnel Rules Committee.

Prior to the vote, a quorum was called. A quorum was not present (23 present/ 26 needed.)

Erdmann/Kozlowicz moved to adjourn and reconvene on April 28, 1998 at 2:15 PM at a place to be specified. Motion approved.

Note: The room for the April 28 meeting is UC 162.

Addendum: A "straw vote" was take on Schauer's resignation. It was understood that the vote was not binding and that the issue would be on the agenda for the April 28 Senate meeting. The results of the vote were: rejection - 13; acceptance - 1; abstentions - 9

The Faculty Senate adjourned at 3:50 PM.

Hadley Klug
Faculty Senate Secretary