



ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES

May 5, 2004

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Actions:

- Endorsement of Resolution in Support of the Right to Unionize.

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Call to Order:

Tom Shipka, chair of the Academic Senate, called the Senate to order at 4:05 p.m.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Minutes of the April 7, 2004, meeting were approved as posted. To view the April minutes, go to <http://www.cc.yzu.edu/acad-senate/minapr04.htm>.

Senate Executive Committee (SEC) / Report from the Chair / Ohio Faculty Council Report:

Tom Shipka, chair of the Senate, reported:

I want to thank Dr. Chet Cooper for presiding in my absence at the April 7 meeting. That absence was caused by pneumonia. I'm feeling much better these days but I have yet to regain my normal energy level.

The members of the Professional Conduct Committee have been appointed. My appointees as Senate chair are Maria Delost, Jim Zupanic, Marianne Dove, Helen Savage, Stephen Gage, and Chris Sweeney. Dr. Sweet's appointees are Phil Ginnetti, John Hyden, Ron Chordas, Joe Edwards, Jane Kessner, and Jimmy Myers. Joe Edwards was elected committee chair. The members serve for staggered terms - one, two or three years. I thank these individuals for accepting this important responsibility. We're all very busy and it's always tempting to say no.

The Professional Conduct Committee is adjudicating its first case and following the procedures of the new Professional Conduct Policy scrupulously.

Two memos have been sent to me as Senate chair, and to others, about the Professional Conduct Committee by Dr. Michael Finney, President of the YSU/OEA. The first, dated April 7, objects to the appointment of one of the professional/administrative members by Dr. Sweet, the other, dated May 3, which arrived in my office just yesterday, raises a variety of questions about the relationship of the Professional Conduct Policy to the Agreement between YSU and YSU/OEA. I will gladly discuss Dr. Finney's concerns with him but meanwhile I do remind him that his predecessor, Professor Mark Shutes, requested newly appointed President David Sweet to take the initiative to establish a mechanism to handle allegations of professional misconduct, and Dr. Sweet in turn asked the Senate to develop this plan, and further, the faculty union has been kept apprised continually at each stage of the development of the plan over some three years. It strikes me as odd that these concerns would surface now. Dr. Finney notes in his memo, among other things, that "...the Professional Conduct Policy has no standing in the Agreement." That can easily be remedied through a memorandum of agreement between YSU and YSU/OEA. Such MOUs are quite common on this campus and one seems appropriate in this case.

Next week I will have a luncheon meeting with the three newly appointed trustees to discuss campus issues.

The Ohio Faculty Council met on April 9. Rodger Govea of Cleveland State presided in my absence. Dr. David Freil, Executive Director of the Ohio Ethics Commission, gave a talk. You can learn the main points of his talk by consulting the OFC web site; the Senate web page has a link to the OFC web site.

The OFC meets for the last time this school year on Friday, May 14. Among other topics we will discuss the legislative scene and the final report of the Governor's Commission on Higher Education and the Economy, and we will have reports on developments on all the campuses from the delegates. There is a link on the OFC web page to the final report of the Governor's Commission if you care to see it.

I am a member of the Search Committee for a new University General Counsel. Some eighty applications were received, ten individuals were interviewed by telephone, and reference checks are being done this week on five applicants. The Search Committee will meet Monday, May 10, to review the reference checks and to select the finalists to be interviewed on campus.

I conclude my report by thanking all Senators who attended Senate meetings faithfully this year and all Senate committee members who attended their committee meetings faithfully this year. I also want to give special thanks to our secretary, Bob Hogue, who has proven this year that you can fill big shoes, and to our parliamentarian, Bill Jenkins, who is always ready with wise counsel for the chair. Thanks also to Media & Academic Computing for helping us with the technology in this room for each Senate meeting.

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Charter & Bylaws Committee: No report.

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Elections & Balloting Committee: **Jane Reid** reported: Five of the six colleges have elected their at-large and departmental senators, GER representatives, and members of the Executive Committee. Fine and Performing Arts has not yet had elections. Dr. Reid requested that members of the College help out John Turk in finding volunteers to run for Senate seats.

A list of election results so far is contained in [Attachment 1](#).

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Academic Programs Committee: **Sunil Ahuja**, Chairperson of the Committee, reported: The committee has met twice since the last Senate meeting. Proposals were approved in late March, a copy of which is in [Attachment 2](#). The committee met again on April 21 and approved six proposals which are now out for circulation.

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Undergraduate Curriculum Committee: The course proposals that have been approved by the committee and have passed the objection period is contained in [Attachment 3](#). Another set of courses was approved in mid-April, although some of the courses in that set have been objected to. A report on those courses will probably be available at the September meeting.

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New business: **Gabriel Palmer-Fernandez** moved that the Senate endorse the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE RIGHT TO UNIONIZE
Youngstown State University
Academic Senate
5 May 2004**

WHEREAS, Youngstown State University has a long term interest in and commitment to supporting the economic stability of the region; and

WHEREAS, Youngstown State University has contracted dining services with Sodexo, a multi-national corporation, and many of the food service workers are residents of this region; and

WHEREAS, The food service workers at Youngstown State University have expressed their desire to organize into a union by means of a card check neutrality agreement; and

WHEREAS, The right to organize into a union is federally protected under the National Labor Relations Act and a card check neutrality agreement is a lawful and valid method under the National Labor Relations Act for determining employees' choice whether or not to join a union;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Academic Senate of Youngstown State University supports the right of Youngstown State University food service employees to decide whether or not to unionize under a card check neutrality agreement;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Academic Senate of Youngstown State University requests the YSU administration immediately to express its support for the workers by contacting the management of Sodexo and affirming in writing its support for a negotiated card check neutrality agreement.

The motion to endorse the resolution was seconded, and discussion began on the motion.

Hy Sockel asked if the employees are employed by the University or by Sodexo **Dr. Palmer-Fernandez** replied that they are employees of Sodexo

Charles Singler asked if the Academic Senate was an appropriate venue for this. **Dr. Palmer-Fernandez** responded that this resolution does not address curricular matter; it addresses workplace issues. It states a position, not a policy. He also noted that several years ago, the Academic Senate approved a domestic partner resolution.

Rochelle Ruffer asked for an explanation of a card check neutrality agreement. **Dr. Palmer-Fernandez** replied that it is a voting process that includes no intimidation, and provides neutrality on both sides of the issues. Employees would vote to unionize or not, based on a card that would be sent to a neutral party for tallying. (the party could be a minister, judge, lawyer, etc.) The party is mutually accepted by both sides.

Janice Elias asked if it might be more appropriate to ask the Chair of the Senate to contact the Administration and Sodexo. **Dr. Palmer-Fernandez** replied that the resolution calls upon the Administration to take action.

George McCloud ask if there is there a way to handle abstentions in this vote. Parliamentarian **Bill Jenkins** responded that if there is a roll call vote, one can abstain. That is not usually done with a conventional voice vote of the assembly. However, those who wish to be noted as abstaining may request that such be placed into the minutes.

Dr. McCloud so requested.

Dr. Shipka asked if there was anyone else who wishes to be shown as abstaining. **Phil Munro, Charles Singler, Tony Atwater, and Nancy Landgraff** also requested that they be shown as abstaining.

A vote on the motion was then taken. **Motion passed**, with the following members of the Academic Senate hereby listed as abstaining from the vote:

George McCloud
Phil Munro
Charles Singler
Tony Atwater
Nancy Landgraff

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Report on Centennial Master Plan:

Hunter Morrison provided a progress report on the University's Centennial Master Plan, including three types of goals: Immediate, Centennial, and Long-Term. A period for questions followed.

Dr. Singler asked why the natural science class and lab space is in the long-term plans rather than having a higher priority.

Mr. Morrison responded that in the printed summary, it should have been identified in the Centennial actions, not the long-term.

Cynthia Hirtzel stated that the College of Engineering and Technology has immediate space needs. The College is starting new Materials Engineering program and has added six new programs in recent years. It really can't wait. Some of the money for this came from Tim Ryan, and he is likely to want to see that it's being used correctly.

Mr. Morrison stated that one plan is to put an additional 1/3 space next to the Engineering Building.

Dr. Hirtzel then stated that students are competing in more and more national competitions and that she would like have the College in the position of hosting the regional competitions. The new space would allow them to do that.

Mr. Morrison replied that there is a need for this plan to have real passion behind it. The opportunity is there

for YSU to be showcased. During the next few months, discussion is likely to take place on which investments will bring us the most bang for the buck.

Chet Cooper stated that the report, it sounds exciting. However, he expressed his concern that it does not appear from the plan that faculty are being consulted. Science labs are woefully inadequate. The priority for a natural sciences facilities needs to be moved up. The Sciences are booming now and are likely to continue to do so.

Mr. Morrison said that if the word "faculty" was not used in appropriate places in the report, it was an oversight. The planning group does intend to have input from faculty, and they have indeed had some so far.

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Adjournment: The Academic Senate adjourned at 4:59 p.m.

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YSU ACADEMIC SENATE ATTENDANCE ROSTER – May 5, 2004

Arts and Sciences

Departmental (2003-05)

rk Robert Kramer, CSIS
KB Kevin Ball, English
AB Annette Burden, Mathematics
SA Sunil Ahuja, Political Science
MS Michael Serra, Chemistry
IA Isam Amin, Geol. & Env. Sci.
GF Gabriel Palmer-Fernandez, Phil.
PG Paul Gordiejew, Sociology & Anth.

Departmental (2002-04)

CC Chester Cooper, Biology
PB Peter Beckett, Psychology
RR Rochelle Ruffer, Economics
BB Bill Buckler, Geography
IC Iole Checcone, Foreign Lang.
TL Thomas Leary, History
MC Michael Crescimanno, Physics

DF At Large
DF Diana Fagan, Biological Sciences
RS Rick Shale, English
SS Sandra Stephan, English
LT Linda Tessier, Phil. & Rel. Studies
BJ Bill Jenkins, History
JW John White, Sociology & Antrh.
JM James Morrison, Psychology
DP David Porter, Political Sciences
CS Charles Singler, Geol. & Env. Sci.
TS Thomas Shipka, Phil. & Rel. Studies

Business Administration

At Large, continued

HS Hy Sockel, Management
MT Mark Toncar, Marketing

Departmental

DC David Law, Accounting & Finance
TR Tom Rakestraw, Management
JK Jim Kohut, Marketing

LF At Large
LF Louis Falk, Marketing
BK Birsen Karpak, Management
JR Jane Reid, Marketing

Education

At Large, continued

LC Lauren Cummins, Teacher Education
DM Donna McNierney, Teacher Educ.

Departmental

RM Richard McEwing, Educ. Admin.
JG Jan Gill-Wigal, Counseling
DB Dora Bailey, Teacher Education

NS At Large
NS Nancy Sweeney, Teacher Education
SL Sally Lewis, Teacher Education
JB Janet Beary-Williams, Teacher Ed.

Engineering and Technology

Departmental

DP Douglas Price, Civil/Env/Chem Eng.
DK David Kurtanich, School of Techn.

Departmental (continued)

PM Philip Munro, Elec. & Comp. Eng.
ES Elvin Shields, Mech. & Indust. Eng.

RM At Large
RM Robert McCoy, Mech. & Indust Eng.
JG Jeanette Garr, Civil/Env/Chem Eng.
DL Daniel Laird, Eng. Technology

Fine and Performing Arts

At Large (continued)

CM Christine McCullough, Art
TP Tedrow Perkins, Music
JS Jane Shanabarger, Commun/Theater

Departmental

SR Susan Russo, Art
(vacant), Commun/Theater
TM Till Meyn, Music

DF At Large
DF Darla Funk, Music
FC Frank Castronovo, Commun/Theater
JM John Murphy, Commun/Theater
JB James Boyce, Music

Health and Human Services

Departmental

SP Sharon Phillips, Nursing
SK Shirley Keller, Social Work
EG Elaine Greaves, Criminal Justice
NCL Nancy Landgraaff, Physical Therapy

Departmental (continued)

RW Richard Walker, Human Perf.
CM Carol Mikanowicz, Health Prof.
JH Jean Hassell, Human Ecology

TK At Large
TK Tammy King, Criminal Justice
JE Janice Elias, Human Ecology
TS Thelma Silver, Social Work
LA Louise Aurilio, Nursing
NW Nancy Wagner, Nursing

Administration

CA Cyndy Anderson
TA Tony Atwater
JB Jonelle Beatrice
RB Robert Bolla
BB Bege Bowers
MC Margaret Collins
WC William Countryman
PG Philip Ginnetti
CH Cynthia Hirtzel
PK Peter Kasvinsky
PK Paul Kobulnicky
BJ Betty Jo Licata

GM George McCloud
TO Terry Ondreyka
JY John Yemma

Students

School/College

CA Charlene Arendas
DA Diana Awad
JH Josh Hiznay
JN Josh Nething
BH Brett Hudspeth
SK Sarah Krivenki, A&S
KS Kristina Stevens, Engineering
LB Liz Burick, Education
KW Katie Wall, Health & Human Svcs.
(vacant), Grad. Studies & Research
SG Scott Guthrie, Fine & Perf. Arts
DC David Ciotola, Business Admin.

Student Government

EE Emily Eckman, President
AV Adam Vukovic, VP
DB Dominic Buzzacco, 2nd VP

Annual Election Results Report: Senate Elections and Balloting Committee Term, 2004-2005

Submitted by: Jane Reid, Co-Chair, Senate Elections and Balloting Committee, 2003-2004

Committee members: Jane Reid, Business, 2004-2006
Diana Fagan, Arts & Sciences, 2002-2004
Renee Eggers, Co-Chair, Education, 2004-2006
John Turk, Fine & Performing Arts, 2004-2006
Hazel Pierson, Engineering & Technology, 2004-2006
Katherine Greig, Health & Human Services, 2004-2006

Election Results for Academic Senators

College of Arts and Sciences

At-Large Senators 2004-2005:

Daryl Mincey, Chemistry	Vernon Haynes, Psychology
Thomas Shipka, Philosophy & Religious Studies	David Porter, Political Science
Chester Cooper, Biological Sciences	Peter Beckett, Psychology
Rick Shale, English	James Morrison, Psychology
Jamal Tartir, Mathematics & Statistics	Sandra Stephan, English

Departmental Senators 2003-2005:

Robert Kramer, CSIS	Mike Serra, Chemistry
Kevin Bell, English	Isam Amin, Geology
Annette Burden, Mathematics	Gabriel Palmer-Fernandes, Philosophy & Relig.
Sunil Ahuja, Political Science	Paul Gordiejew, Sociology & Anthropology

Departmental Senators 2004-2006:

Diana Fagan, Biological Sciences	Tom Oder, Physics & Astronomy
Bill Buckler, Geography	William Rick Fry, Psychology
Joseph Balardy, Economics	Diane Barnes, History
Iole Checcone, Foreign Languages	

GER Committee 2003-2006

Paul Sracic, Political Science

Senate Executive Committee 2003-2006

Sunil Ahuja, Political Science

College of Business Administration

At-Large Senators 2004-2005

Jane Reid, Marketing	Tom Rakestraw, Management
Ram Kasuganti, Management	Rangmahon Eunni, Management
Seen Liu, Accounting & Finance	

Departmental Senator 2003-2005:

Mark Toncar, Marketing

Departmental Senators 2004-2006:

Birsen Karpak, Management

Ray Shaffer, Accounting & Finance

GER Committee 2004-2007:

Ram Kasuganti, Management

Senate Executive Committee 2004-2007

Jane Reid, Marketing

College of Education

At-large Senators 2004-2005:

Dora Bailey, Teacher Education

Lauren Cummins, Teacher Education

Patricia Hauschildt, Teacher Education

Sally Lewis, Teacher Education

Margaret Briley, Teacher Education

Departmental Senators 2004-2006:

Janet Williams, Teacher Education

VACANT, Counseling

VACANT, Educational Administration, Research, and Foundations

GER Committee 2002-2005:

Nancy Sweeney, Teacher Education

Senate Executive Committee 2002-2005:

Kenneth Miller, Counseling

College of Engineering and Technology

At-large Senators 2004-2005

David Kurtanich, School of Technology

Doug Price, Civil/Environmental/Chem. Eng.

Robert McCoy, Mechanical & Industrial Engineering

Departmental Senators 2004-2006:

Irfan Kahn, Civil/Environmental/Chem Eng.

Phil Munro, Electrical & Comp. Eng.

Dan Laird, School of Tecnology

Elvin Shields, Mech. & Industrial Eng.

GER Committee 2002-2005:

Phil Munro, Electrical & Comp. Eng.

Senate Executive Committee 2002-2005

David Kurtanich, School of Technology

College of Fine and Performing Arts

At-large Senators 2004-2005:

Vacant

Vacant

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Departmental Senators 2003-2005:

Till Meyn, Music

Departmental Senators 2004-2006:

Vacant, Art

Vacant, Communication & Theater

GER Committee 2004-2007

Vacant

Senate Executive Committee 2001-2004

VACANT

College of Health & Human Services

At-large Senators 2004-2005:

Louise Aurilio, Nursing

Janice Elias, Human Ecology

Christian Onwudiwe, Criminal Justice

Patricia Hoyson, Nursing

Jean Hassell, Human Ecology

Departmental Senators 2003-2005:

Nancy Landgraff, Physical Therapy

Sharon Phillips, Nursing

Shirley Keller, Social Work

Elaine Greaves, Criminal Justice

Departmental Senators 2004-2006:

Luise Pavia, Human Ecology

John Neville, Human Performance & Exercise Science

Kathylynn Feld, Health Professions

GER Committee 2004-2007:

Kathylynn Feld, Health Professions

Senate Executive Committee 2004-2007:

Dennis Morawski, Social Work

COVER SHEET TO BE ATTACHED TO ALL REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE ACADEMIC SENATE

Date 4/23/2004 Report Number (For Senate Use Only) _____

Name of Committee Submitting Report Academic Programs Committee

Committee Status: (elected chartered, appointed chartered, ad hoc, etc.)

Appointed Chartered

Names of Committee Members 2003-2004 members are Bernadette Angle,

Maria Delost, Tammy King, Howard Mettee, Greg Moring,

Elvin Shields, Marge Collins (academic advisor), Bege Bowers (*ex officio*),

Gregg Sturuss (*ex officio*, Curriculum Committee), Sunil Ahuja (chair).

Please write a brief summary of the report the Committee is submitting to the Senate:

The committee approved three proposals, the titles of which are attached, at the committee's March 24, 2004, meeting. These proposals were circulated, no objections were received. This is being reported for informational purposes only. See Appendix APRC 1 below. The committee also approved one other proposal, pending approval of course change by the UCC. The committee met again on April 21, 2004, and approved a number of other proposals which are currently in circulation.

Do you anticipate making a formal motion relative to the report? No

If so, state the motion: _____

If substantive changes in your committee recommendation are made from the floor, would the committee prefer that the matter be sent back to committee for further consideration? Yes

Other relevant data: _____

Sunil Ahuja

Chair

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE
APPENDIX APCR 1

The following is a list of programs, program changes, and minors approved by the committee that have completed the distribution/circulation process:

- PD#010P-04 – *Geology (Environmental Option)* – CHANGE – Geological and Environmental Sciences.
- PD#011P-04 – *Geology (Geoscience Option)* – CHANGE – Geological and Environmental Sciences.
- PD#013P-04 – *Civil Engineering* – CHANGE – Civil/Environmental and Chemical Engineering.

Course approvals from Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, February – March, 2004.
These courses have been approved and circulated without objection for the
required time period.

Completed February 20, 2004:

UCD #	Catalog #	Course Title	Action
006-04	GEOG 3713	Geography of South America	Add
008-04	ECEGR 4835	Computer Architecture with VHDL	Add
009-04	HIST 3755	Early Medieval History	Change
010-04	HIST 3756	High Medieval History	Add
014-04	FNLG 2600	Intermediate Foreign Language	Change
015-04	FRNCH 2600	Intermediate French	Change
016-04	GERMN 2600	Intermediate German	Change
017-04	GREEK 2600	Intermediate Greek	Change
018-04	ITALN 2600	Intermediate Italian	Change
019-04	LATIN 2600	Intermediate Latin	Change
020-04	RUSSN 2600	Intermediate Russian	Change
021-04	SPAN 2600	Intermediate Spanish	Change
022-04	SWAH 2600	Intermediate Swahili	Change

Completed March 22, 2004:

UCD #	Catalog #	Course Title	Action
001-04	GEOG 3735	Water in the Earth System	Add
002-04	PHIL 3760	Ethics of War and Peace	Change
003-04	ANTHR 3762	Power & Meaning of Food in Culture	Add
004-04	MATH 1586H, 2687H	Honors Calculus Laboratory 1,2	Add
007-04	ECEGR 3741	Electromagnetic Fields 1	Change
011-04	ISEGR 3745	Accounting for Engineers	Change
012-04	ISEGR 3736	Methods Engineering	Change
013-04	ISEGR 3720	Statistical Quality Control	Change
030-04	STAT 3743	Probability and Statistics	Change
032-04	SOCIO 3760	Sociology of Death and Dying	Add
033-04	MTEGR 3752	Ceramic Materials	Add
034-04	MTEGR 3783	Properties, Processing & Applications of Metals	Add

Completed March 31, 2004:

UCD #	Catalog #	Course Title	Action
023-04	MUMSR 1561	Music Recording Workshop	Add
024-04	MUMSR 3762	Digital Sound Production	Add
025-04	MUMSR 3763	Digital Recording & Editing	Add
026-04	MUMSR 3764	Advanced Microphone Techniques	Add
027-04	MUMSR 3765	Advanced Recording Techniques	Add
028-04	MUMSR 4866	Recording Internship	Add
029-04	MUMSR 4867	Senior Project	Add
031-04	HIST 4808	Oral Communication Projects in History	Add

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Completed April 21, 2004:

UCD #	Catalog #	Course Title	Action
035-04	MGT 3705	Fundamentals of Occupational Safety	Change
036-04	MGT 3715	Labor Law & Negotiations	Change
037-04	MGT 3720	Contract Administration & Grievance Procedure	Change
039-04	ACCTG 4817	Income Tax Preparation 1	Add
040-04	ACCTG 4818	Income Tax Preparation 2	Add
041-04	ART 3737	Visual Arts Education PreK-4	Change
042-04	ART 1521	Foundation Drawing	Change
043-04	ART 1522	Intermediate Drawing	Change
044-04	ART 3774	Digital Photography 2	Delete
045-04	ART 3773	Intermediate Photography	Delete
046-04	ART 4873	Senior Review in Photography	Delete
047-04	ART 5871	Adv. Photography 1-The Studio	Delete
048-04	ART 5872	Adv. Photography 2-Mural Printing	Delete
049-04	ART 3776	Topics in Intermediate Photography	Add
050-04	ART 4873	Topics in Advanced Photography	Add
051-04	ART 2692	Conceptual Ideation	Add