get curriculum Committee actions before Spring

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Vice President, Academic

MINUTES
ACADEMIC SENATE
March 2, 1979

ATTENDANCE: (See attached roster)

CALL TO ORDER

Jean Kelty, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 4:05 after having established that there was a quorum present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 19, 1979 MEETING - Approved

It was moved and seconded that the January 19, 1979 minutes be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF SENATE COMMITTEES

Charter and ByLaws Committee - Dr. Khawaja reported. In April, 1978, the Executive Committee asked the Charter and ByLaws Committee to review the election procedures and modify certain sections of ByLaws 2 and 7. Changes were recommended May 26, 1978. The changes did not have the full support of the Elections and Balloting Committee and the entire matter was sent back to the Charter and ByLaws Committee. Last fall, the Charter and ByLaws Committee met with every member of the Elections and Balloting Committee, consulted with the chairman, and developed a proposal that was supported by both committees. The Chairman of the Elections and Balloting Committee expected to be at this Senate meeting, but could not attend. Dr. Khawaja requested that Dr. Richley speak for the Elections and Balloting Committee. Dr. Richley collaborated the statements made by Dr. Khawaja.

Motion to Approve Modification of ByLaw 7 Approved

Dr. Khawaja moved modification of ByLaw 7 as proposed in the agenda on Page 9. Dr. Abrams seconded the motion. The question was called and the motion was approved.

Motion to Approve Modification of ByLaw 2 Approved

Dr. Khawaja moved modification of ByLaw 2 as proposed in the agenda on Page 5. Second by Dr. Diederick. Question was called and the motion was approved.

Motion to Modify ByLaw 4 — Approved

After explaining the change being proposed in ByLaw 4, Dr. Khawaja moved modification of ByLaw 4 as listed on Page 7 of the Senate agenda. Second by Dr. Abrams. In response to a question, Dr. Khawaja acknowledged that the Chairman of the Senate will require more than one-half of the votes cast to be elected. A question was raised about the wording of the modification for ByLaw 4 in that it still refers to the Predecessor Senate. After some discussion, it was determined that the Charter and ByLaws Committee will review the Senate Charter and attempt to revise it so that the word Predecessor Senate does not appear. The question was called and the motion carried.

Executive Committee - Dr. Feitler reported.

Motion to Change Day of Regular Senate Meeting - Approved as Amended

Dr. Feitler moved that beginning Fall Quarter, 1979, regular Senate meetings will be scheduled on the first Tuesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. There was a second by Dr. Roberts. Discussion followed. Points raised included: 1) There are science laboratories that run from 2 - 5 p.m. This might create problems for Senators. 2) It is easier for students to arrange schedule for Friday, 4:00, than it is Tuesday, 4:00. 3) The reason for the proposed change is that it is difficult to get a quorum on Friday at 4:00. If the meeting is changed to another day, there might be better Senate attendance. 4) Members of the Senate Executive Committee polled constituencies to see what day was preferred.

Motion to Amend Day of Senate Meeting to Wednesday — Approved

Dr. Hotchkiss moved to amend the motion to the first Wednesday at 4:00. There was a second by Dr. Leck. Question was called and the amendment carried. Question was called on the main motion as amended. Motion carried.

Dr. Feitler then gave a brief report noting that an Ad Hoc Committee has been appointed to study the early quarter system and is to report findings and recommendations to the Senate at the June meeting, if possible. Committee members are: Dr. Dobbert, Dr. Feldmiller, Ms. Funk, Dr. Mirth, Dr. Rao, Dr. Steele, Dr. Sutton, and Miss Boden. (A full copy of the report is attached to the minutes).

Dr. Feitler then thanked the members of the previous committee to study a calendar change for their service.

Dr. Feitler called on Ed Largent to give a report on Chancellor's Advisory Committee. Dr. Largent reported on the discussions concerning the computation of retirement benefits. Legislation is being drafted to change the law to include monies paid by the universities in the calculation of the benefits. The Governor's budget was discussed. Legislators in Columbus do not seem to feel that higher education is a priority concern right now--the days of higher education in the legislature may be over. According to one source, HEW hearings on social security are still under way.

Elections and Balloting Committee - No report.

Academic Affairs Committee - Dr. Hill reported.

Motion to Approve Speech 583 for Humanities Area No vote

Dr. Hill moved that Speech 583 apply for credit in the Humanities Area of General Course Requirements. There was a second by Dr. Richley. Dr. Robinson objected to the consideration of the question because: the proposed course has not cleared the Curriculum Committee and the motion is objectionable because the course is within the catalog definition of the Humanities requirement. Dr. O'Neil reported that the course was circulated. This was confirmed by Dr. Jenkins, Chairman of the Curriculum Committee. A lengthy discussion followed. Points discussed included: 1) Academic Affairs Committee is to set policy, not to call for implementation of policy already set. 2) For the School of Engineering, ECPD has final jurisdiction. They define science and humanities requirements differently. University requirements do not meet ECPD requirements. 3) ECPD is not a higher authority than the senate. The Engineering School can set additional restrictions as long as they do not contradict university general area requirements.

Motion to Refer Back to Academic Affairs - Died for Want of Second

It was moved to refer Speech 583 back to the Academic Affairs Committee for a ruling. No second was received on this motion.

Motion to Rule Out of Order - Ruled "Not a Proper Motion"

Dr. O'Neil moved to have the motion declared out of order. There was a second by Dr. Largent. It was determined that this was an improper motion. Dr. Kelty then ruled that the motion was in order.

Motion to Challenge the Decision of the Chairman - Carried

Dr. O'Neil moved to challenge the decision of the Chairman. There was a second by Dr. Sutton. Call for question. Chair was overruled.

Motion to Approve Soc./Anth. 714, 715, and 780 for Science Area - Carried

Dr. Hill moved that Soc./Anth. 714, 715, and 780 apply for science credit in the Science/Mathematics Area of the General Course Requirements, effective September, 1980. Motion received a second from Dr. Minogue. A lengthy discussion followed. Points raised included: 1) There will have to be a change from Dr. Edgar's Office in the catalog to indicate these courses do meet general area science requirements if the motion is approved. 2) There is some question about what is meant by effective date of September, 1980. It was determined that this meant that credit would be given for the science requirement to those students taking the course after 1980 and that this was justified because the course description and content would be revised and a Biology prerequisite would be required. There is to be an editorial change to show that the September, 1980 effective date refers to courses taken after that date. 3) The Academic Affairs Committee is planning to review general university requirements. 4) The intent of area requirements is that students will take courses from several departments. We seem to be chipping away at the intent of general university requirements. The motion should be defeated. 5) The proposed courses contain more scientific rigor and hard scientific data than courses being taught as catch-all courses in the science departments. 6) This is a policy change. Area requirements are to encourage students to take courses in several areas. 7) There is a misunderstanding about what was meant by the original

policy regarding general university requirements. 8) It was noted that there was the feeling that the committee was not fully comfortable in presenting this motion, and that there was discussion on both sides of the issue. If there was a precedent already established, should we perpetuate if the precedent was wrong. 9) We need an operational definition of "science" before we modify piecemeal. 10) This is a question of policy--that is why it is being brought before the Senate. 11) This course is currently counted as meeting the Social Studies requirement. Will approval of this motion mean that it will count for both the Social Studies and Science/Math requirement? The answer was that these courses would count as science courses only. 12) The Academic Affairs Committee dealt only with "these specific courses and whether they should count for science credit." The courses are clearly scientific in terms of methodology. It would be grossly unfair to ask for re-evaluation of general university requirements before acting on these courses. 13) There is a need to study the long-range problem, but it will take at least a year to bring the entire matter of general university requirements before the Senate. 14) If we approve these courses as meeting the science requirement, Sociology majors could meet the Science/Math requirement without going outside the department. It was noted that at least one Biology would have to be taken since it is a prerequisite. 15) A course description should not dictate whether a course is a Humanities, Social Science, or Science/Math. If we bend policy, other courses should be transferred. 16) The judgment of the Academic Affairs Committee was sound. Only these courses were considered. 17) Departmental tribalism exists at Y.S.U. Games are played between departments. Perhaps we can rewrite the entire set of requirements, but this will take a long time. 18) At Kent, professors of Anthropology are attached to the School of Medicine. 19) We are whittling away at the purpose of General University Requirements. Once we know what the purpose is, then we should determine what courses satisfy the requirements. 20) Seeking a general definition of science would be very difficult; consequently, the best procedure is a piecemeal approach. 21) The question is not what is science, but why do we have general area requirements. 22) What is the logic that allows a department to add courses that entice students to that particular area? Traditional science departments have a license to steal under the present procedure.

Question was called and motion carried.

Motion to Approve Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program - Approved

Dr. Hill moved approval of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program as attached to the agenda. Motion received a second. A question was raised about some of the course equivalencies--Psych. 601 or any open elective, Psych. 700 or a minority group course, and Psych. 800. An assurance was given that Psych. 800 will not be a recommended part of the curriculum. The Nursing faculty agreed that Psych. 800 will not be a requirement. It will be deleted from the program. A question was raised about the option of Philosophy 600 or Humanities 610 and whether or not any other 600-level literature courses could be used. It was noted that this has been taken care of and that other courses can be used. Call for question. Motion carried.

Curriculum Committee - Dr. Jenkins reported. Dr. Jenkins explained why the change in the prerequisite policy was being recommended. It is in response to a concern raised by the Affirmative Actions Commitee regarding the prerequisite "Consent of Instructor."

Motion to Approve Prerequisite Change as Presented on Page 57 of Agenda-Carried

Dr. Jenkins moved that the Senate approve the recommended changes in the prerequisite policy as proposed on Page 57 of the agenda. There was a second by Dr. Feitler. It was noted that the original prerequisite policy was proposed by the Academic Affairs Committee. A question was raised as to why the Curriculum Committee was presenting the proposed change. The answer was that the Curriculum Committee thought that this was within their charge. Question called, motion carried.

Motion to Approve Labor Studies Courses - Carried

Dr. Jenkins moved to approve the Labor Studies courses that are listed on Page 59 of the agenda. There was a second by Dr. Robinson. The question was called and the motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS - None.

ADJOURNMENT - It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE
UNIVERSITY SENATE
March 2, 1979

A. AND SCIENCES

Everett Abram X
George Beelen
Frederick Blue
Dean Brown X
Irwin Cohen X
Janet DelBene X
Gary Fry X
George Haushalter
Sally Hotchkiss X
James Houck
William Jenkins X
Jean Kelty X
Ikram Khawaja X
Friedrich Koknat
Leon Laitman
Brendan Minogue X
Gratia Murphy X
Esther Niemi X
Joan Phillip
Sidney Roberts X
William Shipman
Ann Harris X
Elizabeth Staudt X
Christopher Sweeney
Ronald Tabak
Allen Viehmeyer X
Warren Young X
John D. Van Norman X

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Ranger Curran
Terry Deiderick X
William Flad
Inez Gross
Donald Hovey X
Mervin Kohn X
Donald Mathews
William Petrych X
Raymond Shuster

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Lawrence Haims X
Robert Ameduri X
Robert DiGiulio X
Fred Feitler X
Glorianne Leck X
R ld Richards X
Charles Smith
James Steele

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

Jack Bakos X
Wade Driscoll X
Floyd Morris X
Philip Munro X
John Ritter X
Samuel Skarote X
Leslie Szirmay X

FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS

Donald Byo X
Darla Funk
Elaine Juhasz
Joseph Lapinski
Edward Largent X
Daniel O'Neill X
David Robinson X
Michael Walusis
Louis Zona

APPLIED SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

William Barsch X
Mary Beaubien X
Ronald Ciminero X
James Conser X
Gail Hedrick X
Margaret Horvath X
Dorothy Kennedy X
Victor Richley X
Mary Sebestyen X
Hillary Soller X

ADMINISTRATIVE

Taylor Alderman X
William Binning X
David Cliness X
Lawrence Cummings
Earl Edgar X
Charles McBriarty X
William McGraw
Robert Miller
Arnold Moore X
Nicholas Paraska X
Leon Rand
Edmund Salata
James Scriven
George Sutton X
Bernard Yozwiak X

STUDENT MEMBERS

Diane Bogan X
Carol Colburn
Richard Curry X
Mark DeNucci X
Toni DiSalvo
Anne Marie ~~Gelties~~
Anthony Koury X
John Murosko X
Abidin Pak
Tim Pysher
Phyllis Schirck X
Jon Steen
Alma Vinion
Ralph Minto X

NOTE TO SENATORS:

I placed an "X" beside the names of those Senator I noted were at the March Senate meeting. If I did not check your name and you were there, please notify me (3336) and I will note a correction in the April minutes.

Virginia Phillips

Senate Executive Committee
Report to the Senate
March, 1979

At the last Senate meeting, the Senate Executive Committee reported its intent to bring before you a motion to change the regular meeting time from Friday afternoon at 4:00 pm to Tuesday, afternoon at 4:00 pm, beginning with the Fall Quarter 1979. Individual faculty discussed their preferences with SEC members. This data influenced our choice and decision to recomment a change to you at this time.

I move that: Beginning Fall Quarter 1979, the regular Senate Meeting will be scheduled on the first Tuesday of the month at 4:00 PM.

In other action, the SEC has appointed an ad hoc Committee to study the Early Quarter System. This action had been tabled by our committee, because we had heard rumors that the semester calendar was still a live issue. In the absence of any vital signs in this regard, we have appointed the following to serve on the ad hoc committee:

Dr. Dobbert -- A & S
Dr. Feldmiller -- CAST
Ms. Funk -- F & PA
Dr. Mirth -- Engineering
Dr. Rao -- Business
Dr. Steele -- Education
Dr. Sutton -- Administration
Ms. Bogan -- Student Representative

The committee is asked to report their findings and recommendations to the full Senate at the June Senate meeting, if possible.

This is the first opportunity that the Senate Executive Committee has had to publicly express thanks for the hours of effort expended in conciliation to bring the Labor Studies program before the Senate last month for passage. We are most appreciative of the efforts of the Academic Affairs Committee members, of Vice President Edgar, of Dean Yozwiak, as well as of Dr. Beelan, Emily Mackall, and Dean Paraska.

At this time I would like to call on Dr.Largent to report on a recent meeting of the Chancellor's Advisory Committee.

Fred C. Feitler, Chairman