

Memorandum

TO: Faculty and Librarians

FROM: J. Burke, Executive Secretary, Faculty Senate

DATE: April 5, 1999

RE: Minutes: April 5, 1999 Faculty Senate Meeting

The Faculty Senate Meeting was called to order on Monday, April 5, 1999 at 3:30 PM in O'Leary 222. The following Senators were in attendance:

William Phelan, Education; Juan Rodriguez, Education; Donald Leitch, Civil Eng; James Rome, Electrical Eng; Ross Holmstrom, Electrical Eng; Robert Parkin, Mechanical Eng; John McKelliget, Mechanical Eng; Laura Punnett, Work Environment; David Hirschel, Criminal Justice; Michael Carter, Economics; Charles Ryan, English; Jeannie Judge, English; Joe Zaitchik, English; Jonathan Liebowitz, History; Peter Blewett, History; Jane Freimiller, Philosophy; Jeffery Gerson, Political Science; Joseph Waterman, Psychology; Jon Hellstedt, Psychology; Sarah Kuhn, RESD; Jean Pyle, RESD; David Egan, Sociology; Robert Lechner, Computer Science; Bodo Reinisch, Earth Science; Alan Doerr, Mathematics; James Graham-Eagle, Mathematics; AnnMarie Hurley, Mathematics; Arthur Mittler, Physics; James Egan, Physics; Robert Nicolosi, Clinical Lab Science & Health; Eugene Rogers, Clinical Lab Science & Health; Nina Coppens, Nursing; Sue Bergmeier, Physical Therapy; Sanghill Kim, Management; Riaz Khan, OMMIS; Arno Minkinen, Art; Rosita Sands, Music; Helen Jones, Library;

AGENDA

I. Announcements: Professor Nicolosi made the following announcements: **(1) Senate elections.** Today is the deadline for submitting to the Executive Secretary the results of departmental elections of senators for the next academic year. Senators were notified at the attendance desk today if their department has not completed the election process. Since the formation of Senate committees and election of officers is dependent on the completion of the election process it is important to observe the deadlines established by the Senate By-laws. Dr. Burke is available and eager to assist. Please contact her if you have questions or problems. **(2) Senate Standing Committees.** A letter has been sent to all faculty informing them about Senate committees and inviting them to volunteer to serve on a Senate committee. All members of the faculty are eligible to serve on Senate committees. Senators should volunteer to serve on one committee. Please contact Dr. Burke if you have questions or need help choosing a committee. **(3) Post Tenure Review.** At the March Senate meeting Professor James Rome and Professor Thomas Shea volunteered to serve on the Senate Post Tenure Review Committee. They will be contacting the Union to facilitate interaction. If you have input or questions or would like to join them on this committee please contact one of them. **(4) Ad Hoc Program Review Committee.** (Regarding Administrative Announcement #16) Dean Kleniewski will contact the Modern Language Department, Liana Cheney, Bill Roberts, and others who are working on a proposal. They will contact the Senate as soon as they have a proposal

that can be shared with the members of the Ad Hoc Program Review Committee; **(5) Organizational Meeting** There will be an organizational meeting of the 1999-2000 Faculty Senate at 3:00PM, Monday, May 3rd, in O'Leary 222 for the purpose of electing Senate officers for the next academic year. Only Senators serving in next year's Senate should attend. This meeting should be over by 3:30PM, and it will be followed immediately by the regular meeting of the 1998-99 Faculty Senate. At the organizational meeting the Senate will elect a new President and Vice President. In addition, nominations will be taken for the positions of Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees and Associate Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees. In the weeks following the meeting, the Executive Secretary will conduct an election for these positions among the entire faculty using a secret ballot Professor Phelan has announced that he will not be a candidate for re election. Please contact professor Phelan or Professor Carter, our current representatives if you have questions about the position. Professor Nicolosi announced that he will not be a candidate for re election as Senate President. **(6) Executive Committee** . Senate president Nicolosi reported that Professor Burke's appointment as Executive Secretary will expire next semester. At the March 22nd meeting of the Executive Committee a motion was made and seconded and unanimously voted to recommend the re-appointment of Professor Burke as Executive Secretary of the Faculty Senate. He presented the following motion to the Senate for approval.

MOTION The Faculty Senate approves the re-appointment of Professor Janet Burke as Executive Secretary of the Faculty Senate.

VOTE 34 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN

II. Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the March 1, 1999 meeting of the Faculty Senate were unanimously accepted as presented.

III. Senate Guest - Louise Griffin, Research Foundation. Louise Griffin spoke briefly about the policy of indirect costs on faculty research funding and grants. Senators were encouraged to contact her for more information.

IV. Senate Standing Committees

1. Academic Governance - Professor Nicolosi reported that there was no new business from the committee.

2. Graduate Policy and Affairs- Professor Parkin announced that the committee is scheduled to meet on Monday, April 12th at 3:30PM in Alumni Hall 103.

3. Research & Development- Professor Laura Punnett reported that the committee is scheduled to meet on Monday, April 12th at 1:15PM in Alumni Hall 103.

4. Academic Resources- Professor Pyle announced that the next meeting of the committee will be Thursday, April 15th at 2:00PM in Alumni Hall 103. She also reported that the Chancellor will be forming a committee to study the rehabilitation of Allen House. The Academic Resources Committee will nominate one of its members to serve on the Chancellor's committee. On behalf of Professor Waterman she reported that the retirement luncheon will be held on Thursday, May 13th at noon in Coburn 205. Tickets

can be obtained from Professor Waterman and several other sources on campus.

5. Budget and Priorities-Professor Charles Ryan reported that the committee is tabulating the results of the survey, and hopes to have a resolution for the May senate meeting. The next meeting of the committee will be on April 12th at 3:30PM in Alumni Hall 101.

6. Undergraduate Policy - Professor Nicolosi informed the Senate that the undergraduate Policy Committee has not completed its deliberations on the Task Force on General Education Report and thus does not have a recommendation for the Senate on this matter. The committee expects to have a recommendation for the May Senate meeting. Professor Nicolosi suggested that if there were no objections he would like to adjourn the meeting and then have an informal discussion among those present (including members of the Undergraduate Policy Committee) about General Education.

Professor Aste, President of the MSP requested that he be able to make a statement before the meeting was adjourned. Although not on the agenda of the meeting, he was afforded this courtesy. Professor Aste made a brief statement on the subject of Post Tenure Review, warning the Senate not to cross the line between labor issues and academic issues. Professor Parkin , Senate Vice-President responded from the floor that some aspects of Post Tenure Review are academic issues and that on the other campuses Post Tenure Review is being discussed by the Senate.

The meeting returned to the Agenda. There were no objections to Professor Nicolosi's suggestion.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00PM.