

Oakland University Senate

Eighth Meeting
Thursday, 29 May 1997

Minutes

Members present: Abiko, Alber, K.Andrews, Awbrey, Blume, Brieger, Briggs-Bunting, Cole, Connellan, Dillon, Downing, Gordon, Goslin, Haskell, Herold, Hildebrand, Hovanesian, Kazarian, Keane, Mahamwal, Meuser, Miller, Moore, Moran, Olson, Otto, Reynolds, Rozek, Schochetman, H. Schwartz, R. Schwartz, Sen, Speer, Tower, Wood

Members absent: S. Andrews, Benson, Buffard-O'Shea, Burke, Flounder, France, Gardner, Gilroy, Hahn, Jarski, Heir, Kleckner, Landsberg, Liboff, Lilliston, Long, Men, Pettengill, Polis, Purcell, Reedy, Rice, Riley, Russi, Oahu, Seville, Tablet Whatnot.

Summary of actions:

1. Approval of the minutes of April 10. (Keane, Brieger) Approved.
2. Motion to approve the Lucy Craft Lanai Academy. Removed from the table and withdrawn.
3. Motion to fill Senate standing committees (Andrews, Dillon) Approved.
4. Motion to recommend approval of a Nurse Practitioner track in the Master of Science nursing program. (Goslin, Andrews). Approved following approval of a motion to waive the second reading. (Dillon, Olson)
5. Motion to increase the required credits in the Master of Science-Adult Health track from 36 to 45. (Goslin, Andrews) Approved following approval of a motion to waive the second reading (Dillon, Reynolds)

After convening the meeting at 3:10 Mr. Connellan entertained a motion to approve the April 10th minutes. Mr. Keane so moved, Mr. Brieger seconded and the minutes were approved as distributed. Mr. Connellan then reported on the status of the items that might yet come before the Senate this term. The education Ph.D. proposal has been approved by the Graduate Council with some changes and will be sent to SBRC and SPRC next week. The proposal to relocate the BGS program has been sent for review to the SBRC, SPRC and the General Studies Faculty Council.

Turning to old business, Mr. Dillon asked to have the proposal regarding the Lucy Craft Laney proposal taken from the table and then to have the motion withdrawn with the approval of the seconder. There were no objections and Mr. Connellan declared the motion withdrawn.

The first item of new business was a procedural motion to fill committee vacancies. Mr. Andrews moved, and Mr. Dillon seconded the motion to appoint the individuals listed in the agenda to the committees for the terms specified. The motion was approved.

Moving quickly along, the second item of new business was introduced by Mr. Goslin who moved that the Senate recommend to the President and the Board of Trustees the approval of a Nurse Practitioner track in the Master of Science nursing program. Following Mr. Andrews' second, Mr. Goslin commented that the Graduate Council had reviewed the proposal, had found it to be of high quality with sufficient and admirable faculty support and that nurse

practitioners are a growing and important area of nursing. The lack of further discussion led Mr. Dillon to move that the Senate waive the second reading, a motion seconded by Mr. Olson and quickly approved by the Senate. The Senate then approved the main motion.

Mr. Goslin also introduced the final agenda item in which he moved that the Senate recommend to the President and the Board of Trustees that the number of credits required for graduation in the Master of Science in Nursing-Adult Health track be changed from 36 to 45. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrews. Mr. Goslin noted that bringing this track up to 45 makes it consistent with other tracks and that e additional courses are appropriate for the slight change in focus of the adult health track. Mr. Connellan added that the track had 45 credits at one time and had been reduced. A motion to waive second reading was moved by Mr. Dillon, seconded by Ms. Reynolds and approved, as was then the main motion.

As part of good and welfare, Mr. Mahamwahl distributed to the Senate information on Student Congress's activities this year.

There being no further business, Mr. Olson moved to adjourn, Mr. Andrews seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by
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