

## SENATE

## Oakland University Senate

January 14, 1965

## **Minutes**

<u>PRESENT</u>: Messrs. Appleton, Burdick, Cammack, Cherno, Collins, Dettman, Galloway, Haden, Hildum, Hough, Howes, Malm, Matthews, McKay, O'Dowd, Pitts, Sells, Simmons, Stoutenburg, Susskind, Swanson, Tafoya, Tipler, Tomboulian, Varner, Williamson.

<u>ABSENT</u>: Messrs. Beardslee, G. Brown, Eklund, Hammerle, Harding, Hetenyi, Heubel, Hoopes, Hucker, Mobley, Quaintance, Schwab, Stubblefield.

<u>GUESTS</u>: Messrs. Atkinson, Crowder, Jenkins, Obear, Petty. Students: Bill Connellan, Mark Dublin, Gary Durst, Stuart Goldberg, Sharon Jackson, John Kelly, Tom Parrish, Robert Surovell.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Varner at 4:15 p.m.

Mr. Malm moved to accept the minutes of the December 18, 1964 meeting.

Seconded by Mr. Williamson. Approved.

Mr. Varner asked Mr. Appleton to act as parliamentarian in Mr. Heubel's absence.

Mr. Howes, chairman of the Student Affairs Committee, introduced student representatives of the Constitutional Board. Miss Jackson, chairman, gave a brief background of the Board and its purposes, and asked the Senate members to express their feelings about student participation on faculty committees. The discussion was opened by Mr. O'Dowd, and several of the Senate members offered suggestions and made comments. Mr. Varner suggested that the Constitutional Board make recommendations to the Steering Committee through Mr. O'Dowd. The students were then excused from the meeting.

Mr. O'Dowd re-stated a motion by Mr. Hetenyi and seconded by Mr. Cherno at the December 18 meeting to amend the recommendation from the Academic Affairs Committee as follows: "The last two sentences of the main motion should be eliminated." After some discussion, the question was called by Mr. Simmons. Not approved.

Mr. Tomboulian moved to eliminate the second sentence of the original motion. Seconded by Mr. McKay.

Mr. Appleton moved to amend the motion to read: "Every first-time-in-any-college student must pass two University seminar courses prior to graduation." And delete the next sentence.

Mr. McKay agreed with the modification of the motion. Mr. Varner asked if the motion could be voted on at this meeting. Mr. Appleton stated that the amendment was eligible for vote today.

- Mr. Collins moved to return the motion to the committee. Seconded by Mr. Howes. Approved.
- Mr. Sells moved that the recommendations from the Committee on Academic Standing and Baccalaureate Honors be made eligible for vote today. Seconded by Mr. Simmons. Approved. Mr., Sells moved as follows:
- a. (1) "That the Registrar's list of candidates for the bachelor's degree distributed at the meeting be approved by the Senate." Seconded by Mr. Simmons. Approved,
- a. (2) "That the nominees for University Honors be approved by the Senate." Seconded by Mr., Simmons. Approved. Mr. Appleton suggested that grade point averages of all candidates be listed in the future,
- a. (3) "That the nominees for Departmental Honors be approved by the Senate. " Seconded by Mr. Simmons. Approved. (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED LISTS OF NAMES)
- Mr. O'Dowd reported for the Steering Committee stating that the Committee on Instruction has designated Professor Robert Simmons as Foreign Study Program Adviser for 1964-65 in accordance with established practice.
- Mr. Burdick spoke for the Commencement Committee concerning the conferring of honorary degrees, and requested approval from the Senate for the Committee to decide on the candidates without a vote from the Senate.
- Mr. Swanson said that the Board of Trustees would have to be advised of the names of the candidates.
- Mr. Simmons moved to adjourned. Seconded by Mr. Hildum. Not approved.
- Mr. McKay asked Mr. Burdick why the Committee wished to keep the candidates' names a secret. Mr. Burdick said that the time element involved was one reason and, also, the Committee did not feel it was appropriate to discuss the candidates before the Senate. Mr. Varner questioned Mr. Burdick's statement that three honorary degrees would be awarded and said he thought only two had been awarded in the past. Mr. Williamson suggested that five names be presented to the Senate for consideration. Mr. Appleton said he was opposed to the Committee's request.
- Mr. Collins asked whether graduate credit would be given in the Meadow Brook Summer Music School. Mr. Varner said the Board of Trustees would have to make that decision after he and President Hannah had discussed the program.
- Mr. Matthews moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Williamson. Approved.
- Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

HNS/mm Attachments (3)

