



OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SENATE

Oakland University Senate

Fifth Meeting
January 20, 2000
Oakland Center Gold Room
3:10 p.m.

Agenda

Refreshments will be served.

Senators are reminded that proxy voting is not permitted and voting substitutes are not allowed.

Respectfully submitted by the Steering Committee.

A. Approval of the [minutes](#) of the December 9, 1999 Senate meeting.

B. Information items.

1. Campus Development and Environment Committee [memo](#)

C. Old Business:

1. Motion from the Graduate Council to recommend approval of a Ph.D. program in Biomedical Sciences. (Mr. Andrews, Mr. Downing)

MOVED that the Senate recommend to the President and Board the approval of a program leading to a Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Biomedical Sciences with a specialization in Biological Communication.

Second Reading: Amendable, debatable and eligible for final vote.

Comment: A copy of the proposal is available at:

<http://www.oakland.edu/senate/biophd.html>. The Senate Planning Review Committee's report is available at:

<http://www.oakland.edu/senate/prcbiophd.html>. The Senate Budget Review Committee's report is at: <http://www.oakland.edu/senate/sbrcbiophd.html>.

D. New Business:

1. Motion from the Steering Committee to amend the motion previously adopted in November, 1999 proposing an amended Senate Constitution to the Faculty, the President and the Board (Mr. Riley)

MOVED that the Senate Constitution proposed in November, 1999 be amended to give a total Senate composition consisting of 50 elected faculty senators.

First reading: Debatable, amendable but not eligible for a final vote.

Comment: After intensive discussions, the Provost has every reason to believe that the Board will approve the version of the Senate Constitution proposed by the Senate in November provided that the above change is made and assuming that the Faculty vote to approve the proposed Constitution. The Board will not approve any other version and will not consider or propose any other changes. The Board has been presented with all the arguments about the composition issue and has decided that given the existence of the other two governance bodies this particular voting composition for the Faculty Senate is appropriate for the governance structure at Oakland. A copy of what the Constitution would look like if the amendments are approved by the Faculty and the Board, e.g. "a clean copy", can be found at:
<http://www.oakland.edu/senate/const99v2.html>.

2. Procedural motion from the Steering Committee to staff Senate standing committees (Mr. Schwartz)

MOVED that the persons listed below be appointed to Senate standing committees for the terms specified:

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Keith Berven (Department of Biological Sciences) to replace Isaac Eliezer (Department of Chemistry), Winter, 2000

Ishwar Sethi (School of Engineering and Computer Science) to replace Andrew Rusek (School of Engineering and Computer Science) Winter, 2000

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