

# SENATE

### **OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SENATE**

Thursday, October 14, 1982

128, 129, 130 Oakland Center 3:00 p.m.

#### **AGENDA**

Respectfully submitted by Keith R. Kleckner for the Steering Committee

#### A. Old Business:

1. Motion from the Steering Committee to establish a new Senate standing committee (Mr. Dawson).

**MOVED** that the Senate establish a standing committee to be called the Committee on General Education.

Charge: To recommend to the Senate general policies and requirements for undergraduate general education and to function as a curriculum committee for a university-wide program of general education, in accordance with Senate authorizations.

Membership: Six faculty, one student.

First reading: Debatable, amendable, but not eligible for final vote at this meeting.

Comment: At its September 23 meeting the Senate voted to refer back to the Steering Committee a motion to establish a new standing committee on general education. The Steering Committee has responded to the Senate's directive with the above motion. The business is old, but the motion is new? a substitute for the September 23 proposal. This motion is intended to implement Senate legislation of June 3, 1982. In establishing this committee it is the intent of the Senate that:

- 1) General education programs developed by the Committee should constitute no less than 36 credits of each baccalaureate program requirement.
- 2) Courses offered by the Department of Rhetoric to satisfy the writing proficiency requirement should be incorporated into the 36-credit threshold.
- 3) The Committee define areas via groups of courses, set distributional requirements over these areas and approve and maintain pools of courses that may be used to satisfy the requirements (It is likely that the initial pools will resemble,

but not be restricted to, the current ones of the College of Arts and Sciences) Inclusion of courses from the professional schools is to be encouraged.

- 4) Only courses approved for the pools may be used to satisfy general-education requirements and no course in a pool would be exclude from eligibility merely because it is required within a major program.
- 5) The Committee will invite and consider approval of additional courses from the Schools and the College for the pools,
- -will monitor the program and recommend to the College or appropriate Schools the offering or development of specific courses needed to strengthen the program, -will consider and approve the exclusion of certain courses in the pools from students of particular programs at the request of the sponsors of those programs,
- -will consider and approve exceptions to the general-education requirements for specific programs.

The Steering Committee will solicit faculty interest in serving on the Committee on General Education prior to proposing a membership roster to the Senate.

### **B. New Business:**

1. Motion from the Steering Committee to fill a vacancy on the Campus Development and Environment Committee (Mr. Miller).

**MOVED** that Esther Goudsmit be appointed to fill the unexpired term of Robert Edgerton on the Campus Development and Environment Committee and that Amit Tagore, a continuing member of the Committee, assume the chairmanship currently held by Mr. Edgerton.

Procedural Motion: Debatable, amendable, and eligible for final vote at this meeting. Comment: Professor Edgerton is on sabbatical leave during 1982-83.

2. Motion from the Steering Committee to fill a vacancy on the Academic Policy and Planning Committee (Mr. Miller).

**MOVED** that Robert Williamson be appointed to the Academic Policy and Planning Committee for the Fall term, 1982 to replace Tung Weng.

Procedural Motion: Debatable, amendable and eligible for final vote at this meeting.

Comment: Professor Weng is unable to attend committee meetings this term.

3. Motion from the Steering Committee to fill a vacancy on the Teaching and Learning Committee (Mr. Miller).

**MOVED** that Carlo Coppola be appointed to fill the unexpired term of Carol Milewski on the Teaching and Learning Committee.

Procedural Motion: Debatable, amendable and eligible for final vote at this meeting.

Comment: Professor Milewski is unable to attend committee meetings this year.

# C. Good and Welfare:

Private resolutions for the good of the order.

## D. <u>Information Items:</u>

The Provost's report on the recommendations of the CAMP regarding program closings will be distributed to all Senators and is being referred to the Academic Policy and Planning Committee for its consideration.

# E. President's Remarks:

Both President Champagne and Provost Kleckner will be unable to attend the meeting.

