



OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SENATE

Oakland University Senate

December 4, 1969
3:30 p.m., 128-30 Oakland Center

AGENDA

Submitted by William F. Sturner, for the Steering Committee

Note: The present policy for disseminating news of Senate meetings apparently is not living up to expectations. The members of the Steering Committee have discussed this issue at length and have devised additional procedures to supplement the present policy.

1. Beginning with the meeting of January 15, 1970, the Steering Committee will distribute a one-page summary of the agenda in addition to the regular complete agenda. This summary agenda, so labeled and printed on special paper will be distributed to all members of the faculty and staff and to the students who direct or coordinate various offices and committees serving both commuter and resident students. Copies of the summary agenda will also be posted on all public bulletin boards in the resident halls and classroom-office buildings.
2. The complete agenda will continue to be distributed directly to the members of the Senate.
3. The complete agenda will also continue to be forwarded to the deans chairmen and directors of academic and administrative departments; the various off offices coordinated by the Vice-Chancellor for Student Affairs and the Commission on Student Life. The Student Activities Board, inter-Hall Council, and the Commuter Council will be added to this list beginning in January, 1970.

The chairman, directors or presidents of these offices and committees will be encouraged to redouble their efforts to post or circulate the agenda and to thereafter keep it on file for the reference of the faculty, staff, or students associated with that particular office or activity.

4. The members of the university senate who are also deans, chairmen, directors of academic or administrative departments, or presidents of particular student committees or activities, will continue to receive two copies of the agenda in separate mailings; one copy is for their personal use as a senator, and the other for the general reference of the faculty, administrative personnel and students associated with their department or activity.
5. Recipients of the summary agenda will be explicitly advised in an introductory paragraph included on all editions of the summary agenda to contact any of the persons or offices who receive the full agenda if they wish to review the details included in the full agenda or if they subsequently wish to read a copy of the minutes of that same meeting. It is therefore

imperative that those who receive copies of the full agenda cooperate fully by making the agenda available to the faculty, administrative personnel, and students" associated with their office (i.e., posting or circulating the agenda and thereafter keeping it on file).

6. The minutes of Senate meetings will continue to be distributed to those who receive the full Senate agenda. Please note that summary editions of the minutes will not be published.

7. Copies of the complete agenda and copies of the minutes will continue to be distributed to student newspapers.

8. The Staff Bulletin will publish summaries of the Senate agenda in the editions that precede each Senate meeting. The Bulletin will also continue to report news of Senate actions and activities.

A. New Business

1. Recommendation from the Academic Policy Committee (Mr. Hildum)

The Senate is asked to approve the creation of a new university course.

(a) UC 04 UNIVERSITY FORUM (2 CREDITS)

A STUDY OF A SUBJECT OF TOPICAL IMPORTANCE AND INTEREST CONCENTRATING ON A DIFFERENT THEME EACH TERM. VISITING EXPERTS, FILMS, AND CURRENT VIEWS WILL BE ESSENTIAL TO THE COURSE, WHICH IS DESIGNED TO SERVE A LARGE NUMBER OF STUDENTS IN THE LECTURE FORMAT.

OPEN TO ANY STUDENT WHO HAS COMPLETED 28 OR MORE CREDITS.
MAY BE REPEATED ONCE FOR A TOTAL OF 4 CREDITS.

(b) A STUDENT WITH 4 CREDITS IN THE UNIVERSITY FORUM MAY ELECT NOT TO TAKE THE SENIOR COLLOQUIUM. IF HE ELECTS TO TAKE BOTH THE FORUM AND THE COLLOQUIUM THE FORUM CREDITS MAY BE TREATED AS ELECTIVE CREDITS.

Comment: It is anticipated that the University Forum will be offered In the fall and winter semesters and that class will meet only once a week for the duration of a given semester. The Committee recommends that the faculty member directing the forum receive two- or three-thirds released time in a given semester and that a co-director receive one-third released time. The co-director's job will be to plan the forum for the following term. The Committee recommends that a University Forum Committee be created consisting of the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences or his deputy (as chairman), the director and co-director, and five students serving for one year. This advisory committee will assist in selecting the theme for each Forum; (2) work with the director in managing the Forum; and (3) assist the chairman in identifying and selecting future directors of the Forum. It is also recommended that the Forum be provided with a secretary and adequate budgetary support.

2. Recommendations from the Steering Committee (Messrs. Sturner and Hetenyi)

The Steering Committee requests Senate approval of three amendments to the Constitution of the School of Education, as approved by the Assembly of the School of Education In November, 1969. The proposed amendments are concerned with the membership specifications for the Executive Committee, Committee on Instruction, and Committee on Appointments and Promotion.

a. THE MOTIONS PRESENTED BELOW ARE APPROVED FOR FINAL VOTE AT THIS MEETING.

b. THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION ARE APPROVED BY THE UNIVERSITY SENATE:

(1) ARTICLE IV, SECTION I, PARAGRAPH xi1, CONCERNED WITH THE MEMBERSHIP SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, IS AMENDED TO READ:

CONSIST OF THE DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION (*EX OFFICIO* AND VOTING), ONE TENURED AND ONE NON-TENURED MEMBER ELECTED FROM THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND **TWO MEMBERS FROM THE FACULTY ASSEMBLY WHO ARE NOT MEMBERS OF DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION**. THE COMMITTEE SHALL ELECT A CHAIRMAN WHO SHALL BE A COMMITTEE MEMBER OTHER THAN THE DEAN. **ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE SHALL BE ELECTED BY THE FACULTY ASSEMBLY AND SERVE FOR THREE (3) YEARS.**

(2) ARTICLE IV, SECTION 2, PARAGRAPH vi, CONCERNED WITH MEMBERSHIP SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION, BE AMENDED TO READ:

CONSIST OF THE DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION (*EX OFFICIO*, BUT VOTING ONLY IN CASE OF TIES), ONE TENURED AND ONE NON-TENURED MEMBER ELECTED FROM THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION, **AND TWO MEMBERS ELECTED FROM THE FACULTY ASSEMBLY WHO ARE NOT MEMBERS OF DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION**. THE COMMITTEE SHALL ELECT A CHAIRMAN WHO SHALL BE A COMMITTEE MEMBER OTHER THAN THE DEAN. **ALL MEMBERS SHALL BE ELECTED BY THE FACULTY ASSEMBLY AND SERVE FOR THREE (3) YEARS.**

(3) THAT ARTICLE V, SECTION 2, PARAGRAPH vi, CONCERNED WITH THE MEMBERSHIP SPECIFICATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTION, BE AMENDED TO READ:

CONSIST OF FIVE (5) TENURED MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZED FACULTY AND THE DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION (*EX OFFICIO*, AND NOT VOTING). **OF THE TOTAL VOTING MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE NO LESS THAN THREE (3) SHALL BE FROM THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND NOT LESS THAN ONE (1) FROM MEMBERS OF THE FACULTY ASSEMBLY WHO ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION. ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE**

COMMITTEE ELECTED FROM THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION SHALL BE ELECTED TO THE UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS AND TENURE POLICY COMMITTEE. ALL MEMBERS SHALL BE ELECTED BY THE ASSEMBLY AND SERVE FOR THREE (3) YEARS.

Note: The bold portions represent the changes proposed in the Constitution of the School of Education.

Comment: The amendments dealing with the first two committees are designed to prevent a present situation from recurring, i.e. the difficulty of finding (and the Inequity of huge over-representation of) non-tenured faculty members whose base appointment is not in the departments of Education. The proposed wording in no way prevents the election of non-tenured members in this category, should their number warrant it and should their candidacies be appealing to the assembly; it merely makes it possible to conduct equitable elections in cases when assembly members in the specific category are in short supply.

The amendment to Article V simply makes explicit what we have in fact, been doing all along, i.e. guaranteeing that the Appointments and Promotion Committee would contain membership from outside the departments of Education. Due to some oversight this intent has never been incorporated in the wording of the document.

3. Report of Steering Committee Activities (Mr. Sturner)

a. The Steering Committee received a letter from Richard Lyons, chairman of the Student Publications Committee, reviewing the results of the recent student referendum on the publications fee. The students voted 251 in support of the continuance of the two-dollar publications fee assessed of all undergraduate students each semester, and 638 against.

The Student Publications Committee has transmitted the results of the referendum to Chancellor Varner with the request that he forward them to the Board of Trustees with the recommendation that the two-dollar fee be no longer assessed beginning with the winter, 1970 semester. The Committee further requested that the Chancellor ask the Board to authorize the transfer of the funds remaining in the student publications account as of January I, 1970, after any expenses incurred this fall semester were met, to the Student Activities Board, since it is the only elected body delegated to disburse student funds.

b. The Steering Committee has received a preliminary report from the *ad hoc* Committee on Women's Rights, and is working with the *ad hoc* committee to investigate, analyze or implement its series of recommendations.

The report proposed the creation of a day-care facility for children; a greater emphasis on the hiring and promotion of women faculty; the approval of more part-time appointments to increase career opportunities for faculty with family responsibilities; changes in the nepotism regulations; the adoption of a formal policy related to parenthood leave for all employees; Investigation of complaints about the differential treatment of male and female applicants; improved health services for women students; and the creation of courses related to sex roles In modern society.

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