



OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SENATE

Oakland University Senate

December 4, 1969

MINUTES

PRESENT: Messrs. J. Appleton, Barthel, Beardman, Butler, Burke, Chernow, Coon, Davis, DeMent, Gerulaitis, Gibson, Hetenyi, Iodice, Johnson, Kleckner, Letvin, Mascitelli, Matthews, Miss Mattis, Messrs. Obear, Righter, Rue, Seeber, Springfield, Stern, Stoutenburg, Sturner, Torch, Varner, Witt.

ABSENT: Messrs. Akers, Briod, Burdick, Cramer, Dvaras, Dutton, Fernald, Good, Harding, Haskell, Heubel, Hildum, Kent, McKay, Simmons, Susskind, Swanson, Tipler, Torgoff.

GUESTS: Approximately 15.

Chancellor Varner called the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m.

Mr. Letvin asked the latest status regarding the University's procedure of reporting male students to the Selective Service Boards who graduate or withdraw from the University. Mr. Stoutenburg explained that Acting Registrar, Ruggles had sent a letter to the State Selective Service headquarters in Lansing asking several questions about the law, but had not received a reply. Mr. Letvin asked that no information about Oakland male students be sent to the Selective Service Boards until there is a clarification on this matter. Chancellor Varner then asked the Acting Registrar to only report those things required by law and requested by students, and asked that a follow-up inquiry be made with the State Selective Service headquarters.

Mr. James Appleton reported the results of the 24-hour visitation referendum: Yes votes - 1195, No votes - 170. Total votes cast - 1365. Total dormitory occupancy - 1796.

Mr. Gerulaitis moved the approval of the November 6 and November 11 minutes of the Senate meetings. Seconded by Mr. Iodice. Adopted.

Chancellor Varner appointed Mr. Gerulaitis as parliamentarian for this meeting.

Mr. Sturner explained the new procedure for distributing copies of the Senate agenda.

New Business

Mr. Obear moved the recommendation from the Academic Policy Committee that

"(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 a 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."

Seconded by Mr. Stern.

A brief discussion followed indicating concern for the survey nature these courses might take. Mr. DeMent suggested that the discussion would be enhanced if we could postpone further discussion until the Chairman of the Academic Policy Committee could be present to present the background material for this motion.

Final action on this motion will be taken at a subsequent meeting.

Mr. Sturner moved the recommendations from the Steering Committee that

"The motions presented below are approved for final vote at this meeting."

Seconded by Mr. Stern. Adopted.

* Mr. Hetenyi moved the recommendation from the Steering Committee that

"The following amendments to the constitution of the School of Education are approved by the University Senate:

(1) Article IV, Section 1, Paragraph xii, 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 underlined portions represent the changes proposed in the Constitution of the School of Education.

Seconded by Mr. Chernov.

Mr. Letvin asked why there were no student representatives in the Assembly of the School of Education. Mr. Hetenyi pointed out that because the School of Education does not offer undergraduate majors, that the graduate students are largely part-time, and that teacher candidates are represented in the Assembly of the College of Arts and Sciences, it seemed inappropriate at this time to have student representation in the Assembly of the School of Education.

Motion adopted.

Mr. Sturmer reported on the Steering Committee activities as outlined in the agenda.

In response to a question regarding the University's nepotism policy, Mr. Iodice reported the recommendation of the former Faculty Affairs Committee that was announced on February 6, 1968. The proposal made at that time attached to the April 18, 1968, minutes is as follows:

Proposed Policy

"No two members of the same family will be appointed to positions that could lead to job security and/or tenure in the same academic department, or in a school or college essentially composed of one department, or in the same non-academic subdivision, such as Admissions Office or Library. Exceptions would be personnel hired for research and/or programs funded from outside sources where-positions are essentially temporary."

Mr. Stern moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mr. Davis.

Meeting adjourned 4:50 p.m.

Submitted by
H.N. Stoutenburg, Jr.

Secretary
University Senate

* Motions and amendments adopted at this meeting.

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