



OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SENATE

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Eighth Meeting
Tuesday, April 5, 1977
5:00 p.m.
128 - 130 Oakland Center

AGENDA

Submitted by George T. Matthews, for the Steering Committee

I. Old Business.

A. From the agenda of March 31, 1977, motions from the Steering Committee proposing amendments to the Constitution of the Oakland University Senate:

1. Main Motion I. (Tower/McKay)

MOVED THAT THE WORDING OF ARTICLE I OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SENATE (AS AMENDED 1975) BE DELETED ENTIRELY AND THE FOLLOWING WORDING SUBSTITUTED:

THE OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SENATE IS AN ORGANIZATION EXISTING PURSUANT TO ARTICLE VII OF THE BYLAWS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF OAKLAND UNIVERSITY. THE SENATE SHALL BE ORGANIZED AND SHALL FUNCTION AS PROVIDED HEREIN, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THIS CONSTITUTION AND ANY AMENDMENT THEREOF BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Substitute to the main motion (McKay/Russell)

MOVED THAT THE WORDING OF ARTICLE I OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SENATE (AS AMENDED 1975) BE DELETED ENTIRELY AND THE FOLLOWING WORDING SUBSTITUTED:

THE OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SENATE IS AN ORGANIZATION TO ADVISE THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN REGARD TO ACADEMIC POLICIES AND PROGRAMS. THE SENATE SHALL BE ORGANIZED AND SHALL FUNCTION AS PROVIDED HEREIN.

Second Reading; debatable, amendable and eligible for final vote.

Comments: For comments on the main motion see agenda of March 31, 1977, page 5.

The substitute motion carries the following comments:

The Constitution (as amended) has the following statement as section i. of Article IX: (Editorial Note: Article IX Is Article VIII of the Constitution as amended April 1975)

i. The University Senate shall have the right to propose amendments. . . If an amendment is ratified . . . it shall be submitted to the Board of Trustees for approval. An amendment shall be effective following approval by the Board of Trustees.

With this wording in Article IX it is not appropriate to insert statements about amendment approval by the Board of Trustees in Article I, unless something more is intended by the statement to the effect that the Board could enact amendments which had not been ratified by the faculty, nor negotiated by the faculty.

2. Main motion 2. (Tower/Hitchingham)

MOVED THAT ARTICLE III OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SENATE (AS AMENDED 1975) BE AMENDED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

a. THAT THE TITLE OF ARTICLE III BE CHANGED FROM THE UNIVERSITY SENATE: POWERS TO THE UNIVERSITY SENATE: POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

b. THAT ARTICLE III SECTION ii. BE CHANGED TO READ:

RECOMMEND TO THE PRESIDENT CANDIDATES FOR UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES IN COURSE, AND CANDIDATES FOR UNIVERSITY HONORS;

c. THAT ARTICLE III SECTION v. BE CHANGED TO READ:

HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE CONSULTED ON ALL MATTERS OF ACADEMIC IMPORTANCE TO THE UNIVERSITY;

d. THAT ARTICLE III SECTION vi. BE CHANGED TO READ:

APPROVE, DISAPPROVE AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE CONSTITUTIONS PROPOSED BY THE VARIOUS ORGANIZED FACULTIES OF THE UNIVERSITY.

e. THAT ARTICLE III SECTION vii. BE CHANGED TO READ:

RECEIVE REPORTS OF THE ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE ORGANIZED FACULTIES AND WHERE APPROPRIATE, APPROVE, DISAPPROVE OR MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING SUCH ACTIONS.

Motion to amend (McKay/Hampton)

THAT IN ITEM 2.b. THE PHRASE "THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES" BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE WORD "PRESIDENT."

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

Comments: For comments on the main motion see agenda of March 31, 1977, page 6.

Comments on the amendment: The existing Constitution, in the form approved by the Board of Trustees (i.e., prior to the last round of proposed amendments in 1975) has the Board of Trustees as the body to whom the Senate recommends candidates for degrees in course, and candidates for University honors

3. Main motion 3. unamended (Tower/Hammerle)

MOVED THAT ARTICLE IV OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SENATE (AS AMENDED 1975) BE AMENDED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

a. THAT ARTICLE IV SECTION vii. BE AMENDED BY THE ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING FINAL SENTENCE:

A COPY OF THE MINUTES OF ALL SENATE MEETINGS SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE BY THE SECRETARY TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY TO THE BOARD.

b. THAT ARTICLE IV SECTION ix. BE AMENDED BY THE INSERTION OF (OR HIS DESIGNEE) AFTER THE WORD "UNIVERSITY" AND BEFORE THE WORD "WHO."

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

Comments: For comments on the main motion see agenda of March 31 197, page 7.

4. Main motion 4. (Tower/Hitchingham)

MOVED THAT ARTICLE VI OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SENATE (AS AMENDED 1975) BE AMENDED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

a. THAT ARTICLE VI SECTION i. BE CHANGED TO READ:

A GRADUATE COUNCIL SHALL BE CONSTITUTED WITH POWERS TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE UNIVERSITY SENATE AND TO THE PROVOST REGARDING ALL GRADUATE PROGRAMS OF INSTRUCTION AND WITH REGARD TO THE GENERAL AND SPECIFIC DEGREE REQUIREMENTS AT THE GRADUATE LEVEL. THE GRADUATE COUNCIL MAY MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO

THE DEAN OF GRADUATE STUDY ON ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES
PERTAINING TO THE OPERATION OF GRADUATE PROGRAMS.

b. THAT ARTICLE VI SECTION iv. BE CHANGED TO READ:

THE GRADUATE COUNCIL SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
RECOMMENDATION TO THE PRESIDENT OF ALL CANDIDATES
FOR GRADUATE DEGREES.

Motion to amend (McKay/Hampton)

MOVED THAT IN ITEM 4.b. THE PHRASE "THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES" BE
SUBSTITUTED FOR THE WORD "PRESIDENT."

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

Comments: For comments on the main motion see agenda of March 31, 1977, page 7.

Comments on the amendment:

The existing Constitution, In the form approved by the Board of Trustees (I.e., prior to the last round of proposed amendments in 1975), has the Board of Trustees as the body to whom the Senate recommends candidates for degrees In course, and candidates for University honors.

5. Main motion 5. unamended (Tower/Hitchingham)

MOVED THAT THE TITLE OF ARTICLE VII OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
UNIVERSITY SENATE (AS AMENDED 1975) BE CHANGED FROM STUDENT
PARTICIPATION IN UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE TO STUDENT
PARTICIPATION IN UNIVERSITY SENATE GOVERNANCE.

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

Comments: For comments on the main motion see agenda of March 31, 1977, page 8.

6. Main motion 6. unamended (Tower/Hitchingham)

MOVED THAT THE WORDING OF ARTICLE VIII SECTION ii. OF THE
CONSTITUTION OF THE OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SENATE (AS AMENDED
1975) BE DELETED AND THE FOLLOWING WORDING SUBSTITUTED:

IN THE EVENT THAT A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT
SHOULD BE ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AND ANY COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT, THE MEMBERS OF
WHICH ARE ALSO REPRESENTED IN THE UNIVERSITY SENATE,
AND IF SUCH COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT CONTAINS
ANY PROVISIONS REGARDING MANDATORY SUBJECTS OF
BARGAINING WHICH ARE INCONSISTENT WITH THE
PROVISIONS OF THIS CONSTITUTION, SUCH PROVISIONS OF THE
COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT SHALL BE DEEMED TO

SUPERSEDE AND CONTROL THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CONSTITUTION AS THEY MAY BE APPLICABLE TO MEMBERS OF THAT BARGAINING UNIT, BUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CONSTITUTION SHALL CONTINUE TO BE IN EFFECT FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES UNTIL THEY ARE AMENDED AS PROVIDED HEREIN.

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

Comments: For comments on the main motion see agenda of March 31, 1977, page 8.

7. Main motion 7. unamended (Tower/Hitchingham)

MOVED THAT APPENDIX I OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SENATE (AS AMENDED 1975) BE HEREIN AFTER CALLED ATTACHMENT I AND THAT ARTICLE VII OF THE BYLAWS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF OAKLAND UNIVERSITY BE ATTACHED AS ATTACHMENT II TO THE CONSTITUTION.

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

Comments: For comments on the main motion see agenda of March 31, 1977, page 8.

II. From the agenda of March 31, 1977, Motion from the Graduate Council regarding a proposed Ph.D. program in Reading Education:

1. Main Motion 3. (Johnson/Hetenyi)

MOVED THAT THE UNIVERSITY SENATE RECOMMEND TO THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PROGRAM OF GRADUATE STUDIES LEADING TO THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN READING EDUCATION.

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

Comments; For comments on main motion see agenda of March 31, 1977, page 4.

III. Motion from the agenda of March 31 from the Academic Policy Committee concerning Writing Proficiency

I. Main motion 4. (Tower/Torch)

MOVED THAT THE SENATE RECOMMEND TO THE PRESIDENT:

a. THAT NON-TRANSFER STUDENTS AND STUDENTS TRANSFERRING 32 OR FEWER CREDITS WHO HAVE NOT SATISFACTORILY DEMONSTRATED CERTIFICATION OF THE OAKLAND UNIVERSITY WRITING PROFICIENCY BY THE COMPLETION OF 48 CREDITS SHALL NOT THENCEFORTH BE PERMITTED TO REGISTER AND RECEIVE CREDIT FOR ADVANCED COURSES

(THOSE NUMBERED 300 OR ABOVE). WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE, SCHOOLS, FACULTY COUNCILS, OR DEPARTMENTS MAY MODIFY THIS RULING BY REQUIRING WRITING PROFICIENCY AS A PREREQUISITE FOR SPECIFIC COURSES OR GROUPS OF COURSES.

b. THAT STUDENTS TRANSFERRING MORE THAN 32 CREDITS WHO HAVE NOT SATISFACTORILY DEMONSTRATED CERTIFICATION OF THE OAKLAND UNIVERSITY WRITING PROFICIENCY BY THE COMPLETION OF 16 CREDITS AT OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SHALL NOT THENCEFORTH BE PERMITTED TO REGISTER AND RECEIVE CREDIT FOR ADVANCED COURSES (THOSE NUMBERED 300 OR ABOVE). WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE, SCHOOLS, FACULTY COUNCIL, OR DEPARTMENTS MAY MODIFY THIS RULING BY REQUIRING WRITING PROFICIENCY AS A PREREQUISITE FOR SPECIFIC COURSES OR GROUPS OF COURSES.

Motion to amend (Tower/Torch) such that the University Committee on Undergraduate Instruction be substituted for the Academic Policy Committee throughout main motion 4.

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

Comments: For comments on main motion see agenda of March 31, 1977, page 9.

IV. New Business

None

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