



# OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SENATE

## **UNIVERSITY SENATE**

First Meeting  
Thursday, 23 September, 1993  
3:10 p.m.  
Oakland Room, Oakland Center

### **AGENDA**

Respectfully submitted by Gary D. Russi for the Steering Committee.

#### A. Old Business

None

#### B. New Business

##### 1. Steering Committee Election (Mr. Brown and the Senate Elections Committee)

As this is the first meeting of a new Senate, the Constitution calls for election of six senators to the Senate Steering Committee for terms of two years in the case of faculty members or administrative staff and one year in the case of students. The only limitation on electability of senators to this Committee is that no more than two may be elected from any one organized faculty. The Steering Committee normally meets twice a month (Tuesday or Thursday afternoons) to set the Senate agenda, refer business to Senate committees and receive reports from those bodies, and advise the Vice President for Academic Affairs (its chair) on governance issues; it also meets occasionally during the spring and summer. If you wish to nominate someone, please establish in advance that the person is willing to serve. A list of current senators accompanies this agenda.

##### 2. Motion from the Senate Planning Review Committee concerning proposed merger of the School of Health Sciences with the School of Nursing (Mr. Chipman):

**MOVED** that the Senate recommend to the President and the Board of Trustees the consolidation of the School of Nursing and the School of Health Sciences into a single school which also shall have administrative responsibility for the Meadow Brook Health Enhancement Institute, to be implemented as soon as possible.

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

Comment: The Senate Planning Review Committee, charged both to "make recommendations to the Senate on any changes affecting the academic organization of the university" and to

"advise the Senate on the university-wide implications of relevant changes affecting the organization of the university," held a public hearing September 16 on this proposed consolidation of schools. It now advances the proposal originating with the Vice President for Academic Affairs together with its own advice on this matter. (Material forthcoming.)

3. Procedural motion from the Steering Committee to fill vacancies on Senate standing committees (Ms. Rush):

**MOVED** that the following persons be confirmed as elected to Senate committees for the terms specified:

a) ACADEMIC COMPUTING COMMITTEE

Jack Nachman, Professor of Mathematical Sciences, to replace Kieran Mathieson, Assistant Professor of Management Information Systems, as chair (1993-94)

b) ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

Dawn Pickard, Assistant Professor of Education, for the School of Education and Human Services

c) COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RELATIONS

Howard Schwartz, Professor of Management, to replace Sherman Folland, Associate Professor of Economics (1993-94)

d) SENATE BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE

Linda Hildebrand, Assistant Professor, University Library, to replace Charlotte Stokes, Professor of Art History (1993-96)

e) TEACHING AND LEARNING COMMITTEE

Kevin Andrews, Associate Professor of Mathematical Sciences, to replace Kenneth York, Assistant Professor of Management, as chair (1993-94)

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

4. Procedural motion from the Steering Committee to stagger terms on the Senate Assessment Committee (Mr. Grossman):

**MOVED** that terms on the new Senate Assessment Committee be staggered as follows:

Brian Goslin, Chair (School of Health Sciences) 1993-95

Peter Bertocci (College of Arts and Sciences) 1993-94

Joseph Callaghan (School of Business Administration) 1993-94

Alice Horning (College of Arts and Sciences) 1993-94

Gary Moore (School of Nursing) 1993-94

Dawn Pickard (School of Education and Human Services) 1993-95

Darrell Schmidt (College of Arts and Sciences) 1993-95

(To be named) (School of Engineering and Computer Science) 1993-95

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

Comment: When the Steering Committee advanced names to staff this committee for the first time, it neglected to indicate staggered terms that would ensure the usual balance of continuity and change on a Senate committee. It now recommends this pattern, which reflects (when available) the stated wishes of these members.

5. Special Resolution from the Steering Committee thanking Ronald Horwitz (Mr. Hough):

WHEREAS Ronald M. Horwitz served Oakland University generously and wisely as its Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs during the 1992-93 academic year; and

WHEREAS he returned to the Senate for that period as its capable presiding officer while providing collegial leadership to its Steering Committee and cooperative assistance to its standing committees; and

WHEREAS this community appreciates the sacrifices of time, effort, and teaching opportunities he made for the good of this institution; Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Senate extends its thanks to Mr. Horwitz and its warm wishes for his renewed happiness as Professor of Finance.

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

6. Reports from the Senate Budget Review Committee (Mr. Callewaert) and Senate Planning Review Committee (Mr. Chipman)

Comment: The Senate formed these two committees last fall to replace the Academic Policy and Planning Committee. They are charged to meet together at least once each semester and to advise the Senate as well as the President and vice presidents. The Budget Review Committee, in particular, is formally charged "to report to the Senate on the current university budget and its role in advancing university goals and objectives." As neither committee felt ready to make such reports last April, this is the first such opportunity for the Senate to learn about the interactions of these two committees, how they have been responding to matters of general university concern, and their role in development of the 1993-94 budget.

7. Report on Strategic Planning Developments (Ms. Frankie)

C. Good and Welfare

Private Resolutions

D. Information Items

- 1) Current situations of the Honors College and Center for International Programs (Mr. Russi)
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