

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES FOR November 4, 2003 (Vol. XXXII, No. 11)

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The Faculty Senate requests faculty members to forward suggested topics for a spring Faculty Forum to Chair Carpenter by memorandum or e-mail (cfdac@eiu.edu).

I. Call to order by Chair David Carpenter at 2:00 p.m. (Library Conference Room, Booth Library)

Present: J. Allison, A. Brownson, D. Carpenter, D. Carwell, L. Comerford, R. Fischer, B. Lawrence, M. Monipallil, W. Ogbomo, J. Pommier, S. Scher, J. Stimac, M. Toosi, J. Wolski. Excused: R. Benedict. Guests: B. Lord, D. Renick, J. Hohenadel, D. Goldsmith, R. Brennan, K. Weisbacher, N. Zegler.

II. Approval of the Minutes of October 28, 2003: Motion (Wolski/Lawrence) to approve. The following additions/corrections were made: II.B: Scher indicated that he did not wish any Senate award in Distinguished Professor Clay-Mendez's name to divert funds from the Clay-Mendez Scholarship fund for Spanish Students; V.A: Replace "regular members" for "faculty members;" V.B: Note that Chair Carpenter ruled against Allison's point of order. Passed unanimously as amended.

III. Announcements: The Board of Trustees will meet in the Grand Ballroom at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, November 7.

IV. Communications:

- A. B. Jorstad (10/10) Note and attachment to express concern about the Department of Geology and Geography hiring people with only BS degrees to teach courses. Lord stated that the department and the college dean are continuing discussion about the matter. Senator Toosi asked the provost to become involved to protect academic integrity.
- B. L. Hyder (10/30): E-Mail to C. Delman and others regarding "Collective bargaining in the academy."
- C. G. Foster (11/3): Council of Chairs Minutes of July 23, September 3, September 17, and October 15. Foster apologized for a misunderstanding leading to a delay in forwarding the Minutes to the Senate. Carpenter pointed out the Council's concerns about Eastern's Telefund arrangements with Ruffalo Cody (Minutes of October 14).
- D. R. Watkins (10/29): Request that Faculty Senate "to pass a resolution supporting the foundation of a local NAACP."
- E. A. McNitt (10/31): E-Mail expressing disapproval of the administrations refusal to "send a representative to the faculty senate to discuss the failure of this year's telefund."
- F. James Kaplan (10/29): Memorandum stating that "nothing defining faculty productivity has been `cast in stone.'" Attached draft language included the following: "All aspects of the institution should be explored, including the focus and scope of academic program offerings relative to institutional mission, student demand and state needs . . ."
- G. J. Allison: E-Mail to Staff Senate requesting names of members for Faculty/Staff Relations Committee.
- H. R. Bates (11/3): E-Mail expressing concerns about parking recommendations. B. Lord stated that the recommendations have not been adopted.
- I. M. Hoadley (11/4): E-Mail alerting the Senate of the need for a replacement member of the TEAM Grants Council as soon as possible. **The Senate asks College of Arts and Humanities faculty willing to serve to contact Chair Carpenter or other Senate members.**
- J. R. Benedict (11/4): E-Mail explaining reason for not attending the Senate's meeting of November 4.
- K. N. Anderson (10/30): E-Mail to Chair Carpenter acknowledging receipt of Faculty Senate's resolution regarding the presidential search.
- L. Hawkins (11/3): E-Mail expressing willingness to serve on Director of Admissions Search Committee.
- M. L. Ward (11/3): E-Mail request for a faculty member to serve on the Apportionment Board as soon as possible.

V. Old Business:

- A. Committee Reports
Nominations: **The Faculty Senate requests faculty members interested in serving on the Apportionment Board to contact Chair Carpenter or other Senate members as soon as possible.**

There were no additional committee reports.

- B. **Format/Print Quality of Class Schedules:** Senate members reminded B. Lord of the Senates motion (10/21) Recommending continuation of printed versions of summer class schedules. Pommier asked why print quality for summer schedules surpasses that for fall and spring schedules. B. Lord referred to a general effort to cut costs by moving to online documents when feasible. He suggested a compromise measure of continuing print versions of summer schedules while achieving some savings by reducing the print quality of the summer schedule to match the quality of fall and spring schedules.
- C. **Telefund Activities:** Pommier reported that the Senate's committee (Pommier, Lawrence, Monipallil, Allison) met J. Nilsen, C. Evans, and S. Rich from 8:00 a.m. to approximately 9:10 a.m. earlier during the day. He stressed the three administrators' willingness to meet with the Faculty Senate. The Senate's subcommittee members conveyed the following information: the subcommittee's concerns about the cost/benefit ratio of Eastern's relationship with Ruffalo Cody; the fact that Eastern can discontinue the relationship at any time; the prospect that, with equipment and other upgrades, Eastern could return to strictly in-house telefund activities; the desirability of inviting J. Nilsen and others in light of plans for a three-year Castle campaign to be followed by a major Capital campaign; and the information that building productive telefund lists typically cost more than receipts in the early stages. Monipallil explained that private businesses often incur considerable expenses building client and prospect lists that later realize considerable long-term benefits. He also stressed that Eastern's former telefund activities have yielded results far lower than those of comparable institutions. By consensus, the Senate asked Chair Carpenter to invite Nilsen, Evans, and Rich, as well as to ask them to provide a printed cost/yield analysis of Ruffalo Cody's activities on Eastern's behalf.
- D. **Student Senate resolution 03-04-06 re: Presidential Search and BOT Governing Policies: **Motion (Allison/Pommier) to endorse the Student Senate's Resolution** (see Minutes of 10/28)).
Yes: Comerford, Fischer, Lawrence, Monipallil, Ogbomo, Pommier, Scher, Stimac, Toosi, Wolski, Allison, Brownson, Carpenter. No: Carwell. Motion passed.**
- E. **Appointment of First-Year Senator to Distinguished Faculty Awards Committee: **After brief discussion, the Senate moved (Ogbomo/Wolski) to appoint Senator Pommier. Passed unanimously.****

VI. New Business:

- A. **Annual Faculty Forum:** Senators considered the following topics: Increased Costs of Scholarly Publications and the Future of Academic Scholarship;, Institutional Structure, Planning, and Review; Shared Governance (a number of Senators commented that the topic was addressed last year), Building Community; The University as a Learning Community. A number of Senators expressed interest in addressing subtopics in breakout groups under the aegis of a larger topic such as Building Community, The University as a Learning Community, or Productivity.
- B. **Request that the Faculty Senate Support a Local NAACP: **Motion (Pommier/Allison) that the Faculty Senate support the foundation of a local NAACP.**** Discussion on the motion was deferred to next week so that Senators Ogbomo and others can determine the current status of the NAACP in the local community.

Adjournment: The Senate adjourned at 3:26 P.M.

Future Agenda Items:

Activities of Enrollment Management, Commencement Committee, Academic/Faculty Advising, Evaluation of Administrators, Faculty Representation on the Board of Trustees, Facilities Naming Procedures, Shared Governance for Academic Technologies, Community Service Programs and Opportunities, EIU Foundation, Faculty Participation in Fund-Raising Priorities, Instructors with Bare Bachelors, Discussion of Senate Forum.

Respectfully submitted,

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