Academic Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes, October 7, 1996

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TO: Members of Academic Council and University Faculty
FROM: Rudy Fichtembaum, Faculty President
SUBJECT: Agenda for Academic Council Meeting on 
          Monday, October 7, 1996, 3:15 p.m., E156 Student Union

I. Call to Order
II. Approval of Minutes of June 3, 1996 (Attachment C)
III. Report of the President: Harley Flack
IV. Report of the Steering Committee: Rudy Fichtenbaum
V. Reports of Committees
   A. Buildings & Grounds Utilization & Planning: Jan La Forge
   B. Curriculum and Academic Policy: Thomas Sav
   C. Faculty Affairs: Thomas Sudkamp
   D. Library: David Goldstein
   E. Student Affairs: Susan Carrafiello
   F. University Budget Review Committee: Donna Schlagheck
VI. Old Business
    A. Committee Appointments for 1996-97 (Handout at Meeting)
    B. Extending the Probationary Period for Medical Conditions (Effective January 1, 1997 pending
       General Faculty and Board of Trustees approval)--Rudy Fichtenbaum, Chair, Faculty Affairs
       (Attachment A)
VII. New Business
     A. Call for Nominations for Professor-at-Large for University Promotion and Tenure Committee (Attachment B)
     B. Visioning Document (to be mailed out)
VIII. Announcements and Special Reports
      A. Next Academic Council Meeting--Monday, November 4, 1996, E156 Student Union, 3:15 p.m.
IX. Adjournment
I. The meeting was called to order by University Faculty President Rudy Fichtenbaum at 3:15 p.m. in E156 Student Union.


Absent: L. DeShields, D. DeStephen, E. Fitzgerald, S. Fraser, L. Holmes, L. Mirkin, S. Pederson, C. Potter, J. Rutter, R. Srinivasan

II. The minutes of the June 3, 1996 meeting were approved as written.

III. Report of the President: Harley Flack reporting:

1. President Flack announced that enrollment for main campus is down from last year. Doctoral enrollment is up substantially this year, as well as enrollment at Lake Campus. WSU will be releasing approximately $700,000 to the colleges as discussed earlier in the summer. This will go primarily to meet the needs and concerns expressed both in the NCA final report, as well as those that exist with regard to the operating budgets of the various departments throughout the campus.

2. The discussion involving the second draft of the Vision Document will begin at this meeting under New Business. Dr. Flack thanked members of the University community, including the Long-Range Vision Committee, faculty, staff and students who participated concerning the various issues addressed in the Vision Document. Dr. Flack would like to present this to the Board of Trustees at their December meeting.

IV. Report of the Steering Committee: Rudy Fichtenbaum reporting:

The Steering Committee has met once. Most of their time was spent planning the agenda for this meeting and housekeeping chores with respect to the composition of committees. They received a letter from Veronica Gold, Secretary to Faculty Senate at Bowling Green with a resolution establishing reciprocal agreements between universities for tuition waivers. Steering forwarded it to the Faculty Affairs Committee. They also talked about some issues that might be coming before the Building & Grounds Committee, in particular the issue of water run off.

V. Reports of the Standing Committees

A. Buildings and Grounds Utilization & Planning
No report

B. Curriculum and Academic Policy: Thomas Sav reporting:
The Committee met on Friday, October 4. Writing Across The Curriculum committee members were appointed. They nominated Joe Law, Associate Professor of English and WAC coordinator. He accepted that position and was appointed. They approved 39 course modification requests from the College of Education and Human Services.

C. Faculty Affairs
No report

D. Library
No report

E. Student Affairs
No report
F. University Budget Review: Donna Schlagheck reporting:
The committee will meet later this month. Dr. Schlagheck has been meeting with Vice President Achterman to reconcile the time lines between UBRC and university budgeting and planning process. They are planning to have a training session with Keith Ralston and Lois Boehm within the next two weeks.

VI. Old Business:
A. Committee Appointments for 1996-97 (Handout at Meeting)
   Motion to approve the newly-amended list was moved, seconded and approved.

B. Extending the Probationary Period for Medical Conditions (Effective January 1, 1997 pending General Faculty and Board of Trustees approval) -- Rudy Fichtenbaum, Chair, Faculty Affairs (Attachment A to Agenda)
   After discussion, the proposal was approved.

VII. New Business:
A. Call for Nominations for Professor-at-Large for University Promotion and Tenure Committee (Attachment B to Agenda)
   Ramana Grandhi and Dan Organisciak were nominated.

B. Visioning Document
   There will be a special faculty meeting on October 17 where the faculty-at-large will be discussing this document. A motion to move the document to old business for the November 4 meeting was moved and seconded. Discussion followed.

VIII. Announcements and Special Reports
A. Next Academic Council Meeting -- Monday, November 4, 1996, E156 Student Union, 3:15 p.m.

IX. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.