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Winter Quarter Faculty Meeting Agenda and Minutes, February 21, 1979

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Date: February 5, 1979
To: All Faculty Members
From: Joseph F. Castellano, Chairer, Agenda Committee
Subject: WINTER QUARTER FACULTY MEETING, Tuesday, February 20, 1979, 3:30-5:00 p.m., Medical School Auditorium

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes of Fall Quarter Faculty Meeting, November 14, 1978

III. Reports:
   A. Report of the Steering Committee
   B. Report of the President

IV. Old Business

V. New Business:
   A. Proposed Amendment to the University Faculty Constitution & Bylaws (see Attachment A)
   B. Proposed Academic Calendar for 1979-1980 (see Attachment B)

VI. Announcements:
   A. Professor James Jacob- Phi Beta Kappa (Faculty Members of Phi Beta Kappa interested in creating a chapter of PBK at Wright State should contact Dean Eugene Cantelupe of the College of Liberal Arts)
   B. President Kegerreis- Question and Answer Period

VII. Adjournment

Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the meeting
II. The Minutes of the Fall Quarter Faculty Meeting, November 14, 1978, were approved as written.

III. A. Report of the Steering Committee:

The Steering Committee has been reviewing whether the current approach to budgetary review should be continued and the Committee has not yet reached a decision. The Steering Committee and Budgetary Review Committee will meet February 28 to come up with a recommendation that will be made to Academic Council at the March meeting. The Steering Committee has agreed tentatively on some points:

1. The Committee believes that the future direction of budgetary review will be impacted by the appointment of a new Executive Director for Planning and Budget. James Sayer, Vice President-elect and member of the Budget Review Committee, will represent the Steering Committee in that search procedure.

2. Faculty input in the planning process is an essential ingredient in our budgetary review effort.

3. The Committee structure with respect to budget review may have to be modified in order to take into consideration the multi-faceted aspects of budget review. At the present time, we are confronted with the problem of having to review new proposals, new positions and at the same time review existing programs with respect to whether funding should be increased, maintained or reduced.

For example, it may be necessary to set up several subcommittees that would begin to specialize. In short, what has been agreed on tentatively is that we should not only have continued faculty involvement of budget review, but in a form that will insure that we will be able to make the best possible input in that process.

B. Report of the President:

Mr. Kegerreis announced to the faculty he has just been informed that the basketball team had been selected to participate in the N.C.A.A. Division II tournament and Wright State has also been selected to host the Great Lakes Regional Tournament on March 2 and 3.

Mr. Kegerreis amplified the significance of the recent North Central Association's accreditation visit. The accreditation team's charge was to determine whether the University was ready to offer programs on the doctoral level, particularly in bio-medical science and psychology. The team was supposed to report on the maturity of our University and on the readiness of the faculty and the institution to continue to operate on a certain level of quality without continued or frequent evaluation by North Central. At the present time, the University has not received a report from North Central, but we are optimistic.
Mr. Kegerreis then reported on the reorganization plan of the University. He introduced three new presidential advisors: Dr. Peter Carusone, Dr. Kanti Kotecha and Dr. Sam Coleman. He also introduced Dr. Emil Kmetec, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dr. Robert Pruett, Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs.

Mr. Kegerreis, also, informed the faculty that the University is currently conducting nationwide searches for the Executive Director for Planning and Budget in the Office of the President and the Vice President for Administration. The faculty who have nominations for the position of Vice President for Administration should submit them to the chairer of the committee or to the President.

Also, if any faculty have specific notions about criteria for the position, emphases that you want recognized, there is no question that any suggestions would be appreciated.

Mr. Kegerreis reported that we may have a deficit as much as $750,000 if the present expenditures planned for the next fiscal year are compared to the subsidy income projected by the State.

He, also, reported that beginning with the fiscal year 1979-80, the University has decided to ahead and "pick-up" the 8 1/2% retirement pay that the faculty are now paying.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

None

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Proposed Amendment to the University Faculty Constitution & Bylaws

Mr. James Sayer moved the adoption of the amendment to the University Faculty Constitution & Bylaws. Motion seconded. The question was called. A voice vote indicated all were in favor of this amendment. The amendment passed. (See Attachment A of the agenda of February 5, 1979.)

B. Proposed Academic Calendar for 1979-80

Motion was made and seconded for the approval of the Proposed Academic Calendar 1979-80. Discussion followed. Mr. Sherwin Klein moved to amend the calendar as follows: "To amend the academic calendar to designate one day per quarter as maintenance day. The specific days are to be negotiated by Campus Planning and the Registrar in consultation with the academic divisions." The purpose of this amendment is to give the maintenance staff an opportunity to plan and schedule preventative maintenance which contributes to the smooth functioning of research and other activities on campus. The question was called. The amendment was approved by voice vote. A motion was made to amend the calendar by changing finals for the Winter Quarter, 1980, to March 11-15 and begin Spring Quarter, 1980, on March 26. Discussion followed. The question was called. A voice vote indicated the motion to amend was denied. The voice vote indicated that the motion to approve the calendar as amended was approved. (See Attachment B of the agenda of February 5, 1979.)
C. Master of Science degree awarded to Lloyd Davis posthumously

Mr. Roger Iddings, Dean, College of Education, reports that his faculty requests that the University faculty award to Mr. Lloyd Davis a Master of Science degree posthumously. The request to be placed on the agenda was approved by voice vote. Question called. The motion was approved by voice vote.

D. Mr. Malcolm Ritchie moved to determine by secret ballot whether this faculty will hear a motion of "no confidence" in the President. Motion was seconded. The secret ballot for the approval of the motion to be placed on the agenda was as follows: 75 yea 177 no 2 abstentions

Mr. Edgar Hemmer asked the following resolution be added: "Be it resolved by the faculty that Professor Ritchie's recent actions have been an embarrassment to the faculty and the University community, and that he is to refrain from further public exposure of his allegations against the University." A secret ballot for the approval of the resolution to be placed on the agenda was as follows: 136 yes 99 no 2 abstentions

Motion is passed, the resolution is on the agenda and open for discussion.

A motion was made and seconded to amend the motion which asks that Mr. Ritchie be censured for his irresponsible actions, but the phrase "and that he is to refrain from further public exposure of his allegations against the University" be deleted from the amendment. After further clarification, the motion was withdrawn.

Question was called and the motion was denied by voice vote. A secret ballot was then requested and the result was: 88 in favor of resolution 128 against the resolution 3 abstentions

VI. Announcements

Mr. James Jacob announced the creation of a committee for creating a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa at Wright State University. He asked any member of Phi Beta Kappa on the faculty who are interested in being a member of the committee to contact Dean Cantelupe, College of Liberal Arts.

VII. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the Winter Quarter Faculty Meeting was presented, and seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 5:01.