MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

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October 14, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Chairman James Gray at 3:25 p.m. in Pratt Auditorium.

The following Senators were absent but accounted for: Senators Berthy, Knab, Knowlton, Lentz, Lucker, McFeely, Murdoch, Nold, Shields and R. Woodard. In addition, the following Senators were absent from the meeting: Senators Bilicic, Aierstock, Fries, Hulings, Johnson, McBride, Shildt, Streifthau, Weber, Woomer, Browning, Buriok, Cord, W. Davis, Ferguson, Hennemann, McNamara, Stobie, Brown, Butz, Conglose, D'Andrea, Ferrell, Feese, Hoover, Johnson, Kirchner, Livorio, Stein, Shoff and Barnicle.

On a motion by Senator Chamberlin, seconded by Senator Ballas, the minutes of the September 23, 1975 meeting were approved as published, with the following corrections:

- 1. Senators Dakak, Streifthau, and M. Woodard, who were listed as being absent, should have been listed as absent but accounted for.
- 2. In the motion approving the assignment of space currently occupied by the Mathematics Department, Gordon Hall should have been specified as the space being reassigned.

Chairman Gray made the following announcements:

- 1. Agenda items for the November 11, 1975 meeting should be in the hands of Nelson Bormann no later than Wednesday, October 29, 1975.
- 2. The Board of Trustees, at its October 3, 1975 meeting, approved the actions of the University Senate taken at its September 23, 1975 meeting.

Chairman Gray listed the following as his activities as Senate Chairman:

- 1. Met with IUP President regarding his relationship with the Senate.
- 2. Met with most of the Senate Committee Chairpersons to discuss problems at-large, including:
 - a. expediting Senate action (asking Committee A (Rules) to possibly develop guidelines detailing policy matters and procedural matters)
 - b. whether the Senate should consider action in areas it has not previously worked in
 - c. the relationship between specific committees to each other (for instance, Committee B2 and Committee D)
- 3. Will meet with William Smith, President of APSCUF, to discuss the Senate relationship with APSCUF.
- 4. Was appointed to be a member of the President's Cabinet.

Chairman Gray remarked that the University Senate is a deliberative body and as such sometimes acts slowly--too slowly. He urged expediency in getting matters presented to the Senate for action. Dr. Robert Wilburn, new I.U.P. President, spoke to the Senate in an effort to give his initial impressions concerning items of priority. He indicated that the University Library must be a matter of high priority and that we must do and will do something about it. The Board of Trustees has passed a resolution to incorporate the original part of John Sutton Hall in the new library plans and the new scope for the library has been submitted to Harrisburg. Dr. Wilburn has requested Vice President Warren and Mr. Lafranchi, Director of Libraries, to investigate the reasonable size for a library facility for a campus of our size. He stressed that we must begin to act now to develop an acquisitions program consistent with reaching the size when Phase II of the Library is completed, approximately seven years from now. He further indicated that he is not optimistic about significant increases in our appropriations; and in order to have the sort of library facility we must have, cuts will have to be made in other areas.

Dr. Wilburn indicated that another high priority item is faculty unrest and faculty mistrust of the administration and each other. He feels that we need to take a University-wide look at the allocation of faculty as related to the needs of the students and attempt to be objective and equitable in an effort to "equalize the frustration" among the departments. He indicated that this issue must be dealt with quickly and would like to have some plan of action by the end of the current semester.

Dr. Wilburn expressed concern about the seemingly very limited opportunities which the students have in the selection of courses. He has reviewed many of the programs of the schools and departments and feels that the student course selection needs to be expanded in an effort to meet the needs and desires of the students. He stated that sometimes we tend to ignore the consumer of the services we are providing,--in this case, the student; and stressed that the University should continually try to provide the best educational service possible given the austerity budgets of recent years, remembering our obligations to the current students as well as future students.

Another matter which the President dealt with was the planning and budgeting processes of the University, and the need to involve all segments of the University--faculty, administration, students and staff--in the setting of priorities. His observations of these processes have been that the long-range plans have been developed in a rather unconstrained fashion and shorter term plans and budgets often have taken the route of arbitrary increases and decreases.

About his relationship with the Senate, Dr. Wilburn made the following remarks:

- 1. Will attempt to attend as many meetings as possible
- Views his role merely as a Senator and will attempt to be open in expressing his views on matters brought before the Senate
- 3. Will work with the Senate because of his responsibility for decisions on some recommendations and the transmission of Senate actions to the Board of Trustees
- 4. Would appreciate timely input from the Senate on matters dealing with items to be brought before the Board of Presidents, officials of the Department of Education, etc.
- 5. Looks forward to a close, working relationship with the members of the Senate

Senator Lehman, Chairman of the Committee A (Rules) Sub-committee on Elections, conducted the following committee elections:

Committee I (deals with the branch campuses)

Faculty Segment (six to be elected):		Betty Berthy Don-chean Chu Dennis Hulings Crawford Johnson Dorothy Lucker Eugene Scanlon	
Student Segment (two to be elected):	59 21 20	Cynthia Linner Dave Phelps John Whyte	

Committee E

Graduate	Student	Member:	25	Daniel Barnicle	
			21	Harry Shoff	
			17	James	Stobie

Upon a motion by Senator Gallanar, seconded by Senator Seagren, the Senate approved the following semester hour changes, from 2 s.h. to 3 s.h., as recommended by Committee D (Graduate):

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Senator Goodrich, Chairman of Committee E (Faculty Research, Library, and Educational Services) moved the substitution and approval of the following resolution from the Library Sub-committee (replacing the resolution as printed in the agenda):

WHEREAS, Stabley Library is the main resource center for the academic programs of the University, and;

WHEREAS, inadequate budget allocations to the library at the beginning of the past three academic years have severely affected the quality of the collections by necessitating cuts in periodical holdings and curtailing purchases of monographs and other materials, and;

WHEREAS, additional funds of \$15,000 are needed simply to maintain present periodical subscriptions, whose price has increased more than 10% over the past year, and whose replacements in the back issues later incur even greater expense, and whose subscriptions must be placed by October 16, 1975;

THEREFORE, be it resolved, while deploring the past inadequate library budgets, the University Senate strongly urges that the

University Administration provide an additional \$15,000 immediately in order to continue present library subscriptions.

The motion was seconded by Senator Shirey and passed by the Senate.

Upon a motion by Senator Goodrich, seconded by Senator Bright, the Senate voted to bring to the floor of the Senate the following motion:

That the Senate charges Committee G to consider advising the President of Indiana University of Pennsylvania to have at least one percent of the annual total budget of the University be for the purchases of the library and that this be a "fixed" item in the budget. The decision of the committee will be reported to the Senate at its November 11 meeting.

However, because of the lack of a quorum, no action was taken on the above motion and the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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