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MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

The February 21, 1978 meeting of the University Senate was called to order at 3:20 p.m. in Pratt Hall Auditorium by Chairman Dale Landon.

The following Senators were excused from the meeting: Bilicic, Cunningham, Dakak, Mease, Shirey, Tobin, Warren, Glott, McClelland and Brown.

In addition, the following Senators were absent from the meeting: Bright, Charnego, DeGeorge, Dock, Ferguson, Fry, Klein, Knowlton, Kofoid, Lenglet, Magee, Murdoch, J. Murray, Nold, Russell, W. Smith, Swauger, Thomas, Walz, Wilburn, Wiley, Wilson, Buckley, Zinn, Bowers, DiCarlo, Bock, Fine, Griffie, Kaminski, Lamm, McGinty, Mandell, Power, Sabol, Taylor, and Whited.

On a motion by Senator Gray, seconded by Senator Goodrich, the minutes of the December 13, 1977 meeting were approved, with the following two corrections in the report of the Curriculum Committee:

BA 488 - Auditing for Electronic Data Processing - should be BA 448
HI 312 - Biblical History and Palestinian Archaeology - should be PH 312

Chairman Landon reminded standing committee chairpersons that the April 18, 1978 meeting has been set as the deadline for the completion of major committee work for this year.

Chairman Landon read two memoranda pertaining to the discussion and subsequent approval of the M.A. in Labor Relations program by the Senate at its December meeting. They are as follows:

(from Senator Stonebraker: "At the last Senate meeting, I introduced a statement criticizing a proposed change in the M.A. in Labor Relations. Unfortunately, it now appears that my statement has been used by some as an opportunity to question the entire Labor Relations program. This is not justifiable. My objections are only to the exemption policy which was proposed and should not be interpreted as objections either to the overall program or the department. Mr. Morand and Dr. McPherson both have, and deserve to have, my professional respect as men knowledgeable of and competent in their field and I continue to feel that the overall program is academically useful and sound."

(from Labor Relations faculty: "The Labor Relations faculty appreciate Senator Stonebraker's courtesy and willingness to clarify his original statement so that neither its intent nor its effect should be misinterpreted. The faculty of the Economics Department, especially those in Labor Economics, have contributed enormously to the development of the Labor Relations graduate degree program. We value highly that cooperation and the mutually beneficial professional relationships which have been established between our departments."

Committee A (Rules) submitted the following items for Senate information:

1. Future Senate meetings: March 14, April 18 and May 9, 1978
2. Allied Health Services Department has been granted representation in the Senate.
3. Committee A3 (Amendments and Adjudications - Constitution) has been charged with the task of reviewing the CONSTITUTION and the RULES AND REGULATIONS of the University Senate.
Before proceeding further the Sub-Committee would like to identify some issues for Senate consideration.
 - a. The Sub-Committee is considering a significant change in the format of the document and would like permission to pursue this change.
 - b. Suggestions have been made for changes that are substantial. The Sub-Committee needs to know that the Senate will entertain a proposal for changes that will be fundamental.
 - c. Another matter which needs to be determined is the PROCEDURE for consideration of the recommendations that will be formulated by Sub-Committee A3.

Senator John Davis, Subcommittee A1, conducted elections for the position of Vice Chairperson of the Senate, to fill the unexpired term of Cindy Yiengst, which term runs concurrently with that of the Senate Chairman. Election results:

<u>Althea McTighe</u>	36
Robert Bisignani	29
Thomas Brown	13
Bruce Contess	4

The recommendation of Committee A that the Senate request the University Publications Office to continue to publish the minutes of the Senate meetings and the minutes of the Senate standing committees in the Faculty News was approved by the Senate.

The Senate granted permission to Subcommittee A3 to change the format of the CONSTITUTION; to make fundamental changes; and to recommend a procedure for the processing of the sub-committee proposal.

Committee F1 (Student Affairs), chaired by Senator Bisignani, informed the Senate that it had requested that the publication of the Daily Bulletin remain with Public Information Office and requested cooperation from the Senators and other faculty to have it posted in a conspicuous place so that it is readily available to students.

The following recommendations of Committee F2 (Athletics), chaired by Senator Pesci, were approved by the Senate:

1. Varsity status to the women's softball team, effective with the 1978-79 academic school year.
2. Wrestling guidelines changed to permit 20 instead of 14 wrestlers to practice and compete over the semester break.
3. Eligibility guidelines for varsity sports:

Before petitioning to become a varsity sport, organizations should meet the following requirements:

- a. A continued student interest for at least two years.
- b. Student level of skill to be of intercollegiate caliber.

- c. Adequate facilities be available for practice and games.
- d. Be able to schedule a sufficient number of suitable opponents within a three-hour driving radius.
- e. Be a recognized sport in a national organization.
- f. All approvals will be contingent upon receiving adequate funding from the Student Co-op and adequate staffing by the administration.

The Senate approved the recommendation of Committee G (Development and Finance), chaired by Senator Cegelis, that rooms 240 and 241 of Keith Hall be assigned as office for the local history project funded by R. & P. Coal Company for a three-year period, to be reviewed by Committee G at the end of that time.

The Senate approved Committee B2's recommendation of the following three courses:

- ED 410 Teaching Reading in Secondary Schools - 3 cr.
- ED 408 Teaching Reading in the Content Area - 3 cr.
- HP 343 Physiology of Exercise - 3 cr.

Committee B2 (Curriculum) requested approval of a new course, MA 411, Computer Related Topics in the Elementary and Middle Schools, 3 credits. Opposition to this course was voiced from the Computer Science Department, which felt that this course was in violation of the principle that the fundamentals of a subject area should be taught by or under the direction of the faculty of the discipline centrally involved. It was pointed out that this is not always the case, but in such instances this is done with the mutual consent of both departments involved, and in this case the Computer Science Department will not consent to this arrangement. Senator Chellman, Chairman of Committee B2, indicated that this proposal has been reviewed twice by the committee and felt that having it sent back to the committee would be unfair to the other proposals and items of business which have yet to be considered by the Committee. A motion by Senator Suhrie, seconded by Senator Gray, closed debate on this item, and MA 411, Computer Related Topics in the Elementary and Middle Schools, 3 credits, was approved.

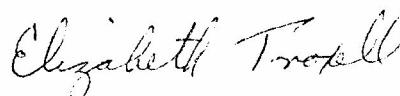
A motion by Senator Bisignani, seconded by Senator Buterbaugh, opened the floor of the Senate to an item of New Business from Committee F1, requesting approval of the following three new student organizations:

Christian Athletic Association; William Blacksmith, Advisor
Little Sisters of Minerva; Frank Viggiano, Advisor
I.U.P. History Club; Irwin Marcus, Advisor

Senator Bisignani moved approval of these organizations; the motion was seconded by Senator DeFurio and passed by the Senate.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Secretary

