

MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

OCTOBER 16, 1979

The October 16, 1979 meeting of the University Senate was called to order by President Chamberlin at 3:22 p.m. in Pratt Auditorium.

The following Senators were excused from the meeting: Senators Bogan, Chellman, Duntley, Fuget, Lafranchi, Lauda, Murdoch, Shower and Chu. In addition, the following Senators were absent: Browe, Buriok, Costa, Dakak, Dyal, Foust, Gallanar, Gillis, Heimer, Jones, Kirby, Knowlton, Lenglet, Mott, Potthast, Seacrist, Sledzik, Tyger, Williams, Wolfe, Bigler, Bouchard, Carter, Carroll, Corle, DeBone, Fennel, Hileman, Lefebvre, Leventry, Moten, Nardone, Perovich, Sherman, Sklar, and Smith.

The minutes of the September 18, 1979 meeting of the Senate were approved as published.

The new IUP President, Dr. John Worthen, was introduced to the Senate and spoke at the meeting. The following is a summary of points made in his statement:

1. Two of his first impressions have been validated in his first days at IUP: IUP's greatest asset is its people--faculty, students & staff; and his feeling that he is prepared to provide the leadership IUP needs and wants to move forward; feels comfortable with the University as a community, feels comfortable with the faculty and students, and even feels comfortable with the problems being faced--have faced them before, though in a different context.
2. Feels that because he is joining the staff in the middle of a semester and coming from another state, has a more objective view of the problems--is not yet ensnared in the emotions of the campus and therefore can make an unbiased opinion, from a different perspective.
3. Is becoming more aware of some of the issues that need to be resolved and lists these five which he hopes to work on in the next few months:
 - a) Budget - deficit at end of the September is estimated to be \$1.6 million, reduced from \$2.3 million; will work toward a balanced budget by the end of June, 1981.
 - b) Administrative Team - hopes to achieve a team that will be cohesive, work together, take a positive approach, and concentrate on results; will provide the least support for weak programs and people and more support for strong programs and people.
 - c) Faculty Research and Graduate Programs - hope to find ways to stimulate faculty research and strengthen the graduate programs with the most potential.
 - d) University Relations Effort - develop a coordinated program to generate psychological and financial support
 - e) Aesthetics of the Campus Environment - pay special attention to this,--too much that is unattractive; need to offer more encouragement to intellectual activities and more stimulation to our emotions.

Dr. Worthen then answered several questions from the Senators and it was announced that he will be making a report at each Senate meeting throughout the year.

President Chamberlin made the following announcements:

1. Incorrectly reported that the Board of Trustees had approved all actions of the University Senate taken at its May meeting. The Board did not approve, but rather held in abeyance, the matter of the Final Examination Policy until a review is made on campus.
2. The Board of Trustees, at its September meeting, approved those actions of the University Senate taken at its September 18 meeting.
3. All Senators will be receiving a copy of the Summary Minutes of the Senate Meetings--will be attached to the Faculty News for distribution to the faculty and administration, and will be sent to the students through the campus mail. The complete minutes are on file in the following offices: University Archives, the President's Office, APSCUF Office, GSA Office, SGA Office, the office of the Vice President of the Senate and the office of the Secretary of the Senate.
4. Has appointed the Senate members to the APSCUF Liaison Committee, as follows: Senators Eleanor Gallati, Fred Nesbitt and George Matous. The APSCUF members of the committee are Dale Landon, John Davis and Joanne Mueller.
5. Read the following statement concerning one aspect of the Senate's responsibilities:
"Recently it was brought to my attention that the School of Humanities and Social Sciences had decided to alter or remove the foreign language requirement. I notified Dr. Gallanar that in my opinion this matter has to be approved by the Curriculum Committee, the University Senate, the President of the University and finally the Board of Trustees.

Subsequently, I was informed of a ruling by Senate Chairman Gray of March 16, 1976. This holds that this is not a matter for Senate action.

After indicating my personal feelings to certain members of the faculty about the responsibilities of the Senate in regards to this ruling, I requested that Committee A3, adjudication, hold a public hearing as soon as possible in order that all sides may have an opportunity to express an opinion, prior to the Committee's ruling on this matter. The Committee will not discuss the merits or demerits of the foreign language requirement, rather the Constitutional question of the Senate's responsibilities in view of the 1976 ruling and other documents."

This hearing will be held in Room 207, Ackerman Hall, on Thursday, October 18 at 9 a.m.

Committee A (Rules), chaired by Senator Schmitt, presented the following for Senate information:

1. Dates of Senate meetings: November 13, December 11, February 12, March 11, April 15 and May 6.
2. Committee A assignments for 1979-80:
Chairman: Joan Schmitt
Vice Chairman: Leonard Tepper
Secretary: Bernard Moreau
Committee A1: Bernard Moreau, Leonard Tepper, Edward Receski, Suzanne Perlongo, 1 student
Committee A2: Ruth Anderson, Joan Schmitt, Mary Lou Dressman
Committee A3: Robert Millward, James Oliver, Charles Kofoid, Robert Marx, Thomas Schaub, 1 student

3. Committee A will meet on October 23 in Ackerman 207 at 3:15 p.m.
4. Announcement of the following committee elections:
 - Committee A: Myron Yagel and Albert Bouffard
 - Committee B2: Anita Henry and Foster Jones
 - Committee E: Virginia Arroyo

An election was conducted to elect a Vice President of the Senate. The nominees were Mark Williams and Valerie Schwaed. Mark Williams was elected Vice President by a vote of 47 to 20.

The University Senate Bylaws were then brought to the floor of the Senate for discussion. The rules were suspended to permit Dr. Chris Benz to participate in the discussion of these by-laws, since he was Chairman of that committee during the past academic year. President Chamberlin announced that all articles would be discussed separately, with the exception of Article VIII, Standing Committees. Various motions of substitutions and amendments were made to the proposed committee structure and will appear as part of the November agenda. Amendments to each article must be moved and seconded before discussion:

ARTICLE I - No discussion or amendments.

ARTICLE II - Motion by Senator Horoho, seconded by Senator Lambert to change the term of office for student senators from one year to two---
DEFEATED.

ARTICLE III - Motion by Senator Williams, seconded by Senator Lambert to

- Section 1. There shall be a President of the Senate elected by the Senate from the Senate for a term of two years.
- Section 2. There shall be a Vice President of the Senate elected by the Senate from the Senate for a term of one year.
- Section 3. If the President of the Senate is elected from the faculty or administrative segment, the Vice President must be elected from the student segment. If the President of the Senate is elected from the student segment, the Vice President of the Senate must be elected from the faculty or administrative segment.
- Section 4. The President of the Senate shall appoint a Secretary and a Parliamentarian from among the membership of the Senate, subject to the confirmation by the Senate. (previously Sec. 3)

PASSED by a vote of 45 Yes, 33 No.

ARTICLE IV - Motion by Senator Williams, seconded by Senator Dorohovich to amend Section 2 by adding this statement at the end: . . . assigned by the President, and shall be a non-voting member on all Senate committees.
PASSED

ARTICLE V - Motion by Senator Williams, seconded by Senator Dorohovich to amend Section 5 by adding the following phrase at the end: . . . Rules of Order, except where superceded by the Constitution and Bylaws of the University Senate.
Amend Section 6 to read: Senators are expected to attend all meetings. Two unexcused absences per semester shall be considered by the Executive Committee as a basis for dismissal from the Senate. (This motion was made by Senator Goodrich and seconded by Senator Wegener.)
PASSED

ARTICLE VI - Motion by Senator Horoho, seconded by Senator Dorohovich to amend Section 4 to read: Senators are expected to attend all committee meetings. Two unexcused absences per semester will be considered by the Executive Committee as a basis for dismissal from the Senate.

A motion by Senator Nesbitt, seconded by Senator Wilson, to change the word "Senate" in the last sentence of Section 4 to "Committee" was PASSED.

Amended Section 4 was then PASSED.

ARTICLE VII - Motion by Senator Wilson, seconded by Senator Goodrich to add the following phrase to Section 2: "and there shall be no more than one Senator from any one academic or administrative department on any one committee at any one time."

DEFEATED by a vote of 18 Yes, 46 No, 0 abstentions.

ARTICLE IX - No discussion or amendments.

ARTICLE X - Motion by Senator Horoho, seconded by Senator Lambert, to add the following phrase in Section 1: ...bylaws must be submitted in writing according to the printed agenda procedure and scheduled before the regularly scheduled meeting at which it is to be discussed.

(Discussion of this amendment centered around clarification of the agenda procedure and the time limits involved. It was pointed out that amendments must be submitted in writing but will not be acted upon at the meeting immediately following submission of the amendment--there must be a time lapse of at least one month).

(NO VOTE TAKEN)

The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m. as a quorum was no longer present.

Respectfully submitted,



Ruth Anderson
Secretary
University Senate