

Faculty **S**enate

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FACULTY SENATE MEETING

August 19, 2002

Meeting begins at 3:00 PM

UC Ballroom

AGENDA

Call to Order, Adoption of Agenda

Approval of Minutes – May, 2002 Meeting

Guests

James Votruba, NKU President

Arne Almquist, Associate Provost for Library Services

Officer Reports

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| • President | Steven Weiss |
| • Vice-President | Perilou Goddard |
| • Secretary | Carol Bredemeyer |
| • Parliamentarian | Ed Brewer |

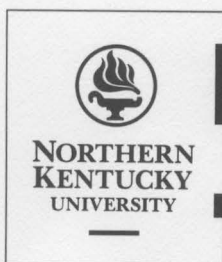
Committee Reports

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| • Professional Concerns | Chuck Frank |
| • Curriculum | Ron Shaw |
| • Benefits | Clinton Hewan |
| • Budget | Dennis Lye |

New Business

Announcements

Adjourn



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"The benefits of education and of useful knowledge, generally diffused through a community, are essential to the preservation of a free government."

-Attributed to Sam Houston

PRESENT: Scottie Barty, Carol Bredemeyer (Sec'y), Ed Brewer (Parliamentarian), Penny Summers, John Filaseta, Chuck Frank (Chair PCC), Mary Gers, Perilou Goddard (VP), Diane Gronefeld, Clinton Hewan, Eric Jackson, Cynthia Kelly, Vinay Kumar, Tom Leech, Alar Lipping, Dennis Lye (Chair, Budget), Cyndi McDaniel, Maggie McGatha, John Metz, Melissa Moon, Terry Pence, Holly Riffe, Michele Roszmann-Millican, Ron Shaw (Chair UCC), Cady Short-Thompson, Randy Pennington, Jim Thomas, Steve Weiss (President)

GUESTS: Linda Albert, Rogers Redding, Jim Votruba, Annie Dollins

The meeting was called to order by President Steve Weiss at 3:02 pm. He welcomed everyone back for the beginning of the academic year.

The minutes of the May 2002 meeting were approved by unanimous consent.

In introducing President Votruba, President Weiss congratulated him on the completion of five years as President of NKU. President Votruba also welcomed everyone back for the beginning of another year. He plans to meet soon with the Executive Committee to discuss issues for this year. He introduced Darlene Hantzis from Indiana State University who is serving as an ACE Fellow this year. There will be an update to the VVV (Visions, Values, Voices) process that was done five years ago. This time the focus will be on forces shaping the university and to define goals and priorities for the next five years in more measurable terms. Are we aligned with what we say is important? Workload and admissions criteria will be looked at. The process will be co-chaired by President Votruba, Provost Redding, and John Alberti (Milburn Outstanding Professor); approximately half the panel will be faculty. Enrollment is up this year. We are not sure what to expect from Frankfort – there may be a budget cut.

There was a question about whether there had been any questioning of courses involving Islam. President Votruba stated that there had been no questioning along those lines. He did express concern about the breakdown of public trust in social institutions. He closed his remarks by wishing everyone a successful year.

Arne Almquist, Associate Provost for Library Services, updated the Senate on several new initiatives at the Steely Library. This year there was no carry forward of materials money.

*Three new electronic journal packages have been acquired, some through cooperative purchase agreements at the state level and some through allocations from the Provost's Office and CINSAM. They are the American Chemical Society package, JSTOR (an archival package of @240 journals in page image form), and the Wiley Interscience package.

*Installation of a proxy server will allow access to library online services from home computers with a password – this will happen later this semester.

*The Steely Library will be open until midnight Sunday-Thursday.

*A Media Center was built as part of the Faculty Development Center. This includes an AV listening facility and the Music Listening Center.

*More small group study rooms have been added; please publicize to your students!

*Steely has hired its first full time Archivist. Also, a campus Welcome Center is being built near the Archives which should give the unit more exposure. This will add a new entrance to Steely that will also allow better access for disabled students.

*The University Library Advisory Committee developed a new allocation formula for departmental spending.

*Quiet zones are being created – keyboards and other noisy activities will be prohibited.

*A self-service student computer lab is being built – there will be no direct support, but access to the Help Desk will be available.

*Cataloging of Government Documents titles has been outsourced and all these titles will eventually appear in the online catalog, allowing improved access to these materials.
*Space is being reorganized; Bringing the LRC back to the Steely facility is under consideration.
*Due to serials inflation, only \$87,000 will be available for non serial expenditures, a serious cut. Few new serial titles will be ordered and any request for such will be handled by Almquist.

President Weiss mentioned that there was a vacancy on the University Library Advisory Committee; anyone interested should contact him.

OFFICER REPORTS

President: The Community Care Day will be September 14 at Redwood School. Fliers were distributed and participation encouraged.

Rita Thomas, the office secretary, was introduced.

President Weiss explained some basics of Senate operations – meetings, guests, the constitution, parliamentary procedure. He noted that the agenda would often include links to the UCCs website to save paper. He would also like the Senate to be more of a proactive than reactive body.

Vice-President: No report

Secretary: Reminded everyone to sign in (legibly) so their presence would be noted in the minutes.

Parliamentarian: Noted that he was glad to have a President who has been a Parliamentarian.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Professional Concerns (Chuck Frank): Their first meeting will be September 5.

Curriculum (Ron Shaw): A Curriculum Manual revision will be coming to the Senate this year as well as General Studies guidelines for recertification of courses.

Benefits (Clinton Hewan): Since Clinton was not reelected to the Senate, he will convene the first meeting on September 4 to elect a chair.

Budget (Dennis Lye): First meeting will be September 9. He will be meeting monthly with Provost Redding and Mary Ryan.

Each committee chair will receive a packet of labels for sending out announcements of their first meeting.

President Weiss noted a change to the agenda. Old Business is not a correct category – Unfinished Business is proper – there is none this month.

There was no new business.

President Weiss invited Senators to make announcements of noteworthy accomplishments or events. Clinton Hewan announced that he has been invited to lecture at the University of the West Indies. John Filaseta announced the Science Building dedication and Open House on September 20.

Provost Redding mentioned that he is always looking for ways to improve communication with faculty and welcomes suggestions.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:02pm.

Respectfully submitted

Carol Bredemeyer, Secretary