

# *Faculty Senate*

Northern Kentucky University

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## **1992-93 FACULTY SENATE MEETING**

### **Agenda**

**Monday, November 16, 1992**

**UC Ballroom, 3 PM**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Suspension of regular meeting for budget presentation (30 - 40 min)
- III. Approval of Minutes of October 19, 1992 meeting (enclosed)
- IV. Additions to and/or deletions from the agenda
- V. Senate President's Report - J. Michael Thomson (15 minutes)
  - A. Status of Decenal and Provostial searches
  - B. Miscellaneous matters
- VI. Committee Reports
  - A. **Benefits** - Cheryl McKenzie (5 minutes - no voting items)
  - B. **Budget** - Sudesh Duggal (5 minutes - no voting items)
  - C. **Professional Concerns** - Clinton Hewan (20 minutes)
    - 1. No smoking in Faculty/Staff Dining area (enclosed)
    - 2. Air quality study request (enclosed)
  - D. **Curriculum** - Linda Olasov (5 minutes - no voting items)
- VII. Old Business
- VIII. New Business
- IX. Adjournment

**J Michael Thomson**

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## MINUTES OF FACULTY SENATE

November 16 , 1992

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**Members Present:** Amburgey, Artzer, Avey, Blanchard, Bushee, Clayton, Cornuelle, Datta, Duggal, Forman, Frank, Furnish, Goacher, Gray, Hewan, Holt, Jacobsen, Jang, Kelm, Lye, McCartney, McKenzie, McNeil, Metz, Mittal, Pence, Rosenthal, Scharlott, Scott, Smith, Sutton (for Prioleau), Stavsky, Thomas, Thomson, Valauri, Wood.

**Member Absent:** Robert Kempton

**Guests:** S. Arn, L. Boothe, C. Christensen, J. Conger, S. Easton, R. Hoffman, J. Hopgood, B. Houghton, J. Legere, L. Marquis, M. McPherson, B. Oliver, A. Pinelo, P. Reichardt, L. Reynolds, M. Ryan, A. Schaffer, N. Smith, R. Snyder, D. Thomson, D. Tukey, G. Vaughn, J. Westlund, J. Warner, M. Winner, R. Zeiser

I. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

II. Regular order of meeting was suspended for a presentation on the Budget.

Or, *Everything really is all right maybe...*

- A. Tuition as % of revenues has increased close to 40% in the last ten years.
- B. State assistance/support has decreased by 25% in the last ten years.
- C. Enrollment has increased from 9,376 students/6,026 FTE in '83 to 11,950 students/8100 FTE in '92.

*These were interesting figures...*

III. Approval of Minutes of October 19, 1992 meeting. Accepted into record.

IV. No additions or deletions to the Agenda

V. Senate President's Report:

- A. Two Candidates have been interviewed for the Law School Dean. Search is scheduled to be over by term's end.
- B. Search Committee for Dean of A. & S. has met once. Time frame: To have Dean in place July 1, '93.
- C. Provost Search: Search Committee echoed the Senate's sentiment concerning the use of a consulting firm. Leon has not expressed agreement or disagreement. Position has been advertised and the cutoff for applications is June 15.
- D. The Faculty Handbook continues its torturous but steady progress and "will soon be back to us".

1. Acting Provost Easton said, "We've met once and will meet again. " And promised to have corrections to disk for the Senate by December 1.
2. Shelia Bell is making corrections and will have them on disk...
3. All of this will go to Professional Concerns for re-action.

*"The beat goes on..."*

VI. Committee Reports:

A. Benefits: Presented draft concerning Early Retirement Plan.

Discussion here of who and how many will be available for early retirement and who would receive same given the factoid that funds for such are neither set aside nor promised.

**"Try not to become excited about this one."**

B. Budget:

1. Read a letter from Dr. Boothe re: effects of 2% reduction ...in summary...
  - a. possible freeze on all vacancies
  - b. Equipment purchases delayed except for replacements
  - c. Travel in and out of state will be closely monitored

C. Curriculum:

1. New manual is close to completion. New curriculum form will be available in January or shortly after.

D. Professional Concerns:

1. Proposed Resolution for no smoking in Faculty/Staff dining area was presented and passed unanimously.
2. Landrum problem elicited considerable discussion, but the committee submitted the recommendation that the Senate accept as a voting item a resolution calling for an evaluation by an outside agency of the air quality at NKU.

Suggestions were:

- a. that smoke study be campus wide
- b. that administration should be more responsive

Questions were:

- a. Who is to do the testing?
- b. Won't University be cited for violation if EPA/OSHA do the testing and problem isn't corrected?

Recommendation **passed**

2. **Dennis Taulbee:** "Call me with any problems."

VII. Old Business: None

VIII. New Business: None

IX. Adjournment: 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Don Kelm, Secretary



MEMORANDUM

TO: J. Michael Thomson, President, Faculty Senate

FROM: Clinton G. Hewan, Chair, Professional Concerns  
Committee *CH*

DATE: October 29, 1992

SUBJECT: Recommendations: re items voted on at last PCC meeting  
held October 22, 1992

Following lengthy and in-depth discussions at the October 22 meeting, members of the Professional Concerns Committee voted unanimously to recommend to the Faculty Senate the following:

- 1) The Faculty/Staff Dining Room in the University Center be designated a Non-Smoking Area.
- 2) That Faculty Senate accept as a voting item the following proposal: "As a result of the serious concerns with regard to the health of the students, faculty, and staff, the Professional Concerns Committee recommends that Northern Kentucky University should proceed with an evaluation by an outside agency of air quality within buildings on campus and request that the results be made available to the Faculty Senate."

With regard to Faculty Senate's request that the PCC react to the Discrimination Complaint Process either by "vote, memoranda, suggestions, etc." please see attached copy of a memorandum to Delores Anderson, Director, Office of Affirmative Action/Multicultural Affairs.



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**MEMORANDUM**

NOVEMBER 5, 1992

TO: Linda Olasov, Chair, University Curriculum Committee

FR: Terry Pence<sup>jr</sup>, Philosophy & Religious Studies

RE: CLARIFICATION TO THE NON-WESTERN AND HISTORICAL  
PERSPECTIVE REQUIREMENTS

The current catalog now reads as follows (p.16):

- d. Non-Western Perspective. At least 3 semester hours must be taken in a Non-Western Perspective subject area and must be in a discipline other than the student's major. ....
- e. Historical Perspective. At least 3 semester hours must be taken in a Historical Perspective subject area and must be in a discipline other than the student's major. ....

This wording has been interpreted to mean that a double major has to satisfy these requirements outside the two majors or reduce the offending major to a minor. Surely the UCC never intended to penalize double majors in this way.

I wish to suggest the following clarifications for the next Catalog (or welcome something more elegant):

- d. Non-Western Perspective. At least 3 semester hours must be taken in a Non-Western Perspective subject area. This requirement may *not* be satisfied by a course in the student's major unless the student has more than one major. ....
- e. Historical Perspective. At least 3 semester hours must be taken in a Historical Perspective subject area. This requirement may *not* be satisfied by a course in the student's major unless the student has more than one major. ....

Making this clarification will aid advisors and students double majoring in the following affected disciplines: Anthropology, Art, English, Geography, History, Music, Philosophy, Political Science, and Sociology.