

MEMORANDUM

To: All Faculty

Fr: Connie Mulligan-Nichols

Re: FACULTY SENATE MEETING

August 21, 1979

The next Faculty Senate meeting will be held Monday, August 27, in the University Center Ballroom at 3:00 p.m.

AGENDA

- I. President's Reports
- II. Faculty Regent Report - Jeff Williams
- III. Elections
 - 1. Election of Provost Search Committee Members Melnick, Braeden, Vitz, Stigelm, Neelay
 - 2. Election of Senate Parliamentarian
 - 3. Election of Teaching Effectiveness Task Force representatives Jeff Williams,
 - 4. Election of Summer Session Advisory Committee Members Larry Geismann
 - 5. Election of Advisory Committee of Experimental Program Member
- IV. Stu Suggs, Student Government President - Student Directory
- V. Committee Reports
 - 1. Professional Concerns
 - 2. Budget
 - 3. Curriculum
 - 4. Faculty Benefits
- VI. Old Business
- VII. New Business

MINUTES OF THE FACULTY SENATE

August 27, 1979

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| Senators present: | C. Mulligan-Nichols | J. Wainscott | J. Rinne |
| | J. Fouche | K. Beirne | K. Gilliam |
| | A. Mauldin | D. Kelm | M. Clark |
| | F. Stallings | C. Johnston | D. Bennett |
| | M. Farger | R. Singh | B. Renz |
| | J. Williams | B. Dickens | A. Vitz |
| | P. Moore | T. Cate | D. Brett |
| | T. McNally | L. Noyd | A. Miller |
| | F. Steely | C. Widmer | J. Hopgood |
| | D. Pearce | J. Miller | J. Bushee |
| | | D. Elder | P. Joseph |

Others present: President A.D. Albright
D. Weber
G. Grube

I. President's Report

J. Bushee, President, opened the first Senate meeting of the academic year with a welcome, encouraging Faculty Senate members to voice opinions on how the Senate could be improved in the upcoming year. Bushee promised a collection and distribution of these opinions to all Senate members. Bushee also expressed the need for more documents coming before the Senate to be in written form and for better all-around organization of the Senate. Bushee encouraged Senate members to consistently communicate with their constituency concerning Senate matters. A roster of Faculty Senators is forthcoming.

II. Jeffrey Williams, Faculty Regent - Report

In his report, Williams expressed his intentions of working very closely with the Faculty Senate and the Executive Committee. Board of Regents' agenda will be brought to the Executive Committee prior to the Board of Regents' meeting, in order to review any item on the agenda which might warrant discussion. Williams informed the Senate that he is keeping all relevant materials from each Regents' meeting in his office. Williams also suggested an informal meeting of Regents and Faculty Senate, the purpose being an exchange of ideas, opinions, etc. Williams is to pursue this matter further.

The Faculty Regent recognized the document published by the President's office, the President's Report to the Faculty and Staff, which provides a synopsis of the Board of Regents' meetings. Williams expressed his willingness to answer any questions which arose regarding this document. Williams talked briefly about the Faculty Advisory Committee to the Council on Higher Education made up of Faculty Regents and persons in similar positions throughout educational institutions in Kentucky. A newly organized group, the Advisory Committee, has only met once, at which time they discussed the proposed 19% increase for faculty salaries over the coming biennium. There will be a discussion of the biennial budget at the next meeting of the Faculty Advisory Committee, details of which will be brought to the Faculty Senate by Williams. Williams also said he has a copy of the Policy Manual for the Kentucky Council on Higher Education should any Faculty Senate member desire access to this information.

III. Elections

The first election was that of five nominations to serve on the Provost Search Committee. The Faculty Senate was to nominate five and President Albright was to select two of the nominees from that group. The five nominations were to include three men and two women. All nominations, with nominees approval, were to have been sent in by Thursday, August 23rd. A list of nominees was circulated on ballot. Bushee encouraged the Senate to select people with much experience in academia.

P. Moore moved that nominations be open to the floor. J. Hopgood seconded the motion. F. Stallings called the question. The vote was 22 in favor, none against and 3 abstentions.

P. Moore nominated B. Braden to serve on the committee. B. Dickens seconded the motion. J. Hopgood moved that nominations cease. Bushee emphasized the point that in President Albright's letter requesting nominations he had asked for five persons from the University faculty, two of whom were to be women. F. Steely moved that the Senate take the top three men and the top two women, regardless of how many an individual votes for. J. Williams seconded the motion. T. Cate called the question. The voting results were 24 in favor, 3 opposed and 1 abstention. The voting resulted in the following 5 nominations to the Provost Search Committee: R. Vitz, B. Braden, N. Melnick, C. Stiegler and S. Neely.

F. Steely brought up the question of old and new business, asking if nothing could be voted on that was not specifically spelled out in the agenda. Bushee pointed out that the Old and New Business segments of the meeting provide a time slot for discussion and/or questions.

The next election was for the office of Faculty Senate Parliamentarian. F. Steely nominated E. Deirne for the office. P. Moore moved that Beirne be elected by acclamation. The move was seconded by T. Cate. J. Williams called the question. No oppositions or abstentions.

The third election was of two Senate members to the Teaching Effectiveness Task Force. The three already in nomination were T. Cate, L. Giesmann and J. Williams. It was noted that the purpose of the Task Force was to develop ways to help colleagues become better teachers. Suggestions from this committee will be routed through all appropriate constituencies including the Faculty Senate. (During this time, Bushee welcomed President Albright to the meeting.) B. Dickens moved the nominations cease. P. Moore seconded. F. Stallings called the question. L. Giesmann and J. Williams were chosen to serve.

The fourth election was that of members to the Summer Sessions Advisory Committee. The names already up for election were: S. Neely, N.E. Ryan, N. Melnick and J. Hicks. T. Cate moved to close the nominations. F. Stallings seconded. B. Dickens moved to accept the four names. T. Cate seconded. Unanimous vote.

The final election was to fill one vacancy on the Advisory Committee on Experimental Programs. C. Johnston was previously nominated. P. Moore nominated J. Sehnert. R. Vitz moved to close the nominations. F. Stallings seconded. C. Johnston was elected.

IV. Stu Suggs, President of Student Government

Stu Suggs spoke to the Faculty Senate concerning the possibility of publishing faculty addresses and home phone numbers in the Student Directory, an idea suggested by M. Malick, Student Activities Officer. The Faculty Senate members were divided on this point. However, Suggs informed the Senate that the Student Government was not in favor of these inclusions and the addresses and numbers would not be published.

V. Committee Reports

Bushee brought up the advantage of having as much as possible of the committee reports in writing before the Faculty Senate meetings.

Professional Concerns:

The report was from outgoing chairperson, J. Fouche. Ongoing business includes: 1. review of the Faculty Policy and Procedures Manual, especially the sections on tenure and promotion 2. Academic Standards subcommittee evaluation of the "grade inflation phenomenon" 3. Student Affairs subcommittee review of the student handbook and the question of syllabi 4. Subcommittee focusing on the Evaluation of Teaching concerned with drafting of document on Professional Ethics and revision of withdrawal policy.

Budget:

B. Renz, the incoming chairperson of the committee, noted that the committee last year had responded to the primary charges of establishing a list of priorities for distribution of funds and reviewing of academic programs. The committee also reviewed the Respiratory Therapy and Radiologic Technology programs and made recommendations to the Senate. Renz then turned over the report to the outgoing chairperson, R. Singh, who noted three significant gains from the committee work last year: 1. increase in number of faculty positions 2. increase in salary by rank and 3. more funding for equipment and library resources. Singh also brought up the problem of travel funding. Renz then mentioned the possible development of a set of by-laws for the committee. Renz and Bushee have met with President Albright concerning the role of the Budget Committee in formulating new budget. J. Fouche brought up the question of the use of university vehicles being charged back to the department. Fouche noted no provision has been made in department budgets for these charges.

Curriculum:

The ongoing chairperson of the Curriculum Committee, J. Hopgood, noted that several business items had been carried over into this academic year: 1. the honors program proposal 2. general studies proposals for change 3. revision of foundation courses for the MBA program. Up and coming questions include the upper division rule issue, program evaluation, and changes in the current approval process for new programs and courses. F. Stallings asked if there was an addition or an up-date coming out to the new catalogue, to include changed and new programs. B. Dickens said his understanding was that the up-date was due in September.

Faculty Benefits:

A. Miller, the incoming chairperson, turned the comments over to J. Bushee, the previous chairperson. Bushee distributed copies of the minutes of the Fringe Benefits Subcommittee of the Faculty Benefits Committee.

VI. Old Business

T. McNally, chairperson of the Ad Hoc Committee on Collective Bargaining, reported that the committee had invited a member of U.C.'s collective bargaining unit to report on how collective bargaining functions. McNally emphasized the need for a tentative report on how collective bargaining functions. Also was mentioned the possibility of a poll of faculty members on this subject.

Bushee questioned if the Senate wanted to pursue the matter of Collective Bargaining. J. Williams and others expressed desire to see the committee finish business. Bushee asked for a report from the committee. After deliberation, the Senate agreed that the committee should continue work.

J. Bushee then brought up the fact that in the past year there had been some dissatisfaction with the Faculty Senate in certain factions of the University. Bushee noted that there will be meetings this year between the Executive Committee of the Senate and the Executive Committee of Student Government to explore matters of common interest. Fouche noted that a related issue was that of the University Governance Task Force and the forthcoming proposal to reexamine the organization of university governance. Bushee called for a proposal from the Senate members for what the Senate should send to the administration concerning the guidelines for the Ad Hoc Committee on University Governance. (Formed under the auspices of the Danforth Grant.) Bushee noted that the needs of other constituencies should be met through the Faculty Senate. Bushee also mentioned that there is some question as to whether or not the Danforth Foundation can fund the full amount of money for the study.

P. Moore and J. Hopgood both questioned the purpose of a university-wide governing body. R. Vitz asked where does this leave the Student Affairs subcommittee of Professional Concerns.

J. Bushee called for a working agreement concerning voting on items that are not listed on the agenda under old or new business. Beirne, the new Parliamentarian, pointed out that an agenda may be added to or a procedural motion can be amended with a 2/3 vote. P. Moore added that the new business usually is never on the agenda. Bushee said that the Executive Committee will make a conscientious effort to include everything in the agenda. Before closing, Bushee emphasized feedback to departments by Senators.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

GMN/ds

FACULTY SENATE

15 August 1979

TO: All Full-Time Faculty
NKU

FROM: Jonathan Bushee, President, Faculty Senate

RE: Provost Search Committee - Call for nominations

The "Procedure for Provost Search" was outlined by President Albright on 16 July, 1979 in a letter to all faculty and administrative staff. The search committee is to be comprised of two general faculty members, one faculty member of Chase College, one department chairperson, one member of Student Government, and one general academic administrator such as a dean. In the instance of the two general faculty members and the student member, they should be other than the faculty and student Regents.

The two general faculty members are to be appointed by President Albright from five names submitted by the Faculty Senate; two of the five names are to be women. The faculty member of Chase is to be appointed from a list of three names submitted by the College of Law faculty. The nominations solicited herein, therefore, should not be made by, nor be of, Chase faculty members.

Nominations to the Provost Search Committee are solicited from, and are limited to, all tenured and tenure-earning faculty who spend at least 75% of their work in duties other than those pertaining to an administrative appointment. All nominations must be received by the President of the Faculty Senate no later than 3:00 PM, Thursday, August 23rd. Please obtain permission from the nominee before you submit his/her name. You may, of course, nominate yourself.

The Faculty Senate will vote on the nominees at the Senate meeting of August 27th, at 3:00 PM, U.C. 238 (Ballroom). Five faculty members will be chosen and their names will be sent to President Albright that afternoon.

TO: Jonathan Bushee, President, Faculty Senate
Physical Sciences Program

FROM: _____

I nominate _____ for representative to the Provost Search Committee. I have obtained permission of the nominee to submit his/her name.

All nominations are due no later than 3:00 PM, Thursday, August 23rd.