

JOURNAL OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE
 October 27, 1952, 4:10 p.m.
 Monnet Hall, Room 101

The Senate, meeting in regular session, was called to order by the Chairman, Dr. Olin L. Browder.

Present

Bell, R. E.
 Browder, O. L.
 Bruce, J. B.
 Cross, G. L.
 Edmondson, V. G.
 Goodman, G. J.
 Hall, R. G.
 Harlow, J. G.
 Herbert, H. H.
 Hollon, W. E.
 Hughes, F. C.
 Leek, J. H.
 Livezey, W. E.
 Matlock, J. R.
 Moorhead, M. L.
 Peach, W. N.

Present

Poston, Lawrence
 Pray, J. C.
 Raines, J. M.
 Reese, J. E.
 Sears, A. B.
 Wardell, M. L.

Absent

Bavinger, E. A.
 Brown, H. B.
 Crook, K. E.
 Fite, G. C.
 James, R. V.
 Kelly, Ellen
 Kelly, Florene C.

Absent

Marrs, Wyatt
 Mertes, J. E.
 Monnett, V. E.
 Morris, F. C.
 Pritchard, J. P.
 Pugmire, D. R.
 Rackley, J. R.
 Ragan, W. B.
 Scatori, Stephen
 Self, J. T.
 Springer, C. E.
 Stanley, A. J.
 Warren, Mary A.
 Wilcox, S. C.
 Wiley, J. B.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The Journal of the Senate for the September 29, 1952 meeting was approved.

NOMINATIONS FOR SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES

At the September 29 meeting of the University Senate, the Committee on Committees (H. H. Herbert, Chairman, J. E. Reese, and J. Bruce Wiley) submitted a list of nominations for standing committees in the Senate. Seven committee places were left vacant because of expiration of terms, leaves of absence, resignations from the faculty, and deaths. The report of the Committee on Committees was approved by the Senate with the stipulation that members elected to the Senate in October be assigned to committees at the October 27 meeting.

Professor H. H. Herbert submitted the report of the Committee on Committees which appears on page 2 of this Journal. The Senate approved unanimously the additional nominations listed in the report.

NOMINATIONS FOR SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES

October 27, 1952

To the University Senate:

The Committee on Committees wishes to make nominations as follows of newly elected Senators to membership on the standing committees of the Senate for 1952-53:

Committee on Academic Standards -- M. L. Wardell

Committee on Courses and Curricula -- J. H. Leek

Committee on Faculty Personnel -- J. G. Harlow

Committee on Student and Public Relations -- Ellen D. Kelly

Committee on Teaching and Research -- W. E. Hollon

Committee on University Organization,
Budget, and Publications----- R. E. Bell
W. E. Livezey

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

J. E. Reese

J. Bruce Wiley

H. H. Herbert, Chairman

FACULTY-ADMINISTRATION RELATIONS

Explanatory Comment:

The matter of faculty-administration relations was not listed on the October Agenda of the Senate. It was brought to the attention of the Senate from the floor by Dr. J. M. Raines.

Dr. Raines indicated that he would like to have the University Senate consider the over-all problem of faculty-administration relations in view of the fact that two situations have recently developed in which faculty interests and the interests of the administration appear to be in conflict.

1. Pre-enrolment practices--Dr. Raines is concerned because it appears to him that sectioning of students during the pre-enrolment period (November 10 to December 19) represents a difficult if not impossible task for several departments.

Dr. Raines stated further that the pre-enrolment procedure was established without considering the points of view of the members of the general faculty to whom the task of enrolment has been assigned.

2. Class visitation by administrative officers--A letter from Vice President Carl M. Franklin prompted Dr. Raines to raise this issue. Mr. Franklin has indicated that he intends to visit the classes of various faculty members to observe teaching practices and procedures. Dr. Raines is opposed to this plan.

Dr. Raines emphasized in his presentation of the above points that the important factor at this time is whether administrative decisions on such matters as pre-enrolment and class visitation should be made before the general faculty has been consulted.

Senate Action:

Dr. Raines placed the following motion before the Senate: "In matters affecting a large portion of the faculty of the University the general faculty should have a voice in the making of decisions. Therefore, the situations arising out of the recent announcements about pre-enrolment and class visitation should be referred to the Committee on Faculty Personnel of the Senate for consideration."

Dr. Pray commented to the effect that the University Senate is a policy making organization and now has the power to consider such matters as faculty-administration relationships and that the motion by Dr. Raines was not required. President Cross indicated that he agreed with Dr. Pray.

Dr. Pray made a motion that the Committee on Faculty Personnel be assigned the task of considering the matters of pre-enrolment and class visitation by administrative officers.

A substitute motion was made that the Chairman of the Senate refer to an appropriate committee the problems of pre-enrolment and class visitation.

Before the substitute motion could be brought to a vote, Dr. Wardell made a motion for the division of the question. His motion was carried.

Professor Herbert moved that the question of visitations by administrative officers be referred to the Committee on Faculty Personnel. The motion was approved.

Professor Herbert moved that the question of pre-enrolment be referred to the Committee on University Organization, Budget, and Publications. The motion was approved.

In discussing further the matter of pre-enrolment, Professor Edmondson suggested that there should be no sectioning of students between November 10 and December 19 but that the time should be devoted to advisement only.

Dr. Wardell suggested that the chairman of departments that will be heavily burdened by the sectioning activity might appeal for additional secretarial help from Dean Fellows.

Professor Edmondson made a motion that the University Senate recommend to Dean Fellows that the sectioning of students be accomplished at the beginning of the second semester during the regular week allotted for enrolment. The motion was approved.

SMOKING IN UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS

Dr. Cross raised the question of smoking in University buildings and indicated that he does not believe that there is any specific rule now in existence regarding smoking. His communications to faculty members regarding smoking in class rooms and laboratories have been based on the desire of the Regents of the University that there be no smoking in class rooms.

Dr. Cross made a motion that the whole question of smoking in University buildings be referred to the Committee on Student and Public Relations for consideration. His motion was approved.

ADJOURNMENT

The Senate adjourned at 5:10 p.m. The next regular meeting will be Monday, November 24, 1952, at 4:10 p.m.

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