

JOURNAL OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

Regular Session, April 30, 1962, 4:10 P. M.
Monnet Hall, Room 101

The University Senate, meeting in regular session was called to order by the Vice Chairman, Dr. J. Clayton Feaver.

Present

Allison, John E.
Bishop, L. Doyle
Brixe, John C.
Brown, W. Jean
Crim, Ed F.
Crook, Kenneth E.
David, Paul R.
de Stwolinski, Gail
Feaver, J. Clayton
Fowler, Richard G.
Granger, Bruce
Hall, Rufus G., Jr.
Heston, Bernard O.
Holland, C. Joe
Huff, William N.
Johns, O. D.

Present

Lee, Cecil
Male, Roy R.
Morris, Virginia
Olson, Ralph E.
Patterson, Helen E.
Rarick, Joseph L.
Rice, Leslie H.
Schottstaedt, W. W.
Springer, C. E.
Stanley, A. J.
Wiens, Gerhard

Absent

Bittle, William E.
Campbell, John M.
Clark, F. Donald
Comp, LaVerne A.
Craven, Clifford J.
Cross, George L.
Dunham, Lowell
Eriksen, John G.
Harvey, Harriet
Heilman, Arthur
Keeley, Joe W.
Kitts, David
Riggs, Carl D.
Shadid, Tannell A.
Steanson, Edith
Upthegrove, William R.
Williams, Lloyd P.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The Journal of the University Senate for the regular meeting held on February 26, 1962, was approved. (Note: There was no meeting of the University Senate during March of 1962)

PRE-ENROLLMENT ✓

Explanatory Comment

At a special session on February 12, 1962, the University Senate indicated approval of proposed plan for pre-enrollment for the fall semester, 1962-63. The plan (Journal of the University Senate, February 12, 1962, Pages 1 through 3) was then submitted to President Cross.

Statement from President Cross

March 7, 1962

This is in regard to the recommendation of the University Senate concerning the plan for pre-enrollment for the fall semester, 1962-63.

Will you please express my appreciation and gratitude to the Senate for recommending this plan. I greatly appreciate the cooperation and forward-looking attitude that this action represents.

Pre-enrollment -- continued

With the Senate's concurrence, I should like to approve this experimental plan for implementation the spring of 1963 -- pre-enrollment for the fall semester, 1963-64. As the result of publicity concerning the possibility of selective admissions to the University of Oklahoma, correspondence concerning admission to our institution has increased in recent weeks to the point where the personnel of the Office of Admissions and Records has been literally "swamped" with questions and requests of various kinds. Dean Fellows, who originally suggested a plan for pre-enrollment and pressed for its approval, now reports that his staff cannot handle pre-enrollment this spring without the employment of extra personnel. We are not able financially to supply the extra help he estimates that would be needed to implement the Senate's plan. We hope that this situation can be improved before the spring of 1963.

UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

Utilizing nominations submitted by the University Senate, President Cross has appointed faculty members to two new committees.

University Committee on Student Activities and Welfare

William McGrew	Accounting	1962-63
Mary Clare Petty	Education	1962-63
Ronald Green	Financial Aids	1962-64
Donald Robinson	Student Health	1962-64
John P. Duncan	Government	1962-65
Charles Suggs	Drama	1962-65
Clifford J. Craven	Dean of Students	Ex Officio
Gary Don Anderson	Student	1962-63
Ruth A. Darrough	Student	1962-63
Paul N. Stanton	Student	1962-63

University Committee on Faculty Personnel

Ansel P. Challener	Electrical Engineering	1962-63
Joe W. Keeley	Civil Engineering	1962-63
C. Eugene Springer	Mathematics	1962-63
Rudolph C. Bambas	English	1962-64
Robert E. Bell	Anthropology	1962-64
Laurence T. Rogers	Education	1962-64
John S. Ezell	History	1962-65
Robert A. Howard	Physics	1962-65
Joseph C. Pray	Government	1962-65

USE OF UNIVERSITY FACILITIES ✓

Explanatory Comment

On February 26, 1962, the University Senate adopted a report submitted by the Senate Committee on University Organization, Budget, and Publications. That report dealt with ideas relative to the use of University facilities. The report (Journal of the University Senate, February 26, 1962, pages 1 through 7) was presented to President Cross.

Statement from President Cross

March 1, 1962

I have the recommendations of the University Senate on "Use of University Facilities."

I am in full accord with the spirit and intent of these recommendations. I am glad to approve the first two with immediate effect and the third one in principle.

As the Senate apparently recognized in wording the second recommendation as it did, the leap from an eight-week summer session to a twelve-week session, consisting of two six-week terms, or something similar, has its financial risks and should not be taken until the demand justifies it. This step, however is preferable to experimenting just now with a summer term of full semester length, and I am grateful to the Senate for seeing this.

The effectiveness of the third recommendation depends upon the co-operation of the departments and colleges in scheduling classes in the late afternoon, at night, and on Saturdays. The Class Schedule Committee has done good work in the past in trying to accomplish such a spread but has not found the Departments always completely co-operative. I am asking this Committee to re-examine its policies to see whether it cannot find ways to carry out the newly expressed wishes of the Senate more effectively.

"Appropriate control of student scheduling" calls for a detailed plan after careful study of the mores and sociology of the University of Oklahoma Student in 1962. This is a task, it seems to me, for the faculty rather than the administration. I invite the Senate, therefore, to take the topic up for study and make such recommendations as it considers wise and effective.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Explanatory Comment

Each year the Committee on Committees of the University Senate submits nominations for University committees which will be appointed by President Cross. The Senate then considers the nominations, may make additional nominations from the floor, and at a subsequent meeting approves the list of nominations for submission to President Cross.

Report of the Committee on Committees -- continuedSenate Action

Dr. Springer, Chairman of the Committee on Committees, presented the list of nominations prepared by the Committee. No additional nominations were made from the floor of the Senate. All nominations will be voted upon at the meeting of the Senate on May 28 and the approved list will be submitted to President Cross so that he may make appointments for the year 1962-63.

CONTROL OF STUDENT SCHEDULINGExplanatory Comment

In the statement from President Cross presented on Page 3 of this Journal under the heading, USE OF UNIVERSITY FACILITIES, there is material relative to "appropriate control of student scheduling." The University Senate on April 28 took note of the invitation from President Cross for the Senate to study the topic.

Senate Action

Dr. Hall moved that the matter of control of student scheduling be referred to the University Senate Committee on Student and Public Relations for study. His motion was seconded and passed.

REAPPORTIONMENT OF UNIVERSITY SENATE MEMBERSHIPExplanatory Comment

The charter of the University Senate stipulates that the basis for Senate representation shall be evaluated every three years and the membership be reapportioned on a quota basis. The specific statement in the charter of the University Senate is as follows:

The faculty of each college and degree granting school of the University shall be entitled to representation in the senate proportionately on the basis of a quota to be determined by the general faculty every third year beginning in 1947.

It is necessary for the University Senate to consider the matter of reapportionment and submit to the General Faculty in October, 1962, a plan for representation for 1963-66.

Senate Action

Dr. Crook moved that the matter of reapportionment of University Senate membership be referred to the Committee on University Organization, Budget, and Publications for study and a report at the May meeting. His motion was seconded and passed.

REPRESENTATION IN THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

Following consideration of reapportionment of University Senate membership, Dr. Fowler raised for consideration the possibility of modifying University Senate representation so that colleges in the University might divide their quotas of members in terms of departmental areas. Thus, more direct representation of departments in matters of concern to the University Senate might be accomplished.

Dr. Fowler moved that consideration be given by an appropriate committee to revision of the basis of election of senators to set up departmental districts within colleges (by action of each college) so that each senator would be elected by and serve as a representative of a departmental district as well as of a college. His motion was seconded. It failed to pass.

TEACHING LOAD

Dr. Bishop raised for consideration by the University Senate the matter of teaching load as set forth in a University of Oklahoma Interoffice Communication issued to all faculty by Vice President McCarter on April 27, 1962. Dr. Bishop indicated special concern regarding item number 8 in the communication sent out by Vice President McCarter.

Dr. Bishop moved that the entire statement concerning teaching load be referred to the appropriate committee of the University Senate for study with special attention being given to item number 8. His motion was seconded and passed.

This matter was immediately referred to the Committee on Teaching and Research of the University Senate.

ADJOURNMENT

The University Senate adjourned at 4:45 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday, May 28, 1962. Materials for the Agenda should be in the Office of the Secretary by Wednesday, May 16.

Gerald A. Porter, Secretary

MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNIVERSITY BOARD

Following consideration of representation of departments of the University Board membership, the Board is advised that the possibility of modifying the Board representation on the colleges in the University might be considered in terms of departmental areas. There would be direct representation of departments in terms of concern to the University Board might be considered.

It is noted that the Board membership be given by an appropriate committee to review the Board of directors of each of the departments to set up departmental directors within colleges (by title of each college) so that each member would be elected by and serve as a representative of a departmental director as well as of a college. The motion was approved. It failed to pass.

TEACHING LOAD

Dr. Bishop raised for consideration by the University Board the matter of teaching load as set forth in a University of Oklahoma Instructional Commission report to all faculty by Vice President McCarter on April 15, 1962. The Board indicated special action regarding item number 6 in the commission report and by Vice President McCarter.

It is noted that the appropriate committee of the University Board for study with special attention being given to item number 6. The motion was approved and passed.

This matter was immediately referred to the Committee on Teaching and Research of the University Board.

ADJOURNMENT

The University Board adjourned at 5:00 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday, May 14, 1962. Minutes for the agenda should be in the office of the Secretary by Wednesday, May 14.

Gene A. Darrow, Secretary