

JOURNAL OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

Regular Session, November 29, 1965 -- 4:10 p.m.
Student Union Building, Room 165

The University Senate, meeting in regular session, was called to order by the Chairman, Dr. John G. Eriksen.

Present

Bell, Digby B.
Bishop, L. Doyle
Braver, Gerald
Campbell, John M.
Collier, Robert E.
Crook, Kenneth E.
Daniels, Raymond D.
Duncan, J. Paul
Eriksen, John G.
Feiler, Seymour
Gooch, Brison D.
Goodman, George J.
Hart, Frances
Howard, Robert A.
Huneke, Harold V.
Ivey, Michael
Johns, O. D.

Present

Levy, Gene
Love, Tom J.
Maehl, William H.
Ohm, Robert E.
Peterson, Robert V.
Phelps, Elbridge D.
Reeves, Charles H.
Smith, Thomas M.
Smith, W. Harold
Steen, Wilson D.
Terry, Richard A.
Thayer, Calvin G.
Turkington, D. Barton

Absent

Berenda, Carlton W.
Bienfang, Ralph D.
Cross, George L.
Daron, Garmon H.
Eek, Nathaniel S.
Harlow, James G.
Livezey, William F.
Murphy, James M.
Olson, Ralph E.
Patnode, Robert
Plint, Colin A.
Rohrbaugh, Lawrence M.
Sutherland, Stephen M.
White, Raymond R.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The Journal of the University Senate for the regular meeting held on October 25, 1965, was approved.

NEW SENATOR

In the recent election, the General Faculty elected Professor Robert V. Peterson -- Department of Journalism -- as the replacement for Dr. Donald Berthrong as a member of the University Senate. Professor Peterson will serve on the Senate Committee on Academic Standards.

ACTION BY PRESIDENT CROSS

On November 3, 1965, President Cross was informed of the University Senate recommendation that action on the one salary policy be deferred until the University Senate has had time to study it thoroughly. On November 11, 1965, President Cross indicated his approval of the recommendation.

COMMENCEMENT

Explanatory Comment

On September 27, 1965, matters relating to Commencement were referred to the Senate Committee on Student and Public Relations (see the Journal of the University Senate for September 27, 1965, page 5).

On October 25, 1965, Dr. Goodman, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Student and Public Relations made a brief, oral report relative to the committee's deliberations.

Second Progress Report

On November 29, 1965, Dr. Goodman again made a progress report. He indicated that opinions are being sought from students and from members of the University Committee on Commencement in an effort to find solutions to the problems associated with Commencement.

OKLAHOMA UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC AFFAIRS PROGRESS COMMISSION ✓

Explanatory Comment

On September 27, 1965, the University Senate received a recommendation from the Student Senate relative to the formation of an Oklahoma University Academic Affairs Progress Commission (see the Journal of the University Senate for September 27, 1965, pages 5 and 6). This matter was referred to the Senate Committee on Student and Public Relations.

On October 25, 1965, Dr. Goodman, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Student and Public Relations, reported that the committee had discussed the Student Senate recommendation but had not reached a decision concerning it.

Second Progress Report

On November 29, 1965, Dr. Goodman again made a progress report. He indicated that the committee had met several times and planned to seek additional information from the Student Senate before formulating a recommendation.

FACULTY RATE FOR TUITION ✓

Explanatory Comment

On October 25, 1965, the University Senate considered a report from the Senate Committee on University Organization, Budget, and Publications. Following considerable discussion the report was tabled.

Senate Action

At the meeting on November 29, 1965, Dr. Thayer moved that the matter of faculty rate for tuition be again considered. His motion was seconded and passed.

Faculty Rate for Tuition -- continued

Following extensive discussion, Dr. Turkington moved that the University Senate approve the committee report on this matter as it appears in the Journal of the University Senate (see the Journal of the University Senate for October 25, 1965, pages 2 through 5). His motion was seconded and passed.

In effect, this means that the University Senate made no recommendations relative to fee remission for the children of University faculty members.

ONE SALARY POLICY ✓

Explanatory Comment

Problems relating to a one salary policy for the University of Oklahoma were on October 25, 1965, referred for study to the Senate Committee on Teaching and Research.

Progress Report

On November 29, 1965, Dr. Love, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Teaching and Research, indicated that the committee is meeting regularly to consider this matter but that no recommendations have been formulated.

SELECTION OF A STUDENT SENATE SPONSOR ✓

Letter from the President of the Student Senate

November 17, 1965

Dr. John G. Eriksen
President, Faculty Senate
College of Arts and Sciences
Faculty Exchange

Dear Dr. Eriksen:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation of Friday, November 12, concerning the action taken by the Student Senate, I would request the cooperation of the Faculty Senate in the selection of a Faculty sponsor for the Student Senate. The Student Senate passed favorably on a RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE SELECTION OF A STUDENT SENATE SPONSOR by a vote of 24-1-3. This Resolution embodies a request that the Faculty Senate appoint an advisory and nominative committee for the purpose of submitting nominees for the position of Student Senate Faculty sponsor to the Student Senate.

It is the feeling of the Senate that through the joint selection of a Faculty sponsor for the Student Senate by both the Faculty and Student Senate, a better channel of communication could be established. The Resolution would provide a procedure for the selection of a sponsor and also could be the basis for future cooperation for the Faculty Senate and Student Senate.

Selection of A Student Senate Sponsor -- continued

I am hopeful that favorable action will be taken at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Faculty Senate. At the present time the Student Senate is operating without the services of a sponsor from the Faculty, though a representative from the Office of the Deans of Students does attend our meetings. Therefore, it seems that immediate action on this matter is somewhat necessary and very desirable.

Enclosed you will find a copy of the Resolution which was passed by the Student Senate.

Sincerely,

(s) Dennis McCary, President
Student Senate

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING SELECTION OF STUDENT SENATE FACULTY SPONSOR

WHEREAS, it is highly desirable to establish closer lines of communication between Student Senate and University Senate;

WHEREAS, the Student Senate must obtain a sponsor who is a fulltime member of the University Faculty or staff;

WHEREAS, the joint selection of Student Senate Sponsor by the University and Student Senate would accomplish a dual purpose of communication and faculty leadership; Be it therefore

RESOLVED that we approach the University Senate with the request that at the beginning of each fall semester, they form a nominative and advisory committee to assist our selection of a Student Senate Sponsor.

Senate Action

Dr. Thayer moved that the foregoing letter and resolution from the Student Senate be taken under most favorable advisement. His motion was seconded and passed by the University Senate.

The matter was immediately referred by the Chairman of the University Senate to the Senate Committee on Student and Public Relations for consideration and a report.

LIBRARY HOURS ✓

Dr. Duncan raised from the floor of the University Senate certain problems relating to library hours and keeping the Library open during vacation periods.

He then moved that the appropriate committee of the University Senate study the matter of proper hours for opening and closing the Library and the problems connected with keeping the Library open throughout vacation periods. His motion was seconded and passed.

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

ADJOURNMENT

The University Senate adjourned at 5:05 p.m. The next regular session will be held on Monday, January 31, 1966. Materials for the Agenda should be in the Office of the Secretary by Wednesday, January 19.

Gerald A. Porter, Secretary

