

JOURNAL OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

Regular Session, May 30, 1966 -- 4:10 p.m.
Student Union Building, Room 165

The University Senate, meeting in regular session, was called to order by the Secretary, Dr. Gerald A. Porter.

<u>Present</u>		<u>Absent</u>		<u>Absent</u>	
Bell, Digby B.	(2)	Braver, Gerald	(1)	Olson, Ralph E.	(2)
Berenda, Carlton W.	(3)	Campbell, John M.	(6)	Patnode, Robert A.	(4)
Bienfang, Ralph D.	(5)	Crook, Kenneth E.	(3)	Phelps, Elbridge D.	(1)
Bishop, L. Doyle	-	Daniels, Raymond D.	(3)	Reeves, Charles H.	(2)
Collier, Robert E.	(1)	Daron, Garmon H.	(8)	Rohrbaugh, Lawrence M.	(5)
Cross, George L.	(5)	Eek, Nathaniel S.	(5)	Smith, Thomas M.	(3)
Duncan, J. Paul	(1)	Eriksen, John G.	(1)	Smith, William H.	(2)
Gooch, Brison D.	(1)	Feiler, Seymour	(2)	Sutherland, Stephen M.	(4)
Howard, Robert A.	(2)	Goodman, George J.	(1)	Terry, Richard A.	(4)
Huneke, Harold V.	(3)	Harlow, James G.	(4)	Thayer, Calvin G.	(2)
Levy, Gene	-	Hart, Frances	(3)	White, Raymond R.	(3)
Love, Tom J.	(1)	Ivey, Michael	(3)		
Maehl, William H., Jr.	(2)	Johns, O. D.	(4)		
Peterson, Robert V.	(1)	Livezey, William E.	(4)		
Plint, Colin A.	(4)	Murphy, James M.	(3)		
Steen, Wilson D.	(4)	Ohm, Robert E.	(4)		
Turkington, D. Barton	-				

NOTE: During this year there were eight regular meetings of the University Senate. The numbers in the parentheses above indicate meetings missed. In each case where there is no number, the Senator has a record of perfect attendance for the eight meetings.

ELECTION OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN
OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

Dr. Porter, Secretary of the University Senate, in the absence of both the Chairman and the Vice Chairman, conducted the election of a temporary chairman.

Dr. Robert E. Collier was elected to serve as Chairman of the University Senate until the September, 1966, meeting at which time the Chairman for 1966-67 will be elected. Dr. Collier immediately assumed his new duties.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The Journal of the University Senate for the regular meeting held on April 25, 1966, was approved.

STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT CROSS

Speaking only briefly, President Cross announced to the University Senate his intention to retire as president of the University on June 30, 1968. He then recommended that a committee be formed by the University Senate to work with the Regents of the University in beginning an immediate search for his successor.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

Immediately following the announcement by President Cross and his departure from the Senate meeting, five members of the University Senate petitioned for a special meeting. The petitioners were: Colin A. Plint, Carlton W. Berenda, Ralph D. Bienfang, Robert A. Howard, and D. Barton Turkington.

Following a brief discussion, a special session of the University Senate was scheduled for Monday, June 6, 1966, at 4:10 p.m.

The purpose of this special meeting is to develop a faculty committee to assist in the search for the successor to President Cross. Specifically, there will be consideration of the appropriate size of such a committee, the nature of the representation, and the development of a list of nominees for membership on it.

EVALUATION OF TRANSCRIPTS

Explanatory Comments

Recommendations relative to evaluation of transcripts were approved by the University Senate on February 28, 1966, and were submitted to President Cross. On April 26, he responded with the following statement:

I understand that Dean Follows has worked out a plan by which routine evaluations are made in the Dean's Office and unusual evaluations are made in the Office of Admissions and Records and that so far this plan seems to be working satisfactorily. I think this plan should be given time to prove itself, and for this reason I am delaying approval or disapproval of the University Senate's resolution.

Senate Action

In the meeting on May 30, there was a brief discussion of the foregoing statement with several members of the Senate expressing opinions to the effect that the present plan for evaluation of transcripts is not working satisfactorily.

Dr. Bishop then moved that the matter be referred again to the University Senate Committee on University Organization, Budget and Publications for additional study in the Fall of 1966. His motion was seconded and passed.

STUDENT FEE INCREASE

A recommendation relative to student fee increase was formulated by the University Senate and submitted to President Cross on March 21, 1966.

Student Fee Increase -- continued

On April 26, President Cross responded with the following statement in reference to the recommendation by the University Senate:

I take the University Senate's resolution to be voluntary support of the Administration's efforts to obtain approval of an increase in the General Fee, and for this support I am very grateful.

I am unable, however, to approve the Senate's resolution in the precise form in which it has been submitted. Specifically, I cannot approve the alternative of seeking a General Fee increase "independently" of "Oklahoma State University and/or other state colleges".

As our financing is now handled, a fee increase for the University of Oklahoma alone would mean indirectly charging our students for the support of other institutions, and widening the gap between the University's fees and those of the state colleges would be otherwise damaging to the University.

Except for this point, I am, of course, in accord with the Senate's resolution and its intent, and I send the Senate my thanks for its support.

FACULTY INSURANCE

Explanatory Comments

Problems relating to faculty insurance were referred to the Senate Committee on Faculty Personnel on February 28, 1966.

Report from the Senate Committee on Faculty Personnel

May 16, 1966

In a conference between members of the Committee on Faculty Personnel and a representative of the President's Office, it was learned that discussion has already been held by representatives of the insurance company and the President's Office and that progress is being made toward rectifying the problems referred to by Professor D. R. Williams, Electrical Engineering, in his memorandum dated February 28, 1966.

Therefore, it is the committee's opinion that the matter needs no University Senate action at this time.

Ralph D. Bienfang, Chairman
Senate Committee on Faculty Personnel

Senate Action

Dr. Berenda moved that the foregoing report be accepted by the University Senate. His motion was seconded and passed.

Dr. Levy then moved that Mr. Dud Giezentanner be invited to come to the September meeting of the University Senate to discuss various phases of the faculty insurance program. His motion was seconded and passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

At 5:00 p.m., lacking a quorum and with three important items of business unfinished, the University Senate meeting was adjourned. The three items of business are:

1. Consideration of a report from the Senate Committee on Academic Standards relative to Incomplete Grades.
2. Development of nomination for University Councils for 1966-67.
3. Development of nominations for the Committee of Six -- Student Senate.

These matters will be considered at the special meeting of the University Senate to be held on Monday, June 6, 1966.

Gerald A. Porter, Secretary
University Senate

REPORT OF UNIVERSITY ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

The individual who has been elected to represent the General Faculty in the University Senate, 1966-69 is:

Paul R. David -- Zoology

The individuals who have been elected to represent the various colleges are:

Arts and Sciences -- John C. Brixey -- Mathematics
Harry E. Hoy -- Geography
Roy R. Male -- English (1966-68, to replace Dr. Thayer)

Business Administration -- Travis P. Goggans -- Accounting

Center for Continuing Education -- J. Clayton Feavor -- Philosophy

Education -- Herbert R. Hengst and Lloyd P. Williams

Engineering -- Edward F. Blick -- Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering

FRANK ~~John M.~~ Canfield -- Chemical Engineering
Gerald Tuma -- Electrical Engineering

Fine Arts -- Mildred M. Andrews -- Music
Charles C. Suggs -- Drama

Law -- Frank Elkouri

School of Medicine -- Mark R. Everett and Kelly M. West

School of Nursing -- Frances Hart

Gerald A. Porter, Chairman
University Elections Committee