

JOURNAL OF THE FACULTY SENATE (Norman campus)
The University of Oklahoma

Regular meeting -- November 9, 1981 -- 3:30 p.m., Dale Hall 211

The Faculty Senate was called to order by Dr. Gary Thompson, Chair.

Present:

Baker	Fishbeck	Hebert	Maletz	Seaberg
Biro	Ford	Hibdon	Menzie	Self
Brown, H.	Foster, J.	Howard	Moriarity	Smith
Brown, S.	Foster, T.	Kiacz	Murphy	Sonleitner
Christian	Gollahalli	Lanning	Patten	Stock
Christy	Graves	Lehr	Ragan, J.	Thompson
Covich	Gross	Levy	Ragan, T.	West
Driver	Hardy	Lis	Scharnberg	Whitmore
Dunn	Hayes	Love	Schleifer	

PSA representatives: Clinkenbeard Cowen Riggan

Absent:

Conner	El-Ibiary	Locke	Unguru	Wainner
Eick	Huseman	Rinear		

Provost's office representative: Ray

PSA representatives: Guyer Koscinski Little

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Journal of the Faculty Senate for the regular session on October 19, 1981, was approved.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Meeting, Inter-Senate Liaison Committee

The Inter-Senate Liaison Committee (consisting of the officers of the Health Sciences Center and the Norman campus Faculty Senates) will hold its fall, 1981, meeting on the Norman campus on Tuesday evening, November 10.

ACTIONS TAKEN BY PRESIDENT BANOWSKY

Faculty replacements -- University Committees: On October 28, President William S. Banowsky selected the following faculty replacements from the nominations submitted by the Faculty Senate:

Computing Advisory Committee (Norman): Charles McClure ✓

Film Review Committee (Norman): Frank Kirkland ✓

(Please see page 8 of the Senate Journal for October 19, 1981.)

Resolution of Appreciation -- Bill and Wylodean Saxon: In reacting to the Senate resolution of appreciation to Bill and Wylodean Saxon, approved by the Faculty Senate on October 19, 1981, President William S. Banowsky addressed the following message to the Senate Chair on November 2:

"Please express my appreciation to the Faculty Senate for their approval of the Resolution of Appreciation to Bill and Wylodean Saxon for their gift to the University of Oklahoma. As noted in your resolution, their primary motivation in making the gift was their affection for their alma mater and their interest in it continuing to increase its academic stature. Since their generosity will have a profound effect on our efforts to provide quality instruction and research across the campus, the resolution was appropriately approved by the campus-wide voice of the faculty.

"Thank you for your leadership in bringing about this official statement. It was deeply appreciated by the Saxons."

(Please see page 9 of the Senate Journal for October 19, 1981.)

Senate Resolution - Mounting an aircraft in front of Building T-1:
 President Banowsky, on October 29, addressed the following self-explanatory memorandum to the Senate Chair, with copies to Provost Morris, Vice President Elbert, Senate Secretary Lis, and Colonel Kelm:

"As I have publicly stated on many occasions, I am very supportive of the ROTC programs on the campus of the University of Oklahoma. I believe that these programs provide a learning experience that should be available to our students and that is of enormous benefit to our country. It is personally gratifying to me to see these programs again growing under the leadership of effective directors such as Colonel James Kelm of the Air Force ROTC.

"Due to the decisions that will be made in the near future concerning the expansion of the engineering building and the development of a campus master plan, I have asked Colonel Kelm to withdraw his request to mount an aircraft fuselage in front of the T-1 building. Please convey this decision to your respective constituencies."

(Please see page 8 of the Senate Journal for October 19, 1981.)

Proposed OMU Parking Garage: On November 2, 1981, President William S. Banowsky wrote as follows to the Senate Chair and the Chair of the Physical Resources and Campus Planning Council:

"I have received and reviewed the recommendation from from the Physical Resources and Campus Planning Council and the resolution from the Norman campus Faculty Senate concerning the proposed Oklahoma Memorial Union Parking Garage. Both communications expressed the concern that this proposed structure be reviewed by the consulting firm soon to be hired to study the circulation of traffic and parking patterns and problems on the campus. As you know, the Union is one of the major focal points for campus visitors, as well as many University community members. It operates approximately 18 hours a day, 7 days a week, and is experiencing a remarkable increase in the number of individuals utilizing its services.

"Because of this increased demand and the fact that the structure is to be constructed entirely from private funds, the parking garage has been widely supported by those groups most directly involved with the utilization of the Union, and I believe that it is an appropriate answer to the Union's pressing problem. In addition, each month's delay in construction adds approximately \$15,000 to the cost of the project. However, in an

effort to balance the urgent needs of the Union with the concern of all of us that anything constructed on campus be appropriate and consistent with a campus plan, the following procedure will be followed:

"1. I have asked Vice President Art Elbert to accelerate the interview schedule for selecting a consulting firm to study the circulation of traffic and parking patterns on the campus and to hire the consultant by the first week in November.

"2. The consultant will be instructed to study the circulation of traffic and parking beginning with the north part of the campus (north of Lindsey Street) working toward the south and have a report concerning the proposed parking garage within 30 days from the date the firm is hired.

"3. Consideration of the parking garage by the University of Oklahoma Regents will be delayed from the November meeting to the December 10, 1981, meeting so that the consultant's preliminary report may be considered. Unless the consultant raised serious questions concerning the appropriateness of the parking center, I will recommend its approval to the Regents.

(Please see page 8 of the Senate Journal for October 19, 1981.)

ACTION TAKEN BY SENATE SECRETARY: Faculty roster,
University groups and
Faculty Senate

The Senate Secretary has recently distributed to all Norman campus faculty members copies of the 12-page booklet that lists the 1981-82 faculty representation on University Councils, Committees, and Boards, as well as the Faculty Senate.

Faculty members who have not received their copies of this roster are requested to contact the Senate Secretary (OMU 242 - 5-6789) as soon as possible.

SPRING (1981) SEMESTER REPORTS: University and Norman campus
Councils and Student
Publications Board.

The Faculty Senate accepted the following reports for the spring semester, 1981, submitted by the Chairs of the designated Councils and the Student Publications Board:

Report of the Academic Program Council for the spring semester, 1981,
submitted by Mary Jo Nye, Chair, on July 6, 1981:

The Academic Program Council includes in its membership nine faculty members, six students, and two ex-officio, non-voting members. Connie Boehme, Editor of Academic Bulletins, confers regularly with the Council at its meetings. The faculty members of the Council are Raymond Dacey, Mary Jo Nye, Richard Wells, Richard Nostrand, Stanley Neely, Penny Hopkins, Loy Prickett, Thomas Carey, and Joakim Laguros. The student members of the Council are Chuck Neal, Karen Beck, Scott Deatherage, Ann Lomonaco, Mary Sullivan, and Janice Thomas. The two ex-officio members are J. R. Morris and Milford Messer.

During the Spring of 1981, the Council met five times. Each meeting lasted about two hours. Major curriculum changes that received special attention and discussion from the Council resulted in the approval of a Ph.D. in Physics with Emphasis in Science Education; the approval of a B.F.A. degree with Emphasis in Dance; the approval of a Liberal Studies degree with Museum emphasis; and the approval of a proposal to combine two areas in Home Economics, Child Development and Family Relations, into one major. The Council also approved a general proposal for the concept, composition, and structure of a new College of Geosciences, expressing concern, however, at the proposed four-year review of Arts and Sciences status for students and faculty in the new College. It is the Council's view that dual status in both colleges for students and faculty should not be discontinued.

One curriculum proposal rejected by the Council was the course addition Education 2002, Effective College Skills. Discussions of this proposed course led into broader consultations with non-Council members, including Dean Richard Wisniewski and Dean Jerry Weber. The Council concluded that a non-credit course or workshop on "Developing College Skills" might be beneficial to all entering students as a part of a systematic orientation program. The Council also made a detailed recommendation to Dean Weber regarding remedial and "intervention" courses, a copy of which is available in the office of Connie Boehme, Editor of Academic Bulletins.

Two other matters were discussed by the Council at some length. One was the question of whether the Academic Program Council duplicates the work of the Graduate Council in reviewing the Graduate College curriculum. The Academic Program Council concluded that the functions of the two Councils clearly are different and current procedure should be followed. A second matter discussed by the Council was the separation during 1980-81 of the Sociology faculty into two divisions. Council members expressed concern among themselves that the division is inappropriate, but the Council made no formal recommendations since it understands that efforts are currently underway to reunify the Sociology divisions.

At its last spring meeting, the Council elected Penny Hopkins Chairperson for the academic year 1981-82. The Council is meeting at least once during the summer, with Professor Hopkins chairing that meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Carey	Joakim Laguros	Richard Nostrand
Raymond Dacey	Stanley Neely	Loy Prickett
Penny Hopkins	Mary Jo Nye, Chair	Richard Wells

Report of the Athletics Council for the spring semester, 1981, submitted by Joseph Rieger, Chair, on July 20, 1981:

Nature of business discussed at Council meetings and recommendations made to President Banowsky:

Review of Intercollegiate Athletic Schedules: Proposed schedules were closely examined by Council members prior to recommending approval/disapproval. A major concern this past year has been the scheduling of athletic contests or meets during finals week. In several instances, proposed schedules were rejected or sent back to coaches for revision so that no conflict would exist between an event and a final exam. It is my belief that much progress was made in reducing conflicts of this nature. It might be worthy of mention to note that most universities do not seem to be as strict as O.U. in regard to prohibiting scheduling athletic contests during finals week. Nor do most of them seem to be concerned with the number of class cuts an athlete takes during a given semester.

Composition of Athletics Council: Briefly stated, we recommended that no change be made in the total number of voting members on the Council, two faculty alternates be appointed, and the student from the HSC be a voting member every other year. President Banowsky's recommendation to the Board of Regents authorized an increase in the number of voting members to eleven, as well as a few other changes.

College Football Association's (CFA's) role in negotiating contracts for TV monies earned by college football teams: Up until the present time, NCAA has negotiated TV football contracts, but this year the CFA has attempted to become the bargaining agent for its members. CFA is an organization composed of representatives of larger universities or more particularly those colleges whose football teams are often seen on TV. CFA members feel that the colleges doing most of the playing on TV should get a bigger share of money than those colleges who contribute little or nothing to earning it. Council members made a recommendation to President Banowsky urging him to "take action appropriate to keep OU's option open to choose the best football television arrangement and further, you should exercise your discretion to select the arrangement that best serves the University of Oklahoma." Basically, we supported the position taken by Dan Gibbens or lent encouragement to the CFA to pursue its goal of being the negotiator of TV contracts for college football games.

Athletic Department Budget: An important item of business for the Athletics Council every spring is consideration of the budget for the Athletic Department. This year, was somewhat different in that sufficient money was not available to fund athletic programs at a level commensurate with previous years. An ad hoc committee spent long hours considering various possibilities, including a recommendation of deficit spending. Council members elected to recommend a balanced budget to President Banowsky, even though it necessitated cutting back on one of the men's programs or swimming.

Relations with the news media or press: Beginning with the February meeting, members of the press showed up at Council meetings, stating they had the right to be present because of the "Open Meetings Law." Chairperson Rieger objected to their presence at the February meeting, asking for time to "check the rules." His request was honored, albeit reluctantly. Discussions were held with Dr. Turner, Executive

Assistant to the President, and the legal counsel, and subsequent meetings were opened to the press, primarily because of our President's desire to be as open as possible. During one meeting when the athletic budget and recipients of awards were discussed, the reporters were asked to leave, which they did reluctantly. Near the end of the semester, an ad hoc subcommittee studied the issue of relations with the news media or press and came to the conclusion that the Council could continue to conduct its business in the presence of the news media, with certain exceptions. Presumably, future meetings will be carried out in the presence of the press.

Miscellaneous other issues were discussed but, in retrospect, seem trivial and not worthy of mention.

Attendance at our meetings this spring has continued to be good, and all members have worked diligently at their tasks. All members have been generous with their time and deserve considerable praise for work on the Council. I feel very fortunate to have had the opportunity to work with each and every one of them. My estimate of time spent by each member is 8 to 12 hours per month and about twice that amount by the chairperson.

Commencing with the 1981-82 academic year, the composition of the Athletics Council will change in accordance with recommendations made by President Banowsky to the Board of Regents.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Artman
 Laura Gasaway, Vice Chair
 Joseph Rieger, Chair

Herbert Hengst
 Jack Kasulis

Report of the Budget Council for spring semester, 1981, submitted by L. Doyle Bishop, Chair, on September 18, 1981:

The work of the Budget Council on the 1981-82 budget was delayed because of the late action by the Legislature. Because the appropriation by the Legislature was less than the figure that had been used for planning purposes during the year, final adjustments to the Council's budget recommendation had to be made in a short period of time. Although there was a substantial increase in funding, the money was not adequate to fund all activities to a level that Council members thought desirable. Increases in faculty and staff salaries remained a number-one priority throughout.

The Council's long-range planning committee (George Bogart, Brooks Hill, Dave Stapleton, and Craig Conley, ex officio) was very active during the spring term. A survey of those involved in the budget-making process revealed a rather strong feeling that we should put more emphasis on longer-term budget planning. The committee made recommendations as to how this might be accomplished (with a full recognition that many difficulties are involved). The addition of Craig Conley as Budget Director will be of material assistance to this process.

V. Stanley Vardys was elected Chair for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Doyle Bishop, Chair	Trent Gabert	Stanley Neely
George Bogart	Brooks Hill	Mary Esther Saxon
Ronald Evans	Jim Kenderdine	V. Stanley Vardys

Report of the University Council on Faculty Awards and Honors for the spring semester, 1981:

On January 19, 1981, the Council completed its work for the 1980-81 academic year. Therefore, no report for the spring semester was submitted. (Please see page 8 of the Senate Journal for February 9, 1981.)

Report of the Physical Resources and Campus Planning Council for spring semester, 1981, submitted by R. D. Larson, Chair, on September 18, 1981:

In the spring semester, 1981, the Administrative and Physical Resources Council met in four regular sessions (the first Thursday of each month), five special sessions, and in meetings appropriate to its subcommittees. The Council continued to meet during the summer session in two regular meetings and two special meetings.

The Council continued its major task of developing the campus plan for the physical resources of the Norman campus. During this semester, the Council called on the expertise of the following:

Joseph L. Rodgers, Chair, Regional and City Planning
 Earl Whitman, Director, Purchasing
 Professor William F. Bentz, Chair, and Ralph Howenstine, student, University Computing Advisory Committee
 William I. Churchill, Director, and Tom Scott, Auxiliary Services, concerning Centrex and Telephone services

The Council also attended a presentation of a plan for the University of Oklahoma (Norman campus) presented by the students of the College of Environmental Design.

The Report on the Campus Plan for the University of Oklahoma was completed during the summer and was presented to President Banowsky in August, 1981.

In addition to the above, the Council was concerned during the spring semester, 1981, with the following:

Naming of the Library Expansion - On March 5, 1981, the Council voted to acknowledge the Regents' action in the naming of the Library expansion to be called the Doris W. Neustadt Wing of Bizzell Memorial Library.

Naming of the Gymnastics Building - On June 22, 1981, the Council approved the recommendation that the new gymnastics facility be named the Sam Viersen Gymnastics Center.

Air-ROTC Request - On May 7, 1981, the Council voted not to support the request of Air-ROTC to mount an aircraft in front of the T-1 building.

Parking and Traffic - On February 26, 1981, the Council met with Mr. Woodrow Wiltse, Parking and Traffic Coordinator, to review last year's parking fee increase and to evaluate projected parking lot resurfacing projects. The Council agreed that there would be no additional fee increase for at least two years.

Council Name Change - On April 10, 1981, the Administrative and Physical Resources Council's title was changed to the Physical Resources and Campus Planning Council (Norman), effective July 1, 1981.

Music Building Site - On July 28, 1981, the Council approved the Phase IA and B site location of the new School of Music Building in the area between Elm and College Streets and north of Cruce Street.

Energy Center Site - On July 23, 1981, the Council was advised by the administration that the site for the new Energy Center would be the northeast corner of Boyd at Jenkins Street. Evaluation of the site would be considered at later meetings of the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Canter
Floyd Calvert
Bob Goins

Deirdre Hardy
Jeanne Howard
John Lancaster

Ray Larson, Chair
Robert Lusch
Arnold Parr

Report of the Board of Student Publications (Norman campus) for spring semester, 1981, submitted by Ed Carter, Chair, on September 11, 1981:

OU Student Publications ended fiscal year 1980-81 in July with a net operating margin of \$14,968 in all of its accounts. This compares with a loss of approximately \$25,000 for the 1979-80 fiscal year.

Although advertising sales for the Oklahoma Daily did not measure up to expectations, the Daily's advertising revenue showed a small increase compared with last fiscal year. The Daily wound up the fiscal year with a profit of \$20,930.

For the second year in a row, the Sooner Yearbook has shown remarkable improvement. Book sales, however, totaled approximately \$2,700, a decrease of about 300 compared with last year's sales. The yearbook showed a profit this past fiscal year of \$3,805.

The Journalism Press increased its commercial job printing work by \$18,000, an increase of more than 60 percent compared with last fiscal year. Because the depreciation was increased on some items, the Journalism Press showed a loss of about \$7,000 the past fiscal year.

The Publications Board showed a loss of about \$2,610 the past fiscal year because of several changes in the depreciation schedule.

On other matters, the Publications Board unanimously approved the replacement of the current computerized editing system with a newer, larger, and more extensive system.

The Oklahoma Daily was selected as the best overall college newspaper by the Southwest Journalism Congress. The Sooner Yearbook won a first-place award for overall excellence from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. This is one of about 18 first-place awards given nationally.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Carter, Chair
John Renner

Report of the University Research Council for the spring semester, 1981, submitted by Morris L. Marx, Chair, on August 21, 1981:

During Fiscal Year 1981, the Council participated in the award of \$481,828 to support research and creative activity at the University. This amount is much larger than in years past because of \$301,145 in O.U. Associates Funds dedicated to research.

Overall, Council members reviewed 220 proposals from 249 faculty members. Of these, 102 proposals supporting 122 faculty were funded. In its monthly meetings, the Council evaluated 94 proposals and funded 61 in the amount of \$101,273.

The OURI Trust Fund Allocation provided \$39,000 for Junior Faculty Summer Research Fellowships. Thirteen of these were awarded at \$3,000 each. Also, the National Institutes of Health provided \$40,410 for the Biomedical Research Support Grant program. The Council supported 12 proposals under this program.

As usual, the Council reviewed nominations for George Lynn Cross Research Professorships and made recommendations to the Provost.

At the May meeting of the Council, Dr. Dick van der Helm was elected Chair for 1981-82. He will provide able leadership for the Council.

Chair-elect van der Helm and I felt that the Council's internal procedures needed review. We were particularly concerned that the Council was not providing useful and constructive critiques of the proposals not recommended for funding. We asked Associate Dean Eddie

Smith, a former Chair of the Council, to meet with us as an ad hoc committee. This committee presented suggestions for new Council procedures at the June meeting, and they were adopted at the July meeting. Vice Provost Kenneth L. Hoving will distribute in early September new guidelines for Council grants, based on the adopted procedures.

The Council is indebted to Vice Provost Kenneth L. Hoving (Research Administration) for his financial support, encouragement, and wise counsel. Dean Hoving's regular attendance at Council meetings provided an informal but effective method of communicating to him our concerns about research at the University.

We also appreciate the valuable contributions of Associate Dean Eddie C. Smith.

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard Beevers
John Biro
Alexander Holmes
Joakim Laguros
Roger Mellgren
Morris Marx, Chair
Christine Smith
Patrick Sutherland
Dick van der Helm
William Weitzel

PRESIDENTIAL DISPOSITION OF SENATE ACTIONS, 1980-81

The annual report of President William S. Banowsky's disposition of Senate actions for the period, September, 1980, through August, 1981, appears on page 12.

RECORD OF PRESIDENTIAL DISPOSITION OF SENATE ACTIONS
(September, 1980 - August, 1981)

Number	Date	Item	Origin	Disposition
1	9/16/80	Faculty replacements: University Councils and Committees	Senate	Approved
2	10/29/80	Proposed University copyright policy	Senate	Approved
3	11/41/80	Proposed University Policy on Unprofessional Conduct	Senate	Denied, with counter-proposal (see #13)
4	11/12/80	Equity study of faculty salaries, 1980-81	Provost	Approved
5	11/12/80	Nominations for faculty vacancies, University committees	Senate	Approved
6	12/9/80	Nomination of faculty replacements, University groups	Senate	Approved
7	12/16/80	Faculty concern regarding schedules of athletic teams	Senate	Acknowledged
8	1/20/81	Selection of faculty replacements, University groups	Senate	Approved
9	1/20/81	Faculty alternates, Athletics Council	Senate	Approved
10	1/20/81	Proposed standardization of criteria, Faculty Personnel Policy	Provost	Approved
11	1/20/81	Proposal for MASUA exchange program - out-of-state tuition waivers for faculty dependents	Senate	Pending
12	2/10/81	Election of faculty replacement - Research Council (Norman)	Senate	Approved
13	2/10/81	Request for resumption of publication of the Faculty Register (Norman campus)	Senate	Denied, with counter-proposal: campus directory section
14	3/3/81	Faculty nominations, Search Committee, College of Geosciences	Provost	Approved
15	3/17/81	Proposed suspension, Program Discontinuance Policy, HSC	Senate	Acknowledged
16	3/17/81	Senate resolution of appreciation - Doris W. Neustadt Wing, Bizzell Memorial Library	Senate	Acknowledged
17	3/23/81	Senate recommendation - dental insurance plan	Senate	Pending
18	3/23/81	Proposed revisions - (1) title/charge, Administrative and Physical Resources Council, and (2) charge, Budget Council (Norman)	Senate Senate	Approved Approved
19	3/20/81	Proposal for "tax sheltering" OTRS contributions	Senate	Pending
20	3/31/81	Proposed revision: University policy, administrative search committees	Senate	Pending (with dependents)
21	4/2/81	Proposed revisions - Faculty Handbook statements concerning the Faculty Appeals Board	Senate	(See #29)
22	4/7/81	Proposed revision - Academic Misconduct Code (Norman campus, excluding Law)	Provost	Approved
23	4/17/81	Dissolution of the Academic Personnel Council	Senate	Approved
24	4/27/81	Summary report form - annual faculty evaluations	Senate	Approved
25	5/6/81	Proposed Sexual Harassment Grievance Procedure (Norman campus)	Provost	Approved
26	5/11/81	Selection of faculty replacements, end-of-year vacancies on University groups	Senate	Approved
27	5/8/81	Proposal for optional, early retirement of faculty	Senate	Pending
28	6/30/81	Selection of faculty replacements - University groups	Senate	Approved
29	6/30/81	Proposed revisions - Faculty Appeals Board section, Faculty Handbook	Senate	Approved, except Sec. 3.10.1

Fall meeting, OSU/OU Executive Committees: On October 22, the Executive Committees of the Faculty Council, Oklahoma State University, and the Faculty Senate, Oklahoma University, held their fall joint meeting in Stillwater.

The OSU delegation included the following faculty members:

Richard Frahm (Animal Science), Council Chair
Donald Brown (Anthropology), Council Vice Chair
Robert Radford (Philosophy), Council Secretary
Eddie Basler (Botany)
Claudette S. Hagle (Library)
Marvin S. Keener (Mathematics)
James P. Key (Agricultural Education)
Ronald P. Rhoten (Electrical Engineering)
William Segall (Curriculum/Instruction)
Neal Willison (Electrical Technology)

The OU delegation consisted of the following members of the Senate Executive Committee:

Gary Thompson (Geography), Senate Chair
Teree Foster (Law), Senate Chair-elect
Anthony S. Lis (Business Administration), Senate Secretary
John Biro (Philosophy)
Sherril Christian (Chemistry)
William Eick (HPER)
Carl Locke (Chemical Engineering)
Stephen Whitmore (Physics/Astronomy)

The major topic of discussion was the question of the foreign language requirement. During the social hour preceding the business session, OSU President Lawrence L. Boger indicated that this matter was a high priority item with him as well. The two Committees agreed to set up a liaison between the OU Senate Committee on General Education and the OSU Academic Standards and Policies Committee. Hopefully, during this academic year, a joint resolution can be prepared to express the sentiments of both faculty groups in this matter. According to Professor Thompson, the sense of the discussion was that, if at all possible, both Universities should encourage the high schools throughout the state to take responsibility in this matter. "Whatever we can do in this direction should be one of our highest priorities this year."

Other topics included student evaluation of faculty, general education requirements, fringe benefits, academic standards, and outside employment and extra compensation.

October 29 Senate Executive Committee meeting: Professor Thompson called specific attention to the following items considered by the Senate Executive Committee at its October 29 meeting:

(a) UOSA Faculty Evaluation Report: At the invitation of the Committee, Mr. John Hollar, Director of the UOSA faculty evaluation project conducted last spring, addressed the Committee regarding the report booklet to be distributed on the Norman campus shortly.

He called attention to the low number of evaluation forms returned by the students last spring in this initial UOSA effort to conduct a campus-wide evaluation of instructors. In Professor Thompson's view, "He defended this effort adequately and convinced the Committee that this effort to improve the quality of teaching and provide students with some guidance."

(b) Proposed change in W/F regulations: Ms. Malia Connery, a graduate teaching assistant in the College of Business Administration, has recently proposed some changes in the University regulations concerning the W/F grades. The matter has been considered, in turn, by the Committee on Academic Regulations. Dr. Jerry Weber, University College Dean and Vice Provost for Instructional Services, has requested the Academic Regulations Committee to delay its final report pending his appearance before that group with additional recommendations in this matter. This question should be on the agenda for the December 14 meeting of the Faculty Senate.

Resolution of appreciation - Bill and Wylodean Saxon: Professor Thompson, Senate Chair, reported that, at a recent Saturday luncheon in the Oklahoma Memorial Union in conjunction with the current fund-raising campaign for the Energy Center, he had formally presented the resolution to Mr. and Mrs. Saxon. (See page 9 of the Senate Journal for October 19, 1981.)

Regent Replogle's address at Kappa Gamma Epsilon meeting: Mr. Dee A. Replogle, Jr., President of the University Board of Regents, will address the Kappa Gamma Epsilon (modern language society) on the topic, "Academic Excellence: Is There a General Education Connection?" All faculty members are invited to attend the event scheduled for 7:30 p.m., on Tuesday, November 17, in the 9th floor lounge of the Physical Sciences Building.

REPORT OF SENATE CHAIR-ELECT: Dallas seminar,
National Women's Law Center

Professor Tereé Foster, Senate Chair-elect, reported on her attendance last week at the Dallas seminar on the subject of litigation under Title IX. She and Professor Laura Gasaway of the Law Center Library represented the University of Oklahoma at the two-day session last week dealing with discrimination in educational institutions in such areas as employment, athletic programs, scholarships, counselling services, and the like.

In Professor Foster's opinion, "This was a very worthwhile conference. If these kinds of issues should arise on this campus, Professor Gasaway and I can serve as resource people."

Inasmuch as both had received a large amount of handouts, one complete set of those materials will be delivered to the University Legal Counsel for the use of that office.

On behalf of Professor Gasaway and herself, Professor Foster expressed sincere appreciation to Provost J. R. Morris for financing the trip.

REPORT OF SENATE SECRETARY: Fall meeting, State Conference
of Faculty Organizations

Professor Anthony S. Lis, Senate Secretary, presented a brief report on the fall meeting of the State Conference of Faculty Organizations representing private and public institutions of higher education throughout Oklahoma.

Drs. Lis and V. Stanley Vardys represented the University of Oklahoma Faculty Senate. Forty-seven faculty members from 18 institutions attended the meeting on the campus of East Central University, Ada, on Friday, November 6. The morning session featured the following panel that discussed various views of faculty organizations:

Dr. Dan Hobbs, Vice Chancellor, State Regents
Dr. John Hampton, Oklahoma State University
Dr. Joe Packnett, President, Oscar Rose Junior College
Senator Phil Watson, Edmond

Small-group sessions that afternoon were devoted to the following topics: faculty input into the budget-preparation process, faculty welfare, teaching loads and other faculty assignments, and continuing education.

Professor Vardys (Chair, Budget Council) reported at length on the activities of the Budget Council on this campus.

The spring meeting of the State Conference will be held at the Oscar Rose Junior College. The date is to be announced later. Interested faculty members--whether Senate members or not--are urged to contact the Senate Secretary (5-6789 - OMU 242) for additional information and arrangements for their participation in that session.

REPORT OF CHAIR, SENATE COMMITTEE ON FACULTY WELFARE

Professor Stephen Whitmore, Chair of the Senate Committee on Faculty Welfare, reported that his Committee had not met since the last Senate meeting.

However, he did comment on the following topics:

(a) Early retirement of faculty: The University Employment Benefits Committee will consider phased, early retirement of faculty at its meeting next week.

(b) Tax-sheltering of OTRS contributions: According to latest information, the University Legal Counsel has hired an outside tax attorney to seek an IRS opinion. "If we get a favorable opinion, we will be able to implement the proposal."

(c) Dental insurance proposal: Although the plan has not been put into effect this year because of budgetary limitations, there is a "cushion" for fringe benefits for next year, which has been more or less earmarked for the dental insurance plan. The University Employment Benefits Committee has approved the proposal that is still awaiting the Regents' approval. A UBC subcommittee is to investigate the feasibility of implementing the dental proposal and will request bids from insurance firms.

REMARKS BY DR. HERBERT R. HENGST

NCA Decennial Accreditation Visit - March, 1982: At the September Senate meeting, Provost J. R. Morris announced that Dr. Herbert R. Hengst (Education) had been appointed Norman campus coordinator for the NCA decennial accreditation visit scheduled for March 1-3, 1982. (Please see page 5 of the Senate Journal for September 14, 1981.)

At the invitation of the Senate Executive Committee, Professor Hengst appeared before the Senate at this meeting to present a progress report on the preparations being made for the forthcoming visitation on this campus and at the Health Sciences Center.

Professor Hengst distributed copies of (1) a two-page information sheet with three enclosures and (2) a computer-printout "departmental profile" sheet. The information sheet lists the accreditation criteria, the members of the visiting team, and the four types of materials that are being prepared. The "departmental profile" will include detailed information concerning the faculty, the administrative personnel, the student profile, maintenance and operation data, and the degrees awarded the preceding year.

This new approach is intended to be a low-key attempt to present to the visiting team routinely available information about the various academic departments to be used for external comparisons only and will require very little faculty involvement during the preparation of the various materials.

According to present plans, the departmental "profile sheets" are to be distributed to the departments during January for their review. Professor Hengst added, "They are not to be used internally in any sense."

Professor Hengst solicited questions from the floor; however, no questions were raised.

Public Hearing - Athletics Council: Football season ticket prices: Dr. Hengst, Chair of the Athletics Council, reported that the Athletic Department has started the current academic year with a deficit of \$350,000. Last spring, the Council advised the administration about ways of averting the deficit; however, no action was taken.

A public hearing has been scheduled on the Norman campus for Friday afternoon, November 20, at a site to be announced, to ascertain faculty, staff, and student reactions to a proposed hike in football season ticket prices. Professor Laura Gasaway, Chair of the appropriate Council subcommittee, will chair the public session. Professor Hengst urged interested faculty members to make their view known at that time.

Professor Hengst commented that, even if the ticket prices were raised to match the price of the Texas game (\$15), the Athletic Department would still be short about \$450,000.

The football team produced approximately 60 percent of the Athletic Department's budget. However, in view of the continuing inflation spiral and the significant expansion of the women's athletic program (now totaling \$1 million), the budget problem is "acute." That problem, according to Professor Hengst, is "a common one throughout the country. We are not alone in this respect."

SELECTION OF FACULTY REPLACEMENTS: University groups

Voting by written ballot, the Senate members selected the following replacements for faculty vacancies on the University groups designated below:

Elections:

Budget Council: Gail de Stwolinski (Music)
replacing George Bogart (Art), 1980-83

Committee on Discrimination (Norman):
Peggy Smith (University Libraries)
replacing Ann Hamilton (University Libraries),
1981-84

Nominations:

Campus Tenure Committee (Norman):
Robert Shalhope (History)
Stephen Thompson (Anthropology)
replacing Robert Nye (History), 1980-83

SENATE ad hoc COMMITTEE ON GENERAL EDUCATION

Background information: Last month, the Faculty Senate approved the appointment of a 15-member, University-wide ad hoc Committee to study general education on this campus. (Please see pages 5-7 of the Senate Journal for October 19, 1981.)

Senate action: Professor Thompson, Senate Chair, reported that the Senate Executive Committee had recently appointed the following Committee:

Biological Sciences: Mary R. Whitmore (Zoology) ✓
Business Administration: Robert Ford (Finance) ✓
Alexander Holmes (Economics) ✓
Earth Sciences: Claude E. Duchon (Meteorology) ✓
Education: Jay C. Smith (Instructional Services) ✓
Engineering: Tom J. Love (AMNE) ✓
George W. Tauxe (CEES)
Environmental Design: Thomas Selland (Architecture) ✓
Fine Arts: Susan Caldwell (History of Art) ✓
Humanities: David S. Gross (English) ✓
William H. Huseman (Modern Languages)
Mathematics: Thomas J. Hill (Mathematics) ✓
Physical Sciences: Gordon Atkinson (Chemistry) ✓
Social Sciences: Jean G. McDonald (Political Science) ✓
Henry J. Tobias (History)

The Committee has also been given the following charge:

- (1) Study the nature and the extent of the general education at the University of Oklahoma, as well as the character of the courses provided for students to meet these requirements,
- (2) Review studies of general education at other universities,
- (3) Make recommendations concerning general education at the University of Oklahoma.

The Committee is empowered to set up subcommittees, drawing for their membership on the entire University community, for assistance with studying various aspects of general education. A progress report is to be submitted to the Faculty Senate no later than February 8, 1982.

Professor Thompson next reported that the Senate Executive Committee feels that the humanities area is still somewhat under-represented and, therefore, suggests that the Committee membership be expanded from 15 to 17.

Professor Lanning moved that the ad hoc Committee membership be increased to 17. With one dissenting vote, the motion was approved.

The Senate Chair next expressed his intention to appoint an ex officio, nonvoting member from the University Libraries in response to a very strong case that had been presented to him by the University Libraries staff. No objections were raised from the floor.

Dr. Leonard West urged that the Committee meeting be appropriately publicized to permit the greatest possible faculty input.

In response to a question from the floor, the Senate Chair indicated that Oklahoma State University had recently published a 20-page booklet, Courses Designated for General Education Credit for Students Matriculating in the Academic Year, 1981-82. The booklet contains the statement that OSU colleges may exceed the University minimum but must require at least (1) 39 credit hours, comprising 6 credit hours of English composition and 33 credit hours of breadth requirements, (2) an International Dimension requirement, and (3) a Scientific Investigation requirement.

SENATE RESOLUTION: Water supply, University Golf Course

Dr. Marvin Baker offered the following resolution concerning the recent decision by President William S. Banowsky regarding the proposed dam and lake on Bishop Creek at the University Golf Course:

"WHEREAS the proposed dam and lake on Bishop Creek at the University Golf Course may result in significant environmental disruption,

"BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate on the Norman campus support the recent decision by President William S. Banowsky to investigate alternatives for supplying irrigation water to the University Golf Course."

Following a short discussion period, during which Professor Baker indicated that he had no specific alternative in mind, the Senate approved the resolution without dissent.

ADJOURNMENT

The Faculty Senate adjourned at 5:05 p.m. The Senate will meet in regular session at 3:30 p.m., on Monday, December 14, 1981, in Dale Hall 218.

Respectfully submitted,


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