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The Faculty Senate will hold its regular meeting on **February 3, 1997**, at 3:00 p.m. in room **53 CH**.

**AGENDA**

A. Roll

*B.* Approval of the Minutes of the January 6, 1997, Meeting

C. Announcements and Communications from the Floor

   1. President's Report
   2. Provost's Report

D. Question Period

   *1. Questions for Administrators*

   2. Questions from the Floor for the Chair

E. Reports from the Officers of Administration and Committees

   1. IFS Systemwide Study of Academic Advising - Enneking

F. Unfinished Business

   None

G. New Business

   1. Presidential Search Procedure

H. Adjournment

*The following documents are included with this mailing:

B. Minutes of the January 6, 1997, Senate Meeting

D1 Questions for Administrators
Minutes: Faculty Senate Meeting, January 6, 1997
Presiding Officer: Ulrich H. Hardt
Secretary: Sarah E. Andrews-Collier


Alternates Present: Dobson for Becker, Corcoran for Friesen.


Ex-officio Members

B. Approval of the Minutes of the December 2, 1996, Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Ulrich Hardt at 3:05 p.m. The Faculty Senate Minutes of December 2, 1996, were approved after C.2., with the following corrections:

- p. 42, para. 5, Strike the Word “Amended” from “THE AMENDED MOTION PASSED by...”

- p. 43, para. 2, Correct the spelling of “discrete”

C. Announcements and Communications from the Floor

- Senators and ex-officio members are requested to state her/his name and speak loudly when recognized by the Chair. Please note that Senate members sitting on or above the transverse aisle do not pick up on the recording, therefore transcription is impossible.

- The Steering Committee Meeting is Monday, January 13 at 3:00 p.m. in 394 Cramer Hall.
Changes in Faculty Senate since the November Senate Meeting:

Senators:

Dalton Miller-Jones has resigned and will be replaced by Duncan Carter (until 1999)
Pamela Tierney (until 1999) has resigned

Ex-officio members:

1997 Graduate Council Chair: Marjorie Terdal replaces Walt Ellis
1997 Scholastic Standards Chair: Don Howard replaces Alan Raedels
1997 Univ. Curriculum Committee Interim Chair: Richard Pratt

In today’s Agenda, Documents F1 and G1 should be numbered G1 and G2.

1. President’s Report

The President was delayed and reported after C.3. RAMALEY noted that ASPSU leadership had been very helpful this year as spokespersons for the institution.

RAMALEY reviewed the higher education component of the Governor’s budget and upcoming legislative issues. There are four major items, a tuition freeze, improved faculty salaries, $9. million for statewide engineering developments, and articulation with community colleges and K-12. There are also policy and fiscal issues related to PSU’s role in the Portland metropolitan area, such as the Urban Center. Regarding Engineering, the collaborative model prevailed and we will remain vigilant thanks to Provost Reardon and Dean Dryden. Enrollment targets have been met and our instructional base will be improved. The Strategic Budget Plan is progressing and the consultants will return in late January. The intent is for the first stage to be in place for planning the next biennium.

2. Provost’s Report

REARDON gave a brief follow-up on enrollment strategy. This year’s targets were met for Fall 1996. PSU may fall just short of our target for Winter 1997. Faculty are reminded to process by-arrangement enrollment forms immediately so that we can meet fourth week projections.
3. ASPSU Report

ASPSU President Mary Beth St. John referred Senators to the report (C3), and introduced ASPSU leadership. ST. JOHN stated that ASPSU had no relationship with faculty and the current leadership has attempted to change this, through the Oregon Student Association and on campus. They intend to recruit even more student leaders this term so they are not spread so thin. Faculty can help in this effort by spreading the word.

VIEIRA thanked the ASPSU representation for their hard work supporting PSU this year. General applause. GREENFIELD asked if ASPSU had any specific ideas for how faculty could help. ST. JOHN stated faculty are good at identifying students who could make a contribution, and can encourage them to participate. Joe Schaeffer, VP of ASPSU, asked that Senators encourage other faculty to be receptive to their recruiting efforts.

D. Question Period

There were no questions to administrators or the chair.

E. Reports from the Officers of Administration and Committees

1. Interinstitutional Faculty Senate Meeting of December 13-14, 1996

ENNEKING reported that Paul Simmons of UO is president, and she is IFS representative to academic council. The December meeting focused on getting legislative groups together. The next meeting is in January. Our two other IFS representatives are Craig Wollner and John Cooper.

2. Semi-Annual Report, Faculty Development Committee

GORDON-BRANNAN presented the report (E2), and added that requests this year total $310,000 whereas $100,000 is budgeted. She also added a breakdown of requests by disciplines: 17 in Science (including EAS) 14 in Social Science, 12 in Arts and Letters, 4 in Education and 2 in Business.

F. Old Business

None
G. New Business

1. ARC Proposal for General Education Degree Requirements in the Nursing and Dental Hygiene Pre-professional Programs

MERCER/JOHNSON MOVED the Senate approve the ARC Proposal for General Education Degree Requirement in the Nursing and Dental Hygiene Pre-professional Programs(F1).

LENDARIS asked how transfer students fit into this program. MERCER stated transfers from community colleges with 45-89 credits are placed in General Education at the Sophomore level. Students with 90 credits are placed in the Upper Division cluster. These students are being allowed to fulfill OHSU requirements without Freshman Inquiry. If they drop out at the first year, they are placed in Sophomore Inquiry. If they drop out at the second year, they are placed in Upper Division Inquiry.

BRENNER asked for a clarification of transfer conditions as they exist now versus these. MERCER stated students with 30-45 credits have a choice between Freshman Inquiry or the transfer transition course and Sophomore Inquiry. Others may be encouraged to take the transition but it is not required for any other group. This group of students are required to take Speech, etc., courses which have certain relationships to Freshman Inquiry objectives.

STEINBERGER asked how many students are affected. MERCER stated there are 70 Pre-nursing students listed at this time. Eight of these are “Post bacs” and are not affected, thirteen or more are covered in older bulletins, two Honors students are not affected, twenty-two are part or all in University Studies, and twenty-five are not in any of these categories. The last 25 are those affected. Eighteen students are in dental hygiene and eight of the 18 could be potentially affected.

RICKS asked if most of the students go on to OHSU. MERCER stated it is rare that they go to other programs. WINEBERG asked if ARC is getting petitions or is this proposal in anticipation of problems. MERCER stated there have been a few petitions, but the motivation is that advising needs to be improved for this group. The belief is that we have confused them to the point that they are not getting advising.

WAMSER asked if there have been any other “waivers” of General Education requirements. MERCER stated the Honors program. WAMSER asked if ARC sees students using this to avoid Freshman Inquiry. MERCER stated no as the program required two years of Biology and one year of Chemistry. WAMSER asked if
they don’t go to OHSU, what do they major in. MERCER stated they often major in Science or Social Science majors such as Psychology or Speech.

GREENFIELD stated he supported the proposal as it provides a good balance.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED.

THE MOTION PASSED by unanimous voice vote.

WINEBERG asked for a clarification of the text of the approved motion. HARDT stated his assumption was that it was only the main portion, and that the portion in parentheses was procedural. MOOR stated there is value in including the entire statement.

JOHNSON/LENDARIS MOVED the Senate approve the remainder of the ARC proposal, the portion in parentheses.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED.

THE MOTION PASSED by unanimous voice vote.

LENDARIS asked if Mercer would comment on how we will serve the underserved students now that this proposal has been passed. MERCER stated it will be routine for new students, but we will have to look for ways to reach continuing students. LENDARIS suggested the requirements be posted at OHSU.

2. University Curriculum Committee Course Proposals

Pratt presented the remainder of 1997 Course and Program Proposals forwarded by UCC (G1).

JOHNSON/FISHER MOVED the Senate approved the remaining proposals.

LENDARIS asked if there was a longer version which articulated the Mathematics changes. PRATT stated yes.

THE MOTION PASSED by unanimous voice vote.

H. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:08 p.m.
QUESTIONS FOR ADMINISTRATORS

1. Question for Vice President of Finance and Administration:

   Please describe the strategic budget planning process that is being development
   and when we can expect to hear details about the procedure.

2. Question for Vice Provost for Graduate Studies and Research:

   What is the status of the final report of the Task Force of Graduate Education?