## REGIONAL CAMPUSES FACULTY

MINUTES

The Regional Campus Faculty Senate of the University of South Carolina met at the Aiken Regional Campus on October 19, 1968, at 10:30 a.m.

Dr. Duffy presided at this meeting and was assisted by Mr. Ray Wilson, Vice-Chairman. It was suggested that since Mr. Wilson represented the Aiken Regional Campus someone from that campus should act as secretary. William Sanders was appointed as acting secretary.

Dr. Duffy explained to the senate members that Dr. Patterson is now Provost of the entire University. His activities with the regional campuses represent only a small part of his total activities.

Dr. Duffy explained that the Regional Campus Senate is set up on the line as the faculty on the main campus; therefore the directors should sit on this senate as voting members.

The senate members were reminded of the influence which they have had on the regional campus set-up since this body has been formed. He mentioned the 76 hour rule change. He also mentioned the rank and tenure set-up through which promotions are made. The directors present to the body of directors the names and papers of those faculty members which they recommend for promotion. Emphasis is placed on teaching ability rather than research. He stated that at present the directors have presented for approval the promotion of three faculty members to professor, four faculty members to associate professor, and 22 faculty members to assistant professor. He summed up his remarks by stating that the Faculty Senate has had a very definite influence on the University.

The question was raised by a new senate member as to what is our status as faculty members of the regional campus system. Dr. Duffy pointed out that we were not voting members of the faculty on the Columbia Campus. He also pointed out, as mentioned earlier, that our premotions come through recommendation of our director rather than through our department head on Columbia Campus. He reminded us that this should not be a reason for us to lose connection with our department head. He cited the history, economics, and biology departments as good examples of those departments having good communications by means of frequent meetings between the Columbia Campus and the regional campuses. Other departments were asked to comment on their tie-in with the main campus. Those representing the math department felt that they were not on the mailing list. They also felt that there was a lack of contact on the new courses now being offered - mainly Math 125.

The psychology department said they have had no campuswide meeting but they have had contact with the Columbia Campus faculty members through regional meetings.

The English department said that no meeting had been scheduled. They received the syllablifor English 101 and 102; however this was the only contact which they have had this year.

Those representing the accounting department said that their contact was good.

There was some comment concerning trouble getting tapes for the foreign language department. These persons were told they should contact Mr. J. C. Mimms of the foreign language department to supply their missing tapes.

The nursing department said their contact was good.

Dr. Duffy told us that each faculty member, with the exception of one or two cases, has blanket approval to teach freshman or sophomore level courses within his or her discipline. Individual approval can be made to teach junior and senior courses. This approval must be sought by the regional director of that faculty member desiring to teach a specific course.

The question was raised concerning travel funds. It was explained that certain funds are available for travel but that unlimited funds are not available. Each director must determine the best way to spend his funds. Therefore all faculty members cannot attend all meetings they would desire, but a decision must be made as to which meetings can be attended. Upon being questioned, Dr. Duffy agreed that additional funds are desirable but he also emphasized that Columbia has the same problems concerning travel that we have on the regional campus.

It was requested that the courses and curricula committee consider three basic problems:

(1) The question of course offerings concerning the associate degree program. This would involve the problem of "mixing."

- (2) The requirements for the associate of arts and associate of science degrees. The requirements as now stated are very loose.
- (3) The question of the certificates in the two centers.

Mr. Wilson read the list of the committee members and asked that each of these committees meet before they left Aiken to determine a committee chairman. A list of these standing committees has been attached to these minutes.

It was asked why we award the associate degree. Three specific reasons were given:

- (1) It is a very good means of public relations. We received great publicity from our graduating exercises last May.
- (2) It is a means by which we keep our sophomores during their second year of school.
- (3) It is also a means of a strict line of course requirements for our students.

Dr. Duffy asked the rank and tenure committee if they had any remarks to make to the senate members. No report was made.

Dr. Duffy reminded us that we have not been using our library committees as we should be using them. In Columbia the library committee approves practically all moves made by the libraries. He reminded us that each campus had an individual \$10,000 budget. We have a deadline of December to place orders for these new purchases.

We still are using the mass order system but we still want to make individual orders. We were reminded to ask ourselves two questions when placing orders:

(1) What do we have on our shelves?

(2) What is the usage of our books which we do have?

The question arose as to who should turn down orders made by faculty members on the regional campus. As an example, who is to decline purchase of books which may be considered as desirable for advanced courses? The point was brought out that the library should support our faculty as well as our students. In this connection we were reminded that complete information on orders should be given with each order. The chairman asked that these problems be studied by the senate library committee.

The admissions committee at Lancaster asked that an admissions committee be set up to make a study for admission requirements for the regional campuses. Dr. Duffy asked that those with interest in admissions requirements form a committee concerning any changes which they would like to have the University to consider. This committee is to make its reports to Dr. Duffy. Those on the committee are:

> James Glenn - Lancaster John Woodward - Florence Mack Samples - Lancaster James Branham - Coastal Charles Parker - Florence William Sanders - Aiken Charles Stanley - Spartanburg John Wallberg - Allendale

This committee is to elect its own chairman or coordinator.

The following question was placed before the senate: What is the responsibility of the committee on student academic responsibility - what is the procedure to be used? Dr. Duffy told us that when a violation is thought to have taken place that we should follow the outline in the manual "to the letter." A full report must be made to the provost. He reminded us that this has become a very touchy situation. When a student wishes to appeal a ruling brought about by the committee on academic responsibility, the appeal is made to the regional director of that campus and then the appeal is carried up through channels. This is considered an appeal rather than a petition.

Several points were made on students rights:

- (1) Don't allow suspension lists to be published in the newspaper.
- (2) Don't release information to news media on dismissal of students for conduct.
- (3) We can let the FBI and the draft board see the records of the students.

Dr. Duffy appointed a steering committee to arrange the agenda for the next faculty senate meeting. This committee consists of Ray Wilson, William Sanders, and Sam Creely... Anyone who has an item of business which he wishes to have discussed before the senate must contact one of these members to have this item placed on the agenda. A motion was made to entertain a motion to change the time of the meeting. The motion was made and carried by more than a two-thirds majority. Discussion followed, concerning the time which we would like to meet. Several motions with amendments were made; however, the following motion as seconded read that we meet at the call of the provost on every other month, but not on Saturday. The motion was carried.

The motion was made and carried that the attached list of grade changes be approved by the senate.

The motion was made and carried that we adjourn to the Commercial Hotel for lunch.

All members were present at the lunch. The motion was made and unanimously approved that we deviate from our plan to meet at the regional campuses according to alphabetical order. This would allow us to meet at a campus which might be more convenient at a specific time of the year.

Respectively submitted,

## William C. Sanders Acting Secretary

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