

REGIONAL CAMPUS FACULTY SENATE MEETING

FEBRUARY 22nd 1974

SPARTANBURG, SOUTH CAROLINA

Before the meeting was called Chairman Nunnery requested that all voting members of the Senate sit toward the front of the room. Upon opening the meeting, the Chairman welcomed guests, particularly Professor Elmer Shwartz, Chairman of the Faculty Senate, Columbia.

Mr. Nunnery offered the floor to Professor Shwartz who recommended that our Senate send representatives to all of the committees of the Columbia campus Senate, particularly the Provost Search Committee and the Advisory Committee. In closing Professor Shwartz expressed his pleasure in being with us. *Also assigned to the Search Committee*
Chairman Nunnery then introduced Dr. Keith Davis, Associate Provost and Director of Continuing Education.

Associate Vice Provost Dr. John Duffy was than introduced and offered the floor. He conveyed regrets and best wishes from the Provost and the Vice Provost. Dr Duffy said that the House Sub-committee on Education had approved the University's request for additional funds for the three larger Regional Campuses: Coastal Carolina, Aiken, and Spartanburg for development and that the level of funding for the other campuses would be at \$787.00 per FTE for the coming year. This was a forecast, as was a reported 4% salary increase for state employees.

In closing Dr. Duffy offered his thanks to the Spartanburg Campus for their hospitality.

The Chairman asked the nominating committee for its report. The Nominating Committee nominated: Dr. Jim Brown to the Academic Forward Planning Committee Dr. Calvin Smith to the Select Committee. The Chairman announced that other nominations would be called for prior to the close of the meeting.

The Chairman then turned the floor over to Dr. Keith Davis who addressed the Senate on the results of the institutions goals inventory meeting held at the University last fall. Dr. Davis pointed out some of the highlights of the Inventory from a printed report which he had for distribution to the Senate, 53% of the total faculty took part, but this only represented 42% of the total of the Regional Campus Faculty. Dr. Davis suggested that the findings of the institutional goals inventory could be used as a recipe for political action.

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On calling for approval of the minutes of the last meeting, Mr. Stein pointed out that on page #2, the third motion of the Welfare Committee was misworded. It should read:

"That minimum annual faculty salary raises be given to those faculty members whose duties have not changed based on the cost of living index furnished by the federal government and that additional sums be considered for merit raises"

Rather than

"The cost of living increases for faculty whose duties have not changed be provided and that additional sums be given for merit raises."

The correction was approved and so were the minutes.

The Chairman then called on the Chairman of the Courses and Curriculum Committee. First, as a matter of information it was announced there is no limit to the number of courses or hours a student may take at a Regional Campus.

Dr. Duffy cautioned the Senate that the students should not be abused by being loaded down with electives at Regional Campuses that will not count toward a degree.

Dr. Brown replied that it was not the committees intention in reporting this information to encourage such action.

A second item of information was that the present grading system is in need of re-evaluation and a committee on main campus is studying the system.

Thirdly, the Curriculum Committee suggested that the Committee Structure of the Senate be revised and that this be placed on the agenda of the next faculty meeting. The re-structuring suggested by the Course and Curriculum Committee would call for a Financial Concerns Committee, a Rights and Responsibilities Committee, and Administrative Assistance Committee.

The Chairman of the Library Committee than made the report of that committee.

It was moved that Dr. Duffy solicit from Dr. Toombs a statement of policy, authority, and rationale regarding Regional Campus use of main campus libraries.

The motion passed.

representative for the faculty
Mr. Stine stated that in as much as some members of committees have expressed their opinion that they really don't know what their responsibilities are and why they are in existence, the following motion is made:

That the Chair person of the Regional Campus Faculty Senate evaluate and establish the responsibilities of each major committee and that these responsibilities be published and distributed to each Faculty Senate member, starting with the next administration.

The motion was tabled.

Dr. Brown, our representative to the main campus Faculty Senate Courses and Curriculum Committee reported: That he was welcomed and listened to by the members of the committee but that their business had little direct bearing on the Regional Campuses. Dr. Keith Davis pointed out that the new courses can originate outside of a specific department such as University 101. This, however, referred to courses of a cross-disciplinary nature.

Report of Chairman: Mr. Nunnery pointed out differences in the operation of the General Studies Department on Main campus and the Regional Campuses. Change in grading scale seems eminent in General Studies also. Mr. Nunnery also noted that we are gaining representation on committees of value on the main campus. Mr. Nunnery read a letter he wrote to Dr. Patterson requesting representation on the Committee for the Restructure and Reorganization of the University. He then read a letter of reply for T.E. Marchant Chairman of the Board of Trustees requesting that he, Jimmie Nunnery, serve as the Senates representative to the committee.

-Unfinished Business-

The Aiken delegation submitted a motion, a proposed amendment to the Regional Campus Faculty Manual, page 16-2-b. The amendment reads: shall be elected to serve for a two or three year term. Approximately 1/3 or 1/2 of the senators shall be elected on alternate years to permit continuity. No senator shall serve more than one term in succession"

After considerable discussion, the motion for ammendment of the Manual was defeated.

On other items of unfinished business, Dr. Duffy reported that the mandatory number of office hours no longer exceeds 10 hours on any campus. Dr. Duffy also reported that recommendations for promotion would no longer be brought before the council of directors.

- New Business -

Dr. Duffy stated that the equipment for producing picture ID cards would soon be sent out to the campuses for faculty members to obtain picture ID cards.

The Secretary brought several grade changes before the Senate. Dr. Duffy pointed out that this is not necessary, that, the grade changes should be acted on by the local faculty and than sent to Dr. Duffy's office.

Churchill Curtis was elected to the Search Committee.

Jim Brown was elected to the Academic forward planning Committee.

The next Senate meeting will be at Coastal Carolina on April 5, 1974.