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REGIONAL CAMPUS FACULTY SENATE
MINUTES OF MEETING
APRIL 5, 1974

The Regional Campus Academic Senate met on April 5, 1974, at the Coastal Carolina Campus. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Jimmie Nunnery, at 1:50 P.M.

Mr. Nunnery introduced the Vice President for Business Affairs, Mr. Harold Brunton.

The minutes of the February 22, 1974 meeting were approved with the following corrections:

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line 7 - "Campus Senate, particularly the Provost Search Committee and the..."

line 10 - "Chairman Nunnery then introduced..."

line 12 - ... " Dr. John Duffy was then introduced"...

line 29 - ..."from a printed report"...

line 32 - ..."the Institutional Goals Inventory"...

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line 13 - "The Chairman then called"...

line 20 - ... "the committee's intention"...

line 29 - "Dr. Conway Henderson, representing the chairman, then reported for the Library Committee."

line 31 - "authority, and rationale"...

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line 1 - "Mr. Stine, reporting for the Faculty Welfare Committee, stated"...

lines 12,13 - ..."Dr. Keith Davis pointed out that new courses"...

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lines 9, 10 - "pointed out that this is not necessary. The grade changes should be acted on by the local faculty, and then sent to Dr. Duffy's office.

line 12 - "Jim Brown was elected to the Academic Forward Planning Committee."

Insert between lines 12 and 13 - "The Nominating Committee membership was announced as follows: Mr. Churchill Curtis, Chairman; Mrs. Cecilia Cogdell, Mrs. Betty Martin, and Mr. Jim Beatty."

Mr. Churchill Curtis, Chairman of the N mination Committee, presented the nominations for the Senate officers for 1974-75. The nominees were: Miss Carolyn Wynn - Chairperson, Mrs. Emily Towler - Vice-Chairperson, Mr. John Samaris - Secretary. The election was to be held later in the meeting.

Comments by University Officials

Dr. Davis stated that it seems certain at this time that the Sumter campus will remain a part of the University system. The Higher Education Commission is conducting several studies regarding the status of the Sumter campus.

The progress of the appropriations bill this year is very slow. The funding level for regional campuses is also still uncertain. \$390,000 has been requested for Coastal, Spartanburg, and Aiken. Serious falls in enrollment could create major financial difficulties. Coastal Carolina campus will receive a visit from the Southern Association for advisory recommendations for moving toward four-year status. There will be a later visit for accreditation, perhaps in Spring, 1975.

Dr. Davis reported that Mr. Toombs and the library staff have acknowledged the rights of the regional campus faculty to the use of the library.

There is some difficulty regarding identification for regional campus faculty. This problem should be solved by using the same identification cards as the main campus faculty. The length of time for checking out books, however, will not be indefinite.

Mr. Churchill Curtis reported that regional campus students are still experiencing refusal of service at the main campus library.

Dr. Brasington announced the schedule of activities for the weekend.

Mr. Nunnery introduced Vice President Brunton who spoke to the Senate about the federal and state controls in the future of higher education. He announced that Dr. Jones has again requested that funding for regional campuses be the same as that for four-year state colleges. He also stated that in the current budget request before the legislature faculty salary increases had been projected on the basis of recommendations by a consulting firm. He explained that the cost-of-living raises recommended were reported in November.

Reports from Standing Committees

Courses and Curriculum Committee - Dr. James Brown reported that the consensus among regional campus faculty regarding the grading system was that greater delineation was desirable, such as that provided in the A, B, C, D, NC system with the additional possibility of pluses and minuses. Recommendations will be forwarded to the Columbia committee studying the grading system.

Library Committee - Mr. Andrew Crosland stated that the committee had no information to report to the Senate at the present time.

Faculty Welfare Committee - Mr. John Stine, secretary for the committee, presented the following motion:

That minimum annual faculty salary raises based on the cost-of-living index furnished by the federal government be given to those faculty members whose duties have not changed and that additional sums be considered for merit raises. The committee also recommends that the legislative liaison officer of the University of South Carolina convey this motion to the Education Committee and the Ways and Means Committee of the state legislature.

The motion passed.

The Welfare Committee recommended that the names of the present nominating committee be included in the minutes and that the names of future nominating committees be included in the minutes. The committee also requested that the agenda for senate meetings be mailed earlier. Dr. W. R. Allen requested that all members of the Senate be provided with a list of all senators and that the chairman of each delegation be indicated.

Special Committee Reports

Columbia Courses and Curriculum Committee - Dr. Brown reported that new courses and course changes will be sent to the Columbia faculty for action.

There were no reports from the Library and Faculty Welfare Committees, neither of which had met.

Forward Planning Committee - Dr. Brown stated that reports will be made in the near future regarding the structure and organization of the regional campuses and suggestions for improvement.

General Studies Study Committee - Mr. Nunnery announced that the committee will present its full report at the April Faculty Senate meeting in Columbia. He reported that the committee has studied the G.S. associate degrees and relationships to University baccalaureate degree programs and that specific recommendations will be presented.

Dr. Davis pointed out that Regional Campus Associate degree programs differ from General Studies Associate Degrees in that courses in the regional campus programs are baccalaureate level.

Reorganization and Restructure Committee. Mr. Nunnery reported that the committee is continuing its study of the structure and organization of the University and hopes to visit other university systems to gain further information.

Unfinished Business

The following motion from the Courses and Curriculum Committee (presented at the Feb. 22 meeting) was considered:

That there be a revision in the Regional Campus Senate Committee Structure with the following suggested committees: (1) Financial Concerns (2) Rights and Responsibilities (3) Administrative Assistance.

On behalf of the Library Committee Mr. Crosland presented the amendment to the above motion to substitute Intro-university Services and Communications Committee for committee (3) Administrative Assistance.

The Faculty Welfare Committee presented the following substitute motion:

That the Chairperson of the Regional Campus Faculty Senate chair an ad hoc committee consisting of the chairmen of the present three standing committees to define, publish and distribute to all faculty members the responsibilities of each of these three committees. We recommend that this be accomplished prior to the next senate meeting. In addition, after distribution and evaluation of the report, then restructuring of the major standing committees be considered if applicable.

The substitute motion by the Faculty Welfare Committee failed. The amendment to the original motion was voted on and passed. The amended motion was voted on and passed.

New Business

The nominees for the Senate officers for 1974-75 were again presented, and Mrs. Towler was elected to the office of Vice-Chairperson and Mr. Samaras to that of Secretary by unanimous consent of the Senate.

Mr. Nunnery appointed an ad hoc committee to study the Regional Campus Faculty Manual for clarification and Correction. Examples cited were contradiction of titles, duties, etc., and conflict in policy and procedure. The members of the committee were named as follows: John Samaras, Chairman; Sam Greenley, and Linda Schwartz. The matter of alternate senators was also referred to this committee for study and recommendation.

The Regional Campuses have been asked to select a representative to the Committee to Study the Grading System. Dr. W. R. Allen was elected by acclamation.

Announcements

Dr. Davis announced that the Personnel Office in Columbia may make permanent ID's at any time. Mr. Brunton asked that any problems regarding ID's be reported to him.

Mr. Nunnery reported that regional campus representatives on main campus committees now also have vote. He also commended Dr. James Brown.

for his excellent service on the Columbia committees to which he was elected by the Senate.

It was also announced that military personnel now do not have to satisfy residence requirements of the University, provided the courses taken elsewhere are approved by the student's committee.

The entire Senate expressed its deep appreciation to Mr. Jimmie Nunnery for his outstanding service as Chairman of the Senate for 1973-74. He thanked the officers and the members of the Senate for their support and cooperation during the year.

All business having been completed the meeting was adjourned at 4:03 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Wynn

(Miss) Carolyn Wynn, Vice-Chairman