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at 11/7/95 Senate meeting)

SENATE MINUTES
UM-ST. LOUIS
October 10, 1995
3 p.m. 126 J. C. Penney

The meeting was called to order at 3:08 p.m. Minutes from the previous meeting (held September 12, 1995) were approved as submitted.

Report from the Chairperson -- Dr. Lois Pierce

The Chair opened by observing that at the recent Board meeting, the Curators focused on fiscal and administrative issues. She noted that Dr. McGill has been appointed Executive Vice President as a reward for his accomplishments, particularly in terms of the favorable bond rating the University has come to enjoy since he has been in office.

In December the Resources and Planning Committee of the Board, under the leadership of Curator McHugh, will present a new strategic plan with a subtle difference. Rather than stressing the need for cutting programs, the new plan will emphasize how programs will be funded. Some priorities of the old plan, including technology, continuous improvement (programs), people, and cooperation, have been retained. New areas include the University's role in higher education in the state and outreach/extension. Curator McHugh envisions UM as the national model in outreach. The Board is looking for reasonable, measurable goals, such as being in the top ten of public AAU institutions (suggested by Dr. McGill), increasing the diversity on our campuses, and enhancing access through cooperation rather than duplication.

The Chair commented on the need to continue to remind the Curators that cooperation is not necessarily going to save money and that it may be inappropriate for some programs. It is clear, however, that the Board is more likely to support new programs that are cooperative. President Russell has promised seed money to start up new cooperative ventures and is reinstituting the intercampus faculty exchange program.

Turning to other matters, the Chair reported that CBHE has received a grant to work on a project known as "Funding For Results." This project provides funding for campuses that achieve certain goals that the campus sets for itself. The Chair noted the importance of the Senate working with Academic Affairs in developing our goals. In an aside, she reported that she has invited representatives from the Title III project to sit in on meetings of the Senate committees on Curriculum and Instruction and Recruitment, Admissions, Retention, and Student Financial Aid in order to facilitate communication and eliminate unnecessary duplication between committees.

The Chair closed her report with the information that a University-wide committee is looking into ways to enhance the benefits package. The committee's scope extends beyond health care to include other existing and potential benefits. Senators were invited to contact our campus's representatives, Drs. Thomas Eyssell and Susan Feigenbaum, with suggestions or comments.

Report from the Chancellor -- Vice Chancellor Roosevelt Wright for Chancellor Blanche Touhill

In the Chancellor's absence Vice Chancellor Wright reported on meetings which have been held recently with officials from St. Charles Community College and Jefferson College. Discussion items have included site selection for the educational centers UM-St. Louis is planning in their respective communities and articulation agreements with these schools. Commenting on the strong interest that both institutions have expressed in our joint Engineering program, Vice Chancellor Wright indicated the possibility that Engineering courses could be offered through outreach communications as soon as fall 1996.

More than 200 Asian Studies scholars will be on campus for meetings of the Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs. Hosted by the Center for International Studies, the three-day regional conference will begin October 13.

Flu immunization shots will be offered by University Health Services on October 25 at several campus locations. The charge will be \$9.00. More information will be available in a forthcoming issue of Friday's Update.

Also on October 25, Student Affairs will be sponsoring an interactive teleconference entitled, "Educating Students with Disabilities: A Shared Responsibility." The event is scheduled to begin at 12:30 p.m. in 222 J. C. Penney.

Senators were encouraged to attend the Shadow Ball, an event held to raise funds for scholarships in the School of Optometry. This year's Ball is scheduled for October 27 at the Ritz Carlton Hotel.

At the close of the report, Dr. Joseph Martinich inquired about the fate of the University Scholars program on our campus. In a recent article in the Current, it was reported that the original decision to eliminate these scholarships was rescinded after the Administration received a number of complaints. The article went on to suggest, however, that the future of this program remains in doubt. Dr. Martinich asked if the Senate Committee on Recruitment, Admissions, Retention, and Student Financial Aid will be consulted before a final decision is made. Vice Chancellor Wright explained that the scholarships were reinstated for the current academic year because

those affected would not otherwise have received sufficient advance notice. He reported that the Chancellor is studying whether or not the funds could be better used in another way. Dr. Deborah Larson, chairperson of the Senate committee, expressed doubt that there is a better use for these funds, particularly since they are among the few scholarships that are awarded solely on merit. Vice Chancellor Wright suggested that the Committee could arrange to meet with the Chancellor to discuss the Senate's concerns.

Report from the Faculty Council -- Dr. Charles Larson

(see attached)

Report from the Intercampus Faculty Council -- Dr. Susan Feigenbaum

(see attached)

At the close of her report, Dr. Feigenbaum clarified for Dr. Harold Harris that the IFC's recommendations concerning the academic calendar will be brought back to the campuses for consideration. The Chair offered the additional information that each campus will retain its prerogative to approve its own calendar. She noted the importance of a common semester start and end date and break periods to our goal of furthering cross-campus collaboration on video courses. Another member of IFC, Dr. Stephen Lehmkuhle, predicted that the issue of independent grading systems will resurface, prompting Student Senator Pamela White to inquire if there are studies under way on the incremental system. The Chair remarked that incremental grading has been adopted on our campus and that concerns about incremental grading would need to be taken up by the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Instruction before they are brought to the Senate floor.

Report from the Student Government Association -- Ms. J. Elizabeth Titlow

Ms. Titlow reported that the committees formed at the first meeting of the SGA have met and developed their respective mission statements, copies of which are available by contacting the SGA office. She commented that she is impressed with the initiative demonstrated by students so far this year. At Ms. Titlow's request, the Senate observed a moment of silence in memory of Ms. Melinda Griffin, a student who was killed during a robbery at her home.

Report from the Committee on Curriculum and Instruction -- Dr. Lawrence Friedman

Dr. Friedman began by calling the Senate's attention to course additions/changes/eliminations which were effected by the Committee. Next, he presented proposals to change the B.A. in Communication and the Minor in Communication to drop the General Communication emphasis area. After these proposals had been approved by the Senate, Dr. Friedman noted that

the Committee had approved a separate change to the B.A. in Communication, which consisted of merely simplifying and consolidating various course changes and additions. Other "housekeeping" proposals approved by the Committee included a change to the Bachelor of Music, the B.A. in Music, and all Music degree programs (to add the piano proficiency requirements, which were inadvertently omitted) and two changes to the B.A. in History (one to add a new course and drop a course that has been eliminated, the other to change from the 192/393 sequence of 6 units to 393 only, 5 units).

On behalf of the Committee, Dr. Friedman recommended Senate approval for a new degree program, the Master's in Social Work. In response to a question from Dr. Charles Larson, the Chair (also the departmental chairperson in Social Work) reported that the department has been planning for the program for the past 15 years or so. She reminded senators that a cooperative M.S.W. had been approved by the Senate nearly a decade ago; however, the program was never implemented because the campuses could not agree on some of the arrangements. The Chair noted that the program under consideration is free-standing but could easily be adapted if one of the other campuses wished to join in. Dr. Martinich was assured by the Chair that the program is designed to be self-supporting and that the department understands that funding will not be taken from existing programs to start the M.S.W.

At the close of the discussion, the Senate approved the proposal without dissent.

Report from the Budget and Planning Committee -- Dr. Donald Driemeier for Chancellor Blanche Touhill

Dr. Driemeier explained that it was intended that Vice Chancellor Krueger would present the report in the Chancellor's absence, but Dr. Krueger was called to a meeting out of town.

(see attached)

After Dr. Driemeier read the report, Dr. L. Douglas Smith, a member of the Budget and Planning Committee, offered the additional information that the Chancellor had also touched on the issue of different admissions standards. Dr. Driemeier acknowledged that the University soon will be confronting the question of whether the campuses should have separate admissions standards or one minimum standard.

Report from the Committee on Committees -- Dr. William Gary Bachman

Dr. Bachman reported that Dr. Peter Handel will be on leave throughout the 1995-96 academic year and must therefore be replaced on the University

Relations Committee. On behalf of the Committee, Dr. Bachman nominated Dr. Edward Bennett (Optometry) to fill this vacancy. Dr. Bennett was elected by acclamation.

Report from the Committee on Physical Facilities and General Services -- Dr. Lawrence Barton

Because the first page of the Committee's written report was inadvertently omitted from the agenda, copies of the full report were distributed at the meeting.

(see copy of full report attached)

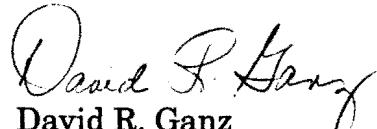
Dr. Margaret Cohen asked when the convenience store will open on the South Campus. Dr. Driemeier indicated that Vice Chancellor Schuster hopes it will be operational by mid-November.

Other Business

Returning to the issue of the fate of the University Scholars program, Dr. Joseph Martinich introduced a resolution calling for the Chancellor to present the question of whether or not to retain the scholarships to the Senate Committee on Recruitment, Admissions, Retention, and Student Financial Aid for discussion. The resolution was adopted by the Senate without dissent.

Completing the business at hand, the Senate adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


David R. Ganz
Senate Secretary

Attachments: Report from the Faculty Council
Report from the Intercampus Faculty Council
Report from the Budget and Planning Committee
Report from the Committee on Physical Facilities and General Services

(minutes written by
Ms. Joan M. Arban,
Senate Executive Assistant)

FACULTY COUNCIL REPORT

The Faculty Council met last Thursday, October 5. There was general concern that on-campus enrollment was up only about 200 this fall, given the arrival of the Barnes College of Nursing. In effect, this can be interpreted as a decrease in our non-nursing enrollment--always an ominous sign on a campus with an enrollment-driven budget.

Much of the meeting was given over to a presentation by our two principal Title III grant administrators, Karl Beeler and Pam Moehl. Our sense is that most faculty as yet don't have a particularly clear conception of just what this large grant will mean for their day-in and day-out work at advising (and, we hope, retaining) students. We shall try to keep abreast of the program as it develops, and information on it will doubtless come before the Senate as well.

I'll note in closing that the Faculty Council has once again this year established an ad hoc committee that will study various aspects of fairness and equity in the faculty salary situation, perhaps from a different perspective than last year's report. Our fondest hope is, of course, to produce a document of principles based on such clear and compelling logic that even the Deans will agree with it.

The IFC met in Columbia on September 28th. To facilitate intercampus course collaboration, the IFC voted unanimously to recommend to the President that a policy be adopted such that all campuses have the same Fall and Winter semester start and end dates for classes, as well as the same Thanksgiving and Spring breaks. The IFC also voted to restructure itself such that an executive committee would be formed comprised of one member from each campus, typically the former, current and chair-elect and secretary. The purpose of this committee would be to provide continuity in agenda and increase IFC presence at the General Officers' meetings. The new chair of IFC is Jean Braun from Kansas City. Next year's chair will rotate to the St. Louis campus.

The IFC reviewed the Faculty Activity Survey, criticizing it for adopting a presentation which singled UM-Columbia out in its analysis and treated the other campuses separately. There was general agreement that such a report should treat the UM system in aggregate and each campus separately, if so desired. There was also concern expressed about the accuracy of the data and limitations of the survey. The IFC voted unanimously that the Faculty Activity Survey be conducted no more frequently than every five years and that any future reports present findings for the UM system in aggregate, as well as include a section on study survey limitations.

In its subsequent meeting with the President, the IFC re-iterated its criticism of the Faculty Activity Survey, which the President received favorably. In addition, the President discussed his vision for intercampus access to graduate programs, as well as collaboration with other 4-year institutions in the state. He suggested that a faculty committee be elected to work on this issue. IFC members responded that the "residency" issue -- that is, how workload credit and student credit hours would be allocated -- would need to be resolved to everyone's satisfaction if there was to be any incentive to get involved in such collaboration.

Finally, the IFC intends to pursue the current state of health insurance offerings with Vice-President McGill invited to its October meeting.

Susan Feigenbaum
October 10, 1995

Report for Chancellor Touhill
Senate Meeting October, 10, 1995
Senate Budget & Planning Committee

Chancellor Touhill held a meeting of the Senate Budget and Planning Committee on Monday, September 25, 1995. During the meeting, Chancellor Touhill distributed and discussed the following documents:

Handouts used at UM Board of Curators June, 1995 Meeting
FY1998-2000 Distribution of Rate dollars (internal document)
Challenges IV (draft)

The Board of Curators had asked the Chancellors to set priorities for the next three years and the estimated cost of achieving those priorities. The four broad categories and dollar commitments for the St. Louis campus are:

Health Professions	\$420,000
Liberal/Fine Arts	\$473,000
Metropolitan Affairs	\$562,000
Science & Advanced Technology	\$550,000

Chancellor Touhill stated that she would set up the next Committee meeting in November, prior to her December presentation to the Board of Curators regarding funding sources to pay for these commitments.

Chancellor Touhill also discussed various models for cooperation among the four UM campuses and between the UM System and Missouri regional universities and community colleges.

COMMITTEE ON PHYSICAL FACILITIES AND GENERAL SERVICES

At the September meeting, the committee established an agenda for the semester, received a report from Mr. Roeseler on the new department, Institutional Safety, and was briefed by Mr. Schuster. The committee will meet in 411 Woods Hall at 3:00 pm. on: Oct. 12, Nov. 9 and Dec. 7.

The major agenda item for the October meeting will be the Airport issue. Issues raised and discussed with Mr. Schuster were:

- The problem at the entrance to the South Campus caused by Bi-State buses. The campus has submitted a plan with a detailed budget to Metrolink (Bi-State) but there has been no response yet.
- The control of temperature in buildings. There is no simple solution to this problem. Some HVAC units are scheduled for replacement.
- Signs on campus had been a problem in the past but the committee was pleased with the temporary signs that had recently been installed. Mr. Schuster indicated he would consider keeping those signs in place.
- Parking problems especially near the Science Complex and on the South Campus. The former problem would be resolved when the parking structure is constructed in the location of the "Fun Palace".
- Crime on the campus. Apparently it has been constant and very low for several months. During the past 3-4 weeks there had been some car thefts near the South Campus Metrolink Station. It was thought that the transgressors were kids. Typically GM cars, vintage 1984-87, were the targets since they were easy to "hot-wire". Seven cars were stolen during the first week of September. Five culprits had been caught during the past five weeks. The Normandy Police Department had been cooperating in solving this problem but otherwise the two departments had not been getting along.
- There followed a discussion about the way in which the campus interacted with local community leaders. There appears to be a real problem with the City of Normandy. After much discussion the committee instructed the chair to write to the Chancellor recommending that a task force be established to look into improving our relationship with the local community and to have the group hold an open house for area residents and especially local community leaders.
- The poor appearance of some buildings. Of particular concern is the state of Stadler Hall where the Counseling Clinic is housed and where outsiders visit on a regular basis for professional assistance. This will be an agenda issue in November.

- The Emergency Plan for the campus. Apparently St. Louis County will provide a plan for us which will include participation by the Highway Patrol, the Red Cross, Lambert Airport among others. The target for completion of the plan is January 1996.
- Another issue raised as a future agenda item was the status of possible renovation of the South Campus Auditorium.

Mr. Roesseler gave a progress report on the activities of the new department Institutional Safety. The department comprises the locksmiths, Environmental Health and Safety, Parking and Transportation, Emergency Vehicle Drivers and the Police. Of the recent hires in the Police Department, 70% have college degrees and 10 - 20 years of experience. A new bike patrol is being established and training is to start soon. A new computerized parking system was being developed. It had been taking 6-9 months for traffic appeals to be heard. Closed circuit TV will be installed in parking garages C, D and N and at the Residence Halls, the new convenience center on the South Campus and in the computer building. Cooperation with Normandy police is not good but with Belnor, Cool Valley and Bel Ridge, which has the fraternity houses, it is good.. The police will have new communication equipment that will operate better in buildings.

Mr. Schuster reported that work on the median along Natural Bridge Road in front of the campus is being done by St. Louis County. The campus has agreed to maintain it once it has been improved. Planters will be installed. The shuttle is working well and participation is up by 75%. A new shuttle between lot K and lot Q, established because of the major construction around the Science Complex, has seen very light usage - only 12-15 riders per day. Mr Schuster gave a report on the Campus Master Plan. A consultant has been hired to design the road system. Bike paths will be included and the new system will be coordinated with the parking garages. Phase I will be the relocation of West Drive, from the Center for Molecular Electronics to Natural Bridge Road. Other activity includes the replacement of roofs on the South Campus. A South Campus Convenience Store will be established in the kitchen of the former Marillac College. Alcohol and tobacco products will not be available, otherwise it will resemble a *Quick Shop*.