

Faculty Senate Meeting
November 8, 1967

I Regular Session

The Faculty Senate will meet in regular session Wednesday, November 15, 1967, in Longmire Auditorium at 4:10 p.m.

II The Steering Committee has approved the following agenda:

Recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee for approval by the Faculty Senate:

The Admissions Committee of the University is authorized, upon recommendation of the appropriate academic dean, to ignore "D" and "F" grades earned ten years or more prior to the date a transfer student seeks admission, provided that in the judgment of the dean and the committee the student now has the ability and the maturity to complete successfully the requirements for a degree. Such officially ignored grades and quality points will not be included in computation of the student's grade point average. The committee, in consultation with the dean, however, may impose an appropriate probation on the student.

Former Florida State University students applying for readmission after a lapse of ten years or more and with a grade point deficiency shall be considered as transfer students and thus subject to the above policy.

III General Information

1. The Senate Steering Committee has requested the Florida State University Insurance Committee to prepare a written report for the entire faculty concerning retirement-social security options to be distributed before a future general faculty meeting on this subject. Furthermore, this committee is to seek ways of inter-institutional cooperation in this matter.
2. Malcolm Parsons was elected for a three-year term to the Faculty Advisory Committee.

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
November 15, 1967

I Regular Session

The Faculty Senate met in regular session in the Longmire Lecture Room on Wednesday, November 15, 1967, at 4:10 p.m. President Champion presided.

The following members were absent: John Buehler, Frederica Carleton, Irvin Cole, William Cramer, Joseph Cushman, A. Gib DeBusk, Carl Devine, Jack Dobson, Walter Ehlers, Edward Evans, Richard G. Fallon, Herman Frick, Earl Frieden, Robert Glotzbach, Billy M. Guice, Gifford Hale, Orville Harrold, Charles Hubbard, Robert Hull, Weymouth Jordan, Adolph Karl, John Kerr, Maurice Litton, Edward McClure, Vernon Moeller, Roy O'Donnell, Carl H. Oppenheimer, Edward Palmer, James Preu, Charles Rockwood, Agnes Salisbury, Wayne Schroeder, Gene Simons, Hale G. Smith, Dan Voich, and Paul Westmeyer.

Dr. Paul Piccard requested that the minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting for October 18, 1967 be corrected to show:

"that I did not move to table the motion relating to the resolution in item VI of the minutes. As I recall that motion was made by Professor Millett of the Law Faculty. I also request permission of the Senate to have entered in the minutes of this meeting an explanation of my position last month. Obviously there has been some misunderstanding that I would like to have clarified.

"While I opposed particularly the language of the second part of Mr. Fallon's resolution, I do not condone political interference in the work of the Board of Regents and I am glad that Mr. Ferguson has successfully resisted the efforts to bring about his resignation. As evidence that this was my stand prior to the October Senate meeting, I submit the following resolution which I drafted, supported, and voted for on October 7th in St. Petersburg. I would be glad to have the Faculty Senate take a similar stand and I would certainly not move to cut off debate on this subject by introducing a motion to table such a resolution.

"The Executive Committee of the Florida State Conference of the American Association of University Professors is dismayed by the Governor's injection of politics into the internal operation of the Board of Regents. The people of Florida adopted the constitutional provision for an independent Board of Regents with the clear intention and hope that such political interference would be kept out of higher education.

"The Executive Committee calls on the governor to assert his leadership in finding and providing the resources required to fulfill his campaign pledge to make Florida first in education and to leave to the constitutional authorities - the Board of Regents and the

Chancellor - the responsibilities vested in them by law. The committee is especially apprehensive about the harm that can come to our universities and their students as a result of such political meddling as evidenced by the Governor's interference in selecting a campus administrator and by the Governor's improper public pressure on the Chairman of the Board of Regents to resign."

Dr. Malcolm Parsons moved that the minutes for the October 18, 1967 meeting be corrected by substituting the name of Mr. Francis Millett for Dr. Paul Piccard on page 5, line two and that Dr. Piccard's statement be included in the minutes.

The motion was seconded and passed.

II Report of the Steering Committee

Dr. Robert Spivey, Chairman of the Steering Committee, said that there were no changes to the published agenda.

III Grades Ten or More Years Old

Mr. Francis Millett, Chairman of the Academic Affairs Committee, presented the following (the crossed off section is the deletion and the underscored section is the addition to the original proposal which was circulated with the agenda) and moved its adoption.

November 13, 1967

The Admissions Committee of the University is authorized, upon ~~recommendation of the appropriate academic dean~~, to ignore "D" and "F" grades earned ten years or more prior to the date a transfer student seeks admission, provided that in the judgment of the appropriate academic dean and the committee the student now has the ability and the maturity to complete successfully the requirements for a degree. Such officially ignored grades and quality points will not be included in computation of the student's grade point average for purpose of retention and meeting minimal graduation requirements. The committee, in consultation with the dean, however, may impose an appropriate probation on the student.

Former Florida State University students applying for readmission after a lapse of ten years or more and with a grade point deficiency shall be considered as transfer students and thus subject to the above policy.

The motion was seconded.

Dr. Brueckheimer asked for an explanation of the "ten year" period. Mr. Millett said that it was believed a person has time to mature and

to redefine his goals in ten years, but that an amendment to change the time from ten years would be in order.

Dr. John Fox said that ten years is too long a period for a person who flunks out of college at the age of 18, he would be 28 years old before he could continue his academic program. He moved to delete the 10 years in both paragraphs and to substitute 5 years. The motion was seconded.

Vice President Chalmers said that the purpose of the proposed procedure needs clarification. He questioned the wisdom of rejecting freshmen and transfer students with high potential to admit "flunk outs" from other schools; the contradiction of this proposal with one rejected by the Senate which would forgive the second and third "F" in the same course.

Dean Roeder thought that five years was too short a period to determine whether there had been a real change in a person. Dr. Kellogg Hunt asked why students couldn't just wait around for five years in order to have their first year's poor grades forgiven.

The motion to amend was defeated.

Dr. Richard Husband suggested and the Senate accepted an editorial change in the wording which would change "D and F grades earned" to "D and F grades received."

Dr. Vincent Thursby moved that this item be referred back to committee for further study and research because of insufficient information as to the problems, the purpose of the proposal, practice at other excellent universities, and the procedure for administering the proposal.

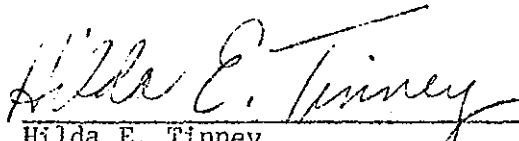
The motion was seconded and passed.

IV Announcements by President Champion

1. The President introduced Dr. Donal Myer, Associate Professor of the Science Division and Assistant Dean of the Graduate School, Southern Illinois University. Dr. Myer is on campus as an intern in a program sponsored by the American Council on Education.
2. A committee for the purpose of reviewing nominations for the post of Chancellor of the State University System is to be appointed by the Board of Regents. The committee will be composed of the University Presidents and a faculty member from each of the seven universities. Dr. Dwight Goodner, Chairman of the Faculty Professional Relations Committee, will be the faculty representative from Florida State University.

3. The Board of Regents is developing an improved communication system with the universities in the State University System. Each university will have three representatives on a committee which will meet with the Board of Regents semi-annually. The representatives from Florida State University will be Dr. Robert Spivey, Faculty Senate Steering Committee; Dr. Homer Black, Faculty Professional Relations Committee; and Dr. Gregory Choppin, Faculty Advisory Committee.
4. In a short report on the Governor's Commission on Quality Education, the President conveyed his feeling of encouragement for better understanding of the needs of and better support for education at all levels. The Executive Committee and the several sub-committees are engaged in holding public hearings, collecting and reviewing information, identifying problems, and preparing recommendations. The Governor has requested that a report be furnished to him every ten days. It is hoped that full coverage by the press will be given to the progress of the Commission.
5. At the Faculty Senate Meeting held on May 17, 1967, a motion was passed which requested the President to appoint an ad hoc committee to investigate disciplinary and judiciary procedures. The purpose of the investigation was to determine whether present procedures provide adequate protection for the rights of both accused and of the victim in such cases. The President appointed Dr. Raymond Shultz, Dr. William Rogers, and Dean Mason Ladd. The Committee has made its report to the President, who will discuss the report and the recommendations contained therein with the Vice President for Student Affairs. Then the report will be reviewed by a sub-committee appointed from the Faculty Professional Relations Committee and the Faculty Senate Steering Committee to discuss ways in which the recommendations can be implemented.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.


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