The College Senate: March 9, 2000


Guests: Frederick de Naples, Kenneth Fogarty, Alice Fuller, Michaldeus Holden, Andre Hurni, David Koenigstein, Deborah Parmolo, Nadine Posner, George Sanchez, David Taylor

Excused: Arthur Galab, Allan Classer, Mark Padnos, James Ryan.

Meeting called to order at 12:10 by Dr. Ruth Bass

I - The agenda was approved.

II - The minutes of February 17, 2000 were approved.

III - Dr. Bass reminded the Senate that we will try to move quickly through the agenda, as a Faculty Council meeting follows this one. To that end, the recommendations of the committee on Naming a Building were distributed, with the suggestion that the Senators read it, give comments to the Senate Executive Committee who will discuss it, and then it will be reintroduced at the Senate meeting on April 6, 2000.

IV - President Williams announced that Professor Mary Rogan is her new Labor designee, taking over that responsibility from Dean George Sanchez, who has filled the role well.

V - Announcements and Reports

Chair Bass announced that articles for The Senator are due by March 17th.

Given the time, there were no reports from the Vice Presidents on this day. VP Keitz and VP Scranton distributed copies of the new Policy on Academic Integrity, the Violation of Academic Integrity Report Form, and the Pre-Requisite Appeal form

VI - Committee Reports and Action Items.

No report today from the Committee on Academic Standing.

The Curriculum Committee reported several items (see attached). Since Chair James Ryan could not be present, the report was read by Nassar Abdelatif. Several items had been previously reported to the Senate, and therefore were action items, primarily changes in titles and descriptions, were proposed by Physics and Technology, and several other items were proposed by Music and Art, including five new courses in the Advertising Art and Computer Graphics curriculum. The actionable items were approved via voice.

The Governance and Elections Committee noted that a new HEW representative must be elected to the Senate, as Charlee Hoberman has retired.
Space, Facilities, and Physical Plant focused on classrooms at their past meeting. (Practical ways to ensure better bathrooms will be the next focus.) A major problem is the size of the classrooms, such that if we put computer stations in Colston rooms, we would have to reduce seats and already they are crowded given the class size of 40. We are hopeful for, and anticipate, money for the design of a new classroom building, to be built to the right of the main motor vehicle gate. Broken chairs, windows in Gould Tech (slated for replacement) and leaky roofs and walls on the 8th floor of Meister were also discussed.

Student Government Association, University Faculty Senate, and University Student Senate and Student Activities had no reports.

Many issue regarding University policy regarding remediation and community colleges were not raised at this Senate meeting, as members were aware that these would be discussed at the Faculty Council meeting which followed immediately.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:55.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kathleen S. Berger, Secretary