

FACULTY SENATE

MEETING #6

To: All Faculty
From: Marlene Shaw
Date: 24 November 1992
Subject: Faculty Senate Meeting #6

Friday, 4 December 1992

Room UC308

3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

AGENDA

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RESCHEDULED

1. Approval of minutes from meeting #5
2. Report from Dr. Rice
3. Report from Dr. Reid
4. Status Report of General Education Program Proposal
J. Gottcent, D. Cousert
5. 1992-93 FAAC recommendations regarding
Distinguished Professor Award - A. White
6. 1990-91 and 1991-92 FAAC recommendations regarding
procedure, criteria, weighting for promotion
7. Old Business
8. New Business
9. Announcements
10. Adjournment

approved

University of Southern Indiana
Faculty Senate Minutes
Session 6
December 4, 1992

Members Present: Shaw, Chairperson; Professors Aakhus, Bertram, Boyd, Ford, D. Kinsey, Hankins, Hartl, Hemaïda, Sinn, Waters,.

Guests Present: Bandoli, Cousert, Goss, Gottcent, Tompkins.

Ex Officio Member Present: Vice President Reid.

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p. m. by Dr. Shaw.
2. The minutes of session 5 were approved as amended.
3. Report from Dr. Reid: USI is being represented at a meeting on this date at IUPUI in Indianapolis concerning the state universities' involvement in distance education.

Dr. Reid encouraged all to attend the Madrigal Dinner taking place on campus.

The Masters of Science in Elementary Education is scheduled for the Commission of Higher Education agenda on Friday, December 11, 1992. The proposal includes a phase-out period with Indiana State University, effective immediately, with USI assuming full responsibilities over a 3-year period.

The Spring university meeting will focus on USI faculty linkages with with public schools in the Evansville area, emphasizing activities in the elementary and secondary schools.

4. Status of General Education Program Proposal:

John Gottcent, Chairman of the General Education Committee and Dave Cousert, Chairman of the Curriculum Committee made a status report and received comments on the General Education Program proposal. The proposed program was forwarded to the Curriculum Committee in September. This committee suggested specific courses now offered at USI which might fulfill each required category and sent the proposal back to the General Education Committee. The Curriculum Committee wants to see what courses will meet requirements before they vote on the proposal. D. Cousert emphasized that their course list is a framework to which other courses could be added.

Prevailing concerns by Senate members and visitors include:

- a) cost of implementing the program including the need for additional faculty
- b) need for additional faculty
- c) whether English 101 should be the focal point for critical thinking
- d) some majors cannot accommodate added hours for general education
- e) D. Kinsey stated that the Mathematics Department is opposed to accepting credit to meet the math requirement for courses taught outside the Mathematics Department.

Additional comments and questions were received by the Curriculum Committee at two open Forums held earlier.

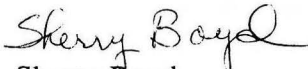
To comply with the Curriculum Committee request, J. Gottcent is requesting each department to fill out forms for courses to meet proposed requirements.

5. Faculty and Academic Affairs: R. Tompkins reported that the committee decided against the suggestion that nominations for Distinguished Professor be opened to alumni employed outside the University. Nominations will continue to be made only by faculty to preserve the original intent of the award. An attempt is being made to increase the publicity for nominations for the Distinguished Professor Award. Motion was moved (D. Kinsey) and seconded to approve the report from Faculty and Academic Affairs concerning the Distinguished Professor Award. Motion carried.
6. Dr. Shaw postponed the discussion on Promotion until a later meeting. date because of insufficient time for such a discussion.
7. Old Business: There was none.
8. New Business: The Economic Benefits Report will be distributed to Faculty Senate members for the next meeting.

The search process will begin next year (1993) to name the successor of President Rice, upon his retirement. Byron Wright has requested a meeting with Faculty Senate to begin discussions on the process.

9. Announcements: Dr. Reid encouraged all attending to participate in the International Students Holiday Reception in-progress.
10. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,


Sherry Boyd
Acting Secretary