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Senate Minutes
September 26, 1983
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Correction to Senate Minutes 1319, September 12, 1983. Senator Hallberg asked for clarification of the pagination of Appendix A.
2. Remarks from Vice President and Provost Martin.

CALENDAR

3. 350 Request to the Senate for creation of a new Athletic Policies Advisory Committee to replace the current one. Docketed in regular order. See Appendix A.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

4. The Senate named Rhoda Brooks to the Ethnic Minorities Cultural and Educational Center Policy Board.
5. The Chair announced the Senate needs a senator named to the General Education Committee.

DOCKET

6. 349 290 The Senate accepted the ROTC Faculty Oversight Committee's report and approved its motion that the Military Science Department have host status.
7. 348 289 Proposal for the establishment of an Instructional Development Center at UNI delayed until next meeting.

The University Faculty Senate was called to order at 4:00 p.m., September 26, 1983, in the Board Room by Chairperson Remington.

Present: Baum, Boots, Dowell, Elmer, Erickson, Evenson, Glenn, Goulet, Hallberg, Kelly, Krogmann, Patton, Peterson, Remington, Sandstrom, Story, Hovet (ex officio).

Alternates: Tarr for Duea and Rider for Richter.

Absent: Heller.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Senator Hallberg asked for a clarification of the pages of Appendix A in Senate Minutes 1319. The ordering of the last two pages was inverted as Appendix A appeared in Minutes 1319.

2. Vice President and Provost Martin announced a search committee will be formed for the new dean of the College of Natural Sciences search. The Vice President expressed his appreciation for Dean McCollum's years of distinguished service and for being an inspiring exemplar of collegiality and scientific inquiry.

The Vice President also announced that Dr. Jedlicka has requested one of his business classes do a project on recent organizational changes. Students may be interviewing faculty and students about the proposed alternate general education proposal.

The Vice President also said some concern has been expressed about the catalog supplement. Evidently students rarely use them. Consideration will be given to discontinue use of a printed supplement.

Senator Patton asked if the catalog could be printed yearly and be available before the beginning of the fall term.

Dr. Lott said there has been some discussion about moving the publication date closer to the fall term but to publish yearly would be very expensive.

Senator Krogmann suggested curricular changes might be made every two years.

CALENDAR

3. 350 A request to the Senate for creation of a new Athletic Policies Advisory Committee to replace the current one.

Hovet/Kelly moved to refer request to an ad hoc committee of Sandstrom and Krogmann to gather more information.

Story asked if we can replace a committee we didn't appoint.

After general discussion, the consensus of the senators seemed to be a need for more information.

Story/Erickson called for the question. The motion failed.

Boots/Kelly moved to docket in regular order. Motion passed. Docket 291.

Kelly asked that it be noted in the minutes that the signers of the request should be encouraged to attend the next meeting.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

4. The Chair announced he had received seven responses to his request for a

replacement on the Ethnic Minorities Cultural and Educational Center Policy Board. Story/Tarr moved the Senate go into executive session at the end of the meeting to discuss the replacement.

Several senators said colleagues have expressed some concerns of the Senate moving into executive session and naming appointees to committees without stating in advance the criteria used for their selection.

The general consensus seemed to be that personnel for possible appointments should be discussed in executive session to protect the privacy of people; further, it is difficult to stipulate selection criteria without knowledge of possible nominees.

The Chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

5. The Chair announced that the Senate needs to name a senator to the General Education Committee. The Chair asked for direction from the senators on how they wished to proceed.

Glenn/Evenson moved that any senator interested in serving on the General Education Committee should notify the Chair before the next meeting. The motion passed.

DOCKET

6. 349 290 The report from the ROTC Faculty Oversight Committee.

The Chair asked Darrel Hoff, the chair of the committee, if he cared to address the Senate.

Hoff said the committee was charged with faculty assessment and the scholarship program. He said the committee feels the department has operated with integrity and openness. It visited with students to make sure they were aware of what was happening in the program and to get their feedback. Most students seemed to view the program as a financial aid opportunity. Hoff said he was skeptical of the program when it started and he appreciated the chance to learn about it and grow in that knowledge. He thanked the Senate for the opportunity to serve on the committee and he also thanked the committee members for the work they had done. He hoped the Senate would vote for the recommendation of designating the Military Science Department as having host status.

Erickson/Hallberg moved that the Senate accept the ROTC Oversight Committee Report and approve host status for the Military Science Department.

Hovet/Sandstrom moved to amend the main motion by adding "the faculty of the University of Northern Iowa insists that a prerequisite to any consideration of host status for the ROTC section (however such section may be defined) at UNI must be that all instructors for the ROTC section must hold--as a minimum--the degree of Master of Arts (or the equivalent, as evaluated by the ROTC Oversight Committee)."

Hallberg moved and it was seconded to amend the amendment by adding after equivalent, "or else be enrolled as a candidate in good standing for an MA degree and to delete the word all."

Hovet spoke against the amendment because she said it seemed to oppose high standards for faculty status and because she questioned whether the time involved in teaching would allow for completing a degree.

Patton noted that UNI traditions presumed that academic departments are the best judges of who could best teach the classes, and asked if authority to evaluate instructors' credentials should not be vested within the ROTC program.

Sandstrom asked Hoff if he felt the committee would be comfortable with the amendment to the amendment.

Hoff said he would not presume to speak for the committee.

Vice President Martin said he was in favor of the original amendment as an MA degree seemed to be a modest requirement.

Vote was taken and the motion to amend the amendment failed.

Question was called on the Hovet amendment. The motion passed.

Question was called on the original motion of recommending a host status for the UNI ROTC program. The motion passed.

Sandstrom moved and it was seconded to move into executive session. The motion passed.

Hallberg/Boots moved to rise from executive session. The motion passed.

Kelly/Story moved to name Rhoda Brooks to the Ethnic Minorities Cultural and Educational Center Policy Board. Motion passed.

Hallberg/Glenn moved to adjourn. Motion passed.

The Senate adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Engen
Secretary

These minutes shall stand approved as published unless corrections or protests are filed with the secretary of the Senate within two weeks of this date, Wednesday, October 5, 1983.

September 21, 1983

Dr. Thomas Remington, Chair
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Dear Dr. Remington:

We would like the University Faculty Senate to consider the creation of a new Athletic Policies Advisory Committee to replace the current one. According to the President's Bulletin, the current committee is composed of eight (8) members, yet fourteen (14) names are listed. We are not aware who has voting privileges on that committee and who does not. Moreover, we feel that persons who hold either faculty or student status ought to be selected or elected by those constituencies. Finally, we feel strongly that the composition of an Athletic Policies council ought to reflect a strong faculty presence.

Many of the issues which relate to athletics concern the entire campus community, not just the athletic department. The commitment to Division I athletics and the expense that entails, recruitment and retention policies, eligibility requirements, Title IX considerations, etc. are among a variety of issues of general concern.

We would hope that this matter is brought to the attention of the University Faculty Senate for its consideration as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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Marion E. Krognan
Jay Lee
Robert J. Ward

B. Wylie Anderson
Mehmed Youssefi
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Roy E. Sandstrom
Bill Foster
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