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SENATE MINUTES

November 26, 1979

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1. Special remarks from the Chair in tribute to Professor Julius Wiesenfeld.

2. Remarks from Vice President and Provost Martin.

CALENDAR

3. 255 Proposed name change for Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology. (letter from Vice President and Provost Martin, 11/14/79.) Docketed in regular order. Docket 207.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

4. Report from ad hoc Committee on Emeritus Status (Docket 203).

5. Report from ad hoc Committee to Study the Composition of the University Faculty Senate and Committees which Report to the Senate (Docket 201.)

DOCKET

6. 255 207 Proposed name change for Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology. (letter from Vice President and Provost Martin, 11/14/79.) Approved.

7. Clarification on use of alternates to the Faculty Senate.

The University Faculty Senate met at 4:05 p.m. November 26, 1979, in the Board Room, Chairperson Tarr presiding.

Present: Abel, J. Alberts, D. Davis, Gadelmann, Gillette, R. Gish, Hollman, Metcalfe, Schurrer, Schwarzenbach, Tarr, TePaske, J. F. Harrington (ex officio)

Alternates: Baughman for Cawelti, S. Diamond for Evenson, McCalley for D. Smith, Bisbey for Thomson

Absent: G. A. Hovet, Millar, M. B. Smith, Wiederanders



1. Chairperson Tarr made the following personal remarks from the Chair.

Julius Wiesenfeld died yesterday after a long bout with cancer. Although most of us are virtually unknown in the University Community outside our classrooms and our departments, Julie was an exception. Everyone seemed to know Julie and I'm sure he'll be long remembered.

As far as I know, Julie didn't have a doctor's degree, never wrote a book, and was not elected to a university office. But he had convictions and he articulated them. He had ideas and he voiced them. In the process he made us reexamine our own convictions and our own ideas.

Many of us disagreed with Julie from time to time. Whether his ideas will stand the test of time really doesn't matter. He made us think. In a university, thinking is valued and that's why Julius Wiesenfeld will be remembered.

Please join me in a few moments of silence in his memory.

2. Vice President and Provost Martin rose and addressed the Senate. He indicated there would be a meeting, this Friday, of the Interinstitutional Committee and members of the Board of Regents Office on the Doctorate in Education proposal and the study procedures. He stated that the University remains basically optimistic for the degree's passage. Dr. Martin said that the University would like to see the decision be made within the previous timetable which would mean the proposal would be presented at the April meeting of the Board of Regents. The April meeting will be held at UNI.

Dr. Martin stated he had suggested to United Faculty that representatives of the Board and United Faculty may wish, by mutual agreement, to have an informal meeting on the issue of student assessment of faculty.

#### Calendar

3. 255 Proposed Name Change for Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology (letter from Vice President and Provost Martin, 11/14/79).

J. F. Harrington moved, Metcalfe seconded, to docket in regular order. Motion passed. Docket 207.

#### Old/New Business

4. Representatives from the ad hoc Committee on Emeritus Status indicated they would have a report to make to the Senate at the next regular meeting.
5. Representatives from the ad hoc Committee to Study the Composition of the University Faculty Senate and Committees which report to the Senate indicated they would make a report to the Senate at the next regular meeting. The report may center on the composition of the University Faculty Senate.

Docket

6. 255 207 Proposed Name Change for Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology (letter from Vice President and Provost Martin, 11/14/79).

The Senate had before it the following correspondence:

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Vice President and Provost  
AREA 319 273-2517

November 14, 1979

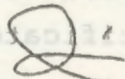
Dr. John Tarr, Chairman  
University Faculty Senate  
University of Northern Iowa

Dear John:

The faculty of the Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology have proposed to change the departmental name to the Department of Communicative Disorders. Dean Eby concurs in this recommendation, as do I, and we commend it to you for your action.

When the Senate considers this matter I am sure that Dr. Bernthal, head of the department, and his colleagues would be glad to respond to any questions you might have about the proposal. In the meanwhile, I am attaching a statement of justification for this prepared by the department.

Sincerely,



James G. Martin  
Vice President and Provost

JGM:d

Enclosure

c: Dr. John Bernthal  
Dean Margarett Eby



The current programs offered by the Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology are much broader based than what may be inferred from the present name of the department. Therefore, the members of the department have voted to request that the department's name be changed to the Department of Communicative Disorders.

#### Rationale

The department offers a language pathology component and course work dealing with nonverbal communication systems for the severely hard-of-hearing, certain aphasics, and physically and/or mentally handicapped individuals. Thus, when the term speech pathology is viewed in a narrow context, it does not reflect the scope of the curriculum or programs offered by the department. Frequently, prospective graduate students question if we offer only narrow speech pathology and audiology programs or if we also have course work in language pathology and manual communication systems. The faculty feels that such a name change better reflects the offering and preservice training of the department.

It may also be of interest to note that the American Speech-Language and Hearing Association, which is the parent organization for our accreditation, will consider at the next annual convention a resolution which calls for separate speech pathology certificates and language pathology certificates. This proposal points out the restrictive way speech pathology may be viewed. When speech pathology is viewed in such a context, it does not reflect the program offered at UNI.

J. F. Harrington moved, Metcalfe seconded, that the Senate accept the recommendation to change the name from the Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology to the Department of Communicative Disorders.

Chairperson of the Faculty Harrington indicated she endorsed the rationale as presented by Dr. Bernthal as being accurate and representative of both national and local actions. She indicated that the name change was fully supported at both the departmental and collegiate level.

Senator Gish inquired if this proposed change had the approval of both the Dean and the College Senate.

Chairperson of the Faculty Harrington indicated that the proposal was approved by the College Senate when it had been submitted to the Senate with Departmental curricular offerings.

Senator Gish indicated he wished that the Senate had from the College Senate an explicit endorsement of this proposed name change.

Professor Bernthal indicated the proposed change had been brought to the College Senate and the Senate had given its approval but had indicated that their approval was not needed since this request was not a curricular matter.

Chairperson Tarr asked Dr. Bernthal to expand on the rationale for this change. Professor Bernthal indicated that the current title is too restrictive in comparison to the activities engaged in by the Department and indicated that the Department desired a renaming to encompass the focus of their activities. He indicated that at the last national meeting he attended, a majority of the institutions represented had gone to some similar designation.

Question on the motion was called. Motion passed.

Chairperson Tarr indicated that he will notify the appropriate university offices of this Senate action. Vice President and Provost Martin indicated that this action will need to be taken to the Board of Regents for their approval.

7. Senator Geadelmann asked for a clarification on the use of alternates to the Faculty Senate. She inquired what action should be taken if the designated alternate could not attend. She asked if it was appropriate for the Senator to select another individual to represent them.

Chairperson Tarr indicated that he was not aware of any policy directed to this question but that he would like to have someone present representing each person on the Senate.

Senator Metcalfe pointed out that the Constitution says that a Senator may pick alternates but does not indicate a limit on the number of alternates that may be selected.



Chairperson of the Faculty Harrington indicated that it is important for all alternates to identify themselves to both the Chair and to the Secretary.

D. Davis moved, Hollman seconded, to adjourn. Motion passed. The Senate adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip L. Patton, 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, December 3, 1979.