MINUTES
FACULTY SENATE
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON

The Faculty Senate met in regular session on Wednesday, September 26, 1990, at 2:35 p.m. in the Rady Room, Engineering Building. Chairman I. Bernstein presided.

ATTENDANCE: President Nedderman, Vice-President Baker, Dr. Lowry; Senators Antoniades, Balsam, Beehler, Bernstein, Bett, Dillon, Diltz, Duwaji, Eisenfeld, Girardot, Harrison, Harwood, Herrmann, His song, Jones, Knerr, Ladde, Merrill, Mykytyn, Pape, Petry, Porter, Rings, Rodnitzky, Tees, Thompson, Tolbert, Tong, Trask, Wiley, Wood.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of April 25, 1990, were approved.

REMARKS BY THE CHAIRMAN:
Chairman Bernstein began by welcoming all new Senators and all returning Senators. He then introduced the members of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee for 1990-91: Vice-Chair, Elinor Pape; Secretary, Gangaram Ladde; Parliamentarian, Tom Petry; and Recording Secretary, Toshika Validum. Chairman Bernstein informed the Senate that Mark Dunn, a member of the Council of Faculty Governance Organization (COFGO), could not attend the Senate meeting. Chairman Bernstein stated that the Assistant Secretary’s position, provided by the bylaws of the Faculty Senate, was not filled in the election.

Chairman Bernstein remarked about his recent meeting of the Chancellors Advisory Committee. He stated that one of the concerns brought up by the students at the meeting of the Board of Regents was their concern about cheating. Chairman Bernstein said he would like to see the Faculty Senate respond to the issues of protecting student’s rights. He suggested the Ethics Committee deal with these issues.

Chairman Bernstein stated that he received a call from someone not connected with UTA. The caller noted the continuing problems resident aliens were having enrolling their children in AISD. Although none of the parents were apparently UTA students or faculty, the issue has relevance and indirectly affects students and faculty. Chairman Bernstein then referred this issue to the Students Services Committee. A Biology issue regarding proxies to vote in the Senate was brought up. He referred this to the Operating Procedures Committee.

The Graduate School of Social Work’s request to honor Professor Hagins with a posthumous nomination as Professor Emeritus was brought to the attention of the Senate. Chairman Bernstein welcomed anyone to contact him and provide feedback to the department involved.

Chairman Bernstein distributed excerpts from The Handbook of Operating Procedures which contained a description of the Faculty Senate and its committees and the bylaws of the Faculty Senate. He gave a brief description of the statutory committees. The committees are: President’s Advisory Committee, Equity Committee, and Tenure and Academic Freedom and Responsibilities Committee.
Each statutory committee consists of five elected members - one member representing each of the four undergraduate colleges, plus one member representing collectively the Graduate School of Social Work, Institute of Urban Studies, School of Architecture, School of Nursing, and Center for Professional Teacher Education.

Upon Chairman Bernstein's request, the Senate divided into five appropriate units to elect representatives to the statutory committees. (See Attachment A for the results).

Once reconvened, Chairman Bernstein together with experienced members of the Senate, gave a brief description of each standing committee. The committees are: Operating Procedures, Research and Development, Budget Liaison, Academic Liaison, Student Services Liaison, Ethics, and Special Projects. Each Senator was requested to sign up for at least one standing committee. (See Attachment B for results). The elected members of the statutory committees were divided into respective committees for the election of committee chairs. Point of order was made by Senator Rodnitzky for Chair of Advisory Committee being the Chair of the Senate. Motion was moved, seconded, and approved by voice vote.

REMARKS BY PRESIDENT NEDDERMAN:
President Nedderman congratulated Chairman Bernstein on his new post. He then brought the Senate up-to-date on a number of events of the past summer.

1. Cooper Street: President Nedderman stated the event of completion of Cooper Street project. He said it will be officially finished on November 15, 1990.

2. Landscaping: The President reported that Gene Schrickel's Firm has been working for several months on the landscaping plans for Cooper Street. As soon as the contractor moves out of the site, the landscaping crew will move into the first phase: the linear landscaping on both sides of the street from Border to Mitchell. This will be followed by the construction of two plaza areas - one from Texas Hall to Cooper Street and another from the library (the flag poles) to Cooper Street, entrances at the north & south ends, and the monument markers with the seal of the university. He further mentioned that along with this, Schrickel's Firm is also working on a sign and graphics plan - signs identifying various points. The old Texas State Optical Building on Abram will be utilized as a Campus Information Center. He remarked that "Cooper Street will become an asset instead of the liability which it has been."

3. Science Building (Phase A): President Nedderman updated the current status of the Science building. He said the Architect and Building Committee is hard at work. He expects to have the preliminary plans to present to the Regents in December, and then to the Coordinating Board in January for their approval. He further stated that the Phase A addition to the building now occupied by Physics and Chemistry will be 50,000 sq. ft., and the Phase B addition will be 150,000 sq. ft.
4. **Preston Hall Renovation:** President Nedderman said in August the Regents approved a 1.1 million dollar renovation. He commented that this renovation will totally rework the interior of this building and provide new air conditioning and heating systems. He expects the construction may be starting in December 1990. The plan for renovation of Ransom Hall will begin one year later.

5. **Conquistador Acreage:** President Nedderman informed the Senate of the acquisition of the Conquistador Apartments site at the southwest corner of Cooper and Mitchell. This consists of 13.15 acres of land with 156 apartments. In 1984 and 1987 the asking price was 9 million and 4 million, respectively. It was purchased for 2.3 million. He said this land may be used for parking. Its strategic location to the campus will benefit UTA.

6. **Physical Education Building:** Plans are under way for putting elevators on the sides of this building. This will maintain UTA’s reputation as one of the "barrier free campuses" in the state of Texas.

7. **Day Care Center:** In January 1989, a study committee consisting of the Vice-President for Business Affairs and the Assistant (Chair), with representatives from Social Work, Nursing, and Teacher Education, was appointed to make a study on the problem of day care. They kept three requirements in mind:
   1. economic feasibility
   2. high quality of operation
   3. academic relevance - facility would be available for learning lab, teacher education, or any other programs.

President Nedderman stated that the YWCA Metropolitan Dallas was recommended and chosen by the committee. The YWCA was given high marks from the Department of Human Welfare Services.

President Nedderman informed the Senate that the plan is to build an 8000 sq. ft. building on 1 acre of land, on the southeast corner of the campus. He expects this may be ready by September 1991; it will be licensed for 186 children. He further stated that after 5 years there is an option to buy-out this operation.

President Nedderman also reported on Degree Programs. He stated that the July meeting with the Coordinating Board was extremely significant for UTA. He then reviewed the recently approved academic programs:

- B.A. in Art -- 1988
- B.A. in Classical Studies -- 1989
- M.S. in Information Systems -- 1988
- Masters in Teacher Education -- 1988
- M.S. in Marketing Research -- 1988
- Masters in Public Administration -- 1989
- M.A. in Political Science (International Studies Option) -- 1990
- Ph.D. in Business Administration -- approved in July 1990
- Ph.D. in Quantitative Biology -- 1990
President Nedderman added that in 1974 the Ph.D. in Administration concentrated in Social Work, Business Administration, and Urban Affairs. Today, Social Work and Business Administration are on their own. He said a request has been made that the Ph.D. in Administration be changed to a Ph.D. in Urban and Public Administration.

Also a request was made by the faculty of Urban Affairs that the name be changed to the School of Urban and Public Affairs. President Nedderman stated that Vice-President Baker along with one of the Coordinating Board staff members is working to make that change.

President Nedderman remarked that the Ph.D. program in Nursing Administration is pending. Furthermore, the following proposals are pending:

- M.A. in Anthropology
- M.S. in Exercise Physiology
- M.A. in Communications
- Others

President Nedderman reported that Social Work is awaiting the Coordinating Staff Board approval to combine the undergraduate program with the graduate program. A proposal is being made to change the Graduate School of Social Work to the School of Social Work, and remove Social Work from the College of Liberal Arts.

On the matter of Degree Programs at UT Arlington, President Nedderman stated that he felt the university has three basic components: "people, program, and facilities." He remarked that the degree plans offered define the role of this university. UTA has in its inventory up to 51 Baccalaureate, 56 Masters, and 19 Doctorate degree titles. A brief description of UTA's Degree Programs are as follows:

**College of Liberal Arts**
- Ph.D. in Humanities -- 1974
- 11 Masters
- 21 Baccalaureate

**College of Science**
- Ph.D. in Experimental Psychology -- 1971
- Ph.D. in Mathematics -- 1974
- Ph.D. in Biology -- (second reading in October)
- Ph.D. in Applied Chemistry -- 1982
- Ph.D. in Applied Physics -- 1984
- 7 Masters
- 14 Baccalaureate

**College of Business Administration**
- Ph.D. in Business Administration
- 9 Masters
- 5 Baccalaureate
President Nedderman appreciated Vice-President Baker's efforts in working with the Coordinating Board members. Vice-President Baker has spent a tremendous amount of time, almost weekly arguing with the Coordinating Board staff about inventories. He also spends a lot of time developing close personal relationships with many members of the staff.

**REMARKS BY VICE-PRESIDENT BAKER:**
Vice-President Baker elaborated on the degree programs. He said it is possible in Texas to obtain approval for a baccalaureate program if it takes someone into a new professional area. It becomes more difficult at the masters level. He stated that one argument for a degree program is the fact that it is something good for a university to have. Doctoral programs can be sold on the grounds of: "needs for the graduates, and enhancement of economic development in the state." He stated that several things were done under a single title. It is less expensive if called one thing rather than several different things. Vice-President Baker said that two things had a halo effect shortly after he came to UTA. They were:

1. Cooperative Programs - joint programs between institutions. Originally, Humanities was a joint program with UT Dallas, Mathematical Sciences was a trial program. UTA alone would not have gotten approval of these programs.
2. Non-traditional titles - Humanities as opposed to English and History. Mathematical Sciences as opposed to Mathematics.

The cooperative programs have now been split: the Humanities program is strictly a UTA program. UT Dallas has one also. The Mathematical Sciences program has been split.

Vice-President Baker added that more recent programs have significant effects on the economic development of the state. UTA has a couple of pending doctoral proposals, but right now there is a need to expand efforts rounding out offers in the Liberal and Fine Arts. He commented on a tentative time table for Anthropology, Exercise Physiology, and Communications. He remarked that work is in progress on the issue of Music and Art, which presents some difficulty, because they are not doctoral programs, but are viewed as terminal programs in those areas. Also, they involve role and scope changes; the others do not. He stated that UTA is held in very high esteem with the Coordinating Board. If chosen (Music and Art), the "halo effect" may be affected. Furthermore, UTA has spent more time on doctoral programs than any other university over the last 18 years. It takes an enormous amount of time - knowing when to push and submit these programs.

OLD BUSINESS: Vacant spot for Vice-Secretary. Professor Petry was nominated but could not serve because he held another post. There were no other nominations from the floor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Chairman Bernstein asked if there were any objections if he picked Interim Chairs for standing committees. No objections were made from the Senate. He stated the job would be to convene with the committee when they needed to meet. This excludes Equity, Advisory, Tenure and Academic Freedom.

Vice President Baker announced he would have a discussion with the Academic Liaison Committee.

ADJOURNMENT:
The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gangaram Ladde
Secretary

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Addendum A

FACULTY SENATE STATUTORY COMMITTEES
1990-1991

PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE

President Wendell Nedderman (Chair)
Ira Bernstein (Senate Chair)
Mary Elaine Jones (Nursing)
Jerome Rodnitzky (Liberal Arts)
Roger Gates (Business)
David Thompson (Engineering)
Gangaram Ladde (Science)

EQUITY COMMITTEE

J.R. Harwood (Architecture)
David Merrill (Liberal Arts)
Peter Mykytyn (Business)
William Dillon (Engineering) (CHAIR)
William Balsam (Science)

TENURE & ACADEMIC FREEDOM & RESPONSIBILITIES COMMITTEE

Rod Hissong (Urban Affairs)
Charles Knerr (Liberal Arts) (CHAIR)
John Diltz (Business)
Albert Tong (Engineering)
Ulrich Herrmann (Science)
Addendum B

FACULTY SENATE
STANDING COMMITTEES
1990-1991

Operating Procedures Committee

T. Petry (Engineering-3880)
J.R. Harwood (Arch.-2801)
G. Green (Liberal Arts-2892)

Research & Development

C. Chuong (Engineering-2052)
D. Tees (Urban Affairs-3304)
R. Bett (Liberal Arts-3217)
D. Harrison (Business-3166)
J. Eisenfeld (Science-2607)

Student Services Liaison Committee

R. Walker (Engineering-3785)
A. Antoniades (Arch.-5084)
L. Wiley (Liberal Arts-2484)
G. Duwaji (Business-3148)
W. Balsam (Science-2997)

Ethics Committee

A. Tong (Engineering-2297)
R. Hissong (Urban Affairs-3359)
R. Tolbert (Nursing-4825)
L. Porter (Liberal Arts-2693)
P. Mykytyn (Business-3537)
U. Herrmann (Science-2460)

Budget Liaison Committee

W. Dillon (Engineering-5100)
J. Trask (Prof. Teach. Ed.-2836)
L. Rings (Liberal Arts-4687)
R. Gates (Business-2257)
A. Smits (Science-2871)

Special Projects Committee

E. Pape (Engineering-3092)
W. Faris (Liberal Arts-2496)
J. Beehler (Business-3041)

Academic Liaison Committee

D. Thompson (Engineering-2558)
M.E. Jones (Nursing-4837)
J. Wood (Liberal Arts-2163)
J. Diltz (Business-3705)
P. Girardot (Science-3805)