

MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE, September 9, 2002

The University Senate met in regular session at 3.00 p.m., September 9, 2002 in the Auditorium of the W.T. Young Library.

Members absent were: Charles Ambrose*, Leon Assael, Thomas Barker, Jack Blanton, James Boling*, Beth Brady*, Ben Carr, Craig Chasen, James Cibulka, Taylor Coots, Mary Duke, David Durant*, Donald Falace*, Walter Ferrier, Joseph Fink, William Fortune, Daniel Frank, Ben Franzini, Michelle Freed*, Marcia Freyman, Richard Furst, Lori Garkovich*, Thomas Garrity, Rebecca Glasscock*, Louise Graham, Howard Grotch*, Anne Harrison, James Holsinger, Tom Janoski, Kyle Jewell, Doug Kalika, James Kerley, Judith Lesnaw*, Thomas Lester, Joyce Logan, Bruce Lucas, Mary Marchant, Joan Mazur, William McKinney, John McKnight, Ralph Miller, David Mohny, Krishnamurty Muralidhar*, Phyllis Nash, Michael Nietzel, Sue Nokes, Joanne Olsen-Biglieri, Steve Parker, Ron Pen*, Donald Perrier*, David Pienkowski*, Claire Pomeroy*, Kenneth Roberts, Thomas Robinson, Tim Robinson, D.B. Rowland, Susan Scollay, Robert Shay, Bill Smith, Scott Smith, Patricia Terrell, William Thom*, Salvatore Turco, Allen Vestal, Brian Wade, David Wagner, Dean White*, Kelly Wiggans, Carolyn Williams, Eugene Williams, Emery Wilson, Liz Wilson, Kelly Wright.

*Excused Absence

Senate Council Chair Jeff Dembo called the meeting to order and made opening remarks.

Chair Dembo called for approval of the minutes of 22 April 2002.

On motion by Senator Hanson, Engineering, and second by Senator Hahn, Engineering, the minutes of 22 April were amended to include the "thank yous" forwarded [by immediate past Chair Bill Fortune] to Professors *Gesund* and *Tagavi*. Motion passed on a voice vote.

On motion by Senator *Gesund*, Engineering, and Senator *Staten*, Nursing, the minutes of 22 April 2002 were accepted as amended by a voice vote.

Chair Dembo made announcements as follows:

- a. The new Senate Council address is 153 Bowman Hall;
- b. the new Senate email address is senate@uky.edu;
- c. pictures of the Council office in Bowman Hall were shown via powerpoint;
- d. Senate officers were announced, including Senator Enid Waldhart, Secretary to the Senate and Vice Chair of the Senate Council; Gifford Blyton, Parliamentarian to the Senate; the Senate's Sergeants-at-Arms Michelle Sohner, assistant to the Academic Ombud and Susan Williams, staff assistant, College of Dentistry, and a member of the staff senate. Cindy Todd, administrative assistant to the Senate Council was also introduced.
- e. Mary Molinaro has been named Acting Dean of Libraries and has resigned her seat on the Senate Council. In accordance with University Senate Rules, Molinaro

was replaced with the person who received the next highest number of votes without being elected, Professor Kaveh Tagavi, Engineering.

f. Members of the Senate Council were introduced: Ernie Bailey, Agriculture; Liz Debski, A&S; Lee Edgerton, Agriculture; Matthew Falk, B&E student senator; Michael Kennedy, A&S (also a Faculty Trustee); Jessica King, HS student senator; Tim Robinson, SGA President, Law; Claire Pomeroy, Medicine (also a Faculty Trustee); Peggy Saunier, Lexington Community College; Kaveh Tagavi, Engineering; and Enid Waldhart, Communication and Information Studies.

g. Senator and Faculty Trustee Claire Pomeroy has announced she will be leaving the University as of January 1st and so a vacancy will be declared on the Board of Trustees. A special election will be called later in the Fall.

h. Student rule waivers and reinstatements approved in the summer by the Senate Council were announced.

i. Several Senate Committee Chairs were announced: Brad Canon, Political Science, Rules & Elections; Andy Spears, University Libraries, Academic Facilities Committee; David Randall, Physiology, Research Committee; Kate Chard, Education, Academic Organization and Structure; David Durant, Honors Program, Admissions Advisory Committee.

j. Specific charges to various committees were discussed.

k. The ad hoc Graduation Contract Committee will be continued this year. An ad hoc Committee on student reinstatements and an ad hoc committee on academic integrity will be established this year. Dembo called for volunteers.

l. The Senate Council has been charged to review the role of the Senate Council Chair.

ACTION - The issue of voting privileges for the Acting Provost was raised by Chair Dembo On motion by Senator Dwyer, Agriculture, and second by Senator Grossman, A&S, the Senate considered directing the Rules Committee look at and come up with a proposal for the Senate to look at. Senator Tavgavi proposed an amendment to the motion to allow the current voting practice to apply, with the Senior Vice President and Chancellor of the Medical Center and the Acting Provost alternating voting privileges on even and odd years. The amendment was approved by a hand count [31-29]. The original motion as amended was approved unanimously in a voice vote.

m. A proposal to amend the phased retirement policy - to lower the age of eligibility from 65 to 60 - [AR II - 1.6-2] is under consideration.

n. A proposal to establish a College of Design is being considered. The new College will include the present College of Architecture and the current School of Interior Design in the Human Environmental Sciences College.

o. A university-wide electronic bulletin board system is under discussion. At present the computing center representatives are working to determine if the current www server is compatible with some new trial software.

p. Within the next couple of months, the Chair intends to meet with the Chairs of the Academic Area Advisory Committees.

- q. There is a Student Code revision under way.
- r. The new Academic Ombud is Susan Scollay, an Associate Professor in the College of Education.

REPORTS:

- a. Michael Kennedy, Faculty Trustee, made a brief report.
- b. Bill Adkisson, Chair of the Staff Senate, made a brief report, following which Chair Dembo presented Adkisson with a gavel.
- c. Chair Dembo made a brief report on the Graduation Contract Committee activities.

ACTION: Special Session of the University Senate on 30 September 2002

On motion by Senator Blandford, Engineering, and second by Senator Canon, Political Science, A&S, the Senate approved in a voice vote a motion to hold a special meeting of the Senate on 30 September 2002, for the purpose of inviting the President of the University to address the Senate.

The Chair then called on Senator Waldhart, who offered the following resolution:

ACTION: Resolution In Honor of William Fortune

It has been customary for the Senate to recognize and show appreciation for the work done by the outgoing Chair of the Senate Council.

Professor Fortune was the second person to hold the office for two successive terms, and this was particularly significant because of the issues faced during his time in office.

While there is release time given to faculty who are elected Senate Council Chair, in reality it is like having two full-time jobs. Acting as presiding officer of the Senate is but a small indication of the Chair's work, with the most important and time-consuming work done behind the scenes. Professor Fortune consistently approached this role with dedication, graciousness, and loyalty to the institution.

There were a number of substantive issues that arose during Professor Fortune's time in office, and his expert guidance, follow-through, and commitment helped the University community make forward progress on many fronts. Among these issues were:

- location of the Biomedical Biological Sciences Research Building,
- continued amalgamation of LCC with UK
- formation of new Engineering programs in the western part of the state

Professor Fortune also was at the helm when the University searched for and gained a new President. He coordinated interviews with all candidates and, ensured that faculty input made a difference. He helped welcome President Todd to the

University and ensured there was the chance for dialogue between the President and the Senate.

Professor Fortune was a gentleman in every aspect of his role as Senate Council Chair, and it is only befitting that he receive this recognition with our sincere thanks for his hard work and dedication.

Mr. Chair, I request that this resolution be presented to Professor Fortune and that a copy be entered into the archives of the Senate.

The resolution was accepted by the Senate on a voice vote.

ACTION: Proposal to amend the University Senate Rules (Section I) add the Chair of the Staff Senate as an ex officio, non-voting member of the Senate.

The motion passed on a voice vote.

DISCUSSION: President's Task Force on the Medical Center Re-Organization and the Provost Model, Senator David Randall, member of the Task Force

Randall reported on the activities of the Task Force.

DISCUSSION: Proposed reorganization of the College of Human Environmental Sciences.

The discussion was led by Chair Dembo.

MOTION: In the discussion, motion was made and seconded [Senator Yanarella; Political Science; Senator Steiner, Biology] to make the Senate Council letter that was sent from the Senate Council to President Todd regarding the HES reorganization available by broadcast e-mail to registered University Senators.

Motion passed in a voice vote.

REPORT: Provost Search Advisory Committee, Senator Edgerton, Animal Science, and member of the Advisory Committee.

Chair Dembo offered background information after which he invited Senator Edgerton's report. Discussion followed.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Enid Waldhart
Secretary, University Senate