

Minutes of the University Senate, April 14, 2003

The University Senate met in regular session at 3:00 p.m., April 14, 2003 in the Auditorium of the W. T. Young Library.

Members absent were: Charles Ambrose*, Leon Assael, Ruth Baer, Ernie Bailey, Suketu Bhavsar, George Blandford, Jack Blanton, James Boling, Beth Brady*, Ben Carr, James Cibulka, Nancy Clauter, Elizabeth Debski, Jody Deem, Philip Desimone, Matthew Falk*, Joseph Fink*, William Fortune, Michelle Freed*, Richard Furst, Matt Gabel*, Lori Garkovich*, Thomas Garrity, Rebecca Glasscock*, Louise Graham, Daniel Grantz, Philip Greasley, Howard Grotch, Mark Hanson*, Kay Hoffman, James Holsinger, Jean Jackson*, Tom Janoski, Ling Hwey Jeng, Doug Kalika, James Kerley, Kathi Kern, Jessica King*, Judith Lesnaw*, Thomas Lester, Keh-Fei Liu, Joyce Logan, Leola McClure, Katherine McCormick, William McKinney, Doug Michael*, David Mohny, Mary Molinaro, Krishnamurty Muralidhar*, Sue Nokes*, Steve Parker, Ron Pen, Donald Perrier, Claire Pomeroy, Michaele Pride-Wells, David Randall, Bret Ripley, Kenneth, Roberts, D.B. Rowland, Susan Scollay, Robert Shay, Scott Smith, Chuck Staben, Patricia Terrell, Kelly Tian, Lee Todd, Allen Vestal, Brian Wade*, David Wagner, Retia Walker, Carolyn Williams, Eugene Williams, Emery Wilson, and Don Witt.

*Excused Absences

Chairperson Jeffrey Dembo called the meeting to order.

Announcements:

1. The Chair announced that a called meeting of the University Senate has been scheduled for May 5, 2003 at 3:00 p.m. in the Auditorium of the W. T. Young Library.
2. The Chair introduced Rebecca Scott, formerly of The Graduate School, who is the new Senate Council Administrative Coordinator.
3. The Chair recognized Kate Chard, who reported on the status of the Special Committee on Developing Guidelines for Discontinuation of Programs. Kate Chard indicated that many of the University's benchmark institutions do not currently have procedures for the discontinuation of programs. She reported that much research had been done. In the upcoming Fall semester the committee hopes to address issues regarding the collaboration of UK with other state institutions in order to avoid unnecessary program duplications or deletions.

Action Items:

Item A: Report on selective admission. Enid Waldhart reported that an ad hoc Senate committee headed by Bill Fortune had examined issues regarding selective admission criteria. The committee recommendation is attached.

Waldhart gave a brief history of the committee's actions and indicated that Senate Council had sent the proposal to the Senate with a positive recommendation.

The Chair invited discussion. After a brief discussion regarding whether or not this proposal should apply to graduate and professional programs Mike Cibull moved to amend the proposal to include only undergraduate programs. Susanne Arnold seconded. Discussion followed. Kaveh Tagavi moved to amend the proposal by dropping number 3 from the recommendations. Second by Hans Gesund. Cibull withdrew his motion. The Chair entertained a motion to end debate, which passed by a show of hands. The amendment went to a vote. By show of hands the amendment passed, with 34 in favor and 29 against. Sheldon Stiner recommended an editorial comment to number 2 to include "And those requirements, once approved shall be made published". The editorial change was approved. The Chair called for a limit to debate, which passed. The proposal, including items 1, 2, 4 and 5 went to a vote. The amended proposal passed unanimously.

Item B: Report on Graduation Contract. The Chair introduced Tony Stoeppel. Stoeppel presented a brief overview of the definitions of Graduation Contract, curricular mapping and discussed the benefits of both to students and the University. The Chair opened the floor to questions. After extensive discussion Bob Grossman moved to table the proposal until issues regarding waivers, substitutions and tuition are settled. Waldhart seconded the motion. The motion carried by a show of hands. Waldhart moved to encourage all departments to develop curricular maps to show students how to graduate in a timely fashion. Ruth Staten seconded. After moderate discussion the Chair called for an end to debate. It passed by hand count. The motion went to vote and passed unanimously.

Item C: The Chair noted that there were several wording changes to discuss that would clarify Governing Regulations. Due to a lack of time those items will be discussed during the next meeting on May 5, 2003.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15.

Respectfully submitted by Enid Waldhart
Secretary, University Senate