

**Faculty Senate Executive Board
Meeting Minutes
September 18, 2001
107 Lab of Mechanics**

APPROVED MINUTES

1. Call to Order:

The Executive Board of the ISU Faculty Senate met in room 107 Lab of Mechanics on Tuesday, September 18, 2001, and was called to order at 3:00 PM by President Christie Pope.

2. Attendance:

- a. Present: Senators Christie Pope (ISU Faculty Senate President), John Cunnally (Caucus Chair Design) Janice Dana (FCS Caucus Chair), Michael Duffy (Agriculture Caucus Chair), Gary Phye (Education Caucus Chair), Dorothy Fowles (Chair of the Judiciary and Appeals Council), Anthony Hendrickson (Chair of the Academic Affairs Council), David Hopper (ISU Faculty Senate Past-President), Jim Hutter (Liberal Arts and Sciences Caucus Chair), Gregory Palermo (Chair of the Council on Faculty Development and Administrative Relations), Max Porter (Chair of the Governance Council), Susan Carlson (Associate Provost), Brad Thacker (Chair, Veterinary Medicine Caucus), Max Wortman (ISU Faculty Senate President-Elect).
- b. Absent: William Woodman (Chair of the Resource, Policy and Allocations Council), Carolyn Heising (Engineering Caucus Chair),
- c. Substitute: no substitute members.
- d. Guests: Liz Allen (Ames Tribune Reporter)

3. Approval of the Minutes:

Substitute members and guests were introduced. The minutes of the September 4, 2001 Executive Board meeting were approved as submitted.

4. Approval of the Meeting Agenda:

The agenda for the meeting was approved.

5. President's Announcements:

- a. President Pope met with President Geoffroy and one of the issues they discussed was a possible reversion of funds. The administration is expecting a request from Governor Vilsack and anticipates that the reversion could run anywhere from \$3-5 million.
- b. President Pope requested that caucus chairs discuss the budget cuts with their caucus members and ask for recommendations on how to deal with potential cuts.
- c. President Pope announced that the Executive Board will have lunch with the members of the Board of Regents in March. More details as to time and location will be forthcoming.

- d. Tom Mitchell, the President of the ISU Foundation, will speak at the October 9, 2001 Faculty Senate meeting
- e. The Indirect Cost rate proposal will be placed on the RPA Council agenda.
- f. The Board of Regents has negotiated a licensing agreement with Microsoft Corporation.
- g. The Cardinal Room in the Memorial Union has closed and this might present an opportunity for the development of a faculty club. The matter will be referred to the FDAR Council.
- h. The approval of George McJimsey as Chair of the Committee to Review the Office of the Vice President for External Affairs will be placed on the agenda for the September Faculty Senate meeting.
- i. President Pope plans to appoint two ad hoc committees, the first will be charged with reviewing the activities of the ISU Foundation, the second will review ISU Athletics.
- j. The Provost has decided to appoint three faculty members to the Provost office promotion and tenure review committee, they include: Cornelia Flora, Jane Farrell-Beck, Jim Roth.

6. Provost's Announcements

There were no announcements from the Provost office.

7. Old Business

The Senate for the September 18, 2001 Faculty Senate meeting was discussed and approved by voice vote.

Senator Thacker, Chair of the Elections Committee informed board members that changes should be made in the Senate Bylaws to address resignations from the Senate. The Elections Committee will work with the Governance Council to draft the needed changes.

8. New Business

President Pope asked board members for their suggestions regarding priority issues for the Faculty Senate. Several issues raised and discussed included: the budget crisis, ombudsperson office, bylaw changes, the possibility of moving the University Welfare and Benefits Committee under the RPA Council, daycare and the need for emergency daycare (such as when a child is ill), a review of standing committees, and the review of council chair terms.

Senator Max Porter, Chair of the Governance Council, gave a report on items the Governance Council is working on, these include:

- 1) re-ordering some Senate Committees
- 2) working on the development and procedures document
- 3) proposed changes to the Bylaws
- 4) instituting new committees on the ISU Foundation and Athletics

5) the Research Committee

Board members discussed the recent review by MGT America , a consulting group hired by the Board of Regents, to review institutional efficiency. The consulting firm visited campus and will forward its recommendations for further study to the Board of Regent by the end of October. President Pope stated that the Senate should be prepared to respond to these recommendations.

Senator Thacker discussed issues related to the use of animals in research.

Board members also discussed the topic of course/teaching evaluation currently being reviewed by the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Programs. Concerns were raised regarding legal issues related to course evaluation. Senator Hendrickson suggested that the Senate should have representation in the continuing review process.

Senator Hopper reminded board members that the report from the Task Force on Electronic Learning was referred back to the Task Force for further revision.

President Pope will consider all of these issues and develop the Senate agenda.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

David Hopper

Interim Secretary