

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE FACULTY SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA
Monday, May 1, 1972
Room 350 Modern Languages

The Faculty Senate convened in regular session at 3:40 p.m. on Monday, May 1, 1972, in the Modern Languages Building auditorium (Room 350). Fifty-three members were present with President Schaefer presiding. Dr. Frank LaBan was present as parliamentarian. Mr. David Butler was present as Assistant Secretary.

SENATE MEMBERS PRESENT: Anthony, Bannister, Bartlett, Blitzler, Bok, Boyer, Brewer, H. Butler, Christopherson, Cole, Delaplane, Dewhirst, Dixon, Drescher, Edwards, S. Fahey, Freeman, Gegenheimer, Gould, Green, Herber, Hetrick, Hull, Joyner, Keating, Krebs, Lane, Layton, Lytle, Mason, Massengale, Mautner, H. Myers, L. Myers, Nigh, Paulsen, Putt, Reiblich, Rhodes, Richard, Robson, Schaefer, Siegel, Skinner, Steelink, Svob, Thompson, Tomizuka, Varney, Voris, Windsor, Younggren, and Zwolinski. Student representatives attending were John McKinney, Paula VanNess, and Nanette Warner.

SENATE MEMBERS ABSENT: Ares, Barnes, Bleibtreu, Bretall, Eisner, Evans, W. Fahey, Gaines, Goodwin, Grant, Johnson, Mathews, McConnell, McMillan, Munsinger, Muramoto, Murphy, Shields, Sorensen, and Wise.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of April 10, 1972 were approved as distributed to the members.

COMMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT: President Schaefer referred to the work being done by the Advisory Committee on Promotion and Tenure under the chairmanship of Dr. Emil Haury. The President commended Dr. Haury and the committee for their fine work in reviewing promotions for 1972-73. The University benefits, he said, by having a systematic review procedure which hopefully results in the institution's retaining a highly qualified faculty.

Dr. Schaefer said he had been informed by Dr. Haury and members of the committee that there is cause for concern about some of the various rules and regulations on promotion and tenure that exist on this campus. The University of Arizona Chapter of AAUP has been concerned about this. President Schaefer said he himself felt concern. He said he had asked Dr. Haury to report to him specific weaknesses the committee saw in the rules and regulations. Most of them are deficiencies in wording rather than serious flaws, he said. In some cases language can probably be improved to provide better understood guidelines. Dr. Schaefer said he would appreciate, and he knew Dr. Haury would too, input from Senate members on this matter.

Dr. Gegenheimer commented that some persons have felt a need for clarification in the promotion and tenure statement in the Faculty and Staff Manual. Dr. Gegenheimer said he, Dr. Mathews, and Dr. Shields had met with Vice President Delaplane to discuss this situation. It was not felt that great revisions of policy were needed. However, certain unclearly stated items could be improved, he said.

Dr. Gegenheimer then moved that President Schaefer appoint a small committee to review the recommendations of the Advisory Committee with the aim of clarifying the University's rules and regulations governing promotion and tenure. The committee should be asked to report back to the Senate in the fall of 1972. Dr. Blitzler seconded this motion. The motion passed. Dr. Schaefer then said he would ask Dr. Weaver to

chair this special committee. He said he would appoint one other member of the administration to sit with the group and would ask the Committee on Committees to select three faculty members.

President Schaefer reported briefly on the recent meeting of the Board of Regents. He referred to the unusually heavy growth in enrollment in the College of Nursing. The Regents had authorized adding substantially to the faculty of the College of Nursing in the fall of 1972.

Dr. Schaefer explained that the Regents had agreed to establish in the College of Liberal Arts a graduate teaching program in lunar and planetary sciences. Hopefully this program can be partially implemented beginning in the fall of 1972.

The Regents had voted to divide the present Department of Speech into two departments effective with the fall semester. One will be the Department of Speech and Hearing Sciences; the other will be the Department of Speech Communication.

President Schaefer said that all other curricular matters which have been approved by the appropriate bodies at the University for a period of some months were still being held by the Regents without action. The Regents have created the post of Academic Planning Coordinator on the Board staff and this position has only recently been filled. The Academic Planning Coordinator will now have to review all proposed new courses, programs, etc., recommended by the universities. He will then make recommendations to the Regents' Long Range Planning Committee who in turn will recommend to the full Board what final action should be taken. What all this means, President Schaefer said, is that deans, directors, and department heads should proceed cautiously so far as implementing new courses and new programs in the fall of 1972, even though they have been approved by all local review groups. Such proposed new offerings may not be offered before they have been formally approved by the Board of Regents.

CATALOG MATERIAL: The catalog material previously distributed to members of the Senate by means of the "Curriculum" bulletin was accepted without change. Dr. James Anthony of the School of Music asked if the proposed new course Physics 7, The Physics of Music, was intended for physics majors. Would it have prerequisites in mathematics? He also wondered what the relationship of this course might be to Speech 65, Musical Acoustics. Dr. Tomizuka explained that Physics 7 was designed for the general student. It was intended this course should provide a variation in the manner in which a Liberal Arts student, for instance, could meet part of his general science requirement. Actually, Dr. Tomizuka said, the course would be quite different from Speech 65. It had been designed for a different clientele and the approach would be quite different. Dr. Skinner confirmed that the courses in fact would be quite dissimilar. Dr. Anthony asked if it would be appropriate to suggest that The Physics of Music be crosslisted as a physics course and as a music course. Mr. Windsor commented that this was a determination that should be made by the Undergraduate Council. Dr. Tomizuka said that when two different groups of students are accommodated in the same course under a crosslisting arrangement, it is sometimes difficult to avoid the character of the course's being something different from what it would be if it were designed for one of the groups alone.

APPROVAL OF DEGREES TO BE COMPLETED MAY 27, 1972: The Faculty Senate, having been provided in advance of the meeting a list of the prospective recipients of earned degrees to be awarded at Commencement May 27, 1972, approved the awarding of these degrees, subject to satisfactory completion of work now in progress. (A copy of this list is attached to the Secretary's official file copy of these minutes.)

DISCUSSION OF SUGGESTED POLICY STATEMENT ON SUBSIDIZATION OF UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA COURSES BY INDUSTRY: Dr. Steelink presented a proposed policy statement developed by the Committee of Eleven as follows:

Policy Statement To Be Included in Faculty and Staff Manual

In the last few meetings, the Committee of Eleven has discussed the matter of propriety in allowing industry to pay students a cost of living stipend, tuition, and the cost of books for classes in which there may be a vested or conflict of interest. In some cases, instructors are furnished by industries and employed by the University to teach such classes. The Committee of Eleven sees some problems with this type of sponsorship and takes a dim view of this procedure. It believes that the University should have complete academic freedom as well as administrative freedom in determining how financial help from industry is to be used in supporting and assisting students. It is doubtful that a captive audience is needed, particularly on the part of industry, to support a particular point of view. Inquiry must be promoted without any vested or special interest. Therefore, in view of the problems stated, the Committee of Eleven recommends that henceforth, the University carefully review offers of financial assistance from industry for the support of students enrolled in classes where there may be a conflict of interest.

Dr. Siegel asked Dr. Steelink for an example of the sort of course that was referred to in the statement. Dr. Steelink said an example would be a case where a representative of an industry taught a course on a subject in which that industry had a vested interest and where both the faculty member and the students were subsidized by payment from a private company. Dean Rhodes asked if the statement referred to cases where an industry would pay the fees for its own employees to take a course, or where enrollees would be recruited generally, or where any student could sign up for a course and have his fees paid, or what? Dr. Steelink said that the Committee of Eleven was concerned about any situation where a conflict of interest might exist. Dean Rhodes said he did not see how the University could refuse an industry the right to pay a stipend for books and fees to support the educational effort of its own employees. Mr. Mautner endorsed Dean Rhodes' comment.

President Schaefer pointed out that all University offerings are carefully reviewed by a regular review procedure. Similarly faculty members are selected by a careful screening process. Therefore he could see no danger threatening the University because of courses not being carefully reviewed or faculty members not being properly screened. Dr. Hetrick said he wondered what was meant in the statement by the words "instructors are furnished by industries".

Dean Paulsen said that the course that had caused concern and which had prompted preparation of the policy statement was a course in the College of Education. The title of the course was Education and Natural Resources. It had been taught by a man who at the time was Dean of the College of Mines. Later after this individual left the University staff he continued to be employed to teach this course. He was paid through regular University funds. Later the man became a consultant to the Phelps Dodge Corporation. The American Mining Corporation provided scholarship funds for students to take the course taught by the former dean. There was nothing about the course or its instructor that was irregular in any way and he could see no

impropriety in the situation. He said he disliked the words "instructors are furnished by industries", and several other members of the Senate expressed their dislike of this wording.

Dr. Siegel said that at first he had thought the statement, worded as it was, must refer to the offering of ROTC courses on this campus.

Dr. Lytle said he would like to propose a substitute wording as follows: It is the policy of the University to insure that the teaching and research endeavors conducted on campus are free from any private or financial subsidization which is designed toward promoting a particular point of view. It being realized no formal motion had been made to adopt the statement read by Dr. Steelink, Dr. Lytle moved adoption of his statement. Dr. Joyner seconded Dr. Lytle's motion.

Dr. Schaefer said that he agreed with Dr. Siegel's point of view. The statement obviously without proper understanding could be interpreted as referring to ROTC courses, for instance. He said he would hate to see the Senate take hasty action which would put the ROTC program out of business. He wondered if an ad hoc committee should study the matter and report in the fall.

Dr. Thompson said he felt that the discussion the statement from the Committee of Eleven has received in the Senate reflected the concern felt within the Committee about possible conflicts of interest. He said he now felt reassured that there was common understanding and agreement about this matter and that formal action was not needed. Dr. Lytle and Dr. Joyner then withdrew their motion.

DISCUSSION OF REPORT OF AD HOC FACULTY CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE: Dr. Schaefer pointed out that members of the Senate had received a draft of a proposed revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Faculty of the University of Arizona prepared by an ad hoc committee that had been at work for four years.

Dr. Joyner said he wondered what the best way might be to proceed to give this document proper consideration. He said a senator could make a motion to accept and adopt the proposed Constitution. If the motion were seconded and passed, this body could then proceed to consider the various proposed provisions article by article.

President Schaefer and Dr. Gegenheimer both commented that they thought it would not be in the best interest of the University of Arizona faculty to forward to the Regents a proposed new Constitution that had been too hastily approved by the Faculty Senate. Dr. Gegenheimer thought it would be wise at this time to withhold a motion formally to approve the Constitution. The document could be considered informally point by point so that a determination could be made how the Senate as a group felt about various provisions.

Dean Rhodes then moved that the Constitution be received, with the understanding that the Senate would then review it item by item. Dr. Joyner seconded this motion.

Dr. Joyner pointed out that to make a careful review, a comparative statement should be prepared whereby the new Constitution could be compared point by point with similar topics in the existing Constitution.

It was agreed that the proposed Constitution could not be very well discussed in the Senate without the presence of Dr. Shields, for four years chairman of the committee that had developed the document.

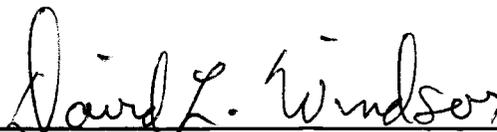
Dr. Gegenheimer then moved that the motion be tabled. Several seconds were heard and the motion carried. The Senate agreed that the ad hoc Committee on Constitution and Bylaws should be asked to prepare for the Senate a comparative statement as suggested by Dr. Joyner.

OTHER MATTERS: Dr. Blitzer said he was aware of the suit filed by a group of medical students seeking to prevent legislative committees' having access to admission files in the College of Medicine. The possibility of such files being made available to legislators he saw as an ominous matter indeed. If such files can be opened and letters written and received in confidence can be read by outsiders, surely such confidence cannot longer be maintained. He asked if it was true that the Attorney General of Arizona was fighting this suit.

Dr. Schaefer said his position has been that no one except authorized persons should have access to admission files. It is sometimes difficult to determine where a student's right to privacy ends and the public's right to know begins. Apparently there is sound legal basis for the claim that certain legislative committees do in fact have the right of access to certain files. However, Dr. Schaefer said he strongly opposed an individual legislator's on his own having the right to see such files. President Schaefer said he felt that the special committees which have now been appointed to review the admission procedures of the College of Medicine and the state's two law colleges will serve a good function. The setting up of these committees should assure the University's having some control over what information can be released. He said he always would resist releasing confidential material without the individual student's permission. On the other hand he must take his legal directions from the Attorney General of the State of Arizona.

The consensus expressed by a number of senators was that the University should continue to do everything it can to protect the confidentiality of student records.

The meeting adjourned at 4:35 o'clock.



David L. Windsor, Secretary