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EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE
Proceedings of September 21, 1970

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lenihan, Funk, Lahey, Kluge, Calvin Smith, Whitlow, Read, Palmer, Green, Downs, Elliott, Gover, Tingley, Whalin

MEMBERS ABSENT: Barford

The Proceedings of September 14, 1970, were approved as published.

REPORTS:

- A. Nominations Committee. Mr. Whitlow reported that the nomination petition blanks have been distributed for the nomination of faculty members to the Presidential Selection Advisory Committee. He requested that a 4 p. m. Friday deadline for withdrawal of candidates be established. This withdrawal deadline was accepted by consensus. Anyone who does not wish to be a member of the Presidential Selection Advisory Committee, but who has been nominated by petition must notify Mr. Whitlow by 4 p. m., Friday, September 25, 1970.
- B. Elections Committee. Mr. Kluge reported that the first election for the five faculty representatives on the Presidential Selection Advisory Committee will be held on Tuesday, September 29. The runoff election, if required, will be held on Tuesday, October 5. It was moved by Mr. Downs and seconded by Miss Read that any candidate receiving a majority of votes at the first election be declared elected, and that for the runoff election, the number of candidates be equal to twice the number of seats to be filled, the candidates being those with the highest number of votes among the unelected candidates in the first election. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. A memorandum from Mr. Pfeiffer to Mr. Tingley enclosing the instructions and a Nomination Petition form to be used in the process of electing two Civil Service representatives to the Presidential Selection Advisory Committee. He was not sure they could meet an October 7 deadline, but was certain the October 15 deadline would be met.
- B. A memorandum from Mr. Moody to Mr. Tingley informing him that Mr. Holt had been selected by the Vice Presidents as their representative on the Presidential Selection Advisory Committee.
- C. A memorandum from Mr. Moody to Mr. Tingley informing him that the Council of Instructional Officers had selected Mr. Lowell as their representative on the Presidential Selection Advisory Committee.
- D. Student Senate minutes of September 10, 1970.
- E. A memorandum from President Doudna to Mr. Tingley enclosing the proposed legislative program which accompanied the minutes of the Retirement Board meeting of July 30, 1970.

- F. From Mr. McKenna, the following letter to Mr. Holderman with the added note to Mr. Tingley:

"In response to your letter of September 9 to the Faculty Advisory Committee, I am inclined to agree with the Ad Hoc Student Advisory Committee that the Scholarship Revocation Act should be repealed. Senate Bills 1144 and 331 provide law enforcement officials with sufficient authority for punishing disorderly student conduct. It seems to me that the Scholarship Revocation Act is a "catch-all" measure which could be used against students in any kinds of cases not covered by the foregoing acts. This could be very broadly interpreted, for the Revocation Act empowers college officials to move against any individual who "participates in any disorderly disturbance or course of conduct directed against the administration or policies of such an institution. . . ." Furthermore, it provides a means for punishing students a second time after they may have been punished by local law enforcement officials under the authority of Senate Bills 1144 and 331.

"It seems to me, also, that Governor Ogilvie in his September 27, 1969, statement of reasons for signing bills 1144, 331, 1894, and 191, has contradicted himself. In the second paragraph of his statement he says: "Probation, suspension, dismissals, scholarship and financial assistance revocations, and other university-related disciplinary measures must be, and shall be, the responsibility of the university authorities, not law enforcement officials or the courts." Then he signed SB 191 which provides for the revocation of State financial assistance. In other words, he is in fact forcing upon university authorities the practice of scholarship revocation."

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"Don, Kluge supplied me with summaries of the four bills the governor signed. Senate Bill 1144 establishes as violations the denial of freedom of movement as well as use of property and facilities; interference with the ongoing educational processes of an institution; occupancy of a building after notice to depart; etc. SB 331 clarifies the provision of the criminal code relating to damage to property, trespass, arson and use of firearms as it applies to the campus.

"SB 191 provides for the revocation of financial assistance when an individual "participates in any disorderly disturbance or course of conduct using means which are not protected by the constitutions of the State and the United States." The initial determination as to whether the means employed in a course of conduct are not protected by state and federal constitutions shall be made by the chief executive officer of the institution at which the scholarship recipient is enrolled. Due process and adequate hearings must be held before any revocation takes place."

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The Senate briefly discussed the import of the investigation by the Committee of the General Assembly into campus disturbances in Illinois. It was suggested that an attempt might be made to give the legislature control of faculty tenure. It was felt that members of the faculty should closely watch the development of the investigation.

Mr. Tingley reported that a delegation of students had met with Mr. Morton to get more student representation on the Presidential Selection Advisory Committee. As a result of this meeting, three student observers will be appointed by the Senate to attend meetings of the Presidential Selection Advisory Committee.

Mr. Tingley reported that he had conferred with Mr. Morton on Saturday about the criteria to be used in the selection of the new president. He passed along the suggestions he had received and asked for more.

Mr. Tingley reported that he had been informed by Mr. Morton that members of the Council of Faculties and the Council of Presidents will meet with him shortly to take up the matter of department heads or chairman.

After some discussion, straw votes were taken on several matters in an attempt to determine the feelings of the Faculty Senate. By a vote of 11 to 2, the Senate favored election of Department Chairmen by a secret ballot. By a vote of 12 to 0, with one abstention, a limited term of office was favored. By a unanimous vote, eligibility for re-election was favored. Ten favored a three-year term, two favored a four-year term, one member was undecided. Nine favored an unlimited number of terms, two favored a limitation of two terms and two favored a limitation of three terms.

Mr. Kluge would like to see only broad policy set by the Board, with procedures to be determined for each institution by faculty representatives such as the Senate. There was a general consensus in favor of this.

The matter of honorary degrees was discussed. Mr. Kluge moved that all honorary degrees be awarded posthumously. The motion died for want of a second. Miss Read moved that Eastern not award honorary degrees until such time as it awards earned doctorates. She was seconded by Mr. Funk. The motion passed by a vote of 12 to 1.

Although as reported in the September 20 Proceedings Mr. Tingley had received a letter from Mr. Shereda of the State Employees Group Insurance Commission stating that no request for change in hospitalization plans had been received by his office, it was reported that a change had been made by the Golden Rule. It was thought that an attempt should be made to find out what the situation was.

Mr. Kluge reported on the meeting of the Budget Committee on September 16. The procedures for preparing the budget were discussed at the meeting. A lengthy guide is sent down from the Board for use in making up the budget. Most budget items are decided by formula. About the only place in which some leeway is given to local planning is in the matter of new programs.

The meeting adjourned at 1:51 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the Faculty Senate will be on Monday, September 28, 1970, at 12 noon in the Heritage Room of the University Union.

AGENDA

1. Selection of President
2. Personnel Matters
3. Grievance Committee
4. Relationship of Senate to Council of Faculties
5. Competitive Recruitment
6. Library Budget
7. Evaluation of Council of Faculties
8. Voting Status of Faculty Assistants
9. Travel Expenses
10. Faculty Salary Equalization

Edwin Whalin
Secretary