

**UNIVERSITY OF IOWA FACULTY SENATE
MINUTES**

Tuesday, February 1, 2000
Senate Chamber, Old Capitol

Members Present: J. Berg, C. Berman, A. Bhattacharjee, D. Bills, F. Boos, R. Bork, J. Carlson, C. Carney-Doebbeling, C. Dyer, C. Colvin, M. David, J. Desmond, H. Dettmer, A. Diaz-Arnold, B. Doebbeling, G. El-Khoury, K. Ephgrave, L. Geist, V. Grassian, R. Hohl, R. Hurtig, J. Jew, D. Johnsen, T. Judge, S. Larsen, D. Liddell, E. Link, T. Mangum, L. Marshall, A.M. McCarthy, J. Menninger, G. Milavetz, P. Muhly, W. Nixon, I. Nygaard, G. Parkin, C. Ringen, J. Ringen, E. Rivera, M. Rizzo, C. Roy, H. Seaba, J. Soloski, C. Sponsler, B. Thompson, L. Troyer, M. Vargas, E. Wasserman, B. Wiley, R. Zbiek

Members Absent: N. Bauman, J. Bertolatus, P. Chang, M. Clark, S. Collins, R. Curto, J. Hoballah, L. Hunsicker, J. Kline, S. Lawrence, B. Levy, C. Lynch, J. Moyers, P. Pomrehn, M. Raymond, D. Rosenthal, S. Rynes-Weller, R. Slayton, C. Stanford, B. A. Steinberg, M. Stone, J. Tomkovicz, S. Vincent

Members Absent (excused): H. Adams, D. Manderscheid, K. Marra, M. Pincus, W. Stanford

Guests: J. Whitmore (Office of the Provost); M. Chapman (Daily Iowan); C. Tebockhorst (Senate Staff Secretary)

- I. President Carlson called the meeting to order at 3:37 PM.
- II. Approvals
 - A. There was unanimous consent that the Faculty Senate minutes of 11/16/99 be approved as distributed.
 - B. Committee on Elections. Professor Bills presented for Senate approval, the lists of faculty eligible to run in the Spring 2000 Faculty Senate election. He noted that the committee was in the process of correcting some errors in the faculty rosters, based on information received subsequent to these lists being mailed out to Senate members. In response to a question, he indicated that the lists should not include faculty whose responsibilities are primarily administrative.

Professor Berman moved, Professor Roy seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously:

MOTION: That the ballots and faculty rosters for the Spring 2000 Faculty Senate election be accepted subject to the specified corrections being made.

- C. Senate replacements

The motion was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously:

MOTION: To approve the appointment to the Faculty Senate, as recommended by the Committee on Elections and the Faculty Council, of Lynn Pringle (Assist. Prof., Clin., Accounting) as a representative of the College of Business Administration to replace Sara Rynes-Weller for a term ending June 30, 2000.

The motion was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously:
MOTION: *To approve the appointment to the Faculty Senate, as recommended by the Committee on Elections and the Faculty Council, of Ana Diaz-Arnold (Assoc. Prof., Family Dentistry) as a representative of the College of Dentistry to replace Steven Aquilino for a term ending June 30, 2000.*

The motion was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously:
MOTION: *To approve the appointment to the Faculty Senate, as recommended by the Committee on Elections and the Faculty Council, of Carolyn Dyer (Prof., Journalism and Mass Communications) as a representative of the College of Liberal Arts, Group II to replace Jeff Cox for a term ending June 30, 2000.*

C. Council Replacements

The motion was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously:
MOTION: *To approve the appointment to the Faculty Council, as recommended by the Committee on Elections and the Faculty Council, of Constance Berman (Professor, History) as a representative of the College of Liberal Arts to replace Jeff Cox for a term ending June 30, 2000.*

The motion was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously:
MOTION: *To approve the appointment to the Faculty Council, as recommended by the Committee on Elections and the Faculty Council, of Rebecca Slayton (Assist. Prof., Pediatric Dentistry) as a representative of the College of Dentistry to replace Steven Aquilino for a term ending June 30, 2000.*

D. Committee appointments

The motion was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously:

MOTION: *To approve the following committee appointments recommended by the Committee on Committees and the Faculty Council:*

Stephen Alessi (Psych.&Quant. Fndtns.) to replace Christopher Culy on the Information Technology Committee for a term ending August 31, 2000.

Roberta Marvin (Music) to replace Russell Valentino on the Council on Teaching for a term ending August 31, 2000.

E. Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Office of the Provost

President Carlson reported that, to date, the recommended membership of the Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Office of the Provost has not been finalized. In addition to the members to be appointed as specified in The University of Iowa Operations Manual, President Coleman has requested that the Senate approve the following additional appointments to this committee:

Sam Becker, Emeritus Professor, as an ex officio member; and

A member of the Professional and Scientific Staff, to be recommended by the Staff Council.

Discussion ensued regarding the request to appoint Professor Becker. A number of senators expressed the opinion that it was inappropriate, or at least had the potential for an appearance of impropriety, for Professor Becker to serve on this committee both because he had served as Acting Provost and because he had served within the time period to be covered by the current review. If he had special insights or a perspective that the review committee should hear, he could be interviewed by the committee or request the opportunity to provide input, the latter being an invitation that would be extended to all faculty members. It was noted that other faculty members need to gain experience serving on review committees. The issue of including representation by emeritus faculty on this or

other review committees has not been presented to or considered by the Committee on the Selection of Central Academic Officials (which advises about the composition of, and provides members to serve on, collegiate and central administrative review committees). However, the rationale for appointing Professor Becker to the Committee to Review the Provost does not appear to be an intent to extend representation to emeritus faculty.

There was further discussion about whether other constituent groups, e.g., staff and students, should be represented on review committees. It was stated that students and staff have been appointed to serve on review committees of central administrative offices which affect them more directly, as the Office of the Vice President for Student Services. Staff and students may lack a formal process for participating in other types of reviews, but their input may be sought during the conduct of the reviews. Since there appeared to be a lack of compelling reasons for changing the current policy regarding the membership of review committees, the Senate declined to act on the request to appoint Professor Becker or a P&S staff member to the Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Office of the Provost.

III. Announcements

- A. A revised Senate/Council meeting schedule has been distributed. These revisions (an additional Senate meeting and two rescheduled Council meetings) have been made to enable review and discussion of the clinical track policy and possible changes in that policy.
- B. Update on review of the clinical track policy. Reports/reviews from each college that have clinical track faculty were due in the Provost's Office by February 1, 2000. The Provost is in the process of appointing an ad hoc committee of administrators and faculty from different colleges across the University to seek input from faculty and evaluate how the clinical track is working. This central committee will collect the reports submitted by each college, but will also solicit input from those faculty members who may not have felt free to speak during the collegiate reviews.
- C. Ad hoc committee to look at the problem of amplified noise from Hubbard Park. President Carlson reported that a policy has been developed to keep amplified noise to a minimum during class hours.
- D. Nominations for the Brody Award are now being solicited.
- E. A number of staff, students, and Faculty Senate members have volunteered to go to Des Moines on Sunday, March 5, and answer telephones for Iowa Public Television's annual Festival fund-raising event. There is still room for additional volunteers.
- F. Requests to faculty to serve on Faculty Senate and University Committees have been sent. Faculty were reminded to send in their committee preferences.
- G. The annual University of Iowa Presidential Lecture will be given by Professor Jeff Murray on Sunday, February 6. All are urged to attend.
- H. Update on the University Budget. In early January, the Legislature passed a deappropriation bill for FY 2000 that required spending cuts across the University. President Coleman's letter to University faculty and staff described these cuts and the University's plans and guidelines dealing with them. The Governor's FY 2001 budget recommendations for the Regent institutions

contains good news and bad news. He has recommended an increase in general funding for the College of Public Health and to open new buildings, but the latter is less than 1/3 of the Regents' request. Every other funding increase request was turned down.

The salary budget is treated separately from the general budget. The Governor has recommended an appropriation of \$42.2 million for FY 2001 salary adjustment funding (salary increases) that reflects his intent to fund approximately 62% of the salary increases, since only 62% of University salaries are supported by the General Fund. The central administration is very concerned about the budget process and the proposed cuts. They have met and will continue to meet with Senate officers, the Budget and Planning Committee, and the Governmental Relations Committee to keep them informed and to seek advice. Faculty may convey their concerns about the budget to Paul Muhly, James Torner, and Faculty Senate officers.

In the discussion that followed, senators raised a number of questions, especially about the implications of the Governor's recommendations for faculty salaries. There were questions about informing the rest of the faculty about the budget issues and whether and how faculty should speak out. The faculty were reminded that the budget situation is very fluid at this time; the Legislature has not made its recommendations. President Carlson reminded senators that faculty members cannot lobby the Legislature as state employees; they cannot use University resources for political purposes. A number of senators requested that President Carlson find a mechanism for sharing information about the budget with the rest of the faculty and University community.

IV. New Business

The motion was made and seconded:

MOTION: *Resolved that the Senate supports President Coleman's commitment to an unarmed campus security force.*

In discussion, the clarification was made that "unarmed" refers to firearms.

V. The meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Jean Jew, Secretary