

Minutes of the
Fifth Regular Meeting of the Eleventh Senate
Indiana University-Purdue University at Fort Wayne
January 13, 1992
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1. Call to order
2. Approval of the minutes of December 9 and 16, 1991
3. Acceptance of the agenda - W. Unsell
4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties
 - a. Purdue University - A. Finco
 - b. Indiana University - M. Downs
5. Report of the Presiding Officer (SR No. 91-15) - W. Frederick
6. Committee reports requiring action
 - a. Educational Policy Committee (SD 91-8) - S. Sarratore
 - b. Educational Policy Committee (SD 91-9) - S. Sarratore
7. New business
 - M. Downs - Senate Document SD 91-10
8. Committee reports "for information only"
 - Agenda Committee (SR No. 91-16) - W. Unsell
9. The general good and welfare of the University
10. Adjournment

Presiding Officer: W. Frederick

Parliamentarian: S. Harroff

Sergeant-at-arms: R. Barrett

Senate- Members Present:

F. Borelli, E. Blumenthal, J. Brennan, J. Chandler, A. Chatterjea, J. Clausen, P. Conn, D. Cox, S. Dhawale, A. Dirkes, M. Downs, J. Dunlap, J. Eichenauer, A. Fmco, E. Foley, J. Haw, R. Hawley, S. Hollander, R. Jeske, N. Kelley, F. Kirchhoff, D. Legg, M. Mansfield, L. Meyer, J. Meyers, R. Miers, D. Oberstar, J. Owen, R. Pacer, R. Ramsey, R. Ritchie, S. Sarratore, J. Scherz, A. Shupe, J. Silver, S. Skekloff, J. Smulkstys, W. Unsell, W. Walker, E. Waters

Senate Members Absent:

A. Karim, J. Klotz, D. Kruse, J. Lantz, P. Lin, D. Linn, D. McCants, A. Pugh, A. Rassuli, J. Sunderman, J. Switzer

Representative from Medical Education: D. Bell

Faculty Members Present: L. Balthaser, V. Coufoudakis, M. Souers

Visitors Present: J. Dahl

Attachments

"Amendment to the Academic Regulations--Degree Requirements" (SD 91-8)

"Accepting Credit Procedures" (SD 91-9)

"Formation of a committee to make recommendations concerning Management Agreement" (SD 91-10)

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1. Call to order: W. Frederick called the meeting to order at 12:04 p .m.
2. Approval of the minutes of December 9 and 16, 1991: The minutes were approved as distributed.
3. Acceptance of the agenda:
W. Unsell moved to accept the agenda as distributed. Seconded
Motion passed on a voice vote.
4. Reports of the Spgakers of the Faculties:
 - a. Purdue University: A. Finco had no report.
 - b. Indiana University: M. Downs had no report.
5. Report of the Presiding Officer:
W. Frederick: I have attached to the agenda a report on the current status of documents passed by this body (SR No. 91-15).
6. Committee reports requiring action:
 - a. Educational Policy Committee (Senate Document SD 91-8) - S. Sarratore
S. Sarratore moved to approve SD 91-8 (Amendment to the Academic Regulations--Degree Requirements). Seconded.
Motion to approve passed on a voice vote.
 - b. Educational Policy Committee (senate Document SD 91-9) – S. Sarratore
S. Sarratore moved to approve SD 91-9 (Accepting Credit Procedures). Seconded.
Motion to approve passed on a voice vote.

7. New business:

M. Downs moved to approve SD 91-10 (Formation of a committee to make recommendations concerning Management Agreement). Seconded.

Motion to approved passed on a voice vote.

8. Committee reports "for information only" Agenda Committee (Senate Reference No. 91-16) - W. Unsell

W. Unsell presented SR No. 91-16 (Items under Consideration by Senate Committees and Subcommittees) for information only. He explained that the Agenda Committee is now asking Senate Committee and Subcommittee chairs to list items under discussion in committees, as opposed to only items that are apt to come before the Senate as documents for consideration.

9. The general good and welfare of the University:

S. Hollander: Some comments on the air in the Liberal Arts Building--

Four years ago, due to concerns about air quality in campus buildings--especially the Liberal Arts Building--industrial hygienists from Purdue University at West Lafayette made a site visit to IPFW. They measured carbon-dioxide (CO₂) concentrations and supplied an extensive bibliography showing these to be a valid measure of general indoor air pollution.

The Purdue University team said 600 parts per million is the upper acceptable limit for CO₂; above 600 parts per million, they said, air would both feel stale and be medically unacceptable.

They found that CO₂ concentrations in CM varied between 850 and 1100 parts per million. The only exceptions occurred on the third floor, where the medical-education program enjoys a separate ventilation system.

Complaints about air quality in CM continued. When recently they reached a crescendo and serious health problems became evident, the Purdue team was invited back. Four years after their initial visit, they found that indoor air pollution in CM had increased: In 1988, CO₂ had peaked at 1100 parts per million; last month, it ranged up to 1350.

In 1988, the team made two major recommendations. The first was that smokers be isolated from other CM occupants, and this was done. The second was that the amount of outside air being brought into the building be substantially increased to reduce pollution caused by heavy occupancy in this "energy efficient" structure. Nothing appears to have been done toward this end.

In its most recent report, the West Lafayette team again recommended that ventilation--outside air--be substantially increased. The inspectors also noted, for the first time, problems "with the outside air screens being plugged with debris and general maintenance of the units."

IPFW Physical Plant personnel seem finally to be concerned about these problems--at least to the point of planning to experiment with increased outside-air flow in a few rooms. I hope that, even if these trials are not successful, effective steps will be taken soon to solve a problem which has already lasted far too long.

A. Shupe: I don't have nearly as formal a presentation as we just heard, but late last semester I came to my office one day and there was a kind of sickly-sweet perfume smell. I asked the secretary to call maintenance to find out if somebody had shampooed the rug, or what; and the answer we got was that one of the maintenance people probably had been smoking, and this was an attempt to clean the air. My gripe is, if I can't smoke in my office I don't think anyone else should be able to.

10. The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara L. Blauvelt
Secretary of the Faculty