

Minutes of the
Third Regular Meeting of the Twenty-Third Senate
Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne
November 10, 2003
12:00 P.M., Kettler G46

Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Approval of the minutes of October 20, 2003
3. Acceptance of the agenda – J. Grant
4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties
 - a. Indiana University – M. Nusbaumer
 - b. Purdue University – E. Blakemore
5. Report of the Presiding Officer (Senate Reference No. 03-3) – R. Hess
6. Committee reports requiring action
 - a. Student Affairs Committee (Senate Document SD 03-5) – S. Isiorho
 - b. Executive Committee (Senate Document SD 03-6) – J. Grant
7. Question Time (Senate Reference No. 03-4)
8. New business
9. Committee reports “for information only”
 - a. Executive Committee (Senate Reference No. 03-5) – J. Grant
 - b. Executive Committee (Senate Reference No. 03-6) – J. Grant
 - c. Executive Committee (Senate Reference No. 03-7) – J. Grant
10. The general good and welfare of the University
11. Adjournment

Presiding Officer: R. Hess

Parliamentarian: D. Turnipseed

Sergeant-at-Arms: J. Njock Libii

Secretary: J. Petersen

Senate Members Present:

B. Abbott, P. Agness, R. Bean, L. Beineke, E. Blakemore, S. Blythe, W. Branson,
G. Bullion, C. Carlson, C. Chauhan, M. Codispoti, N. Cothorn, D. Erbach, C. Erickson,
L. Fox, R. Friedman, P. Goodmann, J. Grant, T. Grove, S. Hannah, L. Hess, P. Iadicola,
S. Isiorho, A. Karim, L. Kuznar, L. Lin, M. Lipman, L. Meyer, M. Montesino, G.
Mourad,
A. Mustafa, M. Myers, E. Neal, M. Nusbaumer, D. Oberstar, A. Perez, J. Purse-
Wiedenhoeft,
D. Ross, J. Tankel, J. Toole, L. Vartanian, G. Volland, M. Wartell, N. Younis

Senate Members Absent:

J. Brennan, D. Goodman, J. Knight, Z. Liang, D. Marshall, H. Samavati, G. Schmelzle

Attachments:

“[Amendment to the Bylaws: Composition of Subcommittee on Athletics](#)” (SD 03-5)

“[Approval of replacement member of the Professional Development Subcommittee](#)” (SD 03-6)

“[Report from Question Time: S. Hannah](#)” (SR No. 03-8)

Faculty Member Present: S. Sarratore

Visitors Present: S. Alderman, K. Casey, R. Kostrubanic, P. McLaughlin, K. Stockman

Acta

1. Call to order: R. Hess called the meeting to order at 12:14 p.m.
2. Approval of the minutes of October 20, 2003: The minutes were approved as distributed.
3. Acceptance of the agenda:

J. Grant moved to approve the agenda as distributed.

The agenda was approved as distributed.

4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties:

- a. Indiana University:

M. Nusbaumer: All of the Indiana University faculty should have received a self-nomination form for the Indiana University Board of Review. Those need to be submitted to me by the end of this Friday. I have gotten some, but if you are interested, please make sure I get that by Friday.

I would like to express some concerns. As some of you are aware, Purdue West Lafayette is currently in the process of evaluating Chancellor Wartell’s performance. I must say, however, that I have little confidence in the process for a variety of reasons:

1. I find the committee responsible for doing so to be West Lafayette-administrator top heavy.
2. I find faculty representation to be sparse.
3. I find the ability of the faculty to vote people on that committee to be non-existent.
4. I find failure to allow for wide-spread faculty input. Any faculty that have input into that evaluation should be given the opportunity to do so.
5. Questionnaires were sent only to select folks.
6. They are not anonymous evaluations.

b. Purdue University:

E. Blakemore: There was a letter that went out to all faculty from President Jischke saying who was on the committee to evaluate Chancellor Wartell. All faculty were invited in that letter to make comments to members of the committee, so that is one comment that I have.

The committee is not West Lafayette-administrator top heavy. There are four people on the committee. One of them is the Vice President for Financial Affairs at West Lafayette, another is an associate provost at West Lafayette. The third is Dean James Jones, a dean on this campus; and the fourth is me, and I am the speaker of the Purdue faculty. That is all I have to say at the moment. Everyone was invited to give comment if they wished to do so.

Senator David Erbach and I attended the Purdue Intercampus Faculty Council last week. For those of you who do not know, and I did not know before I went, this is the body that consists of two representatives from all of the Purdue campuses: two from West Lafayette, two from Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, two from Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne, two from North Central, and two from Calumet. They are faculty members, and the concerns brought up at that gathering are about issues that would be related to Purdue faculty campuswide. There are two things that I want to raise as a result of that meeting. One, of which I was not aware although Steve Sarratore informed me that he was aware, is that there is now an online Purdue course repository. As a department chair, if I needed to find out whether a particular course existed in the Purdue system, I had to look through reams of paper to determine what those courses were and what numbers were free if we wanted to propose a new course. All of this information is now online. I will give Jacqui the URL as well as the set of links to get there, but it is pretty easy if you go to the Purdue main page. You go to "Academics." Near the top of the "Academics" page there is something called "course information" and, when you get to that page it says "system-wide course information." You can look at courses that exist at any campus or all campuses as well as course descriptions. So that is something I wanted to make you aware of, and I for one am thrilled to see that it exists. Now I can throw away those 50 pages that are sitting in a pile somewhere.

The other thing I wanted to bring up is that I discovered, and I probably knew this in the back of my mind somewhere, that the Fort Wayne campus has a seat on the West Lafayette campus but, at least in more than the last decade, no one has ever filled that seat. Jacqui was able to find for me that in 1991 the Purdue Committee on Institutional Affairs passed a resolution that this campus would not fill that seat. Lowell Beineke's recollection is that that was to declare our independence or something of that nature. That resolution from Purdue Committee on Institutional Affairs was passed by this Senate in 1991. Now, 12 years later, I wonder if it might be time to reconsider that issue. I will bring it to the Purdue Committee on Institutional Affairs to see whether it would be of benefit for us to have a

representative on the West Lafayette Senate. I looked at a few of their recent minutes. A lot of the things that take place at those meetings are relevant predominantly to the West Lafayette campus, but there is the issue of faculty having some input on the benefits package. So far as I know, faculty on this campus do not really have input on the benefits package and, if we could have that opportunity, maybe it would be worth at least sending somebody to the meetings. I will be bringing that up to the Purdue Committee on Institutional Affairs.

S. Sarratore: Although I don't have speaking privileges, (Presiding Officer granted speaking privileges) I would just comment that the web site she refers to, as well as a similar one for IU courses, I have just added to a curriculum development web site on the Academic Affairs web page. It can now be found there, so there is a direct link to it from there.

R. Hess: Would you both indicate how to get to the West Lafayette site and how to get to the Curriculum Development site, and we will get them in the minutes?

(The following are the URLs for both sites per E. Blakemore and S. Sarratore):

<http://www.purdue.edu/Purdue/Course-Info/index.html> (Purdue – WL)
<http://www.ipfw.edu/vcaa/curricdevelop> (IPFW Curriculum Development. This site may also be reached from the OAA web page. This Curriculum Development site includes all policies, forms, and information relevant to new course and/or program development at IPFW. There are also links to the Purdue and IU master course lists.)

M. Wartell: In discussion with Steve Hollander and Mike Downs about the issue that was brought up about representation, the concerns in the 1991 resolution as I remember their discussion, related to the lack of proportional representation. That is why that was done.

E. Blakemore: One of the names that was on that resolution was Wayne Unsell's. I have asked him to let me know what exactly he recalled regarding the details of doing it that way but, by the time I left my office, he had not yet replied.

5. Report of the Presiding Officer (Senate Reference No. 03-3) – R. Hess:

I want to apologize for getting started late. As you know, sometimes the technology fails you. You can anticipate next time that the technology will work, and we will have what we did not have this time as a result of this snafu.

My official report is Senate Reference No. 03-3, for your consideration. I would like to move now to "Committee reports requiring action."

6. Committee reports requiring action:

a. Student Affairs Committee (SD 03-5) – S. Isiorho:

S. Isiorho moved to approve SD 03-5 (Amendment to the Bylaws: Composition of Subcommittee on Athletics). Seconded.

Motion to approve SD 03-5 passed on a voice vote.

b. Executive Committee (SD 03-6) – J. Grant:

J. Grant moved to approve SD 03-6 (Approval of replacement member of the Professional Development Subcommittee). Seconded.

Motion to approve SD 03-6 passed on a voice vote.

7. Question Time (SR No. 03-4):

Q: In reference to Senate Document SD 96-4 which states the following:

"That it be the policy of Indiana University-Purdue University that all administrative personnel who hold academic rank be expected, as a condition of their appointment, to be responsible for the teaching of one class per year in the department in which they have academic affiliation."

and

"The Academic Officers Committee (AOC) fully endorses the notion that administrators who hold faculty rank should teach. This support is demonstrated by the teaching record and teaching plans of the current members of AOC. Further, we endorse the continued hiring of administrators who believe that teaching is an important function of all faculty members."

Could you provide the Senate with a report delineating the number of administrators above departmental chairs who have academic "rank" and the number of courses each has taught in the past two years?

Michael Nusbaumer

A: S. Hannah: I will provide a report to put in the minutes. Roughly, the pattern is most of us teach either once a year or once every other year – something to that effect. For someone who does this, I will say it is hard, and I always worry that my students are the ones who suffer when I do not go to class as well prepared as I should because my other responsibilities have diverted me. Now, my students have awarded me with very good evaluations and say nice things about my course, which I appreciate very much, but I will tell you from personal experience, I worry that I am not bringing the same effort and attention to it that I should because I have other responsibilities. I teach on

Monday nights only, so I have all day Sunday to get ready, but something inevitably happens, and I think that the other administrators who teach can tell the same story. So, while it is a noble goal, and we do try, you are going to see everyone on this list teaches at least once every other year or so. It is hard. We want to do the kind of job that you folks do -- yes, we are committed to it, and I value the time that I spend, but it is difficult. You will see this report in the minutes.

R. Hess: A copy of the report is to be attached to the minutes, and it is with the secretary.

P. Iadicola: I have a question regarding the summary of the pattern. Can I draw from the information that you are providing what proportion of administrators who hold academic rank are in compliance with SD 96-4? Your statement at this current time basically leads me to believe that only about half of the administrators are in compliance, or maybe even less than that, if compliance means teaching one class per academic year.

S. Hannah: You may draw that conclusion.

P. Iadicola: I may draw that conclusion – which conclusion is that?

S. Hannah: A few of us teach every single semester every single year. Others of us, like me, teach every other year. So I am not in compliance.

P. Iadicola: So it would be fair to say that at least half ...

S. Hannah: You can count the numbers. I did not count them.

P. Iadicola: If I look at that information, will I know what proportion of administrators are in compliance and which are not?

S. Hannah: Yes, you will.

P. Iadicola: Okay.

8. New business: There was no new business.

9. Committee reports “for information only”:

a. Executive Committee (Senate Reference No. 03-5) – J. Grant:

SR No. 03-5 (Items under Consideration by Senate Committees and Subcommittees) was presented for information only.

b. Executive Committee (Senate Reference No. 03-6) – J. Grant:

SR No. 03-6 (Student Advising on IPFW Campus) was presented for information only.

c. Executive Committee (Senate Reference No. 03-7) – J. Grant:

SR No. 03-7 (Mandatory Screen Saver Policy) was presented for information only.

10. The general good and welfare of the University:

P. Iadicola: This coming Monday from 12:00 – 1:30 in Kettler 117, the Departments of Anthropology, History and Sociology are sponsoring a forum. Hopefully this will be one in a series. The forum is on Conversation on the American Empire, and the first one is going to be about the history. In light of the increasing cost of our overseas domain, cost in terms of military bases now occupying more than 70 countries, cost in terms of human lives, and cost in our monopolization of weapons of mass destruction and increasing that, it is important that the Fort Wayne community, including the campus community, have a discussion about the nature of our system and the increase in cost to that as well as benefits. This is one in a series. I have fliers and Jacqui has fliers. If you would like to take one and put them someplace in your office area, it would be nice; or you can distribute them to other faculty who may be interested. I also have copies here if you are coming this way.

R. Hess: Is the forum to be each Monday in sequence throughout November?

P. Iadicola: We have not yet set a date for the next one.

R. Hess: This coming Monday at noon? Room number?

P. Iadicola: Yes, Kettler 117.

L. Kuznar: Who are the participating faculty?

P. Iadicola: Right now, the chair of the anthropology program, Alan Sandstrom; Bernd Fischer, chair of History; Glen Gendzel is giving the first one on the history; and I am.

R. Hess: I would like to share with you an item under good and welfare, briefly. At the end of the introduction last time of our Sergeant-at-Arms, he came to my office and he wanted to have a serious discussion as to how to handle you people. I sat down, and he said, “What happens if people get rowdy?” I said, “Well, you know, it’s all right – we’ll try to handle it. We’ll tolerate it.” Then he said, “Well, what if it persists?” I said, “Well, I’ll try to handle it with humor.” He looked at me kind of skeptically, and I said, “Oh, well, then I’ll turn to the staff.” Josué, do you want to show them? (Josué showed the staff with its raccoon head.) As a backup, we will have a cell phone to call the University Police.

J. Purse-Wiedenhoeft: This is just an invitation because I don’t see all of you often.

December 5, we open our last show in the Theatre Department for this semester – *Suddenly Last Summer* by Tennessee Williams. I am playing one of the leads. This is one of the times that I am out there working with my students and doing the acting side of things. If you are available, come and see the show.

11. The meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Jacqueline J. Petersen
Secretary of the Faculty