

Minutes of the
Fourth Regular Meeting of the Fourteenth Senate
Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne
December 12, 1994
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1. Call to order
2. Approval of the minutes of November 14, 1994
3. Acceptance of the agenda - N. Younis
4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties
 - a. Purdue University - R. Barrett
 - b. Indiana University - S. Hollander
5. Report of the Presiding Officer (Senate Reference No. 94-12) - M. Downs
6. Special business for the day (Senate Reference No. 94-15) - D. Legg
7. Committee reports requiring action
 - a. Indiana University Committee on Institutional Affairs (Senate Reference No. 94-13)
- S. Hollander
 - b. Educational Policy Committee (Senate Document SD 94-13) - S. Sarratore
 - c. Educational Policy Committee (Senate Document SD 94-14) - S. Sarratore
8. Question time
 - a. Senate Reference No. 94-14
 - b. Senate Reference No. 94-17
9. New business
10. Committee reports "for information only"
11. The general good and welfare of the University
12. Adjournment

*As amended

Presiding Officer: M. Downs
Parliamentarian: M. Sherr
Sergeant-at-Arms: J. Wilson
Secretary: B. Blauvelt

Senate Members Present:

S. Argast, R. Barrett, R. Berger, F. Borelli, N. Bradley, W. Branson, B. Bulmahn, C. Champion, J. Clausen, N. Cothorn, D. Cox, L. DeFonso, D. Edwards, D. Fairchild, O. Freiburger, R. Gillespie, J. Grant, S. Harroff, J. Haw, R. Hawley, J. Hersberger, R. Hess, C. Hill, S. Hollander, G. Kartsounes, F. Kirchhoff, L. Kuznar, P. Lane, C. Lawton, D. Legg, M. Masters, L. Motz, G. Mourad, H. Samavati, S. Sarratore, L. Schlager, J. Smulkstys, C. Sternberger, P. Stubblebine, J. Taylor, P. Terry, M. H. Thuente, K. Trier, M. Wartell, E. Waters, N. Younis, Y. Zubovic

Senate Members Absent:

S. Frey-Ridgway, R. Kendall, M. Lane, T. Laverghetta, D. Schmidt, Z. Shipchandler, C. Thompson, W. Utesch, L. Wootton

Attachments:

- "Results of the election of Diversity Council members" (SR No. 94-15)
- "Results of the election of the Indiana University Faculty Board of Review" (SR No. 94-16)
- "[Student] Assessment Plan" (SD 94-13)
- "School and Program Mission, Goals, and Objectives Statements" (SD 94-14)
- "Question time: Chancellor's statement concerning the nature of this campus" (SR No. 94-17)

Faculty Members Present:

L. Balthaser, K. Bordens, J. Cochren, V. Coufoudakis, E. Cowen, P. Drumm, L. Madden, D. McCants, D. Pfeffenberger, G. Szymanski, D. Young

Visitors Present: J. Dahl, J. Hook

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1. Call to order: M. Downs called the meeting to order at 12:01 p. m.
2. Approval of the minutes of November 14, 1994: The minutes were approved as distributed.
3. Acceptance of the agenda:

N. Younis moved to accept the agenda. Seconded.

J. Smulkstys moved to amend the agenda by adding a question (See SR No. 94-17 attached) under "question time." Seconded.

Motion passed on a voice vote.

D. Legg moved to amend the agenda by inserting between items 5 and 6 an item which would allow for the election of members to serve on the Diversity Council (See SR No. 94-15 attached). Seconded.

Motion passed on a voice vote.

The agenda was approved as amended.

4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties:

- a. Purdue University:

R. Barrett: One thing that I would like to report that came out of the Intercampus Faculty Council--that is in the pipeline and headed this way--is the issue of Tech Prep

and Ivy Tech. It was reported by Purdue North Central that Ivy Tech cut an agreement with Hobart High School. They are now taking 13 high-school courses directly in as Ivy Tech college credit on the condition that the students simply pass the course in high school. My assumption is that, the way that reads, that could be a "D." North Central finds itself in quite a dilemma because of University Senate Document 85-11 on their side that says that high-school credit can be used if some appropriate test is taken, or credit is given by exam, or whatever. And they further note that Purdue Calumet is not bound by those restrictions and they feel they are in some real heavy competition up in the northeastern part of Indiana. The rumor mill says that Purdue Calumet has worked on accepting six courses from Ivy Tech into their technology programs. It's probably on the way here. The scary part is that students may come out of Hobart, go to Ivy Tech for a semester, and end up on our doorstep in one of our technology programs with all these transfer credits now available at IPFW. Ron Emery is on our side working with Tech Prep and, at this point, we haven't done anything officially with any high school. My guess is the day is coming where we will be forced into that simply because of the competition that seems to be abounding for students, credit hours and budget concerns. So I think this is going to have some impact. I am not sure how it's going to be fit in with our General Education requirements. I am not sure anybody does.

b. Indiana University:

R. Barrett for S. Hollander: At the November meeting of the Senate, Steve announced that the IU Board of Trustees was planning to discuss IPFW's relationship with IU at the Trustees' December 2 meeting. Shortly before that meeting he received notice that the discussion of IPFW had been postponed due to the illness of President John Walda. They have not set a rain date at this point. I am assuming that, after my remarks, Steve would want to report to you that there is a dual-credit task force headed up by Dr. Carolyn Jones. Steve Hollander is a member of that committee. They have people from North Central, from Calumet and some other folks. So at least some committee out there is already working on this.

5. Report of the Presiding Officer (Senate Reference No. 94-12):

M. Downs: I have no report, but I do want to remind committee chairs that the document deadline for the January meeting is December 14 at 5:00 p.m.

6. Special business of the day: T

David Legg and Mark Masters conducted the election to select three faculty to serve on the Diversity Council (See SR No. 94-15 attached).

7. Committee reports requiring action:

a. Indiana University Committee on Institutional Affairs (SR No. 94-13) - S. Hollander:

J. Haw conducted the election to select faculty to serve on the IU Faculty Board of Review (See SR No. 94-16).

b. Educational Policy Committee (SD 94-13) – S. Sarratore:

S. Sarratore moved to approve SD 94-13 ([Student] Assessment Plan) with two editorial corrections: 1) page 2, final paragraph, 3rd line: to replace the word "wide" with the word "specific" and 2) page 8, item 3.c.: to add the following sentence at the end of the paragraph: Administration of the test will be the responsibility of the Director of Assessment and the Speaking and Listening Foundation Skills Subcommittee. Seconded.

Motion to approve passed on a voice vote.

c. Educational Policy Committee (SD 94-14) - S. Sarratore:

S. Sarratore moved to approve SD 94-14 (School and Program Mission, Goals, and Objectives Statements). Seconded.

Motion to approve passed unanimously.

8. Question time (Senate Reference No. 94-14):

a. Does the Council have the power to establish rules that become mandatory policy for all university matters, including curriculum content and classroom teaching?

M. Wartell: Let me begin by saying that I think that achieving diversity on this campus and developing support for achieving diversity is incredibly important. So, the Council was established. The answer to this question is, simply, "no." It is a recommending body. It does not establish policy.

b. If the recommendations of the Council are not official policy, will the recommendations nonetheless become policy by fiat?

M. Wartell. The answer to that question is also "no." Any recommendations of policy will be consulted among the appropriate bodies which include the Senate, possibly the students, and possibly the staff. It depends on the kind of policy that is recommended.

M. Downs: The Agenda Committee granted speaking privileges to Professor Bordens.

K. Bordens: Am I to understand that any recommendations coming out of the council would have to be approved by the Senate before they become university policy?

M. Wartell: It would depend on whether they affected faculty or had any effect on faculty issues in the university. In general, that would be true.

K. Bordens: One thing that bothered me about the statement which precipitated my questions wasn't anything in the statement itself, but rather in the preamble which stated, "our commitment to teaching current knowledge obligates us to incorporate multiple points of view and ways of knowing within the university's curriculum." I am not quite clear on what's meant by "ways of knowing" and how that's incorporated into university curriculum. If you mean that we are going to allow a student to say that, based on his or her ethnic or religious background, they feel that something being taught in the classroom is incorrect and they shouldn't be penalized for giving their answer on a test, that kind of stuff would certainly be relevant to Senate business.

M. Wartell: We agree entirely.

K. Bordens: What was meant by "ways of knowing"?

M. Wartell: I think exactly the kinds of things you're talking about, but incorporating into the curriculum various points of view and various approaches to knowledge. I am not sure we were thinking of it so much from the student point of view when we wrote the preamble.

K. Bordens: And is the Diversity Council going to take up that issue of what exactly is meant by "ways of knowing"?

M. Wartell: They could. I don't know what the Diversity Council is going to take up right away. Rest assured that there will be nothing that relates to the curriculum or teaching on this campus in terms of policy that will not be consulted with the Senate.

- c. It has been reported that at the October meeting of the University Council, the Chancellor, in commenting on the IU Trustees' concerns that IPFW is in the process of becoming a Purdue University campus, dismissed the entire issue by declaring that IPFW is already a Purdue University campus. Has the Chancellor really referred to IPFW as a Purdue University campus and, if so, didn't this statement contradict the current management agreement between Indiana University and Purdue University with regard to Fort Wayne?

M. Wartell: Since that was just added to the agenda, I would appreciate being able to answer that at the next Senate meeting.

M. Downs: I'll ask the questioner if that's acceptable to him.

J. Smulkstys: Yes, but I would say that the Chancellor was informed of this question about 10 days in advance, but that's quite alright.

9. New business: There was no new business.

10. Committee reports "for information only": There were no committee reports.

11. The general good and welfare of the University:

S. Argast: I hadn't intended to say anything, but I think I will. The University Resources Policy Committee (URPC) is taking under advisement a recommendation for a change in the parking-rate structure. There will probably be a new garage built on campus within a year or two. The decision was made to build the garage as opposed to surface parking. That means some considerable increases in fees. The numbers we are looking at would be a jump for A stickers to \$150.00 next year, which could then rise as high as \$213.00 a year--if I remember the numbers right--within a few years time. There are some different options in how to approach it: ... a one-step increase to \$150.00 which would freeze at \$150.00 for the foreseeable future; a gradual ramp up going to \$80.00 and then on up which makes the endpoint higher to about \$213.00. Everybody should be aware of this. I won't go through the details now, but details are available to you. There are a number of members of the URPC around, and I am the chair of the committee. If you want to get information or let me know how you feel, we will be discussing this the very first week of the semester when we return. The committee will be making a recommendation to the Vice Chancellor for Financial Affairs. It is a significant thing impacting on all of us. It impacts the students, too. The student rate will go up in the same proportion.

M. Downs: Is it your intention to bring your recommendation to this body for action or for information only?

S. Argast: I can certainly do that, but the information is in the form of a recommendation to the Vice Chancellor for Financial Affairs, who has the responsibility for determining the rate structure. I will be happy to report what URPC has decided in terms of a recommendation. The final decision, as I understand the process, is in the Vice Chancellor's office.

M. Downs: I am aware of a precedent where, in matters of this sort, a recommendation has been brought to the Senate for some kind of evaluation and response.

S. Argast: I can do anything the committee and you would like.

J. Smulkstys: I would like to clarify what the Chancellor said. I want to be fair to everyone including Chancellor Wartell. My understanding was--and now I started thinking about it--maybe this did not happen. My understanding was that the Agenda Committee chair informed the Chancellor at least a week in advance, possibly ten days in advance, that I

would make a motion to amend the agenda to insert this question that you read. If the Agenda Committee did not inform the Chancellor in advance, as is customary, giving him ten days to prepare the answer, then I apologize to the Chancellor. I never would want to surprise anyone by adding a question on the same day without informing the person who will answer the question in advance. So I would like to ask the Agenda Committee Chair if the Chancellor was informed in advance that this question might be asked if the Senate voted to support the motion to amend the agenda.

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N. Younis: The question was sent to the Chancellor on December 1. I have a copy of the memo here.

M. Downs: Would you read it please?

N. Younis: To: Chancellor Michael Wartell; From: Nash Younis, Chair, Agenda Committee; Date: December 1, 1994; Subject: Question time. At the Senate meeting on Monday, 12 December, Julius Smulkstys will move to amend the agenda so as to include the enclosed question. Assuming passage of the amendment, you will be asked to respond to the question. If the agenda is not amended, I understand you will be asked the question under "general good and welfare." If you have questions, please call me at Ext. 6887. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

M. Wartell: I received that memo. All I asked for was extra time in answering the question.

J. Smulkstys: Okay, that's fine. I have no problem.

R. Hess: There has been a proposal floating to change the reimbursement for summer salaries to a flat rate. I've asked Faculty Affairs to look into the situation and monitor it. I think we were all told that the proposal was no longer under consideration. I would like the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs to speak to the current status of that proposal.

M. Downs: You understand that when questions are asked under "general good and welfare," generally, it is the option of the person to whom the question is asked to either answer the question today or to come back at a subsequent meeting and answer it.

F. Kirchhoff: I would be happy to answer that question. What we are doing now is talking with Purdue University-West Lafayette and trying to determine whether it is possible for this campus to have a summer salary policy which differs from the policy at the West Lafayette campus. If we are told that we can have a policy that differs, then the Faculty Affairs Committee will be asked to consider some possible options to the policy. The notion of the cap that you referred to is such a possible option. There are a number of ideas that are on the table. Nothing is being considered in any official way and will not be unless we have a go-ahead that we can do something different. When that comes, and if the policy is changed, we will go through the normal processes and bring it before the faculty.

M. Downs: In order to avoid excitement, the difference from the Purdue policy is not one which would actually result in an increase beyond the salaries now set?

F. Kirchhoff. It has been suggested to me that our salaries be higher. I don't know whether that was a serious suggestion or not. But still, the possibility of differences would include that.

R. Hess: The second item is that I have received from a couple of colleagues in my building in Neff Hall a request to bring up the issue of lighting. in the lounge in that hall. The assertion that they make is that the lighting is poor; that nothing can be done of any consequence. You can't read, you can't run the scanner, and so forth. I would appreciate it if whoever is responsible for that sort of thing, would look into this matter.

M. Downs: I draw that to the attention of the Vice Chancellor for Financial Affairs.

12. The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara L. Blauvelt Secretary of the Faculty