

Minutes of the  
First Regular Meeting of the Fifteenth Senate  
Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne  
September 11, 1995  
3:00 P .M., Kettler G46

**Agenda**

1. Call to order
2. Approval of the minutes of April 10 and 17, 1995
3. Acceptance of the agenda -N. Younis
4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties
  - a. Indiana University -S. Hollander
  - b. Purdue University -J. Hersberger
5. Report of the Presiding Officer -M. Downs
6. Committee reports requiring action  
Nominations and Elections Committee (Senate Reference No.95-3) -C. Chauhan
7. New business
8. Committee reports "for information only"
  - a. Curriculum Review Subcommittee (Senate Reference No.95-1) -D. Bialik
  - b. Curriculum Review Subcommittee (Senate Reference No.95-2) -D. Bialik
9. The general good and welfare of the University
10. Adjournment

Presiding Officer: M. Downs

Parliamentarian: M. Sherr

Sergeant-at-Arms: R. Barrett

Secretary: B. Blauvelt

Senate Members Present:

S. Argast, R. Berger, N. Bradley, W. Branson, B. Bulmahn, C. Butler, C. Champion, C. Chauhan, J. Clausen, N. Cothorn, D. Cox, V. Craig, L. DeFonso, M. Downs, D. Edwards, L. Felber, O. Freiburger, S. Frey-Ridgway, R. Gillespie, J. Grant, P. Hamburger, J. Haw, J. Hersberger, R. Hess, C. Hill, S. Hollander, C. Humphrey, R. Jeske, G. Kartsounes, R. Kendall, J. Knight, M. Lane, P. Lane, T. Laverghetta, D. Legg, L. Motz, G. Mourad, D. Oberstar, K. O'Connell, H. Samavati, L. Schlager, M. Scudder, Z. Shipchandler, P. Stubblebine, P. Terry, C. Thompson, D. Townsend, W. Utesch, M. Wartell, L. Wright-Bower, N. Younis

Senate Members Absent: F. Borelli, M. Masters, D. Schmidt, M. H. Thuente, K. Trier

Representatives from Medical Education: D. Koritnik and K. Redman

Faculty Members Present: L. Balthaser, C. Drummond, D. Pfeffenberger

Visitors Present: J. Dahl, N. Newell

Attachment:

"Results of election of Library Subcommittee Members" (SR No.95-3)

1. Call to order: M. Downs called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.
2. Approval of the minutes of April 10 and 17, 1995: The minutes were approved as distributed.
3. Acceptance of the agenda:  
N. Younis moved to accept the agenda. Seconded.  
The agenda was approved as distributed.
4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties:

- a. Indiana University:

S. Hollander: If you are on email, you know that on reserve in the library are two reports that are the result of last year's work by eight Strategic Directions task forces established by then new I. U. President Brand. I have not gotten a lot of feedback about them. If you read them there are a sizable number of ambitious plans contained in them. If you want your voice heard, get in touch with me, or Bob Jeske or Mike Downs--both of whom are also representatives from this campus to this year's University Faculty Council (UFC).

The UFC will meet tomorrow. There's not much on the agenda other than a State of the University address by President Brand, which will be telecast into Walb Union, Room 222.

A week from tomorrow [September 19], President Brand will be on campus along with others for the annual meeting of the Indiana-Purdue Foundation at Fort Wayne. He has requested that he meet with interested faculty at, I believe, 1: 30 p.m. There will be an email announcement.

- b. Purdue University:

J. Hersberger: I am new. I don't know how to be a speaker. I welcome your input; otherwise, I will just model my behavior after Professor Barrett and Professor Hollander. I have attended a meeting of the Purdue University Board of Trustees at which the budgets were accepted by the Board for the various campuses. There was only one other issue affecting this campus, and that was a massive boiler renovation in Kettler Hall. I would welcome any input and issues from you. I think every speaker ought to have a windmill issue and right now I have tentatively chosen: Get the Purdue people paid on August 31 instead of September 15. (applause) You understand, of course, that the probability of this windmill issue succeeding is zero, but I will try.

M. Downs: Don't give up hope. Ten years ago I.U. faculty were paid on the 15th of September and an earlier I.U. speaker made as his windmill issue the payment of I.U. faculty on this campus on 1 September, and it happened. So don't give up hope.

5. Report of the Presiding Officer:

M. Downs: Last year I called attention to the Noel-Levitz recommendations based on the study regarding retention and other student-related items. I asked several people--the two speakers of the faculty, Marian Zimmerman, and David Cox--to consider recommendations that the faculty might take up as part of our business this year. Two recommendations were developed: one having to do with a wholesale reorganization and coordination of a freshman experience, and a second for the creation of a special unit to work on providing academic information. These recommendations have been sent to the administration and they will be sent to committees of this body to consider whether they

should be adopted and given more weight. The recommendation concerning the freshman experience will be sent to the Educational Policy Committee and the recommendation concerning academic information will be sent to the Computer Users Advisory Subcommittee. Other Senate committees can expect to receive initiatives from the administration and from interested faculty regarding the matter of retention through the year. . . .

I have asked and have been told that we will receive information about the effect of the change of the free period on enrollment patterns. We are meeting at 3 o'clock this year because the free period was changed as a result of an action taken by the administration upon recommendation from this body and others. It was done in order to make better use of time periods available for the scheduling of classes. A number of faculty have made mild protests about the Senate meeting at 3 o'clock on Monday instead of at noon on Monday and I thought that if the change had had the desired effect, evidence of that fact would certainly placate those who are unhappy about this meeting time.

I am also to remind people whose names begin with the early letters of the alphabet that they should move with dispatch to hold meetings of their committees to communicate the names of the chairs who are elected to the secretary as soon as possible.

I'll be happy to answer any questions.

6. Committee reports requiring action:

Nominations and Elections Committee -C. Chauhan:

Chand Chauhan conducted the election of members of the Library Subcommittee. The results are attached (See SR No.95-3).

7. New business: There was no new business.

8. Committee Reports "for information only":

a. Curriculum Review Subcommittee (Senate Reference No.95-1):

SR No.95-1 (Certificate in Electronic Communications) was presented for information only.

b. Curriculum Review Subcommittee (Senate Reference No.95-2):

SR No.95-2 (Associate of Science in Business) was presented for information only.

9. The general good and welfare of the University:

S. Hollander: Professor Hersberger said he is going to model his behavior, in part, on mine. One of the things speakers do is apologize, and I would like to do that today. Last year I assured several members of this body who asked that approval of the Student Technology Fee would replace the Computer Lab Equivalency (CLE) hours for students on this campus. I had been assured by administrators that I trust that that would be the case. If you talk to students, you know that they are paying both CLE hours and a \$3/cr. hr., across-the-board technology fee. In various ways, I am sorry about that.

M. Downs: I have two issues to air myself. One has to do with the notification given to faculty and staff regarding salary increments for this year. I am speaking only for myself when I say that I thought that they were untowardly late. I did not receive word about my increment until the third week of July, and I don't think that that was much later than anyone else on campus except, perhaps, people at the upper levels of the administration. I think there is no good excuse for making faculty and staff wait until some of them are already earning the new increment before they know what it is they will be earning. The board of trustees wants us to wait for formal notification until they have had a chance to approve the budget. I understand that and there may be little that can be done in regard to the timing of formal notification; but there should be a system of informal notification so

that people know as soon as possible after the recommendation is made what the specific recommendation is. I hope that the administration will work with Purdue administrators at West Lafayette in order to achieve a more timely notice in regard to increments. I don't think that that is an unreasonable request.

And then under the heading of "windmills. " In 1983--twelve years ago--the university built what is still called a temporary parking lot near the river. We were assured that it would be a temporary parking lot and that it would be there only as long as it was necessary because aesthetically and environmentally it was not good placement for a parking lot. It is still there and I thought that it would be appropriate for me to remind everybody that it is not a permanent parking lot; it is temporary and we should be able to expect that in the near future it will no longer be a parking lot at all. I think it is particularly appropriate that it happen soon because traffic patterns on campus are being changed and it no longer will serve even the minimally useful purpose it now serves.

J. Clausen: I would like to remind everybody of the visit to campus on September 14 and 15 by Dr. J. Herman Blake. He is an advisor to President Brand and vice chancellor for undergraduate education at IUPUI. I hope all of you will try to attend Dr. Blake's lecture which is open to everyone at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 14, and, if possible, the student panel where students will talk about the challenges of diversity from their perspective, which might be relevant to something you brought up earlier: the retention of students at IPFW.

M. Wartell: Let me remind everyone of Ralph Nader's lecture, the first of the Omnibus Lecture Series, on Monday, September 19, at 7:30 p.m. in Walb Memorial Union Ballroom. It is free.

10. The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara L. Blauvelt  
Secretary of the Faculty