

Minutes of the  
First Regular Meeting of the Nineteenth Senate  
Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne  
September 13, 1999  
12:00 P.M., Kettler G46

Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Approval of the minutes of April 12 and 19, 1999
3. Acceptance of the agenda - M. Downs
4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties
  - a. Indiana University - M. Downs
  - b. Purdue University - J. Silver
5. Report of the Presiding Officer (Senate Reference No. 99-1) - R. Hess
6. Special business of the day - Memorial Resolution (Senate Reference No. 99-6)
7. Committee reports requiring action  
Student Affairs Committee (Senate Document SD 99-1) - K. McDonald
8. New business
9. Committee reports "for information only"
  - a. Curriculum Review Subcommittee (Senate Reference No. 99-2) - M. Codispoti
  - b. Curriculum Review Subcommittee (Senate Reference No. 99-3) - M. Codispoti
  - c. Curriculum Review Subcommittee (Senate Reference No. 99-4) - M. Codispoti
  - d. Curriculum Review Subcommittee (Senate Reference No. 99-5) - M. Codispoti
10. The general good and welfare of the University
11. Adjournment\*

Presiding Officer: R. Hess  
Parliamentarian: J. Clausen  
Sergeant-at-Arms: M. Sherr (Absent)  
Secretary: B. Blauvelt

Senate Members Present:

B. Abbott, H. Abu-Mulaweh, R. Barrett, R. Berger, P. Bingi, F. Borelli, W. Branson, J. Brennan, C. Champion, J. Cochren, M. Codispoti, V. Coufoudakis, L. DeFonso, W. DeMott, M. Downs, C. Drummond, B. Fife, L. Fox, I. Hack, P. Hamburger, S. Hannah, S. Harroff, B. Harwood, J. Haw, B. Hume, M. Kimble, D. Marshall, K. McDonald, J. Nichols, M. Nusbaumer, D. Oberstar, D. Pfeffenberger, A. Pugh, B. Salmon, H. Samavati, J. Silver, K. Squadrito, J. Tankel, R. Tierney, D. Vasquez, M. Wartell, W. D. Weakley, L. Wright-Bower, Y. Zubovic

Senate Members Absent: C. Leiserson, R. Manalis, D. Schmidt, Z. Shipchandler

Faculty Members Present: L. Balthaser, J. DiIorio

Visitors Present: A. Alesia, J. Bosk, K. Browne, J. Dahl, M. Gruss, R. Kostrubanic

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Attachments:

["Change in Membership of SCOA and Amendment to the Bylaws"](#) (SD 99-1)

["Memorial Resolution: Robert E. Wise"](#) (SR No. 99-6)

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### Acta

1. Call to order: R. Hess called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.
2. Approval of the minutes of April 12 and 19, 1999: The secretary corrected the minutes to show K. Ahern as present at both sessions in April. The minutes were then approved as corrected.

3. Acceptance of the agenda:

M. Downs moved to approve the agenda with one addition: Special business of the day - memorial resolution for Robert Wise.

The agenda was approved with the addition.

4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties:

- a. Indiana University:

M. Downs: On two occasions during the past summer, Jim Silver, the Speaker of the Purdue University Faculty, and I met with members and staff of the Indiana Commission for Higher Education (ICHE) to talk about matters of concern to faculty on the regional campuses and faculty in general. The meetings were frank exchanges about problems and misunderstandings. As a result, direct meetings between faculty throughout the state and the ICHE staff will occur at regular intervals in an effort to improve communication.

b. Purdue University:

J. Silver: I attended Trustees meetings in May and July, and at the May meeting I had the opportunity to address the Trustees on behalf of IPFW faculty. At that time I noted and called to their attention that our state appropriation per resident FTE student has long been well below the average for regional campuses. I told the Trustees that IPFW faculty worked very hard last spring during the legislative session to publicize this situation and to encourage the legislature to ameliorate it. I noted that the budget that was passed represented a small step in the right direction, but we are still below the state average and still have a long way to go. In conclusion I thanked them for their support in the past and asked them to continue to encourage and support our efforts to remedy this situation in future legislative sessions.

5. Report of the Presiding Officer (SR No. 99-1) - R. Hess:

R. Hess:

a) I want to thank those who are new to the Senate for being willing to serve--by doing so you serve the university, your departments, and your fellow academicians. In this era there are some who are reluctant to take on the kinds of responsibilities you are willing to take on and it is admirable. I want to thank you for the faculty. (The Presiding Officer then asked Senators to introduce themselves.)

b) I want to call to your attention correspondence I received from Rita and Steven Goldschmidt. You will recall that last spring we passed a memorial resolution honoring Steven Hollander and Rita and Steven Goldschmidt received a copy of it. They asked me to convey this message to the Senate:

*Please accept our gratitude for the beautiful sentiments expressed in Steven Hollander's memorial resolution. We remember so well the passage reported from one of his last emails. It is documents like this which help so much to ease the grief. Please express our thanks to members of the Senate.*

c) The Senate last year accomplished twenty-six pieces of legislation. One of them is of particular note. I would like to call it to the attention of the new Senators and also remind the old Senators. It is SD 98-23 and it is a modification of the *IPFW Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct*. The amendment was passed unanimously and it is as follows:

*IPFW is an equal access/equal opportunity institution. In compliance with state and federal regulations, no qualified person will be denied admission or employment, nor will any student or employee be subjected to discriminatory treatment or be excluded from participation in any educational program or activities on the basis of race, religion, color, gender, age, national origin or ancestry, disability, or status as a disabled or Vietnam-era veteran. IPFW's nondiscrimination policy includes prohibition of discrimination based on sexual orientation. The assurance of equal protection under IPFW regulations extends to all persons in the IPFW community.*

A minute ago I thanked you all for your willingness to serve. It is this kind of statement and commitment that I think we want to embrace in similar activities in the future. I wanted to point that out to you.

- d) I want to thank Jeanette Clausen for her willingness to serve as Parliamentarian; I have some flowers here for her. I want to thank Mitchell Sherr who is willing to serve as "bouncer." You notice we didn't have a single fistfight last year because of Mitchell's presence. There are flowers for him as well. And I want to thank especially, we all ought to thank especially . . . Barbara. Her service as Secretary of the Senate is immeasurable. There are flowers for her as well. . . .
  - e) I also want to thank those of you who have been elected to and are willing to serve on committees. If you look at SR No. 98-30, you will see that from Purdue University Speaker through the University Resources Policy Committee, many, many, many people have stepped forward to do the work of the University and the faculty, and we appreciate it. In that light, those of you whose name appears first alphabetically and are charged with calling the first meeting of that committee, please do so as soon as possible. . . .
  - f) Jennifer Bosk has been extended speaking privileges for this particular session when it is appropriate.
  - g) Finally, I refer you to Senate Reference 99-1 as my formal report. Are there any questions?
6. Special business of the day - Memorial Resolution (SR No. 99-6) - D. Vasquez:
- D. Vasquez read the memorial resolution for Robert Wise, Professor Emeritus of Physics. A moment of silence was observed.
7. Committee reports requiring action: - Student Affairs Committee (SD 99-1 - K. McDonald:

K. McDonald moved to approve SD 99-1 (Change in Membership of SCOA and Amendment to the Bylaws). Second.  
Motion to approve passed unanimously.

8. New business: There was no new business.

9. Committee reports "for information only":

a. Curriculum Review Subcommittee (Senate Reference No. 99-2) - M. Codispoti:

M. Codispoti presented SR No. 99-2 (Revised Associate of Science Interior Design Curriculum) for information only.

b. Curriculum Review Subcommittee (Senate Reference No. 99-3) - M. Codispoti:

M. Codispoti presented SR No. 99-3 (Revised Curriculum, Department of Computer Science) for information only.

c. Curriculum Review Subcommittee (Senate Reference No. 99-4) - M. Codispoti:

M. Codispoti presented SR No. 99-4 (Proposal for a Legal Studies Major in the B.S.P.A.) for information only.

d. Curriculum Review Subcommittee (Senate Reference No. 99-5) - M. Codispoti:

M. Codispoti presented SR No. 99-5 (Proposal for a Minor in Ballet and a Minor in Dance) for information only.

10. The general good and welfare of the University:

W. Branson: At the last Senate meeting last year, there was a request made that we give the Senate an update on the residence hall project. I am happy to do that today. As we looked at residence halls more and more seriously over time, near the beginning of last spring we decided that it would be appropriate to do a student survey to assess the demand for residence halls by our students. We put together a committee to work on that project. The

committee has met several times. We've put together a survey. We crafted that survey based on the input from focus groups we ran early in the summer. The survey went out Tuesday of last week. We have several hundred returns in already. We hope to have the results tabulated by mid-October and, based on those results, decide where the project goes from there. The committee is working on putting together a couple of site visits to institutions that are similar to ours, and maybe even in very similar situations like ours, concerning residence halls to see what they're doing, what they have done, and what they have found out from their experiences.

M. Downs: Is there a timeframe that you're working within?

W. Branson: If we move forward with the development, we have to be very attentive to a timeframe. If we wanted to open something in the fall of 2001, we would need to make a decision in January or February of 2000. That is our target at this point.

J. Brennan: This committee that is working on this, I wonder whether they would be getting a valid sample of potential users from just our student body? Did that question ever come up?

W. Branson: The problem is trying to assess those other people--trying to identify students who would want to come here if we had or didn't have residence halls. We felt our best audience was to look at current students.

M. Downs: Do you intend to bring this back to the Senate with a recommendation, perhaps through the University Resources Policy Committee (URPC)?

W. Branson: I hadn't worked out those parts of the process yet. I think if it is appropriate, we certainly would do that.

M. Downs: Under what circumstances would it be inappropriate to involve the Senate in a decision about residence halls on this campus?

W. Branson: I am not sure there would be.

M. Downs: So if you can't think of any circumstances under which it would be inappropriate, what we're left with then is a situation in which it would be appropriate to discuss this with the faculty before going forward with it.

W. Branson: Again, we haven't gotten into what steps we would take. I don't know any reason why we wouldn't come back to the Senate.

M. Downs: I don't either.

M. Wartell: In spite of the reasoning one way or another, it may not be the URPC that's the

appropriate committee to take this through. Bringing it back for discussion in the Senate is no problem at all. The whole project would be done by private contractors. It would have no effect on the state resources of the university. It must be completely self-supporting and separate. Am I stating that correctly, Walt?

W. Branson: Yes.

M. Wartell: We will bring it back to Senate. That's no problem.

F. Borelli: The United Way Campaign for the campus is going to be conducted from September 20 until October 1. We have set a goal of having 350 members of the campus community contribute this year. Information will be out next week in the mail. There is a kickoff breakfast tomorrow for campaign leaders. I expect some are in this room today. We encourage your participation and look forward to having a successful campaign this year.

R. Hess: We don't use the phrase "town and gown" very much, but quite frankly folks, the impression that we have in the northeastern Indiana community is vital to our survival and one way of strengthening that impression is by participating in the United Way. . . . We need to have whatever contribution you want to make, and if you haven't made one in the past, please do so this year. . . . I have been here a number of years and I have been embarrassed by our relative inability or willingness to support, in terms of total number of pledging units, the United Way Campaign. Please talk to colleagues and urge them to contribute.

S. Hannah: Just to reiterate an announcement that I made at the Convocation, our North Central Self-Study is this year. Committees are currently being formed. There are three principle ones: Jim Hersberger and Julie Hook share the one on Criteria and Institutional Requirements; Vice Chancellor Borelli chairs the special emphasis study on Student Affairs Reengineering; and Ben Christy, Dean of Fine and Performing Arts, is chairing the special emphasis study on Community Connections. Those folks will be putting together committees. We need to get organized in our questions and so on. And then, in particular, the Community Connections emphasis group is going to be sending out an inventory to try to find out all of the different ways that the university currently interacts with the community. So whether you are on a committee, or asked to fill out an inventory, we will be looking forward to your participation. Thank you so much.

M. Downs: Several years ago the Senate passed a resolution urging administrators to consider teaching on a regular basis. The following year we did receive a report from the Vice Chancellor's office on the degree to which administrators are involved in the instructional mission of the university on a personal basis. I was wondering if, at some meeting this fall, we could have an update on that report and see what effect the resolution has had so far as that objective is concerned.

S. Hannah: I will be happy to, but as Prof. Downs knows, I am trying to figure out how I can teach without killing myself. I miss it. I've been out of the classroom for a whole year and I'm feeling a little useless. It is a good intention.

M. Downs: I am sure we can accommodate you.

J. Bosk: The Alumni Relations Office along with the Alumni Association is asking the faculty to join with us on legislative issues so that our voices can be combined to make a more powerful message. I am passing around some information on upcoming events that we have that will allow you to do this in conjunction with us and also serve as the vehicle to the students so the students can join in with us. As legislators have told us in the past years, they feel that that is vital to getting the message across if we are carrying the students' message. So those are two upcoming events we would like the faculty and your message to the students to be about. If you have any questions, you can see me, or I'll be happy to come over to your offices.

A second reminder is the Mastodon Roast, which is this coming Thursday night on the McKay Farm, to which all faculty have been invited. We are hoping that you are going to attend. All we ask is that you let us know ahead of time if you're coming because of the alcohol problem. You need to be on the RSVP list in order to gain admittance to that. As I have said multiple times, the link that our alumni have to the campus is the faculty. You are what they remember most fondly and want to see most often. We would like to have 100% of the faculty there if at all possible. It is absolutely free. Drop in. It is from 4:00-7:00. Thank you very much.

R. Hess: We have copies of the *Constitution* and the *Bylaws*. I urge you to pick up a copy of you don't have one.

Also, the first time I sat down here and looked out I commented on how tacky this room is. That was about eighteen months ago, it has not changed. In fact, it is eighteen months tackier, if that is possible. I would hope that at some point, something can be done about this space. . . .

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara L. Blauvelt  
Secretary of the Faculty