

Minutes of the  
First Regular Meeting of the Seventeenth Senate  
Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne  
September 8, 1997  
12:00 P.M., Kettler G46  
Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Approval of the minutes of April 14 and 21, 1997
3. Acceptance of the agenda - S. Hollander
4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties
  - a. Indiana University - M. Downs
  - b. Purdue University - J. Hersberger
5. Report of the Presiding Officer - W. Frederick
6. Committee reports requiring action
  - a. Rules Committee (Senate Document SD 97-1) - S. Hollander
  - b. Rules Committee (Senate Document SD 97-2) - S. Hollander
  - c. Educational Policy Committee (Senate Document SD 97-3) - S. Hollander
7. New business
  - Ad Hoc Management Agreement Committee (Senate Document SD 97-4) - M. Downs
8. Committee reports "for information only"
  - Rules Committee (Senate Reference No. 97-1) - S. Hollander
9. The general good and welfare of the University

10. Adjournment

Presiding Officer: W. Frederick

Parliamentarian: J. Clausen

Sergeant-at-Arms: N. Younis

Secretary: B. Blauvelt

Senate Members Present:

C. Aikman, S. Argast, V. Badii, R. Barrett, R. Berger, F. Borelli, W. Branson, J. Brennan, C. Champion, V. Coufoudakis,

V. Craig, L. DeFonso, M. Downs, R. Emery, F. English, L. Fox, S. Frey-Ridgway, J. Grant, P. Hamburger, J. Haw,

J. Hersberger, L. Hess, S. Hollander, C. Humphrey, M. Kimble, B. Kingsbury, M. Lane, D. Legg, C. Leiserson, R. Manalis, M.

Nusbaumer, D. Oberstar, K. O'Connell, A. Pugh, D. Ross, H. Samavati, J. Silver, J. Tankel, M. H. Thuente, R. Tierney,

A. Ushenko, D. Vasquez, J. Vollmer, M. Wartell, D. Weakley, J. Wilson, L. Wright-Bower

Attachments:

["Amendment to the Bylaws of the Fort Wayne Senate: Order of business"](#) (SD 97-1)

["Amendment to the Bylaws of the Fort Wayne Senate: Roll-call votes"](#) (SD 97-2)

["Amendment of General Education Area III definition and criteria \(amends Senate Documents SD 93-14 and SD 94-4\)"](#) (SD 97-3)

["Baccalaureate-level general education at IPFW"](#) (SD 93-14, as amended)

["Criteria for approval of general-education-core course proposals"](#) (SD 94-4, as amended)

["Recommendations on Management and Academic Mission Agreement"](#) (SD 97-4)

(Note: Copies of the [Bylaws](#) as amended are available from the secretary of the

faculty or can be viewed from the Senate homepage: [www.ipfw.edu/senate](http://www.ipfw.edu/senate))

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Senate Members Absent:

N. Cothorn, K. McDonald, D. Schmidt (2 vacancies)

Representative from Medical Education: R. Sweazey

Faculty Members Present:

L. Balthaser, B. Bulmahn, B. Christy, G. Hickey, J. Jones, W. Ludwin, D. McCants, M. Montesino

Visitors Present: A. Alesia, J. Dahl, P. Lane, N. Newell

**Acta**

1. Call to order: W. Frederick called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.
2. Approval of the minutes of April 14 and 21, 1997: The minutes were approved as distributed.
3. Acceptance of the agenda:

S. Hollander moved to approve the agenda with one correction: that the document labeled SD 97-4 be labeled SR No. 97-1.

The agenda was approved as corrected.
4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties:
  - a. Indiana University:

M. Downs: There are several things upon which I need to report.

1) There will be a change after the first of the year regarding the health insurance plan on this campus for Indiana University faculty. As you may know, Parkview Hospital and Anthem Health System were not able to reach agreement on a contract; Lutheran Hospital and St. Joseph Hospital continue to be participants in the Anthem Plan. Parkview Hospital will not. This is a matter of considerable concern because many of the 90+ I.U. participants in the health insurance plan probably dealt with providers that work through Parkview Hospital. I know that discussions continue between Anthem and Parkview Hospital, although expectations that an early accommodation of their differences will take place is not warranted by the tone of the negotiations thus far. I have been talking with the director of benefits at Indiana University and report to you in this way regarding options. Over 60 primary care physicians in Fort Wayne are members of the Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) M Plan. Your physician, in fact, may be a participant in the M Plan, which is

an approved HMO for Indiana University faculty on this campus. These physicians do practice at Parkview and, if being treated at Parkview Hospital continues to be an important element in your health care program, you may wish to consider moving to the HMO M Plan. A number of physicians, informal research shows, also practice at Lutheran and St. Joseph Medical Center. So, if a particular hospital is not your primary interest, your physician may also practice at both of the other hospitals. Anthem will continue to pay plan benefits for services at Parkview Hospital which cannot be received or provided at St. Joseph Hospital or Lutheran Hospital. Parkview continues to be an option for those people who have continuing health problems that have been treated at Parkview. These are the steps that can be taken to ease concerns which people may have as a result of the change. My own hopes are centered on the fact that in addition to the 90 or so I.U. faculty here that may receive health care at Parkview Hospital, Anthem has many other rate payers and participants including the Fort Wayne Community Schools. Parkview may, when it considers the fallout from their inability to come to terms with Anthem, reconsider and adjust its bargaining position. I particularly wanted to thank Walt Branson and Jim Ferguson who have made this change and its impact on individual faculty members a primary concern of theirs. In addition to phone calls I've made to Bloomington, I know that they too have interceded on behalf of I.U. faculty who may be affected by this change in their health care.

2) You have been contacted a number of times about the Library Fund Drive by elected representatives of the faculty. Of over 300 faculty, we have heard from approximately 90, which means that there are still some people who are still carefully considering their contribution to the Library Fund Drive. The bad news is that we have only heard from about 90-100. The good news is that the total pledge from faculty here on campus and from President Beering, who has also made a generous pledge, is just under \$52,000. We underestimated the generosity and enthusiasm of the 90 or so people who did make a pledge. We had set a goal of \$50,000. We haven't changed the goal, but we have decided that the fund drive will really not be complete

until everybody has had a chance to consider fully the advantages that will accrue as a result of making such a commitment to the library. If you have said "Yes, I am going to pledge," or "No, I am not going to pledge; please stop bothering me," we'll stop bothering you. Until we receive that kind of definitive response, though, we will continue to press. I think it is a good cause. I thought it was a good cause twice before when we had library fund drives. I know that Judie Violette and other librarians and the staff want to make this a library we can all be proud of. I think that our pride will be the greater if we make a contribution on our own behalf to the library. In order to make this more efficient, we are going to contact only those people who haven't responded. The way to head us off is to respond without being contacted. Again, the secret phrases are "Here's my pledge" or "Stop bothering me, I am not going to give to the library."

3) One of the things that has always struck me about this place is that it is a community and people are always willing to express sympathy and offer support to people who are having a particularly hard time. I solicited that from the community in regard to a long-time employee, Vickie Benecke, and have received over 140 responses from people. Their names and statements will be sent to Vickie. I am sure this will afford her some ease at a time when it is particularly desired.

b. Purdue University:

J. Hersberger: I have three short items.

1) I would like to remind everybody that last year we had a visit from people at West Lafayette with regard to changes in the Purdue University grievance policy. We did have a meeting with them. It is still out there.

We're not really sure where it is at this point.

2) Under new business today there will be a recommendation from the Ad Hoc Management Agreement Committee. In general, I have stood up in front of this body during the last couple of years and, when we have had discussions about doing things under new business, I have argued for going through . . . our committee structure. We are not going to do that this time. There is a reason. The Presiding Officer and both speakers of the faculty received a letter from President Beering dated July 1, 1997 in which we were

asked to provide faculty input into the management agreement by the end of September so that the two

boards of trustees could consider them in October. That's a very different timetable than was presented

the last time that this management agreement was considered. Given other options, we decided the best

thing was to meet and give this body some input in terms of what we felt should be discussed and put

forward to the boards of trustees.

3) The other thing I would like to do is to commend some Purdue faculty members and a department for their

"beyond the call of duty" diligence in getting grants. We have two fairly young faculty members--Mark Masters

and Bruce Kingsbury--who, since they have been here, have garnered in excess of \$450,000 worth of grants and

contracts in a relatively short period of time. I think it's an excellent feat. I would also like to mention the Department of Biology. Since 1990-91,

Frank Paladino, Bruce Kingsbury, and Elliott Blumenthal have brought in over \$700,000 in grants from different

research agencies, and I think they should be commended.

5. Report of the Presiding Officer - W. Frederick:

W. Frederick introduced the Senate officers and asked each Senator to introduce him/herself. He also reviewed the

procedures for the conduct of Senate business.

6. Committee reports requiring action:

a. Rules Committee (Senate Document SD 97-1) - S. Hollander:

S. Hollander moved to approve SD 97-1 (Amendment to the Bylaws of the Fort Wayne Senate: Order of business). Second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.

b. Rules Committee (Senate Document SD 97-2) - S. Hollander:

S. Hollander moved to approve SD 97-2 (Amendment to the Bylaws of the Fort Wayne Senate: Roll-call votes). Second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.

c. Educational Policy Committee (Senate Document SD 97-3) - S. Hollander:

S. Hollander moved to approve SD 97-3 (Amendment of General Education Area III definition and criteria [amends Senate Documents SD 93-14 and SD 94-4]). Second. Motion to approve passed on a voice vote.

7. New business:

M. Downs moved to approve Senate Document SD 97-4 (Recommendations on the Management and Academic Mission Agreement). Second.

M. Nusbaumer move to amend SD 97-4 by inserting in item 5, after the words "appointments ... at Indiana University," the words "and be entitled to all rights and privileges outlined in the Indiana University Academic Handbook. Such faculty...." Second.

Motion to amend passed on a voice vote.

Motion to approve SD 97-4, as amended, passed unanimously.

8. Committee reports "for information only":

Rules Committee - S. Hollander:

S. Hollander presented SR No. 97-1 (Guidelines for minutes of Senate committees and subcommittees) for information only.

9. The general good and welfare of the University:

P. Hamburger: I have a question for the administration and the Purdue University Speaker of the Faculty. I believe it was a year back, or maybe two years back, when the speaker reported that there had been negotiations between West Lafayette and the administration to change the date of the first paycheck on the Purdue side. I would like to hear something of what happened on that.

J. Hersberger: What I said was that it was an issue being discussed at West Lafayette. I never said there were negotiations between West Lafayette and our administration. From my end, it is in the same limbo as the grievance procedure.

R. Manalis: I am speaking to you as the faculty representative for the Information Technology Policy Committee (ITPC). This committee was newly formed as a result of the EduTech Report and I wanted to give you a brief overview of what we have been doing. The committee has met five times beginning in the summer. We report directly to the Chancellor and the Executive Committee. Some of the policies we have approved and forwarded to the Chancellor are policies for the use of technology fees and a policy on state appropriations for technology. Some of you may know that we received one percent of our budget--\$450,000--for that use. Next year we will have \$900,000. We are considering a mission statement for information technology. This pertains to the formation of a strategic plan. We are also working on a service-level agreement with the help desk in C&DP to form an understanding between us and the Help Desk. Finally, I would like to emphasize that, as your faculty representative, if you have any concerns that you would like the committee to consider, please contact me and I'll do my best to represent you. Second, I would like to say the minutes of the last three meetings should be on the Web soon. We will also have on the Web any policies approved by us. Once the committee approves a policy it will go two places simultaneously: to the web for your access and to the Chancellor and Executive Committee.

M. Wartell: Just a quick bit of information. Final enrollments are in. We are down just very slightly: three-tenths of one percent. We have two fewer full-time students

this year than last year and seventy-eight fewer part-time students--another indication of the economic situation in this area. We have increased in every single minority area in terms of percentages of students. We are moving much closer to the multicultural averages of this area.

I would like to congratulate the Department of Nursing. The results of the national boards are just in. Ninety-four percent of our nurses who took the national boards passed the exams, and that is compared to a national average of about eighty-seven percent. It is significantly higher than any of our competitor institutions in this immediate area in nursing; so our nursing program, in terms of the quality of the graduates, is just incredible.

J. Hersberger: I wanted to reiterate my regret that we brought to you the document that we did under new business today. I don't think that we should have had this timeline imposed on us in this way. I think that the timeline that we had before was better. I think the committee has done a pretty good job of reacting to the current management agreement. My concern is, in the words of Monty Python, "and now it's time for something completely different." The last time that this was undertaken there was significant discussion of the changes after the faculty saw what had been proposed. I would just point out that at this point we haven't seen what has been proposed other than that we are operating under the assumption that it is what has existed. We will do our best to make sure that if something different is proposed, that the faculty will have adequate time to consult and provide input.

W. Frederick: I would like to thank the Chancellor and his staff. I attended the IPFW family picnic yesterday. A good time was had by all. There were lots of families present. . . .

10. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara L. Blauvelt  
Secretary of the Faculty