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MINUTES OF FACULTY SENATE MEETING

APRIL 18, 1969

The Faculty Senate of the Regional Campus System of the University of South Carolina met at the La Tai Inn on Fripp Island, Friday, April 18, 1969. The Beaufort campus acted as host. Following a social hour, the senate members had lunch at 1:30 p.m. The regular meeting of the senate was called to order at 2:20 p.m. by Dr. Patterson. The following members were present:

Columbia: Dr. William Patterson, Provost
Dr. John Duffy, Assistant Provost

Aiken: W. William Bowman
William C. Casper
William C. Sanders
Ray M. Wilson, Jr.

Beaufort: Darwin B. Bashaw
Thomas H. Belk, Jr.
Samuel C. Greenly
Anthony W. Romano

Coastal Carolina: James Branham
Timothy P. Carpenter
Edward M. Singleton
Cornelius D. Sullivan

Florence: Harry E. Varney
John C. Woodward

Lancaster: Billy K. Dawson
Mack K. Samples

Salkehatchie: Cynthia C. McMillan
Marion D. Preacher
John G. Wallenberg
R. Churchill Curtis

Spartanburg: John B. Edmunds
Charles E. Stavely

Union: Ada A. Charles
Allan D. Charles
Thomas B. Johnson, Jr.
Margaret G. Kurtz

Dr. Duffy stated that the students who would be admitted under this program would be studied.

A discussion followed concerning the possibility of using this procedure at other regional campuses. It was stated that it may be done but not at the Spartanburg campus where we have not passed an inspection by the Southern Association.

Spartanburg asked that since we base our admissions on a student's rank in high school, does USC recognize the difference in high schools?

Dr. Patterson stated that this is recognized and that the University realizes that some high schools do put out very good students while other high schools do not. He stated that where a student does place in the upper half of his high school class, it shows that the student has worked and has a psychological advantage of success. He did state, however, that class rank does have its defects, particularly where the courses which students take differ greatly.

In speaking about the summer opportunity scholars program, Dr. Patterson compared this to the president scholars program in operation on the main campus. He reminded us that these were "nursed" classes and that this was a costly project. However, he reminded us that we should not knock a particular program just because it is costly.

Dr. Duffy stated that, effective January 1, 1969, faculty members are accumulating sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month. They can accumulate leave up to ninety days. The director must report sick leave of his faculty members.

Dr. Duffy stated that the status of all classified employees (clerical, janitorial, etc.) will be approved by the state system rather than by the University. (This classification should result in some raise to these employees affected.) Raises for faculty members will still be controlled by the University system.

The question was asked as to what will happen to a summer opportunity scholar who fails to make a grade of "C" on his summer work. The answer is that he is out of the program.

We were advised that parallel students with less than a 2.0 (over a 1.8) may petition to be admitted. Many have been admitted under this category.

The question as to who should attend the senate meetings was asked. Should the directors attend? Dr. Duffy explained that the regional campus senate is set up on the line as the faculty on the main campus; therefore, the directors should sit on this senate as voting members.

It was requested that a policy committee study some of our policies which are used in our meetings. Some of these policies might be the question of meeting with the directors, the senate meeting for a full weekend several times a year. It was suggested that these may be points that the senate could consider during the next year.

Mention was made of the study by the foreign language department as to whether or not they should conduct five-hour language courses. A poll revealed that the regional campuses were opposed to the idea.

Several of the math instructors brought up the problem of selecting a suitable math text for the newly planned courses in the math department. They thought that the present texts were not suitable for the courses as they are now being taught. The question was raised as to what can we do about the selection of texts. We were reminded that we could contact the department head and make suggestions as to textbooks. We should feel somewhat free to deviate from the text; however, we must remember that we should teach essentially the same courses on the regional campuses as are taught on the main campus.

It was asked that we be notified of the senate meetings at least several weeks in advance.

Dr. Edmunds asked that the Spartanburg Regional Campus be allowed to act as host for the next senate meeting.

The motion was made and carried that the senate adjourn.

William C. Sanders
Acting Secretary