

Regional Campus Faculty Senate

Minutes of Meeting

October 15, 1976

Carolina Coliseum

Welcome
Corrections
to Minutes

The first meeting of the 1976-77 Regional Campus Faculty Senate was called to order by Chairperson Don Weser (Sumter). The Chair called for corrections to the minutes of the April 2, 1976 meeting in Union. There were two corrections:
(1) Byrn Burch's Report--Page 3, lines 12-13 should read: Plan A (formerly known as the "standard coverage): Plan B (formerly known as the "expanded" coverage): Page 3, line 17 should read: \$25.00 deductible charges; Page 3, line 49 should read: weekly disability income insurance plus a major medical; Page 5, lines 48-49 should read: responded that faculty members who are injured while on University business are covered under Workmen's Compensation.
(2) Ms. Judy Sessions (Salkehatchie) informed the Chair that in Appendix I page 3 - Average Salary-Rank--Librarians should be listed as twelve months.
With those corrections the minutes were approved.

Minutes of
April 2, 1976
Approved

Dr. John Duffy

I. Comments by University Officials

A. Dr. Duffy briefly discussed the new Regional Campus Faculty Manual, stating that it is pretty much based on the Main Campus manual except for the section on Promotion and Tenure. He stated that any changes would have to be made through the Regional Campus Senate and through the Main Campus Senate too, if it involves them.

Dr. Duffy stated that Mr. Elam deserved a great deal of credit for the work he did on the manual. He, also, stated there are a sufficient quantity of manuals available and every faculty member should have a copy and this includes part-time faculty who teach on a regular basis. He, also, stated that Dr. Davis would explain the reorganization of the senate.

Professor
Ackerman

B. Professor Ackerman spoke on the current senate structure. He stated that about a year ago the University Senate passed a motion that course request changes should go through the University Senate, which was apparently in conflict with the State and Board minutes. The Board recently clarified this conflict by stating that the three larger campuses; Aiken, Coastal, and Spartanburg have complete autonomy.

Professor Ackerman said; "One point I would like to leave with you since there is a danger of you people being physically removed from Columbia and since with the large organization that we have got here on the Columbia Campus, we can sort of move back to our members with rather little regard for time for the others around, therefore, I would like to urge you that if at any time you feel you are being slighted or need clarification or would like to push us, please send any communication to me and I will take it up with the steering committee and work with you through the University Senate."

Nominating
Committee

II. Chairperson Weser next called upon Vice-Chairperson John Samaras who read a letter of resignation from Professor William House, (Aiken), representatives to the Columbia Faculty Welfare Committee. Professor Samaras then stated due to this vacancy the Executive Committee nominated Professor John C. Woodward (Military) to replace Professor House. Jerry Dockery (Military) was also nominated. Chairperson Weser stated the nominations would be kept open until the end of the meeting.

Standing
Committee
Reports

III. Standing Committee Reports

A. Rights and Responsibilities—Professor Jimmie E. Nunnery (Lancaster), Chairperson.

Professor Nunnery stated that the committee went into an in depth discussion on three important matters and will present motions on two and the third one will be delayed until the next meeting for further investigation and discussion.

Professor Jerry Dockery (Military), Secretary of the committee presented two motions for action by the senate.

Motion 1

1. That the Executive Committee make a search of the 1974 minutes, which outline the duties of each of the "Committees" and communicate these duties to each senator before the next meeting. We further move that the new committee proposed by the Executive Committee be integrated as a part of the Intra University Services and Communication Committee.

Discussion: Professor Nunnery stated that in 1974 the Committees were reorganized into the following structure: Rights and Responsibilities, Financial Concerns and Intra University Services and Communication. Along with the revision the business of the Courses and Curriculum Committee was assigned to the Intra University Services and Communication Committee and for that reason the committee makes the motion that the Executive Committee's Proposal not be done. Further, as a reason to back up the motion, he pointed out that the Faculty Manual states that each campus should have a representative on each standing committee and if a fourth committee is set up, some campuses would not have a representative on each committee because three of five campuses have only three representatives.

Motion 1
Approved

The motion was approved.

Motion 2

2. After due discussion by the Rights and Responsibilities Committee, on the organization of the faculty of each campus; the motion was made that each regional campus faculty organize themselves into a body having as a minimum, a chairman and a secretary, elected by the faculty

members. Also, that the chairman shall call regular meetings preside over each meeting. Further, in no case, when this organization is in session, shall the director preside; unless he is the duly elected presiding officer. This is an interpretation of the new Faculty Manual as outlined on p. 16, item d.

Discussion: Chairperson Jimmie Nunnery stated that the purpose of this motion is to arrive at some general pattern for faculty organization on the Regional Campuses. Two campuses—Union and Salkehatchie - the Directors preside at faculty meetings - whereas all other campuses have elected Chairpersons.

After a brief discussion, Dr. Duffy made several points concerning this matter (1) the local faculty develops its own organization and that (2) Directors are members of the faculty. He, also, stated that larger faculties call for a more formal structure, and that the reasons for the structure at the Union and Salkehatchie campuses are historical ones. The Manual leaves this up to the faculty at each campus.

Motion 2
Approved

The motion was approved.

IV. Chairperson Weser called on Dr. H. Willard Davis for comments.

Dr. Davis

Dr. Davis reported on the organizational changes in the Regional Campus Senate stating that much of this started in 1972 when the Legislature passed a bill permitting Regional Campuses to grow upward at certain enrollment levels. Aiken, Coastal and Spartanburg qualified shortly, thereafter, and have moved on to four year programs. He stated that some of the questions raised by the Board of Trustees in the fall of 1974 created an Ad Hoc Committee and this committee recommended on reaching four-year status, a regional campus shall be removed from the Regional Campus System. Also, it gave the four year campuses academic autonomy.

Dr. Davis stated that a proposal is now in the hands of the Board of Trustees which proposes a University of South Carolina system. This does not propose any change for the two year campuses, they will operate in the same way as now with an office in Columbia.

He, also, stated that the coming of four year campuses has very large complication through the life and organization of the University of South Carolina which caused a number of changes and adjustments.

Dr. Davis referred to Professor Emilie Towler who was appointed by the President before all these changes occurred to represent Regional Campuses on the Academic Liason

Committee with the Board of Trustees. He stated it was a very fortuitous appointment for a number of reasons and that Professor Towler is a good representative and is also on the Presidential Selection Committee. He thinks this position should continue to be a presidential appointment and we just try to find good representatives for that position.

V. Standing Committee Reports

Financial Concerns Committee

A. Financial Concerns Committee--Professor Marnie Foster (Lancaster), Chairperson. Professor Foster stated that there were no motions from the committee but there were several matters discussed in the Committee Meeting. (1) That last year the senate voted that detailed budgets be made available to all Regional Campus faculty. She noted that Lancaster campus appears to be the only campus receiving a detailed budget. The committee also discussed how budgets are allocated on each campus. (2) A discussion on overloads and overload pay, noting that all campuses seem to operate differently. (3) Contact and credit hours--discussion to be continued. (4) Follow-up on the Salary Studies Report from Nancy Moore, Professor Foster stated that Professor Harold Sears (Union) will do the follow-up and report back to the group.

Intra University Services Committee

B. Intra University Services Committee. Professor Judy Sessions (Salkehatchie), Chairperson. Professor Sessions stated there were no motions from the committee and reported on four items discussed in the meeting. (1) A discussion on the possibility of arranging for block booking for entertainment or some kind of exchange program for activities in the Regional Campuses. (2) The Classic Film Series which has been purchased by the Regional Campus Office. (3) Securing individual catalogs from the campuses and comparing activities, programs, etc. and (4) To continue working on clarification of the relationship between the Regional Campuses and the Main Campus Library.

Following Professor Sessions report Professor Jerry Dockery (Military) addressed himself to the work being done by the Intra University Services Committee on the library relationship and stated that this problem could be solved by faculty members coming to Columbia and having I D cards made.

Dr. Duffy, also, made comments on the items in this report. He stated that the Classic Film Series are designed for courses in film that are being taught on the campuses. He, also, commented on the library situation, stating that is a need for better arrangements and those faculty members desiring I D cards could have them made at the Registrar's Office in the Pettigru Building. Dr. Duffy reported that Mr. Elam's office has a listing of the Cultural Activities of all campuses and that Ms. Marty Clark (Aiken Campus) has a great deal of experience in the area of activities.

VI. Special Committee Reports

Library Committee

A. Library Committee--Professor John Wright (Union) Representative.

No report.

Columbia
Courses and
Curricula
Committee

B. Columbia Courses and Curricula Committee--Professor Margaret K. Foster (Lancaster) Representative.

Professor Foster related the following report:

"There have been six meetings of the Curricula and New Courses Committee this semester and three of these dealt primarily with the College of Business Administration's bid for autonomy. Our committee rejected the idea in a report read before the Main Campus Faculty Senate. Dr. Putnam, Associate Dean of Business Administration, appeared before the committee the following week to answer questions. I asked him, "What the requirements would be for entrance into the upper division of the proposed B. A. considering that this would be of particular interest to the two year Regional Campuses? He said, "that the requirements have not yet been determined, but assured me that it would be based on a grade-point ratio as opposed to testing or any other method."

She stated that the committee also turned down a proposal to institute CLEP General Examination as a means of acquiring credit.

There have been a few curriculum and course changes, but nothing of special importance to the Regional Campuses. The changes are in the Columbia Campus Faculty Senate minutes.

"I have a copy of the new form now being used by the Curricula and New Courses Committee which includes the section referring to the Regional Campuses, if you would like to see it."

There was a brief discussion following Professor Foster's report. Colonel Powers (Military) questioned the committee's decision in voting down the CLEP examination.

Professor John Woodward stated that he would get an expert in this area to speak to the committee if they desire one.

After a brief discussion on the B. A. proposal, Dr. Duffy stated that no matter what action is taken, the Regional Campus students would be treated the same.

Columbia
Faculty
Welfare
Committee

C. Columbia Faculty Welfare Committee.

No Report.

Academic
Advisory
Faculty
Liason
Committee

D. Academic Advisory--Faculty Liason Committee--Professor Emilie Towler (Aiken) Representative.

Professor Towler expressed the Aiken Campus interest in wanting to continue cooperating with both senates.

She reported that the committee had organized in the summer and has had two meetings--one was an organizational meeting and the other on the B. A. Proposal. She stated that the function of this committee is a little nebulous and does not meet on a

regular basis but only on call.

She commented on the B. A. meeting—that it came up without knowledge of all B. A. faculty but was caught in time to be referred to the committee. She recommended that the Regional Campuses have input into this situation since all campuses will be affected.

She asked for input for the Presidential Search Committee stating that the means of selection and the requirements have been set up. She asked to be notified by anyone having suggestions on names of candidates for President.

Unfinished
Business

VII. Unfinished Business

Chairperson Weser announced that the first item on the agenda for unfinished business was the Special Committee to Research Means for Increased Professional Development for Regional Campus Faculty. April 2, 1976 Senate Minutes in which the Special Committee should be dissolved. At this time, a motion was made by Professor Jimmie Nunnery that the report be received as information and recorded into the Minutes for Senators to study between now and the next meeting, at which time the senate should decide whether further study should be taken. The motion was approved.

Chairperson Weser opened the floor for discussion. Professor James Farmer (Lancaster) Chairperson of the committee stated that only three out of the seven committee members were present due to changes in the structure of the Senate; however, if the committee is dissolved, he expressed an interest in keeping the faculties up to-date and aware of any means available for professional development. Professor Margaret Foster (Lancaster) suggested that this committee continue to perform because of the special kinds of information received from this committee. For example: scholarships for faculty members children.

Dr. Davis commented on the scholarship situation stating that no appropriated money can be used for scholarships. He reported that there are about ten scholarships given and these are given by the Educational Foundation on a competitive basis and are limited to tuition. This is supported entirely by gifts to the Educational Foundation and there are limitations and this is not as free as it appears to be.

Dr. Duffy commented on several other matters that someone should be concerned about (1) The National Science Foundation and (2) Title I Projects. He urged faculty members what we do have, write up programs and send them through the Directors. He, also, urged more use of the Grants Office, by faculty.

Professor Jimmie Nunnery (Lancaster) made several observations concerning the advantages of this special committee, after which he made a motion that the change of the Adhoc Committee be made and part their responsibilities to the Standing Committee of Financial Concerns.

Motion

Motion
Approved

The motion was approved.

Unfinished
Business

Chairperson Weser announced the last item of unfinished business was the Executive Committee Report on reordering of the agenda. The Chair stated that this item was discussed in the Executive Committee Meeting and it was thought that the present order was adequate. He asked for comments on the agenda and the way it is arranged.

Motion

Professor Margaret Foster (Lancaster) made a motion that we have an informal session of the senate in the morning in order to have some interchange with everybody on the Regional Campuses before going into small group meetings.

Motion

The motion was seconded and passed.

Approved

There was no other unfinished business.

New Business

VIII. New Business

The Chair announced that item "a" on the agenda dealing with a Curriculum Committee Proposal as a Standing Committee had been acted upon earlier by incorporating it into the Intra University Services Committee.

Chairperson Weser called upon Vice Chairperson John Samaras to report to the Senate as requested by the Rights and Responsibilities on the duties and responsibilities of the Standing Committees in the Senate. Professor Samaras referred to the October 4, 1974 Senate Minutes and asked that this information be included in the next Senate minutes.

(See Attachment]) Professor Samaras also suggested that the Senate work on duties and responsibilities of the Standing Committees and have them printed in the faculty manual.

A brief discussion followed in which Professor John Woodward suggested that this information be sent out to all Senators and Professor James Farmer suggested that we discuss this in the informal session at the next Faculty Senate Meeting.

The new business was concluded. Chairperson Weser asked for other nominations to the Columbia Faculty Welfare Committee. A motion was made and seconded to close the nomination on the names of Professor John Woodward and Professor Jerry Dockery. Voting was done by secret balloting. John Woodward was elected as the Representative to the Columbia Faculty Welfare Committee.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Attachment]

(Duties and Responsibilities of Standing Committees taken from the October 4, 1974, Regional Campus Faculty Senate Minutes).

Rights and Responsibilities Committee: (Page 3, Paragraph 5) Mr. Nunnery reported that the duties of the Rights and Responsibilities Committee are to have jurisdiction over problems relating to contact hours, office hours, affirmative action, relationships with administration and students, and general faculty welfare.

Financial Concerns Committee: (Page 3, Paragraph 9, Lines 8-10) Mr. Chittam discussed the Committee's role as one of considering the fiscal concerns of the faculty to include salaries, fringe benefits, and financial support for teachers in the classroom.

Intra University Services Committee: (Paragraph 10, Lines 3-7) Mr. Crosland stated the responsibilities of the IUSC Committee to be that of studying services provided to the Regional Campuses by the Main Campus such as Computer services, purchasing, financial records, library, reports, preparations, etc. IUSC is also investigating the possibility of cultural exchanges between Regional Campuses.