

Faculty Senate Minutes

Holloway Hall

December 12th, 2000

3:30-5:00 p.m.

Present: Carolyn Bowden, E.J. Crane, Elizabeth Curtin, Jerome DeRidder, Tom Erskine, Greg Ference, Kathy Fox, Doug Marshall, Jim McCallops, Rich McKenzie, Ken Milner, Michael O'Loughlin, David Rieck, Kathleen Shannon, Don Whaley.

I. Opening remarks - Elizabeth Curtin – Elizabeth Curtin mentioned two subjects that the senate would be addressing at the beginning of the spring semester, which were 1) the role of the Graduate Council in the governance structure, and specifically who the Graduate Council reports to, and 2) SSU's sabbatical policy.

II. Long Range Planning Committee – Kathy Fox – Kathy updated the Senate on the Long Range Planning Committee's consideration of their charge and membership. The committee believes that the membership should consist of one committee member elected from each of the schools, with the possibility of 2 at-large seats.

The following motion was made and passed unanimously: The senate should appoint a representative from the Business School and one at-large member to the Long Range Planning Committee, in addition to a voting ex-officio staff member (the head of career services or their designee) and a student member (to be appointed by the SGA).

III. Academic Calendar – David Parker – Several proposed academic calendars were introduced by David Parker. Discussion of these calendars was tabled.

IV. Academic Freedom and Tenure Committee – Threats of Violence Policy - The revised Threats of Violence Policy was presented and approved unanimously by the Senate.

V. Provost's comments – Don Cathcart - The President asked Don to develop a Faculty Outcomes Assessment for Middle States. Program reviews will be facilitated by Special Assistant to the Provost Darrell Mullins.

VI. Athletic's Committee Report – Ken Milner – Ken discussed the committee's work on the NCAA Division III self-study. Elizabeth Curtin suggested that the committee look into streamlining the committee to reduce demand on faculty time.

5:00 p.m. – Meeting adjourned.