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Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE
BILL

Adopted by the Faculty Senate

RECEIVED
UNIVERSITY OF R. I.
FEB 13 1980
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TO: President Frank Newman
FROM: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL, titled Constitution, By-Laws and University Manual Com-
mittee Report #1979-80-1: Section 7 of the By-Laws of the Faculty Senate

is forwarded for your consideration.

2. The original and two copies for your use are included.
3. This BILL was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on February 7, 1980
(date)
4. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Regents, completing the appropriate endorsement below.
5. In accordance with Section 8, paragraph 2 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective on February 28, 1980 (date), three weeks after Senate approval, unless: (1) specific dates for implementation are written into the bill; (2) you return it disapproved; (3) you forward it to the Board of Regents for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Regents, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

February 8, 1980
(date)

Alvin K. Swonger
Alvin K. Swonger
Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate
FROM: President of the University

1. Returned.
2. a. Approved ✓.
- b. Approved subject to final approval by Board of Regents _____.
- c. Disapproved _____.

2/12/80
(date)

F. Newman
President

UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
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FACULTY SENATE

CONSTITUTION, BY-LAWS AND UNIVERSITY MANUAL COMMITTEE REPORT #1979-80-1

Section 7 of the By-Laws of the Faculty Senate

In order to clarify the language of Section 7 of the By-Laws, and to remove ambiguities regarding the regulations for holding regular meetings of the Faculty Senate, the CBUM Committee recommends that the Faculty Senate approve the following changes:

Section 7 Quorum and Meeting Times

7.1 Remains as is.

7.2 Regular Senate meetings shall begin at 3:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as a quorum is determined to be present, and shall be limited to two hours in length. When the Senate fails to complete its agenda within the two-hour time limit, the meeting either (1) shall be recessed and reconvened one week thereafter at the usual time, or (2) shall be adjourned and the unfinished business postponed definitely until the next regular meeting of the Senate.

7.3 Regular Senate meetings shall be held on the second and fourth Thursdays each month during the academic year except when these dates fall during University recesses or on legal holidays. In such instances, the Senate calendar shall provide for alternate meetings.

7.4 At all Senate meetings debate on each main motion, ~~and~~ each amendment thereto, shall be limited to fifteen minutes. Debate may be extended in

and discussion subsequent to informational reports

The adoption of these revisions will give the Senate greater flexibility for the calling of special meetings, subject, of course to existing provisions on special meetings contained in 7.1 of the By-Laws and Article VI of the Constitution of the Faculty Senate.

Changes in the By-Laws require a 2/3 majority vote and may not be voted upon at the meeting they are introduced.

Norman Coates
Robert Gutchen, Chairperson
Galen Johnson
Elizabeth Gates Kesler
Charles Olney
Claire Robinson
Sheila Black Grubman, ex officio

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FACULTY SENATE

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting #23 - January 7, 1980

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. in the Faculty Senate Office, Chairperson Swonger presiding. All members were present.
2. The Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting #22, December 31, 1979, were approved.
3. The Agenda for Faculty Senate Meeting #7, January 10, 1980, was reviewed.
4. Schedule of Executive Committee Meetings:
 - a. The Executive Committee agreed to schedule its January 21 meeting for 9:00 a.m. because a JEPC meeting was scheduled from 1:00 to 3:00 on that date;
 - b. It was agreed to meet on Monday mornings during the second semester;
 - c. Chairperson Swonger reported that Professor Katula had agreed to meet with the Executive Committee on January 14 at 1:30 to discuss the possibility of having the faculty members on the Athletics Advisory Board report to the Senate on the Athletics budget;
 - d. Chairperson Swonger announced that Vice President Ferrante planned to meet with the Executive Committee on February 4 at 1:30 to discuss the workload data which had been compiled.
5. The Executive Committee reviewed the draft recommendation for an Ad Hoc Committee to Promote the University Budget which had been prepared by Chairperson Swonger. Following discussion, the committee agreed to recommend the following at the January 24 meeting of the Faculty Senate:

That the Faculty Senate create an Ad Hoc Committee to Promote the University Budget to be appointed by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee with the approval of the Faculty Senate and charged with organizing, in cooperation with the Office of Community Relations and Student Senate representatives, a campaign to promote the separation of allocations for higher education from the overall Regents' allocation as well as full funding of the University's budget request through letter-writing, telephone contacts and such other lobbying efforts they deem appropriate and effective.
6. Chairperson Swonger announced that the Executive Committee had been invited to participate in interviewing candidates for the position of Director of Professional and Developmental Activities/Extension Division. It was agreed that those individual members of the Executive Committee who were available would attend the first interview and, after that interview, the committee would determine whether they should participate on a formal basis.
7. The Executive Committee reviewed a proposed policy on an Employee Assistance Program forwarded to them by the Vice President for Business and Finance. following discussion, it was agreed that the proposed policy should be referred to the Faculty Welfare Committee.

F.S.E.C. Minutes #23--80-1-7

8. Chairperson Swonger reported on the Board of Regents' document titled "Coordination of Public Higher Education in Rhode Island." The Executive Committee asked Chairperson Swonger to try to obtain copies of the document for each member of the Executive Committee and for the Senate Office.
9. It was agreed to review the Program Review Committee Proposal, in light of comments received from the various persons and groups to which it had been referred at the January 21 meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Black Grubman