

MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE
February 2, 1999

The February 2, 1999 meeting of the University Senate was called to order by Vice Chairperson Cojocararu at 3:20 p.m. in the Alumni Auditorium of the Eberly College of Business.

The following Senators were excused from the meeting: Francisco Alarcon, Doug Bish, Holly Boda, Ruiess Bravo, Joseph LTC Bukartec, David DeCoster, Heather Eckels, Barbara Ender, Susan Krevell, Jodell Kuzneski, Andres Macchiarella, Josh Mehall, Mary Moore, Damon Morris, Bill Nunn, Lawrence Pettit, Karen Polansky, Stephen Shiring, Lorraine Wilson, Nashat Zuraikat

The following Senators were absent from the meeting: Audrey Allen, Mark Anthony, John Baker, William Bell, Christine Black, Kenneth Brode, Tracey Brown, Brenda Carter, Frank Condino, John Eck, Joan Fisher, Steven Holler, Dennis Hulings, Nikki Jordan, Nicholas Kolb, David Marchant, Wayne McGonigal, Brian Miller, Nathan Miller, Nicole Miller, Stanford Mukasa, Muhammad Numan, Edward Receski, David Reed, Darlene Richardson, Gina Runco, Robert Russell, Fredrick Shering, John Taylor, Liz Taylor, Judith Villa, Monica Wally, Phillip Zorich

Minutes from December 1, 1998 Meeting

A point of order was raised regarding the minutes of the December 1, 1998 Senate meeting. It was pointed out to Vice Chair Cojocararu that the motion to close debate on the laser printing policy fee motion was not approved by 2/3 of those present as required by Robert's Rules of Order and that the debate was, therefore, not closed and that the following vote which approved the laser printing policy fee motion was thus null and void. The Vice Chair agreed with the point of order and ruled, without objection, that the vote to close debate did not pass by a 2/3 majority and that the subsequent vote to approve the laser printing policy fee motion was null and void and that the debate on the laser printer policy fee motion would be continued under old business. With this point of order resolved, the minutes were ACCEPTED.

Agenda items were APPROVED.

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Dr. Pettit)

No report.

PROVOST'S REPORT (Dr. Staszkiwicz)

At one of the Fall semester Senate meetings, Senator Alarcon challenged all of us, in general, and the administration, in particular, to exercise greater diligence in insuring that appropriate peer review procedures are followed in the development of programs. At that time, there were a number of initiatives that some thought had not followed established procedures. Without going into details on any programs in particular, I would like to report that each has, or is, being dealt with and that appropriate Senate committees are involved.

As you know, during the last meeting of the Fall semester the Senate passed a new laser printing fee proposal. I would like to update the Senate on the status of implementation. You will recall that the basic model we hoped to implement included a certain number of free copies for each student with a fee for each additional copy beyond this number. Questions concerning the appropriate number of free copies and the per copy fee were hotly debated. The mechanics of implementing the proposal as described required the development of a new database to track individual student's printing usage. No such database currently exists and the development of such a system is certainly not trivial. If we were to implement a fee for the Spring semester, we would have had to develop such a database or modify our approach to the fee. The possible alternative fee approaches included establishing a lower fee for each copy and not providing free copies or to implement a fee beyond a particular point in the semester. That is,

allow students to have free copies for a certain number of weeks and then charge after that point in the semester. After consultation with students and upon the recommendation of the President's staff, President Pettit decided to defer the implementation of the fee until an appropriate database could be developed. Software would continue to be installed, which would allow us to track usage and to establish some baseline data that would be helpful in setting the fee.

VICE CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT (Senator Cojocar)

No report.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT (Dr. Alarcon)

As the senate meets this month, I will be delivering a short course on polynomials over semirings at the 7th Central American Mathematics Research Conference in Panamá. The meeting will be chaired by Vice-Chair Cojocar.

I have two items to report. Senator Mike Williamson has agreed to serve as a senate representative for the search committee for Dean of the Graduate School. Thanks Mike! I encourage all of you to visit the homepage for ACPAC, the Academic Computing Policy Advisory Committee. I am chairing that committee and representing the senate. The homepage is at <http://www.ma.iup.edu/acpac/> You can direct questions and or comments to me or any other member of the committee.

OLD BUSINESS (carryover from December 1, 1998 meeting)

Debate resumed on the laser printing policy fee motion. A **motion** was made and seconded to postpone discussion of the motion until the March Senate meeting to allow more preparation for debate. Motion **APPROVED**.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

RULES COMMITTEE--Chairperson Beisel

Chairperson Beisel reported that the committee has updated the Senate roster and it will be posted on the Senate web page. The revised by-laws will also be posted on the Senate web page.

NON-CREDIT COMMITTEE--Chairperson Nagendra

No report.

RESEARCH COMMITTEE--Chairperson Numan

The new Research Committee Chairperson for this semester is Dr. Muhammad Numan. He will replace Dr. Phil Neusius who is on sabbatical this semester.

STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE--Chairperson Barker

No report.

UNIVERSITY DEVELOPMENT & FINANCE COMMITTEE--Chairperson Heckroth

No report.

ACADEMIC COMMITTEE--Chairperson Duntley

A **motion** was made to approve the following persons be awarded Professor Emeritus status effective at the May commencement, or upon official retirement if the faculty member is still in IUP service on that date.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>
Dr. Joseph Angelo	Mathematics
Dr. Joseph A. Bianco	Office Systems & Business Education
Dr. David Borst	Music
Dr. Jerry B. Fiddler	Special Education & Clinical Services
Dr. John N. Fox	Physics
Mr. Victor Liscinsky	Health & Physical Education

Ms. Patricia L. Lommock	Theater
Mr. Robert E. McClay, Jr.	Safety Sciences
Dr. Cruz Mendizabal	Spanish & Classical Languages
Dr. Robert Morris	Political Science
Dr. Imogene L. Moyer	Criminology
Ms. Dorothy A. Palmer	Political Science
Dr. Robert A. Patsiga	Chemistry
Dr. R. Thomas Schaub	Philosophy & Religious Studies
Mr. Robert E. Slenker	Art
Dr. Edward Sloniger	Health & Physical Education
Dr. Frances C. Stineman	COBAC
Dr. Edwina B. Vold	Professional Studies in Education

Motion **APPROVED**.

AWARDS COMMITTEE--Chairperson Wheat

The committee will be reviewing files and ranking nominees for Senate awards.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE--Chairpersons Wilson and Myers

The committee presented the following for Senate information:

The UWUCC accepted the following Liberal Studies Committee Report:

1. Synthesis courses:
 - A. LS 499 - The 1960's: Decade of Protest - Dr. Irwin Marcus
 - B. LS 499 - Rock & Roll and Society - Dr. Stanford Mukasa

The Curriculum Committee **moved** the approval of the following catalog description change for MA 100, Intermediate Algebra.

Catalog Description Change:

New Catalog Description

MA 100 Intermediate Algebra 3c-01-3sh

Note: A student may not take MA 100 after successfully completing MA 105 or MA 110 or a calculus course without the written approval of the mathematics department chairperson. A basic course in algebra including factoring, exponents and radicals, systems of linear equations, complex fractions, and inequalities. Designed for those students who lack the basic algebraic skills required in MA 105 College Algebra or MA 110 Elementary Functions. This course will not meet Liberal Studies math requirements.

Old Catalog Description

MA 100 Intermediate Algebra 3c-01-3sh

Note: A student may not take MA 100 after successfully completing MA 110 or a calculus course without the written approval of the mathematics department chairperson. A basic course in algebra including factoring, exponents and radicals, systems of linear equations, complex fractions, and inequalities. Designed for those students who lack the basic algebraic skills required in MA 110 Elementary Functions. This course will not meet Liberal Studies math requirements. (Title was Basic Algebra prior to 1995-96.)

Rationale:

The revised catalog description includes a recently approved course MA 105 in the excluded course for students taking MA 100. MA 100 is primarily a remedial course and is meant to prepare students for higher level courses MA 105 or MA 110 or calculus. Once the students pass the higher level course, remediation is unnecessary.

Motion **APPROVED**.

GRADUATE COMMITTEE--Chairperson Williamson

No report.

LIBRARY AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE--Chairperson S. Jackson

Senator Jackson presented information on the state of the IUP library. The presentation indicated that the IUP library ranks very low in both its doctoral peer group and among the SSHE universities. Prolonged discussion ensued. Motion by Senator Walz and seconded to request President Pettit to form a special task force to address the issues of the IUP library and make recommendations as to what should be done to resolve the problems. Motion was made to close debate and seconded. Motion **APPROVED**. The main motion was **DEFEATED**.

Senator Alvine **moved** that a resolution be adopted to recommend to the president that he improve funding to the library. Motion seconded.

Motion by Senator Duntley that the resolution motion be referred to the Library and Educational Services Committee to formulate a proposal to bring to the Senate for action. Motion seconded. Motion **APPROVED**.

NEW BUSINESS

1. The President's Athletic Advisory Committee requested a clarification on the mascot decision and would like to know who is in charge of making this decision.
2. Senator Schaefer inquired if there were any avenues to allow for a standing Graduate Student Assembly report at Senate meetings, similar to the undergraduate Student Congress report. Vice Chair Cojocararu recommended she speak to Dr. Alarcon concerning this issue.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathleen Golden
University Senate Secretary