

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA
FACULTY SENATE STEERING COMMITTEE
MINUTES - February 27, 1991

Chair, Dr. Glenn Cunningham called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. All members were present with the exception of Drs. Cook, Stern and Williams. Also in attendance was Dr. Stuart Lilie.

Minutes of the meeting of February 21, 1991 were approved.

OLD BUSINESS: None

LIAISONS' REPORTS: No reports given.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dr. Cunningham asked the following people to serve in the capacities listed below. He said that when asked, they had agreed to serve. The Senate Steering Committee had no objections. These appointments are listed below:

- 1) Dr. Charles Hughes will be the replacement for M. Wanilista on the UCF/Central Florida Research Park Committee.
- 2) Faculty to serve on the Library Advisory Committee will be nominated as the need for replacements arise.
- 3) Dr. Kathleen Sheridan and Dr. John Gupton volunteered to fill the vacancies on the Athletics Committee. Dr. John Salter and Dr. Richard Crepeau have agreed to continue on with this committee.
- 4) Dr. E. Taylor Ellis will serve on the Homecoming Committee.

Dr. Cunningham announced that the "Committee on Committees" has been given the FSU Constitution to read and respond to.

Discussion on dissolution of the Office of Graduate Studies was held. Dr. Stuart Lilie said that the University will be looking to the Provost and to the various Deans for leadership. Dr. Glenn Cunningham reiterated the need to be organized and to know what we're doing. Moreover, he mentioned that there would eventually be a graduate committee headed by a faculty member, with each college represented. However, until August it appears that everything will remain the same. This time frame will allow for necessary faculty input before a final resolution is reached by summer's end.

Dr. Flick, Chair of the Values and Ethics Committee, gave a brief introductory report to the Faculty Senate Steering Committee. However, because Steering Committee members did not have actual copies of the report before them, nor had most members ever read the report, it became immediately apparent that the careful review which was necessary for such an important issue would have to be delayed until all members were given a reasonable time to read and respond to the document. It was agreed that all members of the

Committee's Report immediately, and that we would meet again on March 6, 1991 to discuss the report in detail. Dr. Cunningham requested that all Steering Committee members read the report, put their comments in writing, and be ready to discuss the Report on March 6th.

Dr. Stuart Lilie raised the issue of standards for graduation with honors at UCF. In a related question, Dr. Fine then asked Dr. Lilie what recognition students would receive for being named to the Dean's List or to the President's List. Dr. Lilie responded that each receives official correspondence from the University, but to add this notation to official transcripts would become cumbersome.

Resolution 1990-1991-14, regarding endowed chairs, was then discussed. In particular, it was questioned whether it had been carefully thought out, particularly with regard to the five year limitation clause. The discussion which followed highlighted the opinions that if you were very good you would either be reappointed, or would move on to yet another challenging position. If you were not good, then we wouldn't want to retain you in any instance. Therefore, it was the consensus of those involved in the discussion that Resolution 14 should not be amended, and that indeed it had been carefully thought out by the Personnel Committee.

Dr. Cunningham mentioned the University Master Plan, and said that the faculty should be kept informed about major changes. For example, he cited the fact that the plan called for the removal of all sports facilities to the northeast sector of the campus, thus freeing up current area for building expansion. It was suggested that the April Senate meeting would be a good time to place this item on the agenda. Dr. Cunningham could invite Drs. Bolte and Osterhouse to come and address the Senate.

The meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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