UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY
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UNIVERSITY SENATE
Monday, October 28, 1991
Campus Center Assembly Hall
3:30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes: University Senate, September 30, 1991
2. President's Report
3. SUNY-wide Senate Report  Paul Wallace
                                           Vincent Aceto
4. Chair's Report
5. Council Reports
   a. CPCA  Ronald Bosco
   b. EPC  Robert Sanders
   c. GAC  Audrey Champagne
   d. UAC  Cyril Knoblauch
   e. RES  Alain Kaloyeros
   f. LISC  Peter Bloniarz
   g. CAFE  Michael Sattinger
   h. SAC  Steven Thomson
   i. UCC  Shirley Jones
6. Old Business
7. New Business
   a. Council Assignments of Graduate Students
8. Adjournment
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The meeting was called to order by Chair Turner at 3:40 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes
Senator Gibson moved approval of the minutes of the September 30 as prepared; seconded and carried.

2. President's Report
President Swygert noted that the search for the Director of the Office of Research is underway. This committee is chaired by Dr. S. DeLong who hopes to have candidates on campus in a few weeks. Chaired

President Swygert also reported that Vice President Hartigan has announced his plans to retire at the end of this calendar year. The President praised Vice President Hartigan for his 23 years of service and noted that a search for a successor will get underway soon.

The President announced that a Task Force to Review the Mission Statement will be organized with two co-chairs, one from uptown and one from downtown, and representatives from each of the schools and colleges. A draft statement is expected by the end of this semester and will be distributed for comment. During the spring semester, forums will be conducted on the mission statement, President Swygert said.

Turning to the State budget, the President noted that there is a revenue shortfall of at least $600 million in this year's budget. The University has a very good financial plan in place, which also includes an intersession savings plan. There will probably be a mid-course adjustment again this year, the President said. He is convinced that the University will be able to meet the five principles of the financial plan and carry them forward to 1992–93.

3. SUNY-wide Senate Report
Senator Wallace stated there was a written report at the information table. He also noted that the basis of the Chancellor's remarks was the budget and SUNY 2000. Senator Aceto reported there was a recommendation from the SUNY Senate to the Chancellor dealing with representation of faculty on selection
committees for campus presidents. Apparently, other campuses do not operate as we do. He also noted that a committee was established to discuss educational technology, and there is little faculty representation on this committee. Concerning the question of a GA/TA Union, the Chancellor felt that it might be inappropriate, reported Senator Aceto.

4. Chair's Report
Chair Turner reported that the newsletter is in the process of being mailed. He is interested in receiving comments on the newsletter.

Vice President Hitchcock has been meeting with faculty for input concerning the reorganization of an Arts and Sciences College, reported Chair Turner.

On November 1 there will be a forum on the General Education program, said Chair Turner. All faculty are invited. There will also be a Faculty Forum on November 6. Since there are no agenda items for this forum, an open discussion will be conducted, he said.

5. Council Reports
a. CPCA: Senator Bosco had no report.

b. EPC: Senator Sanders reported that an organizational meeting was held and committees were formed.

c. GAC: There are two items of business that will be sent to the appropriate committees, reported Senator Champagne.

d. UAC: Senator Knoblauch noted that the committees were formed.

e. RES: Senator Lanford reported for Senator Kaloyeros. The Council discussed the committee on Research Foundation/Research Issues; approved a change in the FRAP award system; and reviewed the position description of the Director for Research.

f. LISC: Senator Bloniarz reported three items about which the Senate should be aware of: 1) a report on technology; 2) the survey conducted by the committee on Institutional Technology; and 3) technology issues being worked on by the Council and T. Lance.

g. CAFE: Senator Sattinger had nothing to report.

h. SAC: Senator Thomson noted that the committees have been organized.

i. UCC: Senator Jones reported the Council is exploring a number of issues.

6. Old Business
There was no Old Business.

7. New Business
a. Council Assignments of Graduate Students: Chair Turner noted that J. Bela, a graduate student, should be added as a proposed member of LISC. The Council assignments were moved, seconded and carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Schulz
Secretary
99th Plenary Meeting
University Faculty Senate
October 17-19, 1991
SUNY at Alfred and Alfred University

President's Report, Jim Chen

Budget Report, Vice Chancellor Anslow

Presentation and Panel: "Educational Technology," President James W. Hall, Moderator Professor Aceto

"College Entry-Level Knowledge and Skills," Provost Burke
Provost Burke spoke on the general decline of American education, noting that less than 50% of the students admitted to institutions of higher learning actually graduate. SUNY must raise its standards while making sure that all students are better prepared. He noted that the Commissioner of Education has appointed a task force to consider the problem of what the knowledge and skills should be for graduation from high school.

Sharing of Concerns on the Main Theme, Break-Out Sessions by Campus Types
The main theme for discussion was "Enhancing Quality and Maintaining Access to SUNY in a Time of Diminishing Resources," and each type of campus reported on the effects of the budget cuts. In addition to budget matters, the university centers also discussed the unionization of TA's and GA's, and what will be the resulting costs and effects on the professor-student relationship.

Chancellor's Address and Discussion: D. Bruce Johnstone
The Chancellor spoke of the five goals which form the basis of the budget request:
(1) maintaining access
(2) building undergraduate educational excellence
(3) building national and international eminence in graduate studies and research
(4) becoming a more significant partner in the meeting of a broad range of State needs
(5) improving management and accountability
In the question and answer period that followed, the Chancellor was asked about the size of administrative offices during budget cuts, periodic review of non-instructional offices, military recruiting on campus, GA and TA unionization, and the guidelines for presidential searches.

Vincent Aceto    Paul W. Wallace
University Faculty Senators
COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP ADDITIONS

EPC  
Starita Boyce

GAC  
Anne Masters

UAC  
Andrea Hoffer

RES  
Scott Lever

LISC  
John Justeson

UCC  
Jamie Gilkey

John Justeson is a faculty member, all others are graduate students.