Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting Friday, 20 April 2001 SC 214, 3pm

Members present: Senators Catanzaro, Gordon, Hubbard, Keeling, Kidd, Mazzarella, McCubbin, Reimer, Savitzky, Schell, Siochi, Winder.

Absent Members: Senators Broscious, Game, Marshall, Wymer.

New members: Senators Bradie, Purtle, Underwood, Weiss.

- I. Call to order: President Siochi called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m.
- II. Minutes for March 23, 2001 meeting were approved.

III. President's Report

- A. Faculty Senate President Siochi welcomed the new members of the Senate for 2001-2002 and thanked the Senators who are leaving. The Senators leaving this year are Senators Hubbard, McCubbin, Reimer, and Savitzky.
- A. President Siochi reported on the Provost's action on the Senate recommendations from the Academic Status Committee. The Provost accepted most of the new provisions but requested time to consider the impact of some recommendations before acting.
- B. President Siochi also noted that three sabbatical nominations were recommended by the Provost and will be forwarded to the Board of Visitors.

IV. Committee Reports

- A. Senator Gordon reported on the SCHEV Outstanding Faculty Award. Three names have been forwarded to Provost for his consideration. They are Dr. Michelle Vachris, Dr. Bobbye Bartels and Dr. Ronnie Cohen.
- B. Summer Stipend Committee (Senate Executive Committee): Recommended accepting the names forwarded from the Deans. The ten faculty are: Dr's. Mark Borchert, John Camobreco, Pete Carlson, Joe Healey, Greg Henry, Tim Morgan, Barbara Savitsky, Chuck Stivason, Ed Weiss, and Rebecca Wheeler. The committee also noted that criteria for evaluating projects for Summer Stipends need to be developed next year and that a review committee needs to be established.
- C. Senate Ad hoc Committee on Faculty Administration Communication: Committee has met with President Trible. President Trible continues to show great interest in the ideas of the committee; however, he voiced a number of concerns. First that the faculty may be slow in communicating ideas in decisions that need to be made quickly. Second, that some issues are not appropriate for open, campuswide debate. Additionally, President Trible stated that he wants to enhance our ability to attract quality faculty and increase faculty rigor. The committee encouraged President Trible to work with Standing Committees of the faculty in the area of their responsibilities. The committee also suggested forming a faculty advisory board to confer with the President on issues that impact the faculty.

Finally the committee encouraged President Trible to have regular meetings with the Faculty Senate.

- D. Senate Ad Hoc Committee to establish a Faculty Senate web page. Tabled Senator Game and Marshall could not be at meeting today.
- E. Board of Visitors Liaison reports

Finance committee: The State of Virginia did not approve as much money as we originally thought. Because of this the Library project is in limbo.

V. Old Business

- A. Faculty Development Grant revisions: Senator McCubbin moved to take up the motions sent back to Committee on March 23, 2001. Seconded by Senator Savitzky. Motion passed.
 - Senator McCubbin presented the new forms for applying to the Faculty Development grants and discussed proposed changes to the University Handbook.

Motion: The Faculty Senate accepts the recommendations of the Faculty Development Grant Committee and approves the changes to the procedures for applying for Faculty Development Grants.

Moved by Senator Schell, seconded by Senator Keeling.

Vote: Unanimous.

Motion passes.

VI. New Business

- A. Call for nominations to serve on Standing Committees of the University.
 - 1. University Academic Status Committee: Harold Grau was nominated.
 - 2. Faculty Hearing Committee Diane Catanzaro and Glenn Weber were nominated.
 - 3. Undergraduate Admissions Committee: Michelle Vachris was nominated.
 - 4. Undergraduate Degrees Committee: Brian Bradie was nominated.

Motion: The Faculty Senate accepts the nominations to the Faculty Senate Standing Committees.

Moved by Senator Gordon, seconded by Senator McCubbin.

Vote: Unanimous.

Motion passes.

B. Motion: The Faculty Senate accepted the recommendation of the SCHEV Outstanding Faculty Award Committee and moves to forward the names of Dr. Michelle Vachris, Dr. Bobbye Bartels and Dr. Ronnie Cohen to the Provost for his consideration.

Moved by Senator Gordon, Seconded by Senator McCubbin.

Vote: Unanimous.

Motion Passes.

C. Motion: The Faculty Senate accepted the recommendation of the Summer Stipend Committee and forwarded the following names for the Provost to consider: Dr. Mark Borchert, Dr. John Camobreco, Dr. Pete Carlson, Dr. Joe Healey, Dr. Greg Henry, Dr. Tim Morgan, Dr. Barbara Savitsky, Dr. Chuck Stivason, Dr. Ed Weiss, and Dr. Rebecca Wheeler.

Moved by Senator Mazzarella, Seconded by Senator Schell.

Vote: Unanimous.

Motion Passes.

D. Senate Nominations for the Executive Committee

Faculty Senate President: Dr. Antonio Siochi

Faculty Senate Vice President: Dr. Douglas Gordon

Faculty Senate Secretary: Dr. Timothy Marshall

Executive Committee Member: Walter Wymer

Executive Committee Member Sharon Broscious

Motion: The Faculty Senate accepts the nominations for the Faculty Senate Executive Committee.

Moved by Senator Schell, seconded by Senator McCubbin.

Vote: Unanimous. **Motion passes.**

- E. Guidelines for Summer Stipends: Faculty Senate President Siochi Tabled discussion on the Summer Stipend guidelines to be taken up with next years faculty Senate.
- F. Senator Mazzarella reported on several conversations with Dean Ramirez-Smith. From those conversations Senator Mazzarella requested that the Senate consider discussion on the following topics next year.
 - 1. That CNU accept the Boyer model of different types of scholarship.
 - The importance of "release time" to allow CNU's Professional faculty to renew and improve their professional knowledge to benefit their teaching and serve the profession. Additionally, regular sabbaticals should be considered very seven years to do whatever is helpful to refresh and renew the vigor for teaching and to update knowledge in their fields.
 - 3. Review the requirements for admission into the different graduate programs.
 - 4. Consider strengthening the current foreign language requirement.
 - 5. Consider restoring the requirement for a "Global" perspective for some of the general education courses.
 - 6. Consider restoring the requirement that students must take two mathematics courses instead of the one as is currently specified.

VII. Adjournment

Senator McCubbin moved for adjournment, Senator Gordon seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Timothy R. Marshall Faculty Senate Secretary