

## **FACULTY MEETING**

**Minutes of Meeting of October 4, 1991**

### **I**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of September 6th were approved.

### **II**

#### **ACADEMIC VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

- A. The Continuing Education Program will begin in the Spring. Conveners/Chairs have been asked to submit courses that will be included in continuing education courses (expect about 15 courses). Due to the recent restructuring of the budget, the SUNY system suggested one way to minimize cuts would be to raise further funding through IFR. There would be a budgetary consequence if the continuing education program is not started in the Spring.
- B. A memo was sent out to the College Community regarding the reorganization of ETC. ETC and Audio-Visual are now combined. Wagih Shenouda has been appointed to head this program. This reorganization should facilitate instructional support in AV and ETC for faculty.
- C. SUNY 2000: This morning there was a meeting of the steering committee on campus. In the last week or so SUNY Central and the Board of Trustees approved Phase I. Phase II will require Old Westbury and other campuses to develop their own plans on how to achieve their objectives.
- D. SUNY Central has approved the Letter of Intent for the M.S. in Management. We now have two years to develop a proposal.
- E. George Stefano in Biological Sciences has been selected as the 1991 New York State Case Professor. Nationally there were 471 entries (28 in New York alone) of which 43 winners were selected. The Texaco Foundation has given George a check for \$1,000 and he will also receive a certificate. Recognition was also given to Karlyn Wood.

### **III**

#### **REPORT ON RECENT TEACHING FOR LEARNING CENTER WORKSHOP**

Fred Millan and Lisa Whitten commented on the videotape which was presented at the recent Teaching for Learning Center Workshop. Jonathan Collett will be showing the tape to the Business Program and to residence advisors. Jonathan and Paul Welcher encouraged faculty to invite them to their program meetings.

Several questions and suggestions were proffered by faculty:

- Onita Estes-Hicks asked what kind of impact did the videotape have on those students that were involved? Jonathan responded that students found that making the tape was a very positive experience for them.
- Lisa Whitten suggested that this kind of tape be replicated with other groups of students.
- Mirta Mulhare thought that the faculty should do a similar tape.
- Onita emphasized the need for a multicultural center on campus.
- Runi Mukherji said that the cultures do not mix much.
- Ruby Sprott suggested a workshop on multiculturalism.
- Naomi Rosenthal added that if we are going to organize something around multiculturalism, it should involve students.
- Joseph Conforti said that it might be helpful to recruit students that belong to segregated clubs.

Jonathan Collett handed out a Race in the Classroom Self-Inventory which he received from Harvard.

#### IV

#### RPT COMMITTEE REPORT

Rita Colon-Urban reported on the results of cases for the Spring 1991 semester.

- There were six reappointment cases in which the administration concurred with the recommendation of the RPT Committee.
- There were four tenure cases. One was granted tenure and promotion and the tenure clock was stopped on three. RPT had recommended stopping the tenure clock on one case; administration stopped the tenure clock on two cases.
- There were three cases for promotion. In two cases the RPT Committee and administration concurred on promotion to full professor. In one case RPT voted unanimously for promotion to full professor and the administration denied promotion.

If faculty have any questions about how to set up their files, they can contact either Rita Colon-Urban or Naomi Rosenthal.

## COMMITTEE ON FACULTY PERSONNEL MATTERS REPORT

Konrad Wu reported that the Committee on Faculty Personnel Matters sent a memo to all the professionals who had faculty voting privileges last year and informed them that they can request voting rights for this year. A motion (91-5) was made that the following be granted faculty voting privileges:

Marie Casaccio - Library  
 Dan Hester - EOP  
 Duncan Hutchins - English as a Second Language  
 Mary Jane Kuhle - Chemistry and Physics  
 Janet Ritchie - Math/Science Learning Center  
 Negash Yusuf - Math/Science Learning Center

The motion was passed unanimously.

## VI

### SEFA CAMPAIGN

Ann Weeks has been appointed the SEFA Coordinator for this year. She announced that there will be a payroll deduction form along with a pamphlet in the envelope with October 23rd paychecks. Contributions can be made through payroll deduction, cash or check.

## VII

### RESOLUTION ON FACULTY UTILIZATION

Stephen Kirkpatrick attended the University Faculty Senate Retreat in September in which a majority of the local governance leaders were in attendance. Following the Comptroller's report, SUNY Central asked faculty to identify what they do and how they would account for it. A draft of a resolution was sent out along with the agenda for today's meeting. The Senators and local governance leaders plan to introduce this resolution at the Faculty Senate meeting in October. It was agreed that the faculty would ask Dan Hester, Alternate Faculty Senator, to endorse the resolution at the October Faculty Senate meeting.

## VIII

### NEW BUSINESS

- A. Naomi Rosenthal suggested we speak out in support of our colleagues at Nassau Community College. The Board of Trustees had recently turned down a negotiated contract with faculty. Faculty agreed to collectively express outrage at the treatment of their colleagues.
- B. Joseph Harris suggested a letter of support for the Mack family of North Babylon. Faculty agreed a letter denouncing the recent acts of violence against this African-American family should be written.



- C. Charles Turner suggested that faculty send a statement of support to the Organization of American States asking them to express their outrage over the Haiti situation.

## IX

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Jesse Fernandez will be distributing a flyer regarding student participation on faculty committees. He would like faculty to announce this in their classes and to encourage students to get involved in faculty governance.
- B. Conversations in the Discipline Programs have been announced for 1991-92. It is an opportunity for faculty to get together and meet on certain issues. Any faculty who are interested should contact either Stephen Kirkpatrick or Janet Harran for further details.
- C. Update on assessment: Barbara Sjostrom reported that Old Westbury must submit a report to SUNY by November 30th noting our progress in the second phase of the assessment process. Several programs have made significant progress in developing assessment instruments. Barbara has set up meetings with three programs to assist in this process. Faculty should feel free to call Barbara for assistance.
- D. Lisa Whitten reported that there will be Faculty Symposiums on October 18th and November 22nd at 4:30 p.m. The first Faculty Development Committee Meeting will be on October 18th. Notices will go out to everyone shortly. If anyone has ideas or suggestions they should send them to Lisa.
- E. Jonathan Collett reported that Old Westbury and Buffalo are the only colleges that are self-sustaining in grant monies. Two workshops to assist faculty in grant writing are scheduled: Thursday, October 17th, at 2:30 with George Stefano, Henry Teoh and P.J. Harlow; Monday October 28th, with Bob Hoyte, Basilio Serrano and P.J. Harlow.
- F. Charles Turner announced that there will be a matinee of Antigone for faculty and staff on Thursday, October 31st, at 11:00 a.m. There will be a demonstration by the dance, drama and music departments on Friday, November 1st.
- G. Kristine Doll announced that the Office of International Education will be sponsoring cultural events and trips to the city.

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.