

CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY
Faculty Senate
Meeting September 27, 2004 - 3:30 p.m.
Toepfer Room, Adelbert Hall
Minutes

Members Attending

James Alexander
John Anderson
Hussein Assaf
Bo Carlsson
Randall Cebul
Francis Curd
Sara Debanne
Kathleen Farkas
Jerry Floersch
Timothy Fogarty
Lynne Ford
Paul Gerhart
Katherine Hessler

Susan Hinze
Edward M. Hundert
George Kikano
George Kikano
Elisabeth Köll
Kenneth Laurita
Kenneth Ledford
Edith Lerner
Alan Levine
Kenneth Loparo
David Matthiesen
Shirley Moore
Carol Musil

Georgia Narsavage
Spencer Neth
Theresa Pretlow
Martin Resnick
Robert Salata
Paul Salipante
David Singer
Glenn Starkman
Philip Taylor
Alen Townsend
Kristin Victoroff
E. Ronald Wright

Others Present

Daniel Anker
Derek Bellin
Kathryn Betts Adams
Christine Ash
Nabil Bissada
Donald Bodner
Christine Cano
Anne Distler
Lev Gonick
Julia Grant

Katherine Hall
Caryl Hess
Kathleen Kash
Robin Kramer
Kenneth Margolis
Chris Munoz
Raymond Muzic
Heather Ochs-Balcom
Gultekin Ozsoyoglu
Dean Patterson

Joseph Prah
Deborale Richardson-Bouie
Margaret Robinson
Hossein Sadid
Virginia Saha
Matthew Schiefer
Susan Shurin
Lynn Singer
Catherine Wells
Elizabeth Zheng

Professor Bo Carlsson, Chair of the Faculty Senate, called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. and welcomed all to the first meeting of this academic year.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting of May 12, 2004 were accepted as circulated.

President's Announcements

President Hundert also welcomed all new and returning members. He noted the hiring of the new WSOM dean, Myron Roomkin, who, although not joining the faculty until November 1, is already actively involved via e-mail. Dr. Hundert invited all to attend the State of the University address scheduled for the following day. On the subject of the vice-presidential debate taking place on our campus the following week, he noted that it is a platform for national visibility and that we are expecting a very large number of media representatives

In our ongoing efforts to acquaint young potential students with Case, we have developed a new fast-paced television advertisement to be aired to a target audience over the next few weeks and again early in the spring. Michael Ruffner showed the ad and explained our goals and ambitions for this. Dr. Hundert said that Professor Mohan Reddy is a faculty member on the University's Marketing Advisory Committee, and all were urged to provide feedback to that committee. Mr. Ruffner outlined some of the

costs associated with our long-term campaign, and President Hundert added that it is an investment which is just one of several responses to one of the most common concerns among our faculty, students, staff, and alumni - our lack of national visibility.

Provost's Announcements

Dr. John Anderson outlined the cancellation or postponement of classes for CAS and CSE and some restrictions of movement about campus on October 5, the day of the vice presidential debate. Strategic Academic Planning: Dr. Anderson reported on a series of retreats with deans, the president, and the provost, the first of which has already taken place. Future meetings will include more faculty from the schools and Adelbert Hall staff members. Each school is to have a strategic academic plan, developed from a "bottom up" process. He emphasized that the process is more important than the end document and will help the schools with resource allocation. Such plans are meant to evolve. The budget is the quantitative result of such strategic planning. Professors Bo Carlsson and Ronald Wright will represent the Faculty Senate.

Undergraduate Enrollment: The provost noted that 784 first-year students enrolled, and with a better-than-usual return rate in the other classes, the total number of undergraduate students is just 16 shy of the overall goal. The target for next year will be an entering class of 900 students. In his view, the important questions are How large should we be? Distribution of that enrollment? Perhaps a two-tiered enrollment or school-based admissions? Dr. Anderson said that rationale for an increased class size is partly for the financial considerations but also for the influence a larger alumni group will have. Our present faculty/student ratio is 7:1. This prompted several comments and some brief discussion. Undergraduate Research Office is soon to be established - to coordinate, promote, publicize and celebrate undergraduate student research and faculty involvement. Provost Anderson was asked about having a graduate research office, something which he said he would be open to discuss, noting that graduate education is mailing research.

Chair's Announcements

Professor Bo Carlsson remarked that discussions indicate that we are moving in new directions and setting a new course to be the World's Most Powerful Learning Environment, and the Faculty Senate must be engaged. Though SAGES has been approved, it must now be implemented. Recruiting new students involves faculty efforts. He encouraged feedback on marketing efforts too. A survey on the campus environment will be discussed later, but he urged faculty senators to be aware of these issues, be involved in strategic planning, and communicate with their constituents. We will use the Vision themes for discussion in the Faculty Senate this year and invite input from the broad constituencies.

Professor Carlsson said that the Faculty Senate will be represented on the UUF by David Matthiesen.

He reminded all of the President's Address the following day in Amasa Stone Chapel and of the reception following to which everyone is invited.

Report of the Executive Committee

Professor Kathleen Farkas reported on discussions in the Senate Executive Committee meeting of September 17. New for this year is that all standing committee chairs are invited to the Executive Committee meetings to provide a better link to the committees who are doing the work. In addition to the announcements which were also made by the president and the provost at this meeting, Kenneth Basch and Margaret Carney did a presentation on various campus building projects and how they are supporting the Vision.

Report of the By-Laws Committee

Chair Georgia Narsavage said that her committee had met to review and recommend approval for changes which are before the Senate now to the by-laws of the Case School of Engineering and the Law School. The engineering school is still missing statements on the standards for promotion and

tenure of all their faculty so the recommendation is for a conditional approval of these changes now being requested by the school with the expectation that the balance will be presented by April 1, 2005.

After discussion, the MOTION to Conditionally Approve Changes to the By-laws for the Case School of Engineering, as presented, was approved unanimously.

The second MOTION to Approved Additions to the By-laws for the School of Law is to cover a new group of *special faculty* who only teach lawyering skills. Professor Neth urged approval as being important for these new faculty. The vote was also unanimous in favor of approval. Further review of the full by-laws for the School of Law is pending.

Report of the Nominating Committee

Chair Kathleen Farkas requested approval for the additional slate of candidates to fill vacancies on various standing committees since the May Faculty Senate meeting:
Professors Christine Cano and Gultekin Ozsoyoglu for the By-laws Committee,
Professor Julia Grant for the Information Resources Committee,
Professor David Crampton for the Committee on Research, and
Professors Kathryn Betts Adams and Joseph Prah for the Committee on Women Faculty.
The vote was unanimous to approve the slate. Additionally, Professor Farkas asked that all Senators seek out new talent among their faculty and respond to the call for volunteers when it comes in mid year.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Lynne E. Ford
Secretary of the Faculty Senate