

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
October 23, 1984

Dr. Belew called to order the meeting of the newly created Faculty Senate.

President Reynolds reviewed the process taken by a study committee which resulted in the modification of our University governance structure. The new structure consists of one body primarily representative of the faculty, one body primarily representative of the staff and administrative personnel, and one body primarily representative of the students. The President said that he looks forward to meeting with a University Council, a group of representatives from each of these bodies, to try to learn viewpoints about various activities on campus. He told the Senate members that he hoped that this structure would be responsive to the faculty and other constituencies on campus. He encouraged them in their efforts and said that he anticipates that this will prove extremely helpful on matters that affect the whole campus. However, President Reynolds said that he does not intend to abdicate his responsibilities in dealing with certain matters and constituencies. He expressed his appreciation to those faculty members for their willingness to serve the University in this capacity.


The second agenda item concerned the election of a chairperson or the development of a procedure for such an election in order for the Senate to become self-sustaining. Vice Provost Robert T. Miller moved that Dr. Belew appoint a committee consisting of three persons representing different academic units to make recommendations for the position of chairperson of the Faculty Senate. Professor Erwin Elias seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The committee will supervise the election by mail.

Dean Mary E. Norman presented the report of the Calendar Committee as attached and moved that the recommended calendars for Summer 1985 and Academic Year 1985-86 be adopted. Professor Allan Richards seconded the motion. Following discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

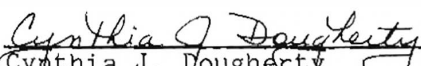
Dr. Belew presented the recommendation of the Council of Deans to modify the current incomplete grade policy (see attachment) and moved its approval. (He requested that President Reynolds preside at this point.) Dr. Miller seconded the motion. Following discussion, President Reynolds called for the question. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Kent Gilbreath expressed the hope that the Senate would meet again during this semester and that the members would be invited to present agenda items.

Professor Richard Cutter gave the benediction.



John S. Belew
Provost



Cynthia J. Dougherty
Recording Secretary