

Minutes

FACULTY SENATE

November 15, 1994

The Senate convened at 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Room, Blume Conference Center, Hankamer School of Business, with Chair Ray Cannon presiding.

Present: Barker, Basden, Benesh, Cannon, Davis, Edwards, Garner, Goforth, Hillman, Jensen, Johnson, King, Longfellow, Luper, Massirer, McGee, Monk, Nixon, Ortuno, Pierce, Robinson, Rogers, Seward, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, and Wood.

Absent: Buddo, Pippin, Sanders, Whipple, and Youngdale.

Announcements to the Senate for the November 15 meeting were distributed by Cannon prior to the meeting (copy attached to file copy of the minutes).

AGENDA

- 1. Invocation**
Basden led the invocation.
- 2. Minutes of October 18, 1994**
By common consent, the October 18, 1994, Minutes were approved as distributed.
- 3. Discussion of role of the Faculty Senate in the Presidential Search**
Cannon opened the floor for discussion of the role of the Faculty Senate in the Presidential Search. Senator Davis, a member of the Presidential Succession Committee, provided a report to the Senate. She distributed documents used by the committee in its work (copies attached to file copy of minutes), and she spoke to the process used by the committee, choosing not to speak about specific candidates. Following her report, she responded to questions from the Senators, again speaking to process rather than discussing specific candidates. After lengthy discussion, Nixon moved that:
 "The Faculty Senate requests that the Baylor University Board of Regents postpone action on the recommendation of the Presidential Search Committee until a review of the Presidential Candidate has been conducted by a committee of the Faculty Senate."
Massirer seconded the motion. Following discussion, the motion passed.

Cannon read a copy of a letter sent to the Baylor University Board of Regents by past presidents of the Baylor chapter of AAUP. The letter

addressed issues involved in the work of the Presidential Succession Committee. Pierce moved that the Faculty Senate endorse the letter. Barker seconded. Motion passed.

4. Report from Executive Committee on the Committee on Academic Environment

Cannon, on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee, recommended that the following persons be named to serve as members of the Committee on Academic Environment:

Marian Ortuno, Lewis Barker, Georgia Green, Billie Peterson, Tom Potts, Beth Rodgers, Art King, Betty Jo Monk, and Dan McGee, chair. The recommendation passed.

5. Discussion of Dean's Status for the University Librarian

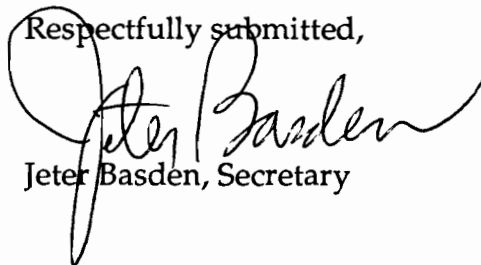
Cannon, on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee, recommended that the Senate affirm the proposal of the Libraries faculty that "the title of University Librarian be changed to that of Dean of Libraries, and that the Dean should concurrently be made a full voting member of the Council of Deans, representing the libraries in the same manner as other deans represent their constituencies" (see distributed letters from Tenured Faculty, Baylor University Libraries, and from the Non-tenured Library Faculty, copies attached to file copy of minutes). After discussion, the recommendation passed.

6. Preliminary Report from the Committee studying the committee structure

The report was discussed briefly. A complete list of university study committees, ad hoc committees, task forces, project teams, and the like, was requested. This matter will be discussed further at a future meeting of the Senate.

At 5:19 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeter Basden". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

Jeter Basden, Secretary