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MEETING NO. 57
STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE
May 7, 1975

MEMBERS ABSENT:

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT:
Dr. John T. Lewis, III

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m.
2. The minutes of Meeting No. 56 were approved as corrected.
3. Chairman's Report:
Re: Dean's Council Meeting, May 7, 1975.
The Deans discussed policies for advising new students who will be at S.F.A. this summer. There will be more direct contact with departments than in the past.
A description of a new situation for department heads was discussed by the Deans. Department heads will be employed on a twelve month basis, in such a way as to enable heads to attend to more administrative duties. Included among the "new" duties will be ascertaining that syllabi of all department course offerings are kept on file in the department. The syllabi would include a general outline of the material presented in each course.
4. Chairman Arscott reported that the Schools of Fine Arts and Business and Economics are now in the process of conducting evaluations of department heads. The question was raised concerning whether or not the Deans of these and other schools would also be evaluated. Dr. Lewis answered this question in the negative. In response to senators' inquiries, Dr. Lewis noted that within a few years, most of the present deans would be retired.
5. Chairman Arscott admonished the senators about a task that would need to be done in the early Fall of 1975, specifically the selection of faculty representatives on prospective presidential search committee for the University. President Steen had informed Chairman Arscott of the wish of the Board of Regents that the "search" for a new S.F.A. President begin no earlier than October, 1975. Chairman Arscott advised the senators that the administration of an election for the presidential search committee should be done very early in the Fall of 1975.
6. Dr. Diane Ford reported to the Senate on behalf of the Faculty Government and Involvement Committee. The Committee had consulted with Dr. Lewis with respect to the new edition of the Faculty Handbook. The new Handbook should clarify many ambiguities and uncertainties of the old edition.
7. The Faculty Senate Secretary certified to the Senate the names of the persons recently elected to serve on the Senate for the next three years. The following names were certified:
School of Liberal Arts: E. Deanne Malpass, Jerry Lackey, David L. Petty
School of Fine Arts: Joel Duskin
School of Education: June Irwin
School of Business & Economics: Thomas K. Hunter
School of Sciences & Mathematics: J. H. Burr, Jr., Jerry Vincent
These names were unanimously approved by the Senate.

- 8. The Senate elected a new slate of officers for the 1975-1976 term. The following persons were elected to serve as Senate Officers for this period:
 - President: Diane Ford
 - Vice President: Jerry Vincent
 - Secretary: Ann Chandler
 - Treasurer: Jess Richardson

- 9. President-elect Ford announced that it would be necessary to have a meeting of the Faculty Senate in the month of July. Dr. Ford also reminded the new members that they should keep the second Wednesday of each month open and free of other obligations, this being the regular meeting time for the Faculty Senate. New members were reminded that they might be expelled from the Senate for three absences from Senate meetings.

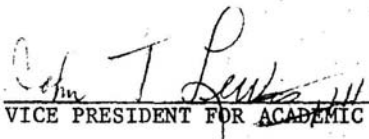
- 10. A motion was made and recommit to committee the action of the Senate in Item Seven, Attachment Four, of the Minutes of Meeting Number Fifty Six of the Faculty Senate (April 9, 1975), pertaining to a system of evaluation of the various components within the student-faculty-administration hierarchy within the University. The motion was defeated by the members.

- 11. The meeting adjourned at 4:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James G. Dickson, Jr.
Faculty Senate Secretary

REVIEWED:



 VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

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APPROVED:



 PRESIDENT

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