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Meeting No. 64
January 14, 1976
Stephen F. Austin State University
Faculty Senate

Absent:

Dr. Ralph Eddins
Dr. Thomas Frank
Dr. Bennat Mullen (excused)
Dr. Daniel Beaty
Dr. Patricia Russell
Mr. David Petty
Dr. Fred Rainwater

Ex officio Members Present:
None

Guests Present:
None

1. Chairman Ford called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m.
2. Minutes of Meeting No. 63 were approved.
3. The Treasurer, Mr. Jesse Richardson, reported that we have approximately \$900 remaining in the allocated budget.
4. Reports of the standing committees:
 - A. Dr. Ken Watterston reported for the Faculty Government and Involvement Committee concerning the proposed amendment to the constitution of the Faculty Senate. The constitution does not define the position of the Director of the University Library in regard to participation on the Faculty Senate. Therefore, an amendment is proposed to clarify this position.

A motion was made (with correction) for the amendment to be presented to the general faculty. Motion carried.
 - B. Dr. William Brophy speaking for the Professional Welfare Committee presented a report on fringe benefits. Through telephone conversations with other schools he found that SFASU is in the same situation with the same benefits as other schools at the present time.
5. Dr. Jerry Vincent presented a progress report to the Senate from the ad hoc Committee studying the Fiscal Affairs Division of the University. The memo to all department heads has been sent and responses from department heads and faculty need to be returned by January 21, 1976. (See attachment)
6. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 11, 1976 in the Aztec Room of the University Center at 3:15 p.m.
7. The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Chandler

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Faculty Senate Secretary

(attachments:1)

Reviewed: *John T. Lewis, III*
Dr. John T. Lewis,
Academic Vice President

Date 2-18-76

Approved: *Ralph Steen*
Dr. Ralph Steen, President
Date 2-23-76

MEMO

TO: Department Heads

FROM: Jerry W. Vincent, Chairman, Faculty Senate ad hoc
Committee for Fiscal Affairs

SUBJECT: Senate study of the Fiscal Affairs Division

Date: 6 January, 1976

At the request of a number of faculty members, the Faculty Senate is conducting a study of the role played by the Fiscal Affairs Division in support of the academic functions of the university. The purpose of the ad hoc committee, appointed by the senate to conduct the study, is to gather information and make conclusions based on that information. It is hoped that from this study a better understanding of mutual problems can be achieved.

The purpose of this memo is to obtain, from the faculty, information pertaining to any of the branches of Fiscal Affairs (Business Office, Purchasing, Plant Maintenance, Architects and Contractors). This information must be reliable and reasonably detailed in order to identify problem areas and draw meaningful conclusions. There is little that we can do with hearsay and unsubstantiated grievances. Therefore, if you or any of your faculty have had problems with any of the branches of Fiscal Affairs, we would appreciate it very much if you would provide us with written accounts of these problems and the circumstances surrounding them. Please bring this to the attention of your faculty.

It makes little difference if the responses to this request come directly from you or individual faculty members as long as we have a body of information large enough to provide a basis for drawing conclusions. Responses should be sent to me, Box 3011, by Wednesday January 21, 1976. However, if so desired, they may be given to any member of the committee which includes Jesse Richardson, Herndon Burr, Deanne Malpass, and Jerry Lackey.