

Stephen F. Austin State University
Minutes of the Faculty Senate
Meeting No. 196
13 September 89

1. Chairman Lackey called the meeting to order at 2:30 P.M. in the Presidents Suite B of the University Center.
2. The minutes of Meeting No. 194 and 195 were approved.
3. Dr. Hebe Mace, former President of CoFGO and currently serving as Vice-President of the Council, addressed the Senate on the recent activities of CoFGO in Texas. The following is a summary of her statements.
 - CoFGO started in the early eighties by Frank Wright and Peter Bishop.
 - SFA was one of the first members of CoFGO in 82-83.
 - All Colleges/Universities in Texas belong, with the exception of UTSA - They do not have a Faculty Senate!
 - CoFGO has two meetings a year, but they need to have at least two additional meetings.
 - One of the most valuable sessions is the round table discussion by all Senate Presidents.
 - All faculty members are invited to any and all meetings of CoFGO.
 - The focus of CoFGO has changed. Members are elected faculty and this makes this group hard to ignore!
 - The concentration is on the maintenance of the idea of a professional - professoriate - as opposed to the idea of staff or employees.
 - In 84-85 the entire meeting was devoted to Participatory Management. The intent was to have the faculty contribute to all facets of the University.
 - Strategic Planning (Self Study) has been done by many Universities.
 - CoFGO has worked for 10 years with the Coordinating Board to get faculty to be represented on all Committees of the Coordinating Board.
 - The Coordinating Board Fellowship is an excellent program. SFA has not participated since 1983. We need to renew our participation.
 - CoFGO sends representatives to the meetings of the Council of University Presidents.
 - CoFGO is working with the new organization for the Board of Regents.
 - On Dec. 1, 1989 there will be an important and historical meeting between the University Presidents, the Coordinating Board and the Presidents of the Faculty Senates.
 - CoFGO is concerned about the passing rate for the TASPS Test. The rate should be about 60%. 80% to 90% are passing.

4. Officer Reports

A. Chairman Report

- Chairman Lackey announced that a special meeting of the Faculty Senate will be held on September 27, 1989 at 2:30 P.M. in the Ladyjack Room for the purpose of electing Senators to replace Senator Cline (resigned) and Senator Huff (retired).
- Highlights of the Board of Regents Meeting
 - The Board of Regents approve \$153,000 for 2,000 chair seats for the Coliseum. This will complete the chairback seating in this facility.
 - New vehicles will be purchased for Biology.
 - A new parking lot on Carolyn Street is under construction.
 - Construction on Starr Street will begin soon.
 - Faculty Senate Chairman Jerry Lackey was requested by Board of Regents Chairman Peggy Wright to address to Board. This is a first!
- Highlights of Academic Affairs Council Report
 - Core Curriculum for all state universities is being discussed. Exemplary Educational Objectives must be included in all University Core Curriculums. (Reading & Composition; Cross Cultural Studies; History; Literature; Math; Physical & Life Science; Visual & Performing Arts)
Billy Franklin, President of Lamar University is Chair of the Committee.
 - The first draft of the Self-Study is complete and is available in the Library.
 - Students receiving financial aid must pass courses taken during the summer to be eligible for financial aid in the fall.
 - Faculty evaluations will be implemented this fall (1989).
(The Faculty Welfare Committee will study the process to be used in the evaluation of the results.)

B. Chairman-Elect Report

The Faculty Senate will host a reception for the members of the Board of Regents on Friday, October 6, 1989 at 3:30 - 4:00 P.M. in the Presidents Suite B of the University Center. The Senate wants to make this a yearly event. Future plans are to have the reception rotate between the various departments.

C. Treasurers Report

Allocations for the Faculty Senate are:

\$1,300	Student Wages (10 hrs. a week)
690	Travel
<u>2,369</u>	O & M
\$4,359	

5. Old Business

A. The status of Senate Resolutions from 1988-89:

- Research Ethics Policy (referred to Academic Affairs Committee).
- Faculty/Staff Wellness Program (ad hoc committee to be appointed).
- Teaching of Ethics (approved).
- Graduate Dean Recommendation (taken under advisement).
- Sick Leave for Retired faculty (legal problems).
- Senate Standing Committee on Finance & Administration - (Dr. Johnson wants the Committee, but questions the make-up of the Committee. He has a concern with the placement of the Business Manager on the Committee.)
- Senator J. Adams would like more information on the problems concerning the sick leave for retired faculty.

6. New Business

- A. CoFGO Conference on September 28 in Austin on part-time faculty and the role of faculty in academic decision making. Motion by D. Stephens to have Senate Chairman Lackey and Chairman-Elect Mace attend the meeting. Seconded by C. Crocker. Motion passed.
- B. Chairman Lackey circulated copies of the Standing Committees of the Faculty Senate and requested that the Senators rank in order of their preference the Committees on which they wish to serve. Committee assignments will be made at the special call meeting of the Senate on September 27, 1989.

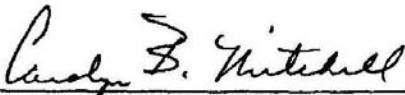
7. Comments from Ex Officio members

No Ex Officio members were present.

8. Meeting 196 of the Faculty Senate was adjourned at 3:42 P.M.

Absences:

Dr. Patrick Mueller (excused)
Dr. David Shows



Carolyn B. Mitchell, Secretary 1989-90