

FACULTY SENATE MEETING
Monday, 5 November 2001 - 3:30 p.m.
272 Bascom Hall

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Chancellor John Wiley at 3:34 p.m. with 160 voting members present.

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| 1. Memorial resolutions were presented for: | |
| Professor Emeritus Alton C. Johnson | 1586 |
| Professor Emerita Mary Lydon | 1587 |
| Professor Emeritus George G. Rowe | 1588 |
| Professor Emeritus Robert H. Schacht | 1589 |
| 2. Announcements/Informational Items. Chancellor John Wiley spoke about the governor's hiring freeze, budget cuts and the need to do more in the area of energy conservation. He announced that Professor Gilles Bousquet is the new dean of International Studies and Programs. | |
| Professor Patricia Wolleat, chair of the University Committee, urged the senators to identify and to nominate faculty for committee service. | |
| 3. Questions. There were no questions for the chancellor or the University Committee. | |
| 4. The minutes of 1 October 2001 were approved as distributed. | |
| 5. Professor Anatole Beck (District 63, Mathematics) <u>moved adoption</u> of his Resolution Regarding the Dismissal of UW-Superior Professor John Marder, and asked that if the motion was seconded that Professor James Donnelly speak on his behalf regarding the motion. The motion was seconded by Professor Richard Knowles (District 55, English). Professor Donnelly provided background and urged the senate to support the resolution. | 1590 |
| The chancellor called on Professor Wolleat who <u>moved to amend by substitution</u> the University Committee's substitute resolution as follows: | 1591 |

The University of Wisconsin-Madison faculty senate strongly supports the principles of academic freedom. A pillar upon which academic freedom rests is faculty tenure. The UW-Madison faculty views with alarm any action that undermines tenure and academic freedom. Any actions taken by the UW System or by the Board of Regents that are found by the courts to have circumvented or violated statutes, Rules of the Board of Regents, or UW-Madison *Faculty Policies and Procedures* should be reviewed by the faculty. We urge all faculty, administrators, and the Board of Regents to remain true to and uphold the principle of due process when considering the dismissal of a tenured faculty member.

Professor Wolleat summarized the differences between the main motion and the University Committee amendment.

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Professor Steve Bauman (District 63, Mathematics) moved to amend the substitute motion as follows.

The University of Wisconsin Faculty Senate strongly supports the principles of academic freedom and due process, as well as the principle of "just cause," as traditionally understood, for the dismissal of any tenured faculty member of the UW System. We view with alarm any action that undermines these principles. Any actions taken by the UW System or by the Board of Regents that circumvent or violate statutes, provisions of the UWS Administrative Code, or rules of the Board of Regents should be reviewed.

We have serious questions about whether the Board of Regents remained true to the requirements of academic due process and to the generally understood just-cause standard before deciding to dismiss Professor John Marder. We therefore ask the Board of Regents to reconsider its decision, and we also ask the University Committee to review the novel Safransky dismissal standard and report its conclusions to the Faculty Senate at the December meeting.

The motion to amend was seconded.

There was significant discussion.

The previous question was moved and approved by unanimous consent.

The motion to amend the motion to substitute passed by a voice vote.

There was additional discussion.

Professor Beck requested the consent of the senate for UW Superior Professor Gloria Toivola to speak. This was granted by unanimous consent.

Further discussion followed.

The previous question was moved and approved by unanimous consent.

The motion to substitute as amended, passed by voice vote.

The main motion as amended passed without negative vote.

6. Professor Pat Wolleat, chair of the University Committee, moved confirmation of the appointment of Professor Cynthia Jasper (Human Ecology) to serve on the Commission on Faculty Compensation and Economic Benefits for 2001-02, replacing Professor Nancy Diekelmann who resigned from the commission.

The motion passed.

7. The chancellor called attention to the informational report on the 2001-02 membership of the PROFS, Inc. Steering Committee.
8. The chancellor called attention to the informational report on the 2001-02 membership of the Faculty Consultative Committee on Financial Emergency.

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9. Professor Bernice Durand submitted for informational purposes the Athletic Board Annual Report for 2000-01. 1592

(The chancellor departed and Professor Wolleat assumed the chair.)

There were no questions.

10. Professor Marvin DeVries submitted for informational purposes the Kemper K. Knapp Bequest Committee Annual Report for 2000-01. 1593

There were no questions.

11. Professor Brent McCown submitted for informational purposes the Annual Report of PROFS July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001. Professor McCown thanked the PROFS staff for their efforts on behalf of the faculty. 1594

There were no questions.

12. Professor David DeWitt submitted for informational purposes the Recreational Sports Board Annual Report for 2000-01. Professor DeWitt noted a minor correction to the report. 1595

There were no questions.

13. Professor Pat Wolleat provided background and moved adoption of the University Committee and University Academic Planning Council Recommendation to Amend the Faculty Policy on Conflicts Between Daytime Courses with Evening Exams and Evening Courses as revised. 1585a

The motion passed.

Professor Steve Bauman moved reconsideration of the item. The motion was seconded.

The motion to reconsider passed.

There was discussion of the motion.

On reconsideration, the motion passed by voice vote.

14. Professor Lawrence Kahan provided background and moved adoption of his Resolution Regarding Modified Professorial Titles. 1596

The motion was seconded.

(The chancellor returned and assumed the chair.)

Professor Wolleat asked if there was a quorum present. There were 75 senators present. Due to the lack of a quorum, the meeting adjourned at 5:32 p.m.