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GENERAL FACULTY MINUTES October 6, 1989

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m. by Dean Kramer.

1. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as distributed from the September 11, 1989, faculty meeting. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Dean's Report

The past week has been the busiest week of the semester thus far. The monthly calendar shows a large number of activities. Please submit new items for the calendar to Sharon.

A new Facilities and Renovations Committee is being appointed for the 1989/90 academic year. There will be one member from each academic unit and the committee will work with the Dean, Associate Dean, Academic Unit Heads and Program Directors regarding spatial considerations for Matherly Hall and the Business Building, as well as the Bryan renovations.

Promotion and tenure are still underway. The review letters are coming in and the activity will continue through December.

The Tampa and Fort Lauderdale regional capital campaigns have had their kick-off. These are the two largest regional campaigns except for the Orlando and Miami ones. Monies generated from these campaigns will not be collected at one time, but these gifts will be spread over a three- to five-year period. The Phonathon has been completed and it netted \$180,000 for the College. The William Hussey Professorship has been partially funded and designated for Finance at the \$200,000 level, resulting in \$300,000 after the State match. William Emerson contributed \$50,000 toward a professorship and Merrill Lynch has committed \$100,000 toward it. An additional \$50,000 will be raised from Merrill Lynch employees, along with an \$100,000 state match. This professorship will be designated for international finance or investment.

The College has an outstanding debt with the Foundation of \$192,000 for fund raising activities over the past two years. This amount, plus \$120,000 per year is owed for fund raising activities of the College. The debt will not affect the current year's college operations. To some degree, fund raising expenses may have to be

allocated back to the academic units. There is a possibility that the College may choose to go back to one fund raiser after the Campaign is completed.

The Hurst Eminent Scholar Search Committee has interviewed five candidates now and will make a recommendation to the Dean within two weeks.

The Bureau Director's search has a closing date of January 15 for applications. The Chair of that committee is Hal Smith.

3. Computer Facilities and Networking Project

Eric Olson reported to the faculty on two matters: computers and information on the facilities for the College, and networking.

BRY218 and the CIRCA Computer lab are for the use of undergraduate students and have diverse facilities. BUS100 is a facility for doctoral and MBA students, but not to the absolute exclusion of undergraduate students. If the needs of the students cannot be met by the other CIRCA lab, the College computer lab will try to help. Eric made a plea to the faculty for the loan of math co-processors for approximately one month, as a result of a current project for an undergraduate class. Our lab, itself, only has three of these instruments and the CIRCA lab has none. If any faculty member is willing to make a loan, please contact Eric directly. Eric also explained that another service that the lab has to offer is that of data entry. Nellie Widener is available for that and is very good, as well as fast. She has 15 years of experience. Any faculty member who have a need should contact Jean Rentz or Evan Eldridge for arrangements. Our College is one of only five on campus with a data entry service.

Another service being offered is Eric's and Evan's consultation on needs. There is not much time for actual programming. However, if that service is desired, let them know and they will attempt to help.

The Computer Lab is the report center to handle repairs. They will handle arrangements for having computers sent out and brought back to you.

They also are offering the service of offering seminars and serving as guest lecturers. Eric can make presentations on how to use the various software packages and can provide tutorial lessons.

He warned that there are rumors of a computer virus that is scheduled to strike sometime in October. He said that the lab has a program called "Computer Scan" which will scan for up to 30 different viruses. Anyone interested should contact him for a copy.

A microcomputer network will be available starting in 1991. This will be valuable and useful and will distribute scarce and expensive resources throughout the College. An IBM token ring network will be set up for IBM, Apple and MacIntosh. Functions available include access to mainframes with or without coaxial, access to CIRCA, VAX and other universities. This will make electronic communication resources more realistic.

A program is available which will enable you to back up your hard disks in a very simple process within about half an hour. Contact Eric for details. They will have 3 server computers with 1800 megabyte storage, therefore, they can remove your application programs from your PCs and store them for you, thus freeing computer space on hardware. There will be electronic mail throughout the College and access to BITNET from PCs for the international network mail.

Computer access will be provided to every room in the College. Implementation of network hardware is the next step. The Provost will pay for 192 network boards and three servers at no cost to the faculty of the College. It is hoped that these will be installed by Thanksgiving.

4. Committee Reports

Undergraduate Committee

Dr. Faricy reported that the Committee has three (3) DIS courses to be offered for the DIS major as described in the attachments to the meeting agenda.

He made the motion to accept the ISM 4113 course as stated. The motion was seconded and carried by unanimous vote.

He moved to accept ISM 4221 as distributed, also. This was seconded. A question was raised regarding the difference between this course and a similar course currently being considered by the Graduate Committee. It was explained that the difference was that the undergraduate course was more applied in terms of hardware and software and the MBA course would be more case and applications oriented. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Faricy offered a motion to accept ISM 4421 as distributed. This was seconded. A question was asked as to the meaning of external auditing and how does this course differ from another course being considered by the Graduate Committee. It was explained that the graduate course will be more business oriented. It was also mentioned that there will be no additional resources required to offer these courses. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Faricy then made a motion to accept the DIS major as stated in Attachment 2 of the meeting agenda. It was seconded and there was discussion related to the differences between the DIS and CIS course. It was explained that the Business courses have a more managerial orientation than the comparable CIS courses. The motion was passed unanimously.

Dr. Faricy explained that the next item up for vote involving BUL 4100, 4200, and 4305 are only changes in course descriptions and do not affect the course content. He then moved to accept all three changes as distributed. There was a second and it passed by unanimous vote.

There was a motion to accept MAN 4930, a Management special topics course. This motion was seconded and passed unanimously. ✓

5. Dean's Search Committee Report

This report was in the form of an update. The University President's search is still unsure. The search for the Dean has not slowed. However, it is a difficult process when it is still unknown who will be the President of the University. The Committee has approximately 50 names in nomination, but that does not mean they have 50 candidates. Several of the nominees are waiting for the January 15 deadline to decide if they are willing to be considered as candidates.

After the presidential search is complete, possibly within the next 2 months, then the Provost's search will still be continuing. Since the Provost deals more directly with the College Dean, there is some feeling that the search should be delayed until the Provost is in place. The Committee asked for feedback from the College faculty about whether it should or should not slow down the Dean's search for that choice to be made. There was considerable discussion about extending the deadline or delaying the search.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

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