Agenda Faculty Senate Meeting January 16, 1980

I. The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate will be held on Wednesday, January 16, 1980, at 3:35 p.m. in Moore Auditorium.

II. Agenda

- 1. Approval of minutes of the December 5, 1979 meeting.
- Approval of the agenda and report of the Steering Committee - Fred Standley
- 3. Report from the Vice-President of Academic Affairs Robert Lawton

Vice-President Lawton will address the senate concerning recent developments relating to the Postsecondary Education Commission; the proposed change to the modified semester system; plans for the use of Quality Improvement funds; and the summer school budget and implications for the faculty.

4. Announcements of the President

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Faculty Senate Minutes

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I. Regular Meeting

The Faculty Senate met in regular session on Wednesday, January 16, 1980, at 3:35 p.m. in Moore Auditorium. Mr. Clifford Madsen, Senate President, presided.

The following members were absent: George Bogusch, Stewart Brown, Richard Chackerian, Ronald Clark, Valerie Conner, William Doerner, Patricia Dore, Virginia Green, Ross Heck, Jackson Ice, Roy Johnson, Eugene Kaelin, Daniel Kenshalo, Mark Koorland, Robert Kromhout, Joseph Lannutti, Charles McArthur, William McHugh, Theodore McLean, Edwin Megargee, Carl Nosse, William Oldson, George Papagiannis, Malcolm Parsons, Lewis Rhodes, James Roche, Peter Spencer, Joseph Torgesen, Maurice Vance, Glade Whitney, and Laurin Wollan.

II. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Fred Standley moved that the minutes for the December 5, 1979 meeting be approved as recorded and disseminated. The motion was seconded and adopted.

III. Approval of the Agenda and Report of the Steering Committee

- 1. Mr. Fred Standley moved the adoption of the published agenda. The motion was seconded and adopted.
- 2. Report of the Steering Committee prepared by Ms. Patricia Dore and read by Mr. Fred Standley

"Professors Tom King, Marilyn Young, Greg Phifer, and Dorothy Sidwell representing the United Faculty of Florida met with the Steering Committee, January 8, to discuss the role of the Faculty Grievance Committee. The UFF representatives endorsed the use of the Grievance Committee for resolution of noncontract disputes and stated that the UFF would not challenge the President's decision to permit the Grievance Committee to serve as his alternate Step 1 representative at the Grievance request in the Grievance resolution process under the collective bargaining contract if the contract procedures were followed and contractual rights were protested. After full discussion of several

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areas of concern it was agreed that the rules implimenting the President's decision could and would be written to incorporate all the procedural and substantive elements of the contract raised and discussed. The subcommittee on grievance procedures will be advised of this discussion and of the consensus reached."

IV. Report from the Vice President of Academic Affairs--Robert Lawton

The Vice President addressed the Senate on recent developments relating to (1) the Postsecondary Education Commission, (2) the proposed change to the modified semester system, (3) plans for the use of quality improvement funds, and (4) the Summer School budget and implications for the faculty.

- (1) Vice President Lawton reviewed the historical background and activities which lead to the appointment of the present Postsecondary Educational Commission. He stated that the hard earned mission of The Florida State University has been and will continue to be graduate and professional education and research built on a strong undergraduate base. He said that higher education in Florida is moving from an emphasis on quantity to an emphasis on quality and this was recognized by the Commission on the Future of Higher Education, by the Board of Regents' Role and Scope, and by the last legislature. He cited the money appropriated for the libraries, scientific and technical equipment, quality improvement, and the 10 million trust fund for matching gifts to the universities for endowed chairs. He predicted that the Post Secondary Education Commission would recommend very little change in governance of the universities, but it would recommend the old enrollment driven formula for funding be changed to some kind of a minimum base funding, with additional resources for improvement in quality.
- (2) The Vice President stated that the universities would change to a modified semester system in August 1981. He said that a University-wide Steering Committee would be appointed in the near future. He urged departments, schools, and colleges not simply to repackage their present courses but to use this opportunity to reexamine the total curriculum and attendant academic rules, regulations, and requirements.
- (3) The Florida State University next year will receive 4.7 million dollars for quality improvement. The Vice President said that about 2 million was used this year for academic programs in policy sciences, natural sciences, the fine and performing arts, and for the library, faculty improvement, and development. Two of the 4.7 million will be used next year to continue these programs. The remainder will be used to continue the improvement in the designated academic programs,

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including an expansion of the policy sciences to include the related professional schools of social work, criminology, and education. He is optomistic that money will be appropriated for quality improvement of the humanities in the next biennial budget.

(4) Summer funding for 1980 will be essentially the same as that for 1979. The allocations should be completed and in the hands of the academic deans by mid to late February, according to the Vice President.

V. Remarks by President Bernard Sliger

- 1. President Sliger said that everyone was working on the same problem, and that is how to improve The Florida State University. He said, "I think we are on the right track and before this year is over we will be better than last year."
- 2. The President reported that the Athletic Department would give \$100,000 to the University for use by academic departments. Dr. Sliger said that to his knowledge, this is the first time in history that money has been transferred from athletics to academics. He also reported that George Steinbrenner donated money to the University for lights for the baseball field.
- 3. The President told the Senate that Winewood Golf and Country Club would be sold in the near future and that the net proceeds from the sale would be put into a special Faculty Club Fund.
- 4. The President stated he was proud to announce that the Economics Department has been recognized by the New York Times; E. Ray Canterbery and Abba P. Lerner were two of the twenty economists quoted by the New York Times.

VI. Adjournment

The Senate adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Hilda E. Tinney Secretary to the Faculty