Minutes of the
Fifth Regular Meeting of the Fourth Senate
Indiana University-Purdue University at Fort Wayne
January 21, 1985

Agenda

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2. Approval of the minutes of December 10, 1984
3. Acceptance of the agenda
4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties
   a. Indiana University - M. Downs
   b. Purdue University - J. Lantz
5. Report of the Presiding Officer
6. Committee reports requiring action
   a. Rules Committee (Senate Document SD 84-9) - S. Hollander
   b. Student Affairs Committee (Senate Document SD 84-10) – E. Goebel
   c. Indiana University Committee on Institutional Affairs (Senate Reference No. 85-4) - M. Downs
7. New business
8. Committee reports "for information only"
   Agenda Committee (Senate Reference No. 84-6) - W. Coufoudakis
9. The general good and welfare of the University
10. Adjournment

Senate Members Present:

Senate Members Absent:

Faculty Members Present: L. Balthaser (assoc. fac.), F. Kenworthy, D. Skelton

Visitors Present: J. Clinton, J. Dahl, M. Dinnerstein, M. Roeger

Attaches:
1. **Call to order:** E. Nicholson called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

2. **Approval of the minutes of December 10, 1984:** The minutes were approved as distributed.

3. **Acceptance of the agenda:**  

   V. Coufoudakis moved acceptance of the agenda. Seconded.  

   The agenda was accepted as distributed.

4. **Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties:**

   a. **M. Downs:**

      I would like to remind Indiana University Senators that today we will elect the faculty members to serve on the Indiana University Faculty Board of Review.

      Very soon, the Campaign for Indiana, a fund-raising campaign for Indiana University, will begin on this campus. I have accepted responsibility for the conduct of the campaign in reference to faculty and staff, President Beering has authorized and approved extending the appeal to Purdue University faculty and staff, and Joanne Lantz has agreed to share over-all responsibility for this effort with me. We will recruit solicitors during the next several weeks. Pledge cards will be distributed thereafter. All parties have agreed that the focus should be on raising money for purely local projects, although contributions to Indiana University at Bloomington certainly are not to be discouraged.

   R. Hess: What is the goal for the system?

      M. Downs: I'm not sure. I'm sure figures have been discussed. I know it is a lot of money.

   b. **J. Lantz:**

      I would like to call your attention to the minutes of the Purdue University Board of Trustees meeting of November. There is a resolution that has to do with the reaffirmation of the indemnification of the faculty. The resolution, which is several pages long, reiterates their position in defending you in doing your job.

5. **Report of the Presiding Officer:**
E. Nicholson:

Professor Mansfield has taken over the duties of parliamentarian. I have sent a note to David Onwood thanking him for his service as parliamentarian during the fall semester. David is on sabbatical this spring.

Enrollments for this semester are down about 2.6% in headcount and about 7% in credit hours. We anticipated an enrollment drop based on fall semester enrollments, and had made the necessary budget adjustments at that time. No further budget adjustments are contemplated for this year. I must point out, though, that I believe it is a permanent drop. The drop in enrollments is being driven primarily by demographics of high-school graduates, and we should anticipate a further drop next year and the year after, but not as precipitous as this year. Our freshman class is down considerably; I would expect it to drop even further the next two years. Nondegree students are the second area that is down. We believe that is because of the good economic times in Fort Wayne. Unemployment is diminishing, and we expect it to diminish somewhat further, so there may be a slight drop as a result of that.

I do want to give you an update on an institute that may be housed on this campus through the START Center. START, Inc. has requested and received a grant of $815,000 for the Center from the Corporation for Science and Technology. That grant was contingent on $275,000 being raised in the community and $250,000 being given by the city. There has been a city ordinance approved for the $250,000. The $275,000 has been guaranteed by the Chamber of Commerce, and is well on its way to being raised in the community. So I assume the $815,000 will be forthcoming. There will be a total of $1.34 million of funding for a CAD/CAM institute housed on this campus. A lot of effort has gone into this by a number of faculty members, and especially Dean Worthley. I think we ought to congratulate the dean and the faculty members in Engineering, Technology, and Nursing and others. I believe business and Science and Humanities will be involved in this effort. It is a large grant if it eventually comes to this campus, and I am confident it will.

M. Downs: I am going to ask this question because I believe it is important that it become part of the tradition of this Senate. You mentioned that credit-hour enrollments have diminished by 7%, and that this probably has to be viewed as a permanent characteristic of enrollments in the future. I am sorry Vice Chancellor Carnaghi isn't here, but I was wondering if the decrease in enrollments had an effect on the perceptions of the parking problem here, and especially whether the decrease affects the permanence or impermanence of the relatively permanent or temporary parking lot that was constructed a year ago last fall.

E. Nicholson: My conjecture is that it hasn't very much--especially if you will note headcount is down only 2.6%, whereas credit hours are down 7%. There are still a large number of folks looking for fewer parking spaces than we put out permits.
M. Downs: If this is a permanent characteristic, it will be increasingly difficult for the vice chancellor for financial affairs to continue to salt with the same force and enthusiasm that he needs those parking spaces for the foreseeable future. He should understand that if I don't ask this question, there will be other people who will ask the question and he might be thinking of alternate answers to the question.

E. Nicholson: The question has crossed our minds. I do want to point out that there are a lot of things that could turn enrollments around. If the economy heats up to a point where we have an influx of population, that indeed could turn those kinds of things around. I am looking at just the known demographics. Or, if we had another downturn in the economy, we could see an out-migration of people as we did a couple of years ago. Our best estimates are, though, that we are going to have a permanent loss of 5 or 6% of the credit-hour base in the near future.

S. Hollander: Some time ago this body requested the preparation of an academic master plan. The committee set up to serve as a steering committee for such a plan met once very early last semester, with you chairing. At that meeting you got the committee's approval to take the planning process in a somewhat different direction. As a member of the steering committee, I expected that there would be a meeting some months ago at which that new direction would be defined. I was wondering what you plan to do about this.

E. Nicholson: My intent is still to take it in the new direction. We are well on our way to putting together the marketing-research part of marketing planning. As a matter of fact, we authorized a study just last week have gotten permission from the Fort Wayne Community Schools to take the second step there. About the fourth step would be the creation of this committee to review, once the marketing research is in, some of the directions that tie campus should take. In addition to; the marketing research, I have sent questionnaires out to about a dozen comparable institutions to find out what their mix of graduate and undergraduate programming is and any new degrees they are planning or any curricula they are planning to cut back on, to see how we stack up to other urban campuses in terms of our offerings. We are also sending out a questionnaire through Tom Guthrie's office to ask local businesses what kind of employees they are probably going to hire in the next few years, what kind of degrees they think these employees should have, and what kind of degree programs they think we ought to have here to serve their needs. All of that will become input data to this planning group. My intent is still to reorganize it in that fashion. It has gone slower than I had hoped.

S. Hollander: I know the marketing plan has been in progress for three or four years. I wonder whether you have any estimate when the academic master plan group will be able to meet and begin its work?

E. Nicholson: Within the next couple of months we should have survey results. Survey results are beginning to come in from the first survey. We will be sending out the
second survey very shortly. We have chosen dates for some of the research that is going to be done by an outside firm.

6. Committee reports requiring action:

   a. Rules Committee (Senate Document SD 84-9) – S. Hollander:

      S. Hollander moved to approve Senate Document SD 84-9 (Election of Replacement Member of Rules Committee). Seconded.

   b. Student Affairs Committee (Senate Document SD 84-10) – E. Goebel:

      E. Goebel moved to approve SD 84-10 (Approval of Women's Softball as a Varsity Sport. Seconded.

      Motion passed on a voice vote.

   c. Indiana University Committee on Institutional Affairs (Senate Reference No. 84-5 - M. Downs:

      Ballots for the Faculty Board of Review were distributed to Senators of Indiana University affiliation.

7. New business:

   There was no new business.

8. Committee reports "for information only" - Agenda Committee (Senate Reference No. 84-6) – V. Coufoudakis

   V. Coufoudakis presented Senate Reference No. 84-6 (Senate Documents under Deliberation by Senate Committees and Subcommittees) to the Senate for information only.

9. The general good and welfare of the University:

   M. Downs: The CM building is very uncomfortable today. At least one office has a temperature under 50°. My own office is below 60°. It would make us feel better if we knew substantive steps to effectuate a solution, to this problem were taking place.

   E. Nicholson: I will tell you what we can't do. We can't find a heater in town to rent. They are just not available.

   John Carnaghi said they are doing what they can.

   S. Hollander: Drop/Add Week this semester extended substantially beyond a week. In the case of classes that met Thursday and Friday only, the student would have, without
the instructor's permission, the ability to sign up after two complete weeks of class had occurred. Why was Drop/Add Week extended?

J. Dahl: We discussed this in a variety of forums leading up to the preparation of the calendar. It was a judgment of all concerned that getting back to a Friday deadline both for approvals and for the fee-refund schedule would be more beneficial than trying to leave the precise one-week deadline.

S. Hollander: What forums was it discussed in?

J. Dahl: Related administrative offices, and I believe it went to the deans and coordinators. I am not sure about that. I believe it was discussed in EPC. I am not sure about that. I cannot reconstruct what happened nine months ago off the cuff.

S. Hollander: I don’t remember its having come to EPC. A precursor Senate to this one established the one-week Drop/Add period, and it would have been appropriate for the faculty to have been involved in a decision which affects how much can occur in a classroom during the second week of classes. I would hope that should there be amendments to the one-week Drop/Add in the future, proposals for them would be brought before the appropriate faculty group.

10. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Blauvelt
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