Minutes of the
Fifth Regular Meeting of the Twenty-Seventh Senate
Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne
January 14, 2008
12:00 P.M., Kettler G46

Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Approval of the minutes of December 10, 2007
3. Acceptance of the agenda – B. Abbott
4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties
   a. Purdue University – N. Younis
   b. Indiana University – M. Nusbaumer
5. Report of the Presiding Officer – S. Davis
6. Committee reports requiring action
7. New business
8. Committee reports “for information only”
   Executive Committee (Senate Reference No. 07-10) – B. Abbott
9. The general good and welfare of the University
10. Adjournment*

*The meeting will adjourn or recess by 1:15 p.m.

Presiding Officer:  S. Davis
Parliamentarian:  A. Downs
Sergeant-at-Arms:  G. Steffen (absent)
Secretary:  J. Petersen

Senate Members Present:
B. Abbott, N. Adilov, A. Argast, W. Branson, J. Burg, C. Champion, S. Choi, S. Ding,
P. Dragnev, B. Dupen, C. Erickson, R. Friedman, J. Garrison, T. Grove, I. Hack,
J. Hersberger, C. Hill, P. Iadicola, D. Lindquist, M. Lipman, D. Liu, G. McClellan,
K. McDonald, L. Meyer, G. Mourad, K. Moustafa, D. Mueller, A. Mustafa, R. Nelipovich,
M. Nusbaumer, H. Odden, E. Ohlander, T. Parker, K. Pollock, L. Roberts, H. Samavati,
R. Sutter, J. Tankel, C. Thompson, J. Toole, A. Ushenko, G. Voland, M. Walsh, M. Wartell,
N. Younis, J. Zhao

Senate Members Absent:
S. Blythe (sabbatical), J. Grant, S. Hannah, J. Jackson, M. Ridgeway, R. Saunders,
J. Summers

Faculty Members Present:  L. Finke, K. O’Connell, S. Sarratore

1. **Call to order:** S. Davis called the meeting to order at 12:02.

2. **Approval of the minutes of December 10, 2007:** The minutes were approved as distributed.

3. **Acceptance of the agenda:**
   
   B. Abbott moved to approve the agenda as distributed.
   
   The agenda was approved as distributed.

4. **Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties:**
   
   a. **Purdue University:**
      
      N. Younis: Happy New Year! I hope everyone has a great semester.
   
   b. **Indiana University:**
      
      M. Nusbaumer: No report.

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

   S. Davis asked A. Downs to present the parliamentary procedures handout.
   
   A. Downs: When you became senators, theoretically you all would have received a parliamentary procedures handout. We have laminated 25 copies for your use during the Senate meetings each month. Please do not take these with you as we will be bringing them back again before the next meeting. If you would like a copy of the parliamentary procedures, contact Jacqui and she will e-mail it to you. It is a handy reference for those of you who are senators and do not keep all these rules in your head.
   
   S. Davis read a note from Lucy Hess expressing her appreciation for the gavel presented to her in memory of Dick at the December 10, 2007 Senate meeting, and also for the memorial given by the Senate to the Peace Studies scholarship at Plymouth Congregational Church.

6. **Committee reports requiring action:** There were no reports requiring action.

7. **New business:** There was no new business.

8. **Committee reports “for information only”:**
   
   B. Abbott presented Senate Reference No. 07-10 (Items under consideration in Senate Committees and Subcommittees) for information only.
9. **The general good and welfare of the University:**

   C. Hill: You will have received an announcement in your mail today about a survey of faculty satisfaction (HERI survey by UCLA, I believe). That will begin online a week from tomorrow: Tuesday, January 22, 2008. You will also receive an e-mail reminder of that. It really is very important that people participate in this and give us information about how everybody feels at the university. Please encourage your colleagues, as well, to participate.

   M. Wartell: Enrollment is up 4.9 percent as of this morning. That really is welcome news, and will help with the budgetary process for next year. We hope that we will be able to find some more money for faculty positions, which is very important as our enrollment increases.

   All of the building projects seem to be proceeding at a good pace. The hotel is slowly getting encased, and the medical building is just a little bit behind that. Buildings like that just finish more slowly.

   We hope to start on the bridge across the river in March. We will see how that goes.

   We are working toward getting final legislative approval of the student services building very quickly. Everything seems to be coming along well with that.

   I hope you have a great semester with the 4.9 percent enrollment increase.

10. The meeting adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

    Jacqueline J. Petersen  
    Secretary of the Faculty