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**Iowa State University
FACULTY SENATE
Session XIII, Meeting 6
MINUTES
January 9, 2001**

1. The ISU Faculty Senate met in room 260 of the Scheman Building on Tuesday, January 9, 2001, at 7:30 PM.
2. Attendance:
 - a) Members Present: S. Agarwal; D. Anderson; D. Ashlock; C. Baldwin; D. Bullen; T. Barta; M. Chen; G. Colver; E. Cooper; J. Cunnally; M.L. Damhorst; J. Dana; R. Dearin; M. Doran; M. Duffy; T. Emmerson; D. Epperson; D. Fowles; W. Franke; J. Girton; R. Hall; A. Hendrickson; G. Hightshoe; J. Hill; P. Hoffman; D. Hopper; S. Huang; J. Hutter; J. Iles; G. Jura; G. Koppenhaver; P. Korsching; J. Lamont; D. Lewis; B. Mack; P. Martin; J. Maves; D. McCarthy; C. Miller; G. Miller; F. Nutter; J. Opsomer; G. Palermo; G. Phye; J. Pine; C. Pope; M. Porter; B. Robinson; J. Robyt; C. Schilling; B. Summers; B. Thacker; S. Tim; D. Ulrichson; B. Wagner; W. Ware; T. Weber; W. Woodman; M. Wortman; M. Yaeger; B. Yang.
 - b) Substitute Members: M. Olsen for D. Bullen; T. Andre for N. Davis; C. Youngs for P. Holden; W. Tavanpong for G. Leavens; J. Courteau for M. Mattson; V. Dayal for G. Rajagopalan; K. Kruempel for S. Russell.
 - c) Absent Members: R. Angelici; D. Catron; B. Coree; P. Dail; A. Dispirto; W. Dolphin; M. Dyrenfurth; C. Ford; J. Gilley; G. Kunz; C. Mize; Y. Niyo; D. Norris; M. Owen; S. Rodermel; W. Sanford; K. Schilling; D. Simonson; C. Thoen; M. Wong.
 - d) Guests and Visitors: R. Richmond, Provost Office; L. Charles, University Relations; L. Allen, Ames Tribune; L. Kennedy, ISU Daily; F. Whitaker, Provost Office; J. Strand, P&S Council.
3. Max Wortman moved approval of the consent agenda. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.
4. Senate President Announcements:
 - a) Five candidates for the ISU president will visit on Jan 12, 16, 18, 19, and 22 of 2001.
 - b) A report was distributed: ISU Summary, National Survey of Student Engagement.
5. Announcement from Senate President-Elect:
 - a) Christie Pope announced that the Senate Task Force on Nontenure Track Appointments would complete its report on January 12, 2001.
 - b) March 30 and 31, 2001 are the dates of the Spring Faculty Conference, which will be held at Central College in Pella, Iowa. The theme of the conference is: how can faculty respond to changes in higher education?
6. Dr. Owen Newlin, President of the Board of Regents, addressed the senate:

1. Dr. Newlin congratulated ISU Cyclones for winning a bowl game. He said the Regents unanimously support completing Campaign Destiny, the most successful private fundraising effort at ISU. He said this helps undergraduate education by creating new scholarship endowments, new endowed professorships, and new buildings. He said providing top quality education to ISU undergraduates is an important goal. He also congratulated ISU faculty and staff for a record year in sponsored funding (over 200 million dollars) which is important to the university's research mission and also to the economic development of Iowa. He congratulated the faculty on another banner year for record enrollment. He congratulated the faculty for activities that raise the visibility of ISU to taxpayer constituents. He said these outreach activities help the Regents negotiate with the governor to set the annual budget. He thanked faculty for helping ISU deal with the budget shortfalls from the statehouse allocation and the spiraling cost of health care benefits. He said the Regents are working to prevent another shortfall in the statehouse budget this year. In this regard, he said full funding of faculty salary increases is a top priority of the Regents. He said the governor supports the Plant Sciences Initiative, and he said he is confident the governor will approve appropriations to build the new College of Business building. He thanked Dean Ben Allen and the members of the ISU Presidential Search Committee. He thanked Richard Seagrave for doing an excellent job as ISU Interim President.
2. Joanna Courteau asked which strategy the Regents have developed in helping ISU's quest to be the best. She expressed concern that the college of Liberal Arts and Sciences is under funded and that this does not help ISU become the best. She expressed concern that the Regents' policy of non-duplication of academic programs hurts the humanities, and she offered the example that Purdue University, another land grant institution striving to become the best, funds humanities in all the Purdue campuses. Dr. Newlin replied that state funding is a very serious issue, there never is enough to go around, and we are not the only state coping with reduced state budgets for higher education. He said tuition is paying a higher proportion. He also the need to improve K-12 teacher salaries is a big issue.
3. Bill Woodman said faculty have discussed asking one or more Regents to assign themselves to each university so the Regents can get more cognizant of what is going on at ISU. He asked if there is a no cost possibility of sending ISU Senate leaders to meet with Regent staffers. Dr. Newlin responded, "Yes." Dr. Newlin said the Regents try to work as a committee-as-a-whole for all universities, and therefore he opposes assigning a Regent to a particular campus.
4. Shu-min Huang expressed concern with increased enrollment, increased class size, and the declining number of tenured or tenure-track faculty at ISU. Dr. Newlin said increasing class size would continue to be a concern unless we put a cap on enrollment.
5. Jim Hutter said ISU makes a strong effort to recruit minority students from out of state, because Iowa has so few minorities. On the other hand, taxpayers are concerned about the "brain drain" (i.e., the large number of ISU graduates finding jobs outside of Iowa). He said the governor was so concerned about the brain drain that the governor mentioned addressing the problem by reducing funding to ISU. Jim

Hutter asked, “Why try to recruit people from out of state if they will leave and the governor will cut our budget?”

6. Mike Duffy said, “other areas of ISU will go begging” if the Regents focus too much on allocating more and more money to the Plant Sciences Initiative. Dr. Newlin said the Plant Sciences Initiative represents “big promise” and “big potential” for the state of Iowa. In addition, he said much of the money for the Plant Sciences Institute comes from private donors who specify where they want their donations to go.
7. Old Business: [S00-25] The Academic Affairs Council moved forwarding to the Provost a proposal to change the names of the departments of (1) Family and Consumer Sciences Education and Studies; (2) Hotel, Restaurant and Institution Management; and (3) Textiles and Clothing to the Department of Apparel, Educational Studies, and Hospitality Management. The motion carried by voice vote.
8. New Business:
 - a) Senate-President Election: David Hopper asked for motions from the floor for Senate President candidates. No motions were offered. Two candidates for Senate President, Max Wortman and Greg Palermo, gave campaign speeches. Brad Thacker, Chair of the Elections Committee, issued a paper ballot. Max Wortman won the election.
 - b) [S00-23] The Executive Board moved that the Faculty Senate discuss the “Enhancing Intersections: The Academic Plan, 2000-2005” Report and the revised “Priorities and Process for the Academic Plan Pool, FY01 and FY02 Cycles” for information and send advice to the Provost on these Reports. Provost Richmond summarized the plan and said he was anxious to hear ideas from the Senate. Senator Clark Miller spoke in favor of the plan. Jim Hutter expressed concern that the plan puts too much of a financial burden on academic departments, which are all chronically under funded. He asked why the Provost is not seeking funding for the plan from the Regents, the legislature, or private donors. Provost Richmond said the administration is trying to work with these other groups to find money, but often this money must be targeted at specific initiatives. Tony Hendrickson discussed teaching duplication in different departments and said ISU needs a mechanism to shuffle resources between colleges using a central funding source. Provost Richmond said he wants faculty to play a significant role in allocating the Academic Plan funding. The motion passed by a voice vote.
 - c) A motion to defer item D of new business in the agenda was offered, seconded, and unanimously carried.
9. The meeting adjourned at 9 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Faculty Senate Secretary