

UNIVERSITY SENATE

ATTENDANCE ROSTER

February 8, 1988

Meeting of

John S Mackieon	Dona Parker
Daniel Peltz	Francine Ford
Arleney Brodman	Alan Rappaport
John Flynn	H.C. Kao
Neil Collier	A. Miller
Dorinda J. Bradman	Ulaire R. Reed
M. Carbo	Paulette McCornick
Franklin Walker	G. Hastings
Jeffrey Berman	H. Desbrosses
Mad D. Stein	J. Levato
John T. Hayes	G. Ptepa
Greg Stevens	Bill Hammond
Amey A. Peile	Linos NISSAN
Mad Miner	J. Peis
Unaee Bin	Ray STROSS
R. Farrell	Jeanne Gullakorn
E. Scatton	Bonnie Steinbock
Doyard Burn	Sung Bok Kim
M. Wapfel	
Grace Newman	
Paul Joscans	
John	
J. J. NITECKI	
D. L. IPETZ	
Ed Reilly	
Gilman McCann	
Richard Edwards	
Richard Kalish	
John Hartigan	
Malinda Sherman	
Bonita Bryant	
Gene Jones	
John P. ...	
Priscilla Tornatore	
Mitchell Posner	



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UNIVERSITY SENATE
Monday, February 8, 1988
3:30 p.m. - Campus Center Assembly Hall

Administration 259
Albany, New York
12222

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General Education Honors Program



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UNIVERSITY SENATE
Minutes
Monday, February 8, 1988

Administration 259
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PRESENT: V. Aceto, J. Berman, K. Birr, H. Brotman, B. Bryant, R. Collier, H. Desfosses, J. Dietz, R. Edwards, R. Farrell, J. Flynn, F. Frank, N. Gilboa, J. Gullahorn, W. Hammond, J. Hartigan, G. Hastings, J. Hayes, R. Kalish, H. Kao, S. Kim, W. Lanford, J. Levato, B. Lipetz, I. Lurie, J. Mackiewicz, G. McCombs, P. McCormick, A. Millis, T. Mirer, G. Newman, L. Nissan, J. Nitecki, V. O'Leary, O. Ortega, D. Parker, D. Peltz, A. Perle, M. Posner, A. Rafterman, E. Reilly, W. Roberts, E. Scatton, M. Sherman, I. Steen, B. Steinbock, G. Stevens, R. Stross, L. Tornatore, P. Toscano, M. Wahlen, L. Welch

The meeting of February 8, 1988 was called to order in the Campus Center Assembly Hall by Chair Aceto at 3:40 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of December 7, 1987 were approved as submitted.

2. President's Report

President O'Leary welcomed everyone to the spring 1988 semester.

CIA On-Campus Interviews - The President briefly reviewed the circumstances surrounding the Delta Sigma Recruitment Day last semester. He indicated further that he accepted the recommendation of CAFE that recruitment by the CIA was within the provisions of the Freedom of Expression bill.

President O'Leary stated that the CIA was not scheduled to be on campus last semester. He said they were scheduled to arrive today. Based on the Freedom of Expression bill, he decided that the CIA would come to the campus, and preparations were made for today's meeting. The President said that the University is mindful that this is an issue deeply held by a number of individuals both on and off the campus, and that it was, therefore, important to make sure that everyone's right of free expression, as defined by Senate action, was protected. Those students and people from off campus who visited us today had an opportunity to make their views known.

President O'Leary stated that approximately 17 of the 50 students signed up to meet with the CIA, were scheduled to do so today. Our task was to make sure that those 17 students had the opportunity to carry out their interviews. Four other other companies conducted interviews in the Career Placement Center, and since we had fairly clear indications that there would be a demonstration here, it seemed prudent not to have the CIA interviews with the others. Therefore, it was moved to Alumni House. It was thought prudent to have sufficient manpower to make sure that an orderly procedure on all sides was carried out. To ensure this, those attending a training program at the State Campus were asked to take part. There was a protest at Alumni House and there was some attempt to gain access, but that was not permitted. The President stated that although Campus Security was present, all firearms were removed. Their instructions were to have no more people used than was absolutely necessary. President O'Leary commended Campus Security on the manner in which they carried out their duties.

The President said that last year he stood before the Senate deeply concerned about the issue of free expression. He said it seemed to him that there was a testing of universities on the issue of freedom of expression. He stated it was an issue that he held very deeply and one which was a core issue of the American university. President O'Leary said that we are now considering what constitutes orderly expression. He reported that he met with a group of students today regarding the on-campus presence of the CIA. He told the students that in his view that issue had been placed before the body representing this University, the Council on Academic Freedom and Ethics of the University Senate. That Council then reported to him and he accepted their report. He said he would be hard-pressed to remember when he has refused the advice of the Senate. A finding was made and once he had that finding he believed it was his task and the task of the administration to make certain that freedom of expression was preserved.

One issue related to the protests of the Sigma Delta Recruitment Day still remains. A faculty-student committee has been convened to decide if there has been an obstruction of a campus event by students. The President said he is not in a position to know whether an obstruction took place and he reported that a group of people believed their right of expression was abridged. They were, therefore, counselled to file a complaint, and the issue was put before the faculty and students on that committee.

Registration – President O'Leary reported that the University is in the process of converting from a UNIVAC to an IBM mainframe. The new registration system was one of the first programs to be implemented on the IBM system. The President reported that in the early fall of 1987 about 12,000 students went through pre-registration, and the system worked very smoothly. The problem in February occurred because the computer was programmed too rigidly with enrollment caps. President O'Leary apologized for the inconvenience and took responsibility for the errors, adding that they are infrequent. A management task force with faculty and student representatives has been formed to investigate the registration process. Council on Educational Policy Chair, G. Hastings, and the President agreed that it is an appropriate subject for the EPC. The Task Force will work on the redesign of the system and will report to EPC. The President said that many people worked very hard on the project and a 98% success rate was achieved. He stressed that we would be remiss if we didn't recognize the tremendous job that a number of people did by attaining that high percentage of success.

Budget – President O'Leary gave a brief history and comparison of our campus budget from 1983 to the present. In 1983 we had 1,994 staff on this campus, 741 of whom were instructional personnel. Our budget required us to maintain a frictional savings of 27 vacancies that year. In 1984–85 there was an early retirement program which opened up additional lines. Frictional savings that year were 23 positions. However, the campus lost about 100 positions as lines were abolished when people retired. This year the frictional savings will be 57, almost double of last year. Last year there was an initial proposal to require 72 lines. This was later reduced to 57. This year our frictional savings doubled, but last year we were fortunate in having the Graduate Research Initiative with its 41 positions. This helped to modulate the effects of the lost positions. So far this year, we will receive 37 GRI positions recommended by the Governor in the budget. This number may increase. President O'Leary stressed that it must be remembered that GRI faculty are for specific purposes. We cannot simply use GRI lines to fill in wherever we lose positions.

The President said that we will respect the Governor's issues, but that our position is simply to affirm that we have lost positions that must be returned, and that the salary savings must be reduced. He said we have made great progress under very tough conditions over the last year, and that we keep this campus moving forward.

General Education Honors Program – President O'Leary stated that there is an important proposal before the Senate today, the Honors Program for undergraduates. He believed it important that this campus join the many other campuses which now have such a program because it provides an opportunity for a student to get into a General Education Honors Program and go on to a University Honors Program. For those students for whom it is suited, it is long overdue.

3. SUNY Senators' Report

The report was available at the door and is attached hereto and made a part of these Minutes.

4. Chair's Report

Chair Aceto had no report at this time.

5. Council Reports

Council on Academic Freedom and Ethics – the Council has not met recently and has no report.

Council on Promotions and Continuing Appointment – The Council continues to meet, but due to the nature of its charge, it has no report.

Council on Educational Policy – Council Chair Hastings reported that the Council met today and discussed and approved a plan, forwarded to the President, for a commencement divided between graduates and undergraduates this year. The Council also requested that the committee studying registration problems report to them at each EPC meeting as it proceeds. W. Hammond stated that the commencement plan cannot stand until it is presented in writing to the Senate. J. Levato said it must be presented at least for informational purposes. W. Hammond moved that the proposal be mailed to University Senate members, and that if five Senators rejected the proposal and do so by reporting their rejection to EPC Chair Hastings, the plan would not go into effect. The motion was seconded by J. Levato. In response to a request from the Chair, W. Hammond said he would not withdraw his motion. Chair Aceto called the question. The motion was defeated. Chair Aceto requested that Council Chair Hastings prepare a written report for distribution to Senators.

Graduate Academic Council – No report.

Council on Research – Council Chair Millis reported that there is a slight change in the application process for Centers and Institutes which will be presented at the next Senate meeting.

Student Affairs Council – No report.

Library Council – No report.

Undergraduate Academic Council – The Council's report is included in today's packet. They will also present Senate Bill No. 8788-03 today.

University Community Council – No report.

5. Old Business

President O'Leary reported that there is a proposal before the legislature for a library addition. He and Chair Aceto assembled a Library Construction Committee, headed by Robert Donovan of the English Department to examine the issues related to the construction of a library addition.

6. New Business

Copies of the list of Council membership changes were distributed by Chair Aceto who moved their approval. The motion was seconded and carried.

- 6.1 Senate Bill No. 8788-02: Proposed M. S. Program in Epidemiology – R. Farrell introduced the subject bill for Senate approval. The motion was seconded and approved.

- 6.2 Senate Bill No. 8788-03: General Education Honors Program – E. Reilly introduced the subject bill and moved its approval. The motion was seconded. A discussion followed in which E. Reilly stated that the honors program is not just an elitist program, but rather was an attempt to raise interest in scholarship at the University. E. Reilly commended and thanked M. Bers and his committee for their work on this bill which originated with Dean of Undergraduate Studies, S. B. Kim and Executive Vice President W. Ilchman. W. Roberts said that the proposal was so compelling that we must endorse it. Council Chair Reilly said it is expected that 120 students will take part each semester. The bill was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Roth

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Recorder

1988-89 EXECUTIVE BUDGET

FRictionAL SAVINGS

FUNCTION	1983 BASE STAFF	1985 BASE STAFF	1987 BASE STAFF	1988 BASE STAFF	1987 GRI STAFF	1988 GRI STAFF
INSTRUCTION	741 FTE	725 FTE	725 FTE	724 FTE	18 FTE	
ACADEMIC SUPPORT	429	410	410	408	17	
LIBRARY	145	128	128	129	2	
STUDENT SERVICES	118	109	110	110	0	
INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT	<u>561</u>	<u>518</u>	<u>517</u>	<u>521</u>	<u>4</u>	<u> </u>
CAMPUS TOTAL	1,994	1,890	1,890	1,892	41	37
FRictionAL SAVINGS	(27)	(23)	(57)	(72)	-	-
REQUIRED SAVINGS	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(30)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
FILLED POSITIONS	1,967	1,867	1,833	1,790	1,831	1,868

UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC COUNCIL REPORT

February 8, 1988

At the Undergraduate Academic Council meeting of December 19, 1987 changes in curriculum were approved pertaining to the Anthropology Honors Program, the Chinese Studies major and minor, the Spanish minor, and the Latin American Studies major.

Upon recommendation of the UAC Committee on Academic Standing, a student grievance was resolved in the student's favor.

At the UAC meeting of February 2, the Council approved a modified form of a proposal submitted by the College of Humanities and Fine Arts that clarifies and restricts the order in which foreign language course sequences may be completed. The Council also approved and will submit today for Senate consideration Bill No. 8788-03 on the subject of a General Education Honors Program.