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**MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 1997, AT 4:00 P.M.
IN THE JOHN MARSHALL ROOM OF THE MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Abramson, Blankenship, Desai, Stone, Sottile, Karickhoff, Lowry, Marley, Turner, Jackson, Miller, Baker, Duke, Gripshover, Gross, Rotter, Shaver, Dolmetsch, Perry, Brown, Wildman, Finver, Green, Guyer, Beaver, Simmons, Walker, Davi s, Stotts, Aluthge, Dumke, Pupplo-Cody, Valluri, Wilson, parliamentarian, Denman; and several guests.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Hall, Stern, Anthony, Sporny, Dennison, Perkins, Taft, Woodward, Merritt-Damron, Doyle, Cowell, Januszkiewicz, Larsen, Reichenbecher, Tarter, and Hubbard.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Faculty Senate President Elaine Baker. Minutes of the February 27, 1997 meeting were approved as distributed.

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Baker referred to the handouts at each Senator's chair and their connection to the agenda, including one recommendation that needs to be added. The President has approved all recommendations from the last meeting except the one dealing with faculty government issues [(SR-96-97-(55) 121 (EC)]--that one has not yet been acted upon.

Baker announced that there will be a meeting of the new Senate, May 8, to elect officers and members to the Executive Committee. Rainey Duke announced the upcoming Renaissance and Shakespeare Festival on campus April 8-10; Ben Miller announced that a faculty jazz ensemble would be playing this evening at Mycroft's from 9 p.m. to midnight--both invited faculty to attend.

Dr. Sarah Denman stated that the evaluation of Deans will begin April 1 and encouraged faculty to complete the forms which will be due back in her office April 15.

2. REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:

Dr. Gilley reported that the merger bill is progressing through the legislature, moving toward the Governor's signature on April 9 which is also Marshall Day at the Legislature. He also announced the establishment of a jazz center on campus due to a major contribution by Joan Edwards.

3. ACF REPORT:

Bert Gross reported that the Programs Committee of the Board of Regents has been considering the Series 36 recommendations for revision. With regard to the appeals procedure, the committee has voted to end the current process but has added a provision for an institutional hearing panel, thus providing peer review at the university level but not at the Board level. This new provision will be circulated on campuses for local input. In addition, the revision regarding librarians with its specific wording has been included.

4. EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION PRESENTATION:

Jan Fox and Arnold Miller provided information about Computer Services and the emphasis on the latter word in their restructuring and reorganizing process. Several new staff members were introduced: David Wiley, Web Developer; Brian Morgan, Inst

ructional Technologist; and Jody Perry, Help Desk Manager. Arnold Miller updated the Senate with current projects underway with expectations for completion and outlined plans for future developments. A brief question and answer period followed.

5.COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Duke moved to amend the agenda to include an additional recommendation: SR-96 97-(56) 122 from the Physical Facilities and Planning Committee. Motion seconded and carried.

Since all the recommendations for consideration were from the Physical Facilities and Planning Committee, Judy Sortet provided the rationale for each of the recommendations. Tom Johnson, Head of Security and Parking Office, spoke for the recommendation to increase parking fees. Nina Barrett, Staff Council President, spoke against the recommendation. Several questions from Senators were directed to both speakers; but due to lack of specific financial information, Abramson moved and it was seconded to postpone **SR-96-97-(10) 76** and **SR-96-97-(11) 77 (PFPC)** until which time we have clear and definitive financial data. Motion carried.

SR-96-97-(56) 122 (PFPC): To approve changing the Fine and Performing Arts Center to the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center. Miller moved and it was seconded to approve. Motion carried.

6.STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Curriculum - Hal Shaver reported that the committee will be meeting next Thursday to consider the next batch of changes.

Faculty Development - Peggy Gripshover said that 15 grants have been awarded from the INCO monies.

Graduate - William Marley reported that three outstanding graduate faculty will be recognized this year. The committee also recently approved 12 faculty for full graduate status, 3 for doctoral graduate status, and 3 for associate graduate status. The committee is also in the process of revising the graduate catalog.

Since neither Dan Cowell or Ed Taft were present, there was no report from Legislative Affairs or Library Committee.

7.OTHER:

A question was asked about Marshall Day at the Legislature. As reported by President Gilley, the date is April 9; the Legislative Affairs Committee will be coordinating transportation and activities for the day, although it was noted that it is rather late in the session to have much of an impact.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Wildman, Secretary
Marshall University Faculty Senate

MINUTES READ:

Elaine Baker, President
Marshall University Faculty Senate

Dr. J. Wade Gilley, President
Marshall University