REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

March 2, 1992

MINUTES

On Monday, March 2, 1992 at 4:00 p.m. Senate President Taggart called the regular meeting of the University Faculty Senate to order.

Senators not in attendance were: Maurice Cope, Robert Knecht, Thomas Meierding, John Pikulski, Christopher Smith, Carolyn Thoroughgood, Alfred Wedel

Senators excused were: Joann Browning, James Hawk, Patricia Haynor, Douglas Miller, John Nye, Larry Peterson, Michelle Provost-Craig, Daniel Rich, David P. Roselle, Stuart Sharkey

I. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The Senate adopted the Agenda as published.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

President Taggart corrected the Minutes of the December 2, 1991 meeting, changing references to the "eleven-point grading system" to read "twelve point grading system."

III. REMARKS BY PROVOST PIPES

Provost Pipes expressed appreciation for everyone's cooperation in the Middle States Accreditation Process and announced that the Team's written report will soon be available. He reported that the Governor has delegated the responsibility and budget for the Parallel Program to the University of Delaware. He also explained personnel changes in the Provost's Office: There will be two Vice Provosts, one for Research and one for Academic Affairs, an Associate Provost for International Programs and Special Sessions, an Associate Provost for Graduate Studies, and an Assistant to the Provost. Finally, he outlined the procedure of the next college planning process.

REMARKS BY ACTING ASSOCIATE PROVOST FOR GRADUATE STUDIES HOFFECKER

Associate Provost Hoffecker announced plans to streamline and improve the program review process. Adjustments will focus on the unit's own self-study, the actual review process, and the review follow-up. New procedures will include the provision of self-study guidelines, more participation by the college Dean, a continued Senate role, and more of a connection between the report and college planning.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Taggart announced two hearings on the permanent status of
programs: Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (MALS) on March 9 and Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management Program on March 16. He alerted the Senate to its upcoming consideration of the new Faculty Welfare and Privileges' procedures. He also mentioned that two resolutions passed by the Arts and Sciences Senate have been conveyed to the Committee on Faculty Welfare and Privileges, again reiterated the Senate attendance policy, and reminded faculty to sign up for committees.

David Smith, Chairperson of the Committee on Committees and Nominations requested that senators take a close look at the proposed Faculty Welfare and Privileges' procedures attached to the next agenda.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR CHALLENGE

The following Announcements for Challenge were approved:

1. Revision of the B.A. in Psychology
2. Revision of the minor in Psychology
3. Revision of the B.A. in Psychology Education
4. Revision of the minor in Italian
5. New minor in African Studies
6. New minor in East Asian Studies with Language
7. New minors in Spanish Studies, German Studies and French Studies
8. Revision of the minor in Theatre
9. Revision of the M.A. in Linguistics approved provisionally with the condition that Linguistics present a satisfactory explanation of inconsistencies in the proposal to the Executive Committee.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (R. Dalrymple, Chairperson), with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (K. Lomax, Chairperson), for permanent status of the Ph.D. Program in Criminology. After questions about the adequacy of the program's resources, the Senate passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Ph.D. Program in Criminology was provisionally approved on April 7, 1986, and

WHEREAS, at the end of the provisional period an external review team unanimously recommended that the Ph. D. Program be given permanent status, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that, effective immediately, the Ph.D. Program in Criminology be granted permanent status.
B. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (M. Keefe, Chairperson), with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (K. Lomax, Chairperson), for the establishment of a new major in Theatre Production within the B.A. Degree. After questions about the number of possible majors and a discussion of the program's space problems, the Senate passed the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate approves provisionally, for four years, the establishment of a new major in Theatre Production within the B.A. degree, effective September 1, 1992.

C. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (M. Keefe, Chairperson), with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (K. Lomax, Chairperson), for provisional approval of a new major in Latin American Studies leading to a B.A. degree. After queries about the program's recommendation of a semester abroad, the number of majors, the effect of the program on class size, the adequacy of library resources, language competence, and whether the program offers an area of study as coherent as that typically understood as a major, the Senate passed the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate approves provisionally, for four years, the establishment of a new major in Latin American Studies leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree, effective immediately. This major shall be administered by a multi-departmental committee within the College of Arts and Sciences.

President Taggart adjourned the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Senate Secretary