

## Minutes of the Emory Faculty Council

November 15, 1994

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PRESENT: L. Beard, J. Bugge, S. Chesnut, T. Clark, M. Creekmore, D. Danner, S. Frost, B. Frye, B. Greene-Plauth, P. Hall, S. Jenks-Robertson, H. King, L. Johnson, T. Lancaster, F. Lechner, C. Lemons, R. Letz, M. Miller, L. Moneyham, L. Ragsdale, and L. Smith.

L. Smith opened the meeting by requesting approval of the minutes of the last meeting. The attendance list should add S. Jenks-Robertson and S. Gephardt. With those corrections the minutes were approved.

Dr. Smith invited discussion of the Council's electing one of its members to serve as one of Emory's three representatives to the University Center in Georgia. The Center meets about three times per year and faculty representative terms are ordinarily three years. It was moved and seconded that the Council elect its immediate past president to serve a term of one year as a faculty representative to the University Center in Georgia. The motion passed.

Proposed bylaws of the Faculty Council, appended to the notice of meeting were discussed.

Article IV, Section 2 was amended to read:

- (a) There shall be an Executive Committee of the University Faculty Council, consisting of the Chair, the Past-Chair, the Chair-elect. The function of the committees shall be to serve as an Executive Board and as a Committee on Committees.
- (b) There shall be a Faculty Relations Committee of the University Faculty Council, consisting of five members who shall be elected from among the elected members of the Council at the annual meeting of the Council.
- (c) There shall be such other standing or special committees as the Council may determine. Membership need not be limited to members of the Council. Membership of standing committees shall be selected annually by the Council.

Article III, Section 1 (a) was amended to insert "and Provost" after the word "President" in line one, and the words "the Provost" after the word "President" in line three.

Article III, Section 1 (b) was amended to insert "Provost" after "University" in line four.

Article III, Section 1 (c) was amended by striking the words "scholarship and teaching" in line three and inserting in their place the words "the work of the faculty."

As amended the bylaws were adopted by the Council with the agreement that the language concerning the faculty relations committee could be changed if necessitated by legal requirements. As the authority for the faculty relations committee currently resides

with the University Senate, the Senate will be requested to transfer that authority to the Faculty Council. The authority resides in the Senate by virtue of the Bylaws of the University Senate which were adopted by the Board of Trustees. Assuming that the Senate agrees to the change, the change will then have to be submitted to the Board of Trustees for their approval.

Dr. Frye reported on the October meeting of the Board of Trustees. John Glover was elected to the Board and Linton Bishop became a trustee emeritus. There were some faculty appointment matters from the medical school and the Campaign for Emory is reporting that it has reached about 85 percent of its goal. The Columbia/HCA agreement with Emory will not go forward but there is a committee charged with investigating alternatives. Brad Curry was elected Chair of the Board and John McIntire has assumed the role of Chair of the Campaign for Emory.

Prof. Pam Hall and Ms. Saralyn Chesnut presented a proposal for domestic partner benefits that would extend certain health and other benefits to the domestic partners of employees. After extensive discussion it was moved and seconded that "The Faculty Council supports the four point proposal concerning fringe benefits as submitted 9/28/94 by the University Fringe Benefits Committee." The motion passed on a divided vote with four abstentions.

Dr. Marion Creekmore made a presentation about the Carter Center of Emory University and its relationships with the University. He also talked about international programs in the University. The lateness of the hour precluded a full discussion of ways to make the relationship of the faculty with the Carter Center better and more extensive so Dr. Creekmore agreed to return to a subsequent meeting.

The matter of a faculty lecture series was postponed until the next meeting of the Faculty Council.

The meeting adjourned shortly after 5 p.m.