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REGIONAL CAMPUS ACADEMIC SENATE
September 28, 1973

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 by Dr. Jimmy Nunnery, Chairman. The minutes of the February meeting were accepted as distributed. Mr. Nunnery welcomed the Directors, Dr. Davis, and Dr. Duffy.

Remarks by Administration

Dr. Davis welcomed the senators from the Sumter campus which has become a member of the Regional Campus system of USC. The Sumter campus has been accredited by the Southern Association for 1973-74 under the direction of USC.

Dr. Davis also announced that associate degrees will be reinstated at the Allendale and Beaufort campuses. The Southern Association will visit these campuses on October 30, 1973.

The registration figures for Fall, 1973 are as follows:

Aiken - 720 FTE
Beaufort - 193 FTE
Coastal - 987 FTE
Lancaster - 443 FTE
Sumter - 277 FTE
Salkehatchie - 244 FTE
Spartanburg - 764 FTE
Union - 237 FTE
Military - 171 FTE

The Commission on Higher Education last year removed the military from student counts for funding purposes which affected Beaufort, Sumter, and Coastal. The major growth areas as indicated by the FTE counts are the campuses in large communities. The regional campuses have shown an over all increase of 18%, although South Carolina is now in a stable period of high school graduates.

Dr. Davis explained that the HEC, in an attempt to regularize funding, has produced a formula which will be applied for the 1974-75 year. The number of students and the nature of the programs are among the factors included in the formula. Although regional campuses have not been funded on this basis in the past the HEC now wants to include them with the main campus in this formula method. No institution will receive less than the previous year's budget. The formula system would be an advantage if the figures are determined fairly and accurately. Attempts to compare regional campuses with either community colleges or TEC systems would not take into consideration the different services provided or roles of each. President Jones is very concerned about proper funding for the regional campuses. On October 4, the University makes its presentation which will include more about regional campus funding than before.

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Dr. Duffy commented on the USC Faculty Manual and the supplement sheets for regional campuses, copies of which were distributed to the senators from each campus. It was suggested that each delegation take the manual and supplement sheets to their respective campuses and offer any suggestions for changes or corrections at the November Senate meeting.

Dr. Duffy commended the work of the By-laws Committee. He announced that Dr. Brasington will be sending out the regional campus director in the near future. He also advised the Senate of the USC policy change, effective Fall, 1973, allowing faculty to take courses for \$10.00.

Dr. Brasington reported that the results are in from the Institutional Goals Inventory questionnaire distributed in Spring, 1973. Directors will select representatives from their campuses to attend either of two workshops on the institution-1 goals. The workshops will be held October 5-6 and October 12-13. The goals of the regional campus faculty tend to be much the same as those of the main campus undergraduate faculty..

Committee Reports

Committee on Courses and Curricula

The Committee on Courses and Curricula discussed the procedure for approval of new courses for the regional campuses and recommended that approval be sought in the former manner of submitting the courses to the appropriate departments at main campus. The Committee moved that the regional campus office request joint departmental meetings with the main campus faculties. The motion passed, and Dr. Davis announced that plans are already underway to implement these meetings.

Library

The Library Committee discussed the allocation of funds on each campus. Committee members are to report at the November meeting on allocation procedures on each campus as well as the amount of learning/lounging space provided in each library. The Committee report was accepted.

Welfare

The Welfare Committee discussed policies regarding faculty on each campus and presented the following motions:

- 1) That the Senate obtain information from the Directors regarding criteria for promotions and that this information be given to the Welfare Committee no later than November 30, 1973. The motion passed.
- 2) That the Senate obtain information from the Directors regarding criteria and policy for hiring new faculty and that this information be given to the Welfare Committee no later than November 30, 1973. The motion passed.
- 3) That the Senate obtain information from the Directors regarding the establishment of faculty office hours and that this information be given to the Welfare Committee no later than November 30, 1973.

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The motion passed.

- 4) That the Senate approve giving the responsibility of final decision for selection of texts to the individual faculty member after due consultation with his respective departments on main campus.

The motion was amended to add to the last sentence the phrase "and his director."

Dr. Conway Henderson moved to table the motion and Mr. Churchill Curtis seconded. The motion to table passed.

- 5) That the Senate approve extending to faculty the option of receiving their 9-month salary in 12 payments. Dr. Davis and Dr. Duffy both pointed out in discussion that this option had been investigated previously and had been determined to be administratively impossible. The motion passed on a vote of 20 to 10. Dr. Duffy recommended use of the Credit Union for those desiring the 12 month payment plan.

The faculty manuals and supplements were distributed. Mr. Nunnery suggested that each delegation take the copies made available back to each campus and make appropriate recommendations regarding the manual and supplement at the next Senate meeting to allow ample time for the various faculties to study the two documents. He thanked Dr. Brasington, Dr. Duffy, and all those who helped in the preparation of the manual and supplement.

Special Orders

Mr. John Samaris, Chairman of the By-laws Committee presented the proposal for the by-laws.

The following amendments were made to the proposal:

- 1) Standing Rules - That Rules VI, VII, and VIII be corrected to number in proper sequence V, VI, and VII
- 2) Rule V - That the second sentence be changed to read as follows: "While in Executive Session only elected members of the Senate may be present."
- 3) Rule VI, Section 1 - That the section be changed to read "The Senate may, by majority vote, permit any person not a member of the Regional Campus Faculty Senate to address the Senate during part or all of any Senate meeting."

It was moved to accept the by-laws as amended, and the motion passed.

Dr. Duffy was requested to report to the Senate whether any follow-up actions have been taken regarding the information in the Randy Clark report concerning faculty salaries. He was also requested by the Senate to report on the Provost's Survey Report at the next Senate meeting.

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The following Regional Campus representatives were elected to the main campus committees as indicated.

New Courses and Curriculum - Dr. James Brown

Faculty Welfare - Mr. Sam Greenly

Joint Committee of the Faculty - Mr. Jimmy Nunnery

Announcements

The following were announced as tentative dates for the 1973-74 Senate meetings:

November 30 - Aiken

February 15 - Spartanburg

April 19 - (place to be announced)

Dr. Sullivan, Director of the Coastal Carolina campus invited the Senate to meet at Coastal for the April meeting.

All business having been completed, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m. by the Chairman, Mr. Nunnery.

Carolyn Wynn
Vice Chairman