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**MINUTES**  
**Faculty Senate**  
**Wednesday, September 7, 1994**  
**Wilson Center**  
**6:00 p.m.**

1. **The Opening Faculty Senate Meeting was called to order by Jim Winship, Chair.** Roll was taken. Members unable to attend: Dan Lee, Charlie Mahaffey, Lou Belby, John Hildreth, Susan Stone, Chuck Hyser, Peter Xiao, Kathleen Mcinerney, John Pollitz. (Charlie Mahaffey and Lou Belby are on South American term.) The Chair noted that John Pollitz has a leave of absence for the year and that another member will have to be elected to Faculty Senate from the instructor rank. Nominations & Rules will conduct the required election.

2. Upon motion from Gary Mann, seconded by Dick Reed, the **Minutes for the meeting of May 12, 1994, were approved with the following changes:**

6.3. shall read:

A second motion was made by P. Olsen to revise the description of membership to read as follows: "Five students, at least three of whom are persons of color: one of these three students to be appointed by the BSU, and one by Latinos Unidos. The remaining three students are to be appointed by the SGA.

7.4. shall read:

K. Youngberg reported that EPC had decided to resubmit the original proposal submitted to the February 17, 1994, meeting. A motion was made to approve the proposed policy with the following addition:

"EPC shall render an annual report of grades of withdrawal to the Faculty Senate."

The motion was **seconded** by V. Symons and **approved**.

3. Upon motion from Bob Haak, seconded by Dave Dehnel, the **Minutes for the meeting of May 12, 1994, were approved as distributed.**

**4. Proposed Schedule of Faculty Senate Meetings -- Jim Winship.** Upon motion by Bill Hammer, seconded by Bob Haak, the Faculty Senate approved the Proposed Schedule of Faculty Senate Meetings for 1994-95 as listed in the Agenda.

**5. Preliminary Enrollment Report -- Jack Hullett.**

J. Hullett reported that enrollment of first-time students as of September 7th stood at 536, 11 more than the usual 525. The goal for the year was 1946, and 1979 were already enrolled. Over the past 3 years, between 31 and 45 students were also gained during the first 10 days of classes, so that the general outlook is good. J. Hullett stated that the Admissions Office staff had developed excellent team spirit and showed very high performance, and that this, in part, might have contributed to the good enrollment results. Asked about enrollment of minority students, J. Hullett responded that most numbers were similar to last year's with those of Hispanic students slightly up. The exception to that trend is the number of African-American students enrolled, which dropped from 3.4% in 1993 to 1.6% in 1994. Asked about the distribution of ACT scores among the incoming class, J. Hullett replied that the profile this class is almost identical to that of last year's.

**6. Remarks -- Doug Nelson**

Doug Nelson spoke of his experience at Augustana College thus far, remarking that he is a "known quantity" in the Augustana community. He indicated his willingness to report to the Faculty Senate whenever the Senate deems such a report necessary, that he will remain as accessible as possible, and that Debbie Kaller and/or Jane Cochran are the individuals to contact for an appointment with him. He then proceeded to ask and answer several questions, such as: What about retrenchment? Where is your office? Where did the new students come from? What else can we do? Will it be a good year?

There was some discussion of the first question. D. Nelson spoke of the fact that the crisis we had to fear last year has been alleviated, so that the pressure for immediate action has been relieved. Rather than accomplish changes in one year, we can now focus on laying out the process in that year. EPC, the Faculty Welfare Committee, the representatives elected by the faculty, and the president of the college should all be involved in the process. The answer to the last question was: "Yes."

**7. Other Business**

Taddy Kalas, representing Nominations & Rules, moved that Barbara

Herrarte be appointed to the Advanced Standing & Degrees Committee. Gary Mann **seconded**, and the motion was **approved**.

## 8. Announcements

Susan McGinnis reported on the progress of the coffeehouse in the library, indicating that the opening is expected in early October. Hours will be all library hours as well as from 7-8 a.m.

Helga Noice announced the Staging of Purple Breasts with the accompanying photo exhibit to commemorate National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The event was sponsored by the Jaeke Family Life Fund, the Women's Studies Program, the Psychology Department, and the Augustana Humanities Committee.

Jim Winship announced that Dave Dehnel will serve as Parliamentarian for the 1994-95 Faculty Senate and that others interested to serve in that capacity in the future are invited to contact him.

Jim Winship announced that it will be the practice of this year's Senate not to cancel meetings, but -if no pressing business is on the agenda- to use this time for discussion on a variety of issues. One possibility will be to ask committees to report on their activities. He also announced that the Faculty Senate and the Provost will sponsor a series of informal meetings on various topics. The first one will be on September 30, when Ellen Hay will give a profile of the incoming first-year class, and the next one on October 14, when John Kindschuh will report on new facilities on campus.

8. Upon **motion** by Bill Hammer, **seconded** by Bruce McCart, the meeting **adjourned** at 8:05 p.m.

Tamara Felden  
Secretary