Minutes from the April 10, 1975 meeting of the University of Montana faculty

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Members Absent: Chessin (on leave), Cox (in class), Cromwell, Curnow, De Frees, Kirkpatrick, McBroom (dept. meeting), Mussulman, Porter.

Ex-officio members present: Dr. Bain, Academic Vice President Landini

Guests: Dean Wambach, ASUM President John Nockleby, reporters.

I. The minutes of March 20, 1975, should include the following editorial changes under Item 5:

A. Campus Development Committee: Third sentence of "Membership", add: "for a two-year term".

B. Library and Archives Committee: After the new Item (3), add: "for a four-year term".

C. Campus Recreation and Sports Committee: After the new item (3), add: "for a three-year term".

The minutes were approved with the above editorial changes.

II. Announcements by Chairman Reinhardt:

A. Appreciation and gratitude for Gardner Cromwell's nine years spent in the Senate as well as serving as parliamentarian was expressed by Chairman Reinhardt on behalf of the Faculty Senate.

B. A memo from W. H. McBroom, Election Committee Chairman, containing a challenge to the Spring Election by Professor H. Bockmuehl, was presented to the Senate. This challenge was based on the omission of the names of persons on sabbatical leaves from the list of faculty members eligible to serve. Chairman Reinhardt informed the Senate that he had ruled that such omissions were consistent with previous practice and did not invalidate the election. He further informed the Senate that this ruling was subject to overrule by the Senate. The Senate took no action.

C. A memo from Dr. Pat Douglas, Director, Center for Continuing Education and Summer Programs, proposing affiliation of the Western Montana Health Education Council with the University of Montana was received by the Executive Committee
of the Faculty Senate. ECOS and the Medically Related Sciences Committee approved of the proposal and so informed Dr. Douglas.

D. The next Faculty Senate meeting will be held on April 24, 3:10 P.M., in LA 11, and an agenda will be distributed. Primary items of business will be the reorganization and election of members to the faculty committees. Chairman Reinhardt suggested not nominating persons who have not been contacted as to their willingness to serve.

E. The faculty received a challenge to participate in a student-sponsored greased-pig chase on April 11, 1975.

III. Committee Reports:

A. Academic Standards and Curriculum Review Committee. John Rettenmayer, Chairman, presented the Committee's seconded motion to the Senate. Reinhardt read memos from Professors Faust and Cox regarding the motion. Professors Schaill, Van de Wetering, Erickson, Huff, Lowe, Medora, Von Kuster, Hess, Bain, Koostra, Fisher, Ullrich and Brenner spoke to the motion. Ullrich moved to separate the motion into seven parts and the motion passed.

1. The motion to accept Item 1, "Registration: currently not explicit in catalog - end of fifth day of classes," was addressed by Von Kuster, who suggested replacing "end of fifth day of classes" with "end of fifth day of university instruction". This was accepted as an editorial change. Rettenmayer, Hewitt and Huff also spoke to the motion and it carried.

2. "Adding courses: change from 'end of first week of a quarter' to end of fifth day of classes." Schaill introduced a substitute motion to change "fifth day of classes" to "tenth day of classes". Landini suggested defining "tenth day of classes" and Rettenmayer and Erickson also spoke to that question. Morton moved to change original motion to "end of tenth day of university instruction with the consent of the university instructor". Hess and Hewitt addressed the amendment, and the amendment passed unanimously. The substitute motion was then passed.

3. "Credit status: regular credit to listener and listener to regular status; currently not explicit in catalog -- end of tenth day of classes." Van de Wetering moved to change to "end of nine weeks of classes" and Margrave seconded. Fisher, Bain, Hewitt, Flightner, Bolle, Medora, Perrin, Brenner and Ullrich commented on the motion. Ullrich then moved to reassign the original seconded motion on deadlines to ASCRC. The motion was seconded. Discussion and debate preceded the question and the motion was defeated (10,21). Huff moved to table Item 3 and the motion passed. The Chairman called for discussion of Item 5.

4. Item 5, "Dropping courses: change from 'end of sixth week of classes' to 'end of ninth week of classes'" was addressed by Perrin, Fisher, Bolle and Morton who moved to change "end of ninth week of classes" to "end of fourth week of classes". Ullrich seconded. Schaill and Brenner addressed the
proposal and it was defeated. Schaill, Ullrich, Huff, Heliker, Whiteman, Hewitt, Erickson and Fisher spoke to the question. Reinhardt informed the Senate that currently in the catalog it states that a student may drop up to end of six weeks without instructor's approval. Hewitt moved to change motion to 'end of ninth week with consent of instructor'. A motion was then heard to reassign the matter to the Curriculum Committee. Landini spoke to the motion regarding the integrity of the grading system. Reinhardt suggested, if the motion carried, asking the Executive Committee to consider the implications of the debate with the possibility of appointing a special ad hoc committee to study the deadline question. The motion carried (17, 14).

IV. Old Business:

A. Proposed change in Articles of Organization to permit ASUM reciprocal voting. John Nockleby, ASUM President, asked that the motion be tabled. The motion to table passed unanimously.

V. New Business:

A. Campus Development Committee: The proposed change in the by-laws was announced and will be voted upon at a meeting of the Senate in the near future, to be noted in the agenda.

B. Fisher moved that the Search Committee for the new Academic Vice President consider open meetings for the final candidates. The motion was seconded. Ullrich suggested asking Professor Wambach, Chairman of the Search Committee, if this were possible and Wambach stated plans had already been made to route candidates through the various committees. The motion was withdrawn.

C. Schaill inquired as to the status of the seconded motion regarding the reorganization of the Senate. Reinhardt explained the procedure involved as well as the fact that the ASUM request for reciprocal voting, also requiring a change in the Articles of Organization, had preceded the proposal on the reorganization of the Senate.

D. Honorary Degrees. The Senate went into Executive Session and discussed honorary degrees. The results of the discussion will be announced at a later time.

VI. The meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

Philip T. Bain
Secretary