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# happenings 16

Faculty/Staff Newsletter of the College of Public Affairs and Community Service

June 1976

Faculty Meeting - The Faculty of the College of Public Affairs and Community Service met on May 13 at 3:30 P.M. in the conference room of Annex 19.

Those attending the meeting were: David Scott, Michael McGrath, Samuel Walker, Julie Horney, Julie Edell, Harry Reynolds, Leo Missinne, Peter Suzuki, Wilda Stephenson, Jane Woody, Beverly Tomhave, Robert McCune, David Peterson, Vincent Webb, Ezra Kohn, Lucille Zelinsky, Milton Hofstad, Ronald Ozaki, Armin Ludwig, Murray Frost, Paul Lee, William Wakefield, William Rogers, Raymond Unks, Bruce Horacek, Bill Bell.

Dr. McCune called the meeting to order and began the meeting with announcements:

- \* Spring commencement would be held Saturday, May 15 at 9:30 A.M. All CPACS faculty were encouraged to attend. Dr. Claude Organ was commencement speaker.
- \* For those doing research involving use of the computer, June 30 is the cut-off date for current computer allocations. For projects extending beyond that date, notify the Dean's Office to arrange for continuation.
- \* Teaching enrichment travel grants are available next year through the Provost's Office. In connection with that, the workshop on the liberal arts college, sponsored by the University of Denver, may be of interest to some faculty. The Workshop is to be held June 28 - July 9.
- \* The Board of Regents is scheduled to approve Dr. John Kerrigan as Dean of the College of Public Affairs and Community Service at the May 14 meeting. (Note: approval was given at that meeting.)
- \* Subject to approval by the Board of Regents, Dr. Hobart Burch will become Director of the School of Social Work, effective August 1.
- \* The Dean's Office issued a special thanks to Dr. Ronald Ozaki for his work as Acting Director of the School of Social Work, and the faculty joined in recognizing a job well done.
- \* Dr. David Scott has resigned as Chairman of Public Administration. Subject to Board of Regents approval in July, Dr. Harry Reynolds will become department chairman.
- \* Committee assignments have been made for next year. Membership on standing committees is now on staggered terms, and new members are elected to serve three year terms. The standing committees are accepting more and more responsibility and are proving a great asset to the Dean's Office in decision-making.
- \* Departments made initial recommendations to the Dean's Office on re-appointment, promotion, and tenure, and merit. These recommendations were reviewed by the CPACS Committee on Faculty Appointments, Promotion, and Tenure, which serves as an advisory committee to the Dean. The Dean made very few changes in the committee recommendations, and these were forwarded to the Provost where no recommendations were over-ruled this year. All recommendations and comments in this procedure are open to the faculty member concerned and become part of the personnel file. Faculty are encouraged to periodically check their personnel files and update them. If there is disagreement with materials in the file, a rejoinder should be filed.



- \* Grades for graduating seniors and graduate students are already in. Other grades are due in the Dean's Office May 19th at noon.

Next, information was given on the budget. Merit recommendations have been turned in, but the outcome will not be known for another month. There is a 6% increase in the university operating budget. The depreciation budget has been restored, meaning that departments will be asked about major equipment needs. \$300,000 in parity money was allocated. CPACS was given \$32,000 in new money for Social Work and Criminal Justice (subject to approval by the Regents). Summer school contracts have been approved. Questions concerning these should be forwarded to the resident unit.

In the May graduation one CPACS student will graduate summa cum laude. Five will graduate magna cum laude and several more cum laude. After this announcement, it was moved and seconded that CPACS candidates for graduation be accepted by the faculty. The motion passed unanimously.

Up until this time, CPACS has not been represented on Committee "C" of the Graduate College--the committee which approves graduate faculty members. CPACS faculty who are members of the graduate faculty were asked to vote on a representative. (The actual voting was postponed to the end of the faculty meeting.)

An update was given on campus physical facilities affecting the College:

- \* A walkway is being constructed from the west parking to the library.
- \* Social Work will be moved into Annex 23 during summer semester.
- \* In Annex 20, the main goal is to get people off the third floor.
- \* The intent is to move Criminal Justice to the west side of the campus, but the move is not anticipated in the near future.
- \* There was a question about whether or not CPACS has been contacted about the Downtown Education Center. A "User's Committee" has been formed on which Dr. McCune serves. No definite decisions have been made about occupancy. An architect is to be named soon. The Center will be a joint venture with the State and the State will eventually own the building, leasing space to UNO.

All faculty are due back one week before classes begin in the fall in order to assist with the registration process. Summer registration is June 2nd and 3rd and the departments will be asked to provide faculty to staff summer registration.

Armin Ludwig, chairman of the Committee on Faculty Appointments, Promotion, and Tenure, thanked faculty who served on that committee.

Peter Suzuki, chairman of the Committee on Academic Standards and Curriculum presented an end-of-the-year report outlining the committee's major accomplishments. Copies of the report are available from Dr. Suzuki.

Dr. McCune asked for comments on student participation in committees and invited faculty on committees to share comments with him.

Wrapping up the meeting, Dr. McCune thanked departments for cooperation in the North Central accreditation process, and noted that the College showed good leadership in turning in reports of good quality.

The newsletter, "happenings" will be mailed to the homes of faculty not teaching this summer.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30.



CPACS Governance - Committee elections were held in April. Committee memberships for the coming year are as follows:

COMMITTEE ON FACULTY APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTION AND TENURE - Faculty Members: Mary Adams, Social Work; Armin Ludwig, CAUR; Peter Suzuki, Urban Studies; David Peterson, Gerontology; Harry Reynolds, Public Administration; Philip Secret, Goodrich; William Wakefield, Criminal Justice. Students: Ellie Caron, Criminal Justice; Robert Fowler, Goodrich; Caren Handleman, Public Administration; Greg Snyder, Urban Studies; James Lane, Gerontology; Social Work student will be named in the fall.

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND CURRICULUM - Faculty Members: Paul Lee, CAUR; James Garrett, Social Work; David Scott, Public Administration; David Paulsen, Goodrich; Gary Ross, Gerontology; Robert McCune, Urban Studies; Samuel Walker, Criminal Justice; Ethel Hill, HUD 701 Program. Students: Robert Roos, Criminal Justice; Marla Wray, Goodrich; Kateri Howard, Public Administration; Liz Hruska, Urban Studies; Dorinda Lambert, Gerontology; Social Work student will be named in the fall.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - Dean Kerrigan will review the constitutional functions of this committee. Decisions made after the review will be reported in a later issue of "happenings."

Committee C Representative - Following the election at the May 13 faculty meeting Dr. David Scott has been appointed to represent the College of Public Affairs on Committee C of the Graduate College.

New Publication - Housing and Business Investment in Nebraska - A study of lending practices in older neighborhoods in Omaha, Lincoln, and five non-metropolitan Nebraska communities prepared by the Center for Applied Urban Research, was released in May by the State Department of Planning and Programming. Findings and recommendations of the report will be a subject of study by Nebraska legislators this summer and fall between legislative sessions.

Speaking of Publications...A University of Nebraska Faculty Bookshelf was established last year in Regents Hall. The director of the University of Nebraska Press agreed to contribute copies of University of Nebraska Press books by University of Nebraska faculty to begin the Bookshelf. Any CPACS faculty members who have authored or edited books, other than those published by the University of Nebraska Press, are encouraged to send a copy to Steven Sample, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, NU Systems Office.

Staff Activities - John Else, Social Work, has been named an associate editor of the Journal of Sociology and Social Welfare.

Murray Frost, CAUR, spoke on "Jews and Jewish History: The Philatelic Media" to the Temple Israel Men's Club. He also addressed several classes at Hitchcock School on "Applied Urban Research As A Career." Earlier this year he spoke at Millard Central Junior High on "The Vexillological Implications of Political Independence."

David Hinton and William Rogers, CAUR, participated in a community development conference conducted by the Greater Omaha Housing and Community Development Corporation May 19 and 20. Those attending the conference heard a presentation by R. L. Polk Company on neighborhood profiles and discussed the application to Omaha of the system of twelve neighborhood change indicators developed under a grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.