

# FACULTY SENATE

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PLEASE MAKE CORRECTION

Last week's Faculty Senate was paged in error. It should have been pages 172 - 181.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
JANUARY 26, 1982

Present: P. Boger, F. Bright, T. Colahan, S. Edgar, E. Jakubauskas, J. Johnston, D. Meisel  
R. Owens, A. Reid, W. Rhodes, L. Ruddy, G. Smith, J. Teahan, D. Thomas

The meeting was called to order at 1:03.

The minutes of the last Executive Committee meeting were approved.

Pres. Jakubauskas indicated that his initial impressions of the stringency of the proposed Budget had been confirmed by closer study. Mandated increases must be made up internally. The Chancellor expresses himself as reluctant to resort to tuition increases except as a last resort. Pres. Jakubauskas suggested again that the budget situation might be modified by strong political action on the part of faculty, staff, students, and parents.

L. Ruddy asked where funds would be forthcoming to support the suggested new position of Vice-President for Development and to support his staff. Pres. Jakubauskas indicated that he does not intend to institute this position unless he is forced to do so. He indicated that the duty of the Vice-President for Development would be to seek out other areas of funding for the institution, and that if such funding could be garnered by the present staff, there would be no need for a new position.

Pres. Jakubauskas emphasized again the mandatory loss of at least 17 positions and suggested that at present it would be premature to discuss retrenchment and areas to be cut. D. Meisel asked what increase in tuition fees would bring Geneseo to parity with fees in private institutions. Pres. Jakubauskas responded that such an increase would be considerable, that private institutions are also in financial straits and are forced to increase their tuition.

W. Rhodes reported his receipt of the Budget for Campus Improvements. This is available for perusal by those interested. He reported that N. Scavilla has replaced M. Richard on Faculty Senate and that K. Deutsch has replaced A. Shank on the Budget Committee.

UAAC - L. Ruddy announced a meeting for February 2.

GAAC - No report.

BUDGET - F. Bright indicated that he had read the Budget proposal and had been struck by several of its indications. 62% of the budget apparently goes to support public institutions, the rest to support private institutions. Geneseo has the largest capital

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construction budget among SUNY institutions and has the lowest rate allotted per square foot for maintenance. He was amused that the suggested increase in faculty-student ratios was described in the document as "enrichment." At the next Budget Committee meeting F. Bright will bring the implications of the budget to the attention of committee members.

FACULTY AFFAIRS - J. Johnston announced a meeting for Feb. 2. He reported his receipt of a suggestion from J. Willey that Faculty Senate go on record deploring the withdrawal of funds for out-of-state travel.

STUDENT AFFAIRS - No report

TREASURER - No report

FACULTY SENATOR - G. Smith will attend the Binghamton meeting and will have a report.

CENTRAL COUNCIL - J. Teahan indicated that a campaign has been started to stimulate student response to the implications of the proposed budget. Letter writing, objections to possible increases in fees, and a rally are projected. He also reported the closing of the Rathskellar last Thursday after a close vote of 6-5. He is looking to increased efficiency in the management of C.A.S.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

The meeting was adjourned at 1:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dante Thomas, Secretary

FACULTY SENATE  
JANUARY 26, 1982

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m.

The agenda for the meeting was approved.

W. Rhodes corrected the pagination of Faculty Senate, January 22, 1982, the pages of which should be numbered 172-181. Chairman Rhodes also indicated that the minutes of the last meeting might be subject to misinterpretation; these minutes will be clarified in the next issue of Faculty Senate.

Pres. Jakubauskas reported on the proposed Budget for the SUNY system and its ramifications for Geneseo. Seventeen cuts have been mandated, but the stringency of the budget might make necessary a cut of fifty positions among faculty and staff. The proposed budget supplies no increase from last year's budget. Negotiated salary increases are to be absorbed by each institution, this making for a considerable negative impact on faculty and staff positions. Pres. Jakubauskas distributed the Executive Budget Proposal for Geneseo to Faculty Senate members and surveyed some of the implications of the document. He pointed out that student-faculty ratios will necessarily be increased. He indicated that it is getting more difficult to maintain quality in faculty and staff in the face of continual budgetary pressures. He urged students and faculty to make their views known to Legislators.

Pres. Jakubauskas announced that he would be attending another meeting with the Chancellor next week. At the last meeting with the Chancellor it was announced that the Budget

Committee had mandated an increase in Dormitory fees. Pres. Jakubauskas pointed out that students are faced with a prospective cut of 50% in Federal Aid and hopes that Congress will not finally agree to so drastic a cut. Federal cuts to SUNY amount to about 8 million dollars. A possible option to generate funds, but one which the Chancellor views as a last resort only, is an increase in tuition fees. Pres. Jakubauskas indicated that a tuition increase of 100 dollars at Geneseo would generate a half million dollars and would alleviate the budgetary problem, but only if the generated moneys were returned to Geneseo. Pres. Jakubauskas indicated his strong preference to make no cuts and his realization that faculty-student ratios are already high. If the final Budget forces action, he will make decisions which he thinks will least harm the Geneseo campus community. He expressed his concern that the government is moving away from the concept of making a college education possible for those who want one. He continues to see investments in students and education as a real prospect for economic growth; it is not his idea that the purpose of education is to open colleges to students whose families make more than 20 thousand a year. Inflation, not salary increases and such, is a considerable part of the budgetary problem.

L. Casler asked if the cuts seem equitable in contrast with treatment of other SUNY institutions. Pres. Jakubauskas stated that preference has been shown to health centers, which apparently generate income. He expressed his present reluctance to make judgments on fairness of distribution. He did state that the Budget is in some ways a political document reflecting the priorities and judgments of the Budget Committee and State Legislators. He informed Faculty Senate members that copies of the proposed Budget are on reserve in Milne Library and in the Faculty Senate office where they can be examined. In response to a question on the possible effects of the Budget on minorities, Pres. Jakubauskas stated that he will keep everyone informed on precisely how the Budget will affect all members of the college community.

W. Rhodes asked that all Faculty Senate members who have returned from sabbaticals should inform him of their return.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

UAAC - L. Ruddy. All courses listed on p. 180 of Faculty Senate were approved.

GAAC - D. Meisel. The MA Program in Audiology was approved.

FACULTY AFFAIRS - No report

STUDENT AFFAIRS - No report

BUDGET - No report

UNIVERSITY SENATOR - No report

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

The meeting was adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dante Thomas, Secretary