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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

1. The regular meeting of the University Senate of March 12, 2001 was called to order at 4:05 p.m. in Room 7, Bishop Center, by Mr. Palmer, Moderator.
2. The Minutes of the regular meeting of February 12, 2001 were approved as distributed.
3. Mr. G. Anderson presented the written Report of the Senate Executive Committee.
(See Attachment #27)

As part of his report, Mr. G. Anderson made the following motion:

Moved to suspend the rules that provide that votes be taken during the same meeting that motions are made. This suspension applies only to main motions made during the 2001 spring semester for proposed changes in General Education Requirements (GER). For these motions, the vote will be taken at a subsequent meeting.

Following clarification that this rule will apply to the main motion or a motion to substitute but not to amendments, the motion carried.

Mr. G. Anderson then recognized Mr. Clausen who reported on the February 22, 2001 meeting of the Board of Trustees

(See Attachment #28)

4. Report of the President.

Chancellor Petersen, reporting in the absence of President Austin, touched briefly on the following items:

- a. The University continues to be concerned about the disparity between the Governor's budget and the University's proposed budget. Efforts to close the gap are continuing.
- b. The Chancellor apologized for the problems and disruptions caused by the weather. He commented on the decision process for closing the campus, particularly as it relates to any statewide decision by the Governor.
- c. The Chancellor has asked the deans to project what they would do with a budget modification of plus or minus two percent (+/- 2%). He stressed that the University must be built on quality, not incremental change.
- d. The Chancellor raised a concern about the decrease in research funding from \$60M to \$55M.
- e. Chancellor Petersen mentioned that PTR reviews are underway. He has some concerns about consistency which he will address with the deans and department heads.

f. Responding to questions, the Chancellor commented that he is also concerned about the drop in the number of graduate students and that research funding is not the sole measure of research quality.

5. Mr. Freake presented the Report of the Nominating Committee.

(See Attachment #29)

He made the following motion:

Moved that the following undergraduate students be appointed to serve on the listed Standing Committees:

Scholastic Standards - Bryan Blair (replacing Aarti Bellara)
Student Welfare - Kari Ann Ermer (replacing Ryan Byrne)

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Freake informed the Senate that the Undergraduate Student Government has elected the following student to complete a one-year term on the Senate:

Jennifer Sykes (replacing Shaun Lee)

6. Mr. Clausen presented the Annual Report of the Growth and Development Committee.

(See Attachment #30)

7. Mr. Gianutsos presented the Annual Report of the Scholastic Standards Committee.

(See Attachment #31)

8. Ms. Goldman presented the Report of the Curricula and Courses Committee.

(See Attachment #32)

a. She **moved (I) that** the “open to sophomores” designation be removed from the following course:

EKIN 227 Psychomotor Development Activities.

The motion carried.

b. She informed the Senate (II) of the following committee actions:

A. Addition of the “W” skill designation for course:

PT 280W Research for Physical Therapists.

B. Retention of the “W” designation following change in title and description for course:

ECE (formerly EE) 262W Switching and Digital Electronics Design.

C. Approval to assign “Y” grades for the following courses:

PHRM 286	Professional Experience in General Medicine II.
PHRM 287	Professional Experience in Ambulatory Care II.
PHRM 288	Professional Experience in Pharmacist-Directed Anticoagulation Service.
PHRM 289	Professional Experience in Gastroenterology.
PHRM 290	Professional Experience in Hospice Care.
PHRM 291	Professional Experience in Sub-acute Care & Chronic Disease and Rehabilitate Medicine.

d. She deferred to Mr. English who commented on activities of the Committee involving the report of the Task Force on General Education.

8. Ms. K. Fox and Mr. L. Schilling were recognized to present the Report of the Chancellor on Capital Projects and Master Planning Efforts.

A. Ms. Fox presented visuals of Land Owned by the University of Connecticut; Master Plan I of the Core Campus; and Master Plan II of the Agricultural, North and Depot Campuses. She outlined proposed uses for each of the outlying campuses as follows:

North Campus:	New four-lane road University-related activities Student housing (apartments) Parking (commuter)
Agricultural Campus:	High-density buildings Agriculture-related buildings Low-density development
Depot Campus:	Administrative functions Research-related functions Business/research-related functions

B. Mr. Schilling reported on the following capital projects with projected completion dates:

Underway:	Hotel (September 2001) Bolton Road Connector (In review) South Parking Garage (May 2001) UConn Coop (October 2001) School of Business Administration (June 2001) Information Technology (begin construction Fall 2001) Hilltop Apartments (August 2001) Hilltop Low Rise Dorm (August 2001 and January 2002)
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Gant-Plaza (June 2001)
Biology/Physics (will resume construction shortly)
Wilbur Cross (new part May 2001; start old part March 2002)
Waring Building (June 2001)
Biotech II (March 2002)
Agriculture Arena (June 2001)
Avery Point Marine Sciences (done)
Waterbury Campus (begin construction Fall 2001)
Torrington -- Litchfield County Ag Center (moving in)

In Design: Renovate and Sprinkle Dorms (95% by May 2003)
Student Union (rebudgeting)
Old School of Business Administration/Learning Center (start construction Fall 2001)
New 1000-bed Dorm (Fall 2002)
Pharmacy/Biology (rebudgeting)

He answered questions concerning the old Co-op, Biology/Physics, the old Waterbury campus, damage to South Campus walkways, use of the Moss Sanctuary, planned classroom space and development of a Greek village.

9. Unfinished Business.

None.

10. New Business.

None.

11. The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Jordan, Secretary

The following members and alternates were absent from the March 12, 2001 meeting:

Alissi, Albert	Hart, Ian	Paul, Jeremy
Allenby, Edward	Hattayer, Christopher	Philpotts, Anthony
Anderson, Thomas	Heffernan, Susan	Pierce, C. Dennis
Aronson, Lorraine	Hightower, Larry	Reis, Sally
Austin, Philip	Holsinger, Kent	Rola, Angela
Bansal, Rajeev	Hussein, Mohamed	Scalora, Salvatore
Benson, Susan Porter	Jain, Faquir	Schlichting, Carl
Bridges, Judith	Kozuch, Henry	Schwab, Richard

Buckley, Roger
Bushmich, Sandra
Chambers, Kim
Cromley, Ellen
Dashefsky, Arnold
Gerald, Michael
Gould, Phillip

Maresh, Carl
Maryanski, Fred
McGavran, Dennis
Miller, Robert
Nelson, Marilyn
Neumann, Robert
Olson, Sherri

Silander, John
Smith, Winthrop
Steele, Susan
Sykes, Jennifer
Thorson, Robert
Usher, Kathleen
Wang, Tixiang

ATTACHMENT #27

REPORT
SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

March 12, 2001

The Senate Executive Committee (SEC) has met twice since the last Senate meeting. On 2 March, we met with the Chairs of the Senate Standing committees, and enjoyed a full meeting on a day that the University was not closed by fear of bad weather. The date of the Trustee-Faculty dinner is set for 12 April; more information will be forthcoming from Janine Caira and the organizing committee. The Enrollment Committee has been working with the Director of Institutional Research, Pam Roelfs, and will make a report later this semester on relative (to some peer institutions) student/faculty ratios. A preliminary report from the Scholastic Standards Committee indicated that they were satisfied that the Honors Board of Associate Directors (which reports to the SSC) of the Senate-operated Honors program, has amicably accepted the proposed changes in the title (and some limited responsibility changes) of the Honors Director, to be advertised as Associate Vice Provost and Director of the Honors Program. The Chair of the SSC was asked to file a formal written report to the SEC to that effect so that there will be a written record of changes in the Honors Program. There was also discussion regarding the rate of review of the General Education Reform proposals, and regarding handling of significant proposals for change. The SEC and Chairs reiterated that it is most important that there be full discussion of all suggested changes, and recognized that such discussion might take until well into the next academic year. We anticipate that the C and C Committee will bring some materials to us for consideration, but do not wish to see actions on a program so elemental to undergraduate education rushed. A formal proposal for consideration of major motions is presented at the end of this report.

On 9 March the SEC met just prior to the University being closed at 2 PM. This meeting was scheduled with the President and Cabinet, but all senior administrators had last-minute obligations that took them away from the meeting. Chancellor Petersen was able to meet with the SEC for a few minutes before attending a luncheon with U.S. Senator Christopher Dodd. The Chancellor and SEC Chair, Greg Anderson, met and selected persons for the Calendar Committee, which is expected to start meeting very soon, with one possible agenda item being adjustment of the schedule so that there also could be a December Commencement event. The SEC members *in camera* discussed a number of items pending. A subsequent highlight of the SEC meeting was reports from several Senate-appointed members of University Committees. Jack Clausen (BOT Institutional Advancement), Kent Holsinger (BOT Finance) and David Palmer (BOT Academic Affairs) offered detailed reports on various committees of the Board of Trustees. John DeWolf and Gary Epling presented summaries of various issues brought to the Space Committee. It appears that the Lakeside building may continue to be used, at least partially, for housing longer-term visiting scholars; a report on this is expected soon. A written report from Mike Kurland from the BOT Student Life Committee indicated they have been busy, and from Susan Spiggle that the Athletic Advisory Committee has been meeting regularly.

MOTION ON RULES regarding major By-Laws changes: Former Senator Peter Halvorson suggested that the Senate might consider utilizing a policy the Board of Trustees uses in dealing with major By-Laws changes. That is, they never vote on such changes at the same meeting in which the proposals are first raised. This provides the opportunity for all parties to fully examine the ramifications of the proposals. Many of the changes we deal with are not of this magnitude, and thus do not call for any change in our present *modus operandi*. However, with issues like the program of general education, it seemed to us that there might be proposals for change of more general significance. Thus: On behalf of the Senate Executive Committee (SEC):

"I move to suspend the rules that provide that votes be taken during the same meeting that motions are made. This suspension applies only to main motions made during the 2001 Spring semester for proposed changes in General Education Requirements (GER). For these motions, the vote will be taken at a subsequent meeting."

Respectfully Submitted,

Rajeev Bansal	Janine N. Caira
Judith Bridges	L. Cameron Faustman
Irene Q. Brown	Scott E. Kennedy
Scott W. Brown	David D. Palmer
	Gregory J. Anderson, Chair

Jack Clausen will now report on a recent Board of Trustees meeting.

ATTACHMENT #28

SENATE REPORT
UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
March 12, 2001

The Board of Trustees met February 22, 2001 in the Rome Ballroom. The following actions were taken:

1. The Board approved an Extra Compensation Policy for faculty. This policy has been negotiated with the AAUP. The policy covers compensation for summer school instruction, intersession, summer research, non-credit and credit instruction, research, and prizes and awards. This policy allows extra compensation up to 20% of the annualized 12-month salary.
2. In other business the Board approved the Final Draft of the Outlying Parcels Master Plan, sabbatic leave requests, and an accelerated plan for completion of fire safety renovations in residence halls.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Clausen
Senate Representative to the Board

ATTACHMENT #29

REPORT
UNIVERSITY SENATE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

March 12, 2001

1. We move the appointment of the following undergraduate students to serve on the listed Standing Committees:

Scholastic Standards - Bryan Blair (replacing Aarti Bellara)
Student Welfare - Kari Ann Ermer (replacing Ryan Byrne)

2. For the information of the Senate, the Undergraduate Student Government has elected the following student to complete a one-year term on the Senate:

Jennifer Sykes (replacing Shaun Lee)

Respectfully submitted,

Derek Allinson
Rajeev Bansal
Michael Cutlip
Judith Kelly
Bruce Stave
Hedley Freake, Chair

ATTACHMENT #30

ANNUAL REPORT
SENATE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE
March 12, 2001

The Senate Growth and Development of the University Committee has the responsibility of keeping under review the general changes, actual and prospective, of the University over time. Unlike most standing committees the Committee has representatives from other Senate standing committees. During the 2000-2001 academic year the Committee held several meetings and considered a variety of issues, including:

UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT CAMPAIGN: The Committee continues to interact with the UCONN Foundation regarding the process for identifying campaign priorities.

MASTER PLANNING: The chair of the Growth and Development Committee has been made a member of the Master Planning Advisory Committee and has interacted with that committee on Master Plan II that includes the outlying parcels.

VISITING SCHOLARS: The Committee had continued to advance the notion of a "Visiting Scholars Program" and introduced a motion, supporting the creation of a University committee to develop such a program, that the Senate approved.

ITEMS UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. The Committee will continue advancing visiting scholars' issues.
2. The Committee will review the status of UConn 2000 and provide a summary for the Senate.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia Adams
John Bennett
Nancy Bull
Maureen Croteau
Karla Fox
Richard French
David Herzberger

Nevin Kessler
David Madaesi
Nathan Matisoff
Michael Plis
Linda Strausbaugh
Robert Tilton
Dana Wilder
John Clausen, Chair

ATTACHMENT #31

**Annual Report
Scholastic Standards Committee
University Senate
March 12, 2001**

The Scholastic Standards Committee met 11 times since the last Annual Report of February 14, 2000.

Action Items Previously Approved by the Senate:

- Student Code. The committee proposed approval of Part VI (Academic Integrity in Undergraduate Education and Research) of the new Student Code and this was adopted at the April 2000 Senate meeting.
- Merit Scholarships. The Senate approved a resolution at the May 2000 meeting that the Scholastic Standards Committee recommend to the Senate changes in standards for institutional merit based scholarships.
- Merit Scholarship Standards. The committee proposed new standards for the renewal of the Nutmeg, Day of Pride, Achievement, and Leadership scholarship programs and these were approved at the February 2001 Senate meeting.
- National Student Exchange. A policy permitting transfer of credits with an S/U grade for students taking courses through the NSE was approved at the October 2000 Senate meeting.
- Grade Change Policy. A by-laws change reflecting a revised policy and procedures for grade changes was approved at the November 2000 Senate Meeting. This was proposed in conjunction with the Faculty Standards Committee.
- Divisions, Graduation GPA, and Repeating of Courses. Changes in the by-laws eliminating the upper and lower division, substituting a 2.0 overall GPA graduation requirement, and a change in the GPA calculation when a course is repeated was approved at the February 2001 Senate meeting.

Items Addressed by Scholastic Standards and Provided as Information to the Senate:

- The Committee approved S/U grading for Engineering 100; Psychology, 294; English 104.
- Membership on the Honors Board of Associate Directors and the Report of the Honors Program have been reviewed and approved.

Issues Currently Under Consideration:

- Probation and Dismissal Standards
- Scope and Function of the Dean of Students Office
- University Calendar
- Drop-Add Period
- Q Test
- Honors Program

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Brown	Carl Maresh
Michael Cutlip	Gerald Murphy
Richard French	Jason Purzycki
Kent Holsinger	Sally Reis
Jonathan Hufstader	Susan Steele
Peggy Jablonski	Jeffrey von Munkwitz-Smith
Jane Knox	Gerald Gianutsos, Chair

ATTACHMENT #32**UNIVERSITY SENATE CURRICULA AND COURSES COMMITTEE**

Report to the Senate, March 12, 2001

I. Courses open to sophomores:

The committee recommends that the "open to sophomores" designation be removed from the following course:

- **EKIN 227. Psychomotor Development Activities.**
The course no longer is offered.

II. For the information of the Senate

A. The committee approved addition of the "W" skill designation for the following course:

- **PT 2XXW. Research for Physical Therapists.**

B. The committee approved that the following course retain the "W" skill code following changes in title and catalog description.

- **ECE (formerly EE) 262W: Switching and Digital Electronics Design**

C. The committee approved assigning "Y" grades for the following courses:

- **Phrm 286. Professional Experience in General Medicine II**
- **Phrm 287. Professional Experience in Ambulatory Care II**
- **Phrm 288. Professional Experience in Pharmacist-Directed Anticoagulation Service**
- **Phrm 289. Professional Experience in Gastroenterology**
- **Phrm 290. Professional Experience in Hospice Care**
- **Phrm 291. Professional Experience in Sub-acute Care & Chronic Disease and Rehabilitate Medicine.**

Respectfully submitted,

D. Allinson	P. Luh
K. Barker	R. Miller
L. Best	P. Roberts
R. Chaffin	J. Silander
J. Clark	R. Tilton
H. Frank	K. von Hammerstein
D. Hamilton	A. Waller
D. Hanink	
C. Hattayer	
G. English & J. Goldman, Co-Chairs	