

The Senate Of Michigan Technological University

Minutes of Meeting 277

14 May 1997

Synopsis: The Senate

- (1) heard that the year would end with a balanced Senate budget.
 - (2) set the first meeting for 1997-98 for 10 September.
 - (3) elected Bruce Seely (Social Sciences) as President and Janice Glime (Biological Sciences) as Secretary.
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1. CALL TO ORDER

President Bornhorst called the Senate Meeting 277 to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 14 May 1997, in Room B45 of the Electrical Energy Resources Center.

2. ROLL CALL OF CONTINUING AND NEWLY-ELECTED SENATORS

Secretary Glime called roll of all continuing and newly elected Senators. Absent were representatives from Army/Air Force ROTC and Academic Services/Engineering. Liaisons in attendance were Geoff Roelant (USG) and Ted Soldan (Staff Council).

3. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Guests included Les Leifer (Chemistry), Fred Dobney (Provost), and Marcia Goodrich (*Tech Topics*).

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Bornhorst requested that Committee requests/assignments be added as Item 7 and that Item 7 (Election of Senate President and Secretary) be renumbered to Item 8. Vichich MOVED and Lutzke seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended. The motion to approve PASSED on voice vote with no dissent. [**Appendix A.** NOTE: Only official Senate and Library Archival copies of the minutes will contain a full complement of appendices.]

5. SETTING OF MEETING DATES

Meeting dates for the 1997-98 academic year were set for 10 September, 3 December, and 11 March. Only the September date is fixed.

6. SENATE BUDGET

President Bornhorst reported that in 1996 the Senate ended the academic year with a deficit of \$2-3000 due to the cost of the Administrative Evaluation distribution costs. The 1996-97 academic year budget will balance at approximately \$0.00 so that the next president will begin with no deficit and should have ample funds to consider new expenses. Bornhorst suggested that the new President might want to consider a different meeting room where Senators could bring food. Since Bresnan is no longer televising the Senate meetings, the video tapes are not essential and their elimination would permit us to use a room where Senators could bring food.

7. COMMITTEE REQUESTS/ASSIGNMENTS

President Bornhorst reminded Senators that they would receive a notice requesting their first, second, and third choices for serving on a Senate Committee. The officers would then put together a list of committees for Senate approval.

8. ELECTION OF SENATE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY

President Bornhorst reported that there were three nominations for President: Glenn Mroz (Forestry & Wood

Products), Bruce Seely (Social Sciences), and Martha Sloan (Electrical Engineering). There were no further nominations so nominations were closed.

Election to a Senate office requires a majority. Those eligible to vote are continuing and newly elected Senators.

On the first secret ballot, Mroz received 11 votes, Seely 15, and Sloan 10. On the runoff secret ballot between Mroz and Seely, Seely won 24:12.

Secretary Glime ran for her third term as Secretary unopposed. There were no further nominations from the floor. Glime was asked to leave the room during a voice vote. Glime was re-elected by acclamation and given a round of applause in appreciation.

Carstens MOVED and Lutzke seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion PASSED on voice vote with no dissent. The meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Janice M. Glime
Secretary of the Senate