

Administrative Council

Tennessee Technological University

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL October 9, 2002, 3 p.m. President's Conference Room

Members Present:Ballal, Bell, Bilbrey, Boles, Burnett, Delgado, Deivannayagam (sub/Johnson), Eisen, Garimella, Geisbrecht-Bettoli, Hays, Johnson, Ledbetter, Lee, Marquis, Matson, Maxwell, Mills, Mullins, Nation (sub/Lutz), Nivens, Pogue, Rivers, Semmes, Terneus, Thorington, Wilson, Winningham, Zagumny

Members Absent:Allison, Cho, Dickson, Elkins, Fesler, McGee, Musacchio, Rector, Wells, Wilds, Winfree

Others Present:Boucher, McBean

Summary of Proceedings:

Approved agenda.

Approved minutes of September 4, 2002.

Approved revisions to Faculty Handbook.

Approved Bylaws of Xi Nu Chapter—Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated at Tennessee Tech University.

Received report relative to student groups requiring a “profession of faith” prior to membership.

Approved SGA Bill No. S02-08 “An Act to Save Time and Increase Continuity” at Tennessee Tech University.

Proceedings

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.

Dr. Ballal moved to approve the agenda of October 9, 2002, as distributed. Professor Lee

seconded. MOTION PASSED.

Motion to approve the minutes of September 4, 2002, was made by Dr. Zagumny and seconded by Dr. Giesbrecht-Bettoli. Minutes were APPROVED as distributed.

Dr. Zagumny moved approval of the proposed revisions to the "Faculty Handbook" at Tennessee Tech. Dr. Hays seconded. The proposed revisions will adjust the policy on evaluation and reappointment of chairpersons so that only full-time tenured faculty or full-time tenure-track faculty are allowed to cast a vote on the chairperson's reappointment. All full-time faculty members would continue to be allowed to evaluate chairpersons. The proposed change would be implemented by simply blacking out the question involving reappointment on the evaluation sheets that are sent to non-tenure-track full-time faculty members. Following a brief discussion of the proposed revisions, the motion was unanimously APPROVED.

Professor Lee moved approval of the Bylaws of Xi Nu Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated at Tennessee Tech University. The motion was duly seconded and PASSED.

Mr. Ed Boucher was present and presented information from the TBR General Counsel relative to student groups requiring a "statement of faith" prior to membership. General Counsel stated that membership cannot be limited based on a requirement of a profession of faith or an oath. However, the same would not be said of requirements for officers of the group. Based on the First Amendment Freedom of Association, the group may require its officers to make a profession of faith (or the like). General Counsel also recommended that TTU not enact a policy that would prohibit student organizations from requiring a profession of faith (or the like) as a condition of being an officer.

A motion to approve SGA Bill No. S02-08 "An Act to Save Time and Increase Continuity" was made by Dr. Zagumny and seconded by Dr. Giesbrecht-Bettoli. The motion PASSED unanimously.

Motion by Dr. Ballal seconded by Dr. Zagumny to adjourn. The meeting ADJOURNED at 3:20 p.m.

Terri Watson, Recorder

Documents on file with minutes of meeting:

Proposed revisions to Faculty Handbook

Bylaws of Xi Nu Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated at TTU

SGA Bill No. S02-08 "An Act to Save Time and Increase Continuity at TTU"