

President Halligan called the meeting to order with the following members present: Arquitt, Bertholf, Bost, Carlozzi, Cole, Dawson, Eastman, Edgley, Gregson, Hallgren, Hoffer, Hsu, Johannes, Kimbrell, Locy, Martin, Miller, Moder, Montgomery, Peck, Rhoten, Sanders, Scott, Sisson, Tilley, Warde, and Wilkinson. Also present: Bateson, Beer, Birdwell, Clark, Collins, Harp, Holmes, Jones, Robinson, Tye, Watkins, and Wilmeth. Absent: Daugherty, Gedra, and Krenzer

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Dr. Warde moved acceptance of the January 12, 1999, Minutes. Dr. Rhoten seconded the motion. The Minutes were approved. Dr. Warde moved acceptance of the February 9, 1999 Agenda. Dr. Moder seconded. The Agenda was approved.

SPECIAL REPORT: Introduction of the New Parking Manager, Geary Robinson — Ernest Tye introduced Mr. Robinson. Mr. Robinson came from the University of Arkansas. He has been a police chief on a campus in Oklahoma and started his career as an OKC police officer. Mr. Robinson has many ideas to help us address the parking problems created on campus by the construction projects. Mr. Robinson said he was happy to be back in Oklahoma. He is a Ponca City native and two of his brothers graduated from OSU. He is willing to listen to faculty concerns and does not mind constructive criticism. He knows that students, faculty and staff are all important to the university and is willing to listen to all their concerns.

SPECIAL REPORT: Update on Campus Building Programs — Harry Birdwell said there are currently 4 major construction projects underway: 1. the Student Services Center is about 85% completed and is located on the southeast corner of the Student Union. It contains a wonderful atrium and will be very attractive. The completion date is late summer or early fall and is a \$7.5M project; 2. the expansion of the athletic facilities began in Jan. 1999 and is scheduled for completion Dec. 1, 2000.

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The finished arena will seat just in excess of 13,000 which more than doubles the current seating capacity; 3. the addition of the west campus chilled water plant should provide the increased capacity needed for the next 15 years. It was funded by a bond issue. Since this utility generates money from the campus and the auxiliaries that use air conditioning, the bonds will be repaid from those moneys. The facility will cost approximately \$16M. Many people have great ideas for adding new buildings but there are hidden costs to all these new buildings in the form of increased utility costs; 4. the new student housing is necessitated by the changing lifestyles of our students. Most of them have not had to share a bedroom with anyone else until they arrive at OSU. The intention is to replace 2000 current beds with updated beds. Phase One has been contracted to a national development group, Capstone Development. They have built similar facilities on several other campuses. They take a ground lease and at their expense build the facility and OSU will lease it back. This does not affect the university's credit or bonding capacity. Phase One will be a combination of suites and apartments. This phase will entail about 650 beds and construction will begin this summer and conclude in the fall of 2000. The apartments will be located north and west on land owned by the university. Last year at the end of the legislative session a state bond issue was approved. OSU received \$5.8M for the Stillwater campus and \$2M for the Tulsa campus. OSU went through a planning process with the campus Budget Committee to identify priorities for capital projects. Four priorities were identified. In December there was a protest filed directly with the Supreme Court challenging the constitutionality of the bond issue. The same constitutional grounds were filed against a suit before the State Supreme Court in 1996 when the Turnpike Authority issued a similar bond issue. The court ruled by a 5-4 margin that the bond issue was valid and the same decision will probably be given in this case. The four projects to be funded are: 1. the NCA accreditation team said the library was out of space and needed a remote facility. The old IGA building was acquired for this purpose and according to Dean Johnson should meet the library's needs for the next 25 years. Bond money will be used to refurbish the exterior of the building and renovate about half of the interior which should last about 10 to 12 years; 2. OSU has the only accredited fire training program in the U.S.; however, the labs are inadequate. Another part of the money will be spent to refurbish these labs; 3. the OSU swine facilities have been needing improvement for many years since the production techniques are badly outdated; 4. the Art Departments facilities are also in need of replacement. Students have been using the ceramics lab north and west of the football stadium and some of the studio arts have been in facilities under the north stands of the football stadium. For a long time there was hope that private money could be raised to make an addition to the Bartlett Center but this has not happened. The safety concerns of the students necessitate some action. A new studio arts facility will be constructed on the northwest campus. This should serve the department well until an addition to the Bartlett Center can be funded. In 1936 OSU created a master campus plan, the Bennett Plan. The intention is to update this plan over the next year and to share it widely among campus groups. The goal is to take this plan to the Regents in early 2000. In addition or in parallel with this there is an intention to hire a parking consultant to consider parking options on campus. A third part of this master plan will be a master landscaping plan including the location of bike paths. Dr. Johannes asked where the northwest campus is located and whether there was a parking garage being planned. Dr. Birdwell replied that the northwest campus is the area north of McElroy near the Fire Publication Building. There is not an active plan at this time for a parking garage. On the master plan there is a presumption that there will be three parking garages built on campus. The reason that none have been built is that they are hard to fund and are very expensive. But eventually there will have to be some built. Dr. Moder asked for a more specific location on the student housing. Dr. Birdwell said that Capstone made recommendations for three locations. One area recommended for suites is on the west edge of campus bordering Redwood. This is to the east of College Gardens. OSU has been working with College Gardens and has assured them that however the land is eventually used, OSU will construct a visual barrier. There has also been work done with the city to help preserve some of the single family residential areas near the campus. There are other areas that need to be torn down. An area under consideration for apartments is just to the west of the current lighted intramural fields west of the Colvin Center. Another area is immediately north of Hall of Fame across from the Physical Plant building. Also recommended was an area just south of Brumley Apartments in the parking lot. After the public hearings the intention is to make a recommendation to the Board as to which of these sites to use. Dr. Moder asked why the art

facility was not being put where the current Quonset hut is located. Dr. Birdwell said that a building on that site should be of the same Georgian style as the rest of the campus and there is not enough money available to build such a building at this time. The cost of the tilt-up concrete buildings on northwest campus is about one third of the cost of a Georgian style building on campus. Dr. Moder asked how students are expected to get to the building. Dr. Birdwell replied that they would have to drive. Dr. Edgley remarked that this does not have anything to do with art being below hogs on the priority list. Dr. Edgley also remarked that there may not be enough faculty involvement on these committees. Thinking about the physical environment is one thing and thinking about the human ecology and how this relates to what people do and what it does to the human environment of the campus is another. He would like to have some assurances that faculty will be represented in any discussions about master plans. Dr. Birdwell replied that the Faculty Council has representation on all those committees including the University Space Committee. Dr. Moder asked about the safety of the students who are on the northwest campus which is very isolated. Dr. Hallgren said that there are other buildings out there. Dr. Wilkinson asked if the student residences would pay for themselves. Dr. Birdwell said that room and board will pay for leasing of the housing from the private corporation. The rates should not be any greater than what OSU could do it for. Pres. Halligan said that he has gone over every year when the new students are moving into the dorms and is taken by their comments. Eighty-three percent of the students have never shared a bedroom with anyone. When he was at the Univ. of Alabama on business he visited one of the housing units constructed by Capstone Development and they were very nice. Dr. Beer said that the young women do not like to stand in front of a mirror putting on their make-up with 20 or 30 other people. Pres. Halligan said there are other projects that are not in the near future but are in the foreseeable future. There are studies going on concerning the OSU Foundation having their own facility. This would be entirely funded from non-state resources and would probably be located on Monroe between 6th and University. The Alumni Association has hired a consultant to study having an Alumni Center associated with the campus. This center would probably contain an Emeriti facility. Both of these would be funded by commitments from the Alumni and the Foundation. Dr. Johannes asked what was being planned for Tulsa. Dr. Birdwell said that the capital money in Tulsa right now is the \$2M from the bond issue. If the Supreme Court rules as expected the major projects are to upgrade the current distance learning facilities, to add two additional distance learning rooms and make some modifications to the library. The current library is inadequate to handle the additional programs that are being introduced. Additionally the student computing labs will be expanded. Pres. Halligan said that the Research and Graduate Education Center that is envisioned is a \$40M project, \$10M for equipment and \$30M for the building. Dr. Beer said that to be complete there is the potential of a \$10M extension to the Colvin Center if the OSRHE authorize the fee increase that the students and OSU's Board have requested. Dr. Edgley said that if faculty are fully represented on the space committees then Faculty Council should revisit how it is represented because the general sense of the faculty is that we are not finding out about space issues until most of the decisions have been made. Dr. Birdwell said that the administration is willing to work with the faculty in terms of representation. There are currently two faculty representatives on the Space Committee. Ms. Jones asked about student representation on the committees looking at student housing. Pres. Halligan said that there were hearings conducted on the new plans. Dr. Birdwell added there are three committees working on the student housing plans and there are student representatives on all of them. Dr. Tilley asked if there had been any market surveys done on the student housing in terms of price. Dr. Birdwell replied that there had been a year long study.

REPORT OF STATUS OF FACULTY COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS:

President Halligan, Executive Vice President and Vice Presidents

96-12-04-FAC

Changes in Appendix D: Under review. Dr. Keener has reviewed with Legal Counsel to consider Appendix D changes. Legal Counsel is currently drafting policy options to include ombudsperson in the process, and a meeting is set to finalize policy.

- 97-02-02-ADHOC
98-12-03-RES **Patent Policy 1-0202:**
Changes to OSU Policy 1-0202: Under review. Initial draft has been revised by the Research Committee of the Faculty Council. The revised document will be considered by the Deans Council and Legal Counsel. Requires Board approval.
- 97-04-03-ASP **Guidelines for Scheduling Common Evening and Final Exams:**
Administration agrees in principle, but defers decision awaiting new (SCT) computer system. Dr. Vitek has coordinated this review with the Registrar and the Faculty Council committee. Draft revisions are being considered. Because of the extensive computer reprogramming involved, CIS must postpone until new computer system (SCT) is operating.
- 97-09-01-FAC **Policy and Procedure Letter on Reappointment, Promotion and Tenure:**
Under review. Special review group met 3/27/98 and followed up on possible revisions discussed during that meeting. Revised draft has been reviewed by Deans Council. Review group met 11/20/98 to discuss this version, changes have been drafted and are being reviewed.
- 97-09-02-FAC **Return of Policy and Procedure Letter on Reappointment, Promotion and Tenure to Faculty Council Before Action by the President:** Pending review of draft P&P Letter.
- 98-04-03-RES **Research Scientist Positions be Added to the Faculty Handbook:** Under review. Academic Affairs and Research offices are working together to revise the description of "Research Professional" title, included in the Faculty Handbook, to include Research Scientist.
- 98-05-02-BUDG **Increase in Promotion Raises:** Under review. History of current promotional increases has been researched by Academic Affairs. Recommendation reviewed by academic deans in November and will be reviewed at an upcoming University Budget Committee meeting.
NOTE: Dr. Moder asked about the status of this recommendation which is to be discussed by the Univ. Budget Committee and has never been on the agenda. Pres. Halligan asked Sheila to be sure it is on the agenda for the next meeting.
- 98-10-01-RFB **Equalization of Premiums for OSU Employees, Retirees and Spouses:**
Under review. Following consultant review, the OSU Board approved in January membership in the State Health Plan. Impact of the State Plan will be considered by the Univ. Budget Committee.
- 98-10-02-RFB **Desirable Features of the OSU Health Care Plan:** Accepted. OSU Board approved in Jan. '99 membership in the State Plan. The consultant and Health Care Committee will be instructed to continue to consider these six elements as the design for the total flexible benefit concept is developed.
- 98-12-01-BUDG/RFB **Maintaining Benefits Allocation:** Accepted in principle. OSU Board approved in Jan. '99 membership in the State Plan. The consultant and Health Care Committee will be instructed to determine the impact of the State Plan on the overall employee compensation package, which will be reviewed by the Univ. Budget Committee. Any decrease in the overall compensation package resulting from State Plan will be presented to the Univ. Budget Committee for consideration.

- 99-02-01-FAC *Addition to Faculty Handbook, Appendix D, Sec. 3.2 on Sabbatical Leaves:* To President Halligan.
- 99-02-02-LRP/FAC *Establish a Task Force to Examine Scholarship at OSU:*
To President Halligan.
- 99-02-03-SALR *Administrative Review of the Distribution of Revenues from Royalty Monies Generated by Sales of Products Using Licensed Name and Marks:*
To President Halligan.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND POLICIES — **Bill Warde** reported that at the last meeting the committee reviewed the policy with respect to the “I” Grade but has no proposal at this time. The committee is looking at the requirement that a student have junior standing in order to enroll in 3 or 4000 level courses, and the current treatment of certain music courses in the calculation of the various GPAs at OSU. (There are 4 distinct GPAs calculated!). The committee has also been asked to look into the policies governing the Academic Appeals Board, and is expecting to review modifications suggested by the Honorary Degree Committee and approved by the Graduate Council to the Honorary Degree policy. Pres. Halligan said that soon to be Dr. Seretean was breathless when he was notified that the faculty had selected him as the recipient of an honorary doctorate on the 50th anniversary of his graduation. The faculty needs to know how much people appreciate this honor. Dr. Johannes asked if the committee was considering not allowing students to take 3 or 4000 level classes if they do not have at least junior standing. Dr. Warde replied that is the current policy and the committee is considering rescinding the policy since it is not being enforced.

BUDGET — **Carol Moder** reported that Janet Kimbrell prepared an email survey of the faculty about their priorities concerning budgetary items including faculty salaries, benefits, new positions, etc. The committee thanks Natalea Watkins for her assistance in getting this survey to the faculty. Any faculty member who did not receive a copy should contact Dr. Moder or Dr. Kimbrell. Please reply to the survey if you have not. The results will be shared with Faculty Council and the University Budget Committee. There will be many demands competing for a limited pot of money this year. Natalea Watkins said that the faculty list was built by college and group so that it will be more useful in the future for similar surveys and it will make it easier to diagnose problems. Dr. Gregson asked if the committee was aware of any problems with interpretation of the survey. Dr. Moder said that the way some emailers formatted the output has led to some confusion, but the committee will just look for dollar figures on one side and rankings on the other. The Budget Committee, in cooperation with the Faculty Committee, will be looking at reimbursement and other items related to Tulsa. Dr. Wilkinson said there does not seem to be anyone in charge of getting students to enroll in classes that are on the books in Tulsa. It seems that departments are going to a lot of trouble to rearrange faculty schedules in order to teach courses in Tulsa and then the class does not get enough enrollment and is canceled. Pres. Halligan said he was in charge. Dr. Moder said that he needed to delegate. This year the English Department did a lot of advertising for its courses in Tulsa and when people called in they were either told the class was canceled or was full. Pres. Halligan said he would have Tony Brown call Drs. Moder and Wilkinson.

FACULTY — **Chuck Edgley** reported the committee had met with Anne Matoy about a change in the university HRS software. In the change of the software some of the titles may temporarily be incorrect. So, if you get a printout that has you listed as a groundskeeper or assistant football coach do not worry about it. The system will eventually get it all corrected since there is a shell running over this that contains the correct information. Dr. Edgley brought the following recommendation. **The Faculty Council Recommends to Pres. Halligan that: A statement be added to the end of the first paragraph in the Faculty Handbook, Appendix D, Sec. 3.2 on Sabbatical Leaves as follows: Faculty members on or returning from sabbatical leaves will participate in raise programs**

according to departmental criteria and shall not be penalized for being on sabbatical during the evaluation period. There have been scattered reports from across campus which suggest that some faculty members are being penalized on raises when they return from sabbatical leave. Because such penalties defeat much of the incentive (and therefore the benefits) for taking sabbaticals, a statement is needed in the Faculty Handbook prohibiting such a disadvantage from accruing to faculty members participating in the program. **Recommendation passed.** Dr. Sanders reported that the Faculty Committee proposes that the Faculty Council establish an ad hoc committee to study the university Sabbatical Leave policy and to return within a specified period (3 months or 6 months) with recommendations to modify the current policy as appropriate. Dr. Sanders added that he had received several communications of concern on the subject and did a pretest of a survey instrument on it. There is clearly frustration amongst the faculty on the current policy or on its implementation. Some results of the survey are: Sabbatical leave is seldom used by most faculty, reasons include personal cost, family conflicts, lack of administrative support and program/departmental commitments. Faculty generally recognize the benefits of sabbatical leaves including professional advancement, support of changing focus, self-renewal, improved grantsmanship, and enhancement of the university. Faculty perceive the following institutional disincentives: little institutional help, lack of information, lack of support statements, lack of funding, difficulty in finding a replacement, requirements to leave campus, and a requirement to apply over one year in advance. Faculty have questions regarding the varying interpretation of sabbatical leave policy by different departments and colleges. Dr. Edgley pointed out that it is ironic that at a time when business and industry are discovering the benefits of sabbatical leaves that academia, where it all began, is filled with disincentives and barriers to such leaves. Dr. Johannes added that the committee should include one of the deans, since it seems that it is always the deans that stop these. Dr. Edgley said there are great inequalities in the way sabbaticals are administered. The major problem is that a large department that has many resources can better afford to send people on sabbatical than a small department that has a large teaching load. It seems that there should be a pool of money that people have an equal opportunity to apply so that people in small departments would not be at such a serious disadvantage. Dr. Sanders added that in the short time the committee had discussed the issue several ideas arose that would be low cost ways to improve the system. Dr. Johannes pointed out there was a committee looking at sabbaticals in the College of Engineering.

LONG-RANGE PLANNING — Janet Cole reported that the committee has been discussing the definition of scholarship and scholarly activity as motivated by the Scholarship Unbound Program at Oregon State University. There has been a trend in several universities across the country to evaluate the definitions of scholarly activity to see if they are appropriate for faculty in many different areas and whose primary assignments may be in either teaching, research or extension. This discussion also involved the Faculty Committee where it was decided that Pres. Halligan and Dr. Wilkinson should appoint a task force to study the subject. The LRPC is showing its support for the task force idea by presenting the following recommendation: **The Faculty Council Recommends to Pres. Halligan that: The Faculty Council supports Pres. Halligan's decision to establish a Task Force to examine scholarship at OSU. The Scholarship Task Force should complete its responsibilities by March 1, 2000 and report to the Faculty Council for consideration of implementation of proposed changes.** As rationale it is pointed out that a common thread of scholarship should bind the various members of the academy together. Traditionally, the common thread included publishing in scholarly journals and the activities that are necessary to produce such publications. There is reason to question whether publication in a scholarly journal is the most logical evidence of scholarship for all members of our academic community. Do other evidences of scholarship exist that are more appropriate for responsibilities such as undergraduate teaching, advising, extension, some areas of applied research or artistic expression? On the other hand, changes to traditional definitions of scholarship may threaten many core principles of the academy and therefore any such changes should be adopted only after a full airing of all the relevant issues. **The recommendation passed.** Dr. Cole pointed out that the discussion should involve all the campuses. Dr. Johannes said that what is meant by scholarship in Tulsa could be an important topic. Dr. Edgley said that a full airing should come from all the faculty and the Faculty Committee mainly endorsed an open dialog.

RULES AND PROCEDURES — **Alexandria Miller** read the charge that the Faculty Council at its regular February meeting shall nominate two members of the faculty for the position of Vice Chair of the General Faculty for the ensuing year. Each member shall submit in writing one candidate for the position. Dr. Moder said that you should not nominate anyone that has not been contacted and agreed to serve. Five names were submitted; Bill Warde, Dennis Bertholf, Larry Sanders, Carol Moder, and Al Carlozzi. Moder, Sanders and Carlozzi withdrew their names. **Dr. Moder moved that voting by secret ballot be waived and the two candidates be nominated by acclamation.** Dr. Johannes seconded. **Motion passed.** The same procedure was used to nominate for the position of secretary and three names were submitted; Jon Comer, David Thomas, and Adrienne Hyle. Hyle and Thomas were nominated by receiving 75% of the votes cast. Prof. Miller reminded the members that other candidates can be nominated by a petition containing 50 signatures.

STUDENT AFFAIRS AND LEARNING RESOURCES — **Margaret Scott** brought the following recommendation: **The Faculty Council Recommends to Pres. Halligan that: The administration review the current distribution of revenues generated by the sale of products using the Oklahoma State University licensed name and marks and create a reasonable allocation of proceeds divided between athletic scholarships and general scholarships.** As rationale the committee acknowledges the necessity of OSU to license the use of the name and marks. The committee applauds the lifting of royalty assessments on products containing the name and marks when used by recognized student organizations for internal use and not resale. Presently, several recognized student organizations are considering not including the name or mark on products sold for fund-raising purposes since all revenues are designated for athletic scholarships. Such a practice is not in the best interest of the university since promotional opportunities are lost. The SALR Committee supports questioning the appropriateness of the university's allocation of ALL royalty funds generated by the 7.5% assessment on wholesale costs of products sold by recognized student organizations to athletic scholarships. Between \$150K and \$200K is collected by royalty fees each year. These funds should be distributed BETWEEN athletic and general scholarship accounts. Dr. Hallgren asked why they did not say equally between. Dr. Wilkinson asked why it did not all go to university scholarships. Dr. Scott replied that the committee's position was that the university should examine this situation since all funds apparently now go to athletic scholarships and the committee did not have a break down on how these funds were generated. Dr. Johannes said that a few years ago he got in trouble with the logo committee since he was trying to put a logo on an overhead to be used at a professional meeting. Dr. Johannes asked for some clarification on the use of marks by student organizations. Dr. Scott replied that it used to be that the student organization had to pay the royalty fee regardless of whether the item was resold or just used. Now they only have to pay royalty on items that are sold. Shirts given to club members to promote the organization are no longer charged a royalty. Dr. Edgley said a club that sells "blue cheese" or something to raise a little money for their club has to pay a 7.5% extortionist payment to the Athletic Department. This could be a lot of money for a small club. It is hard to believe that the university does that to them. Dr. Johannes asked who makes these decisions. Natalea Watkins said that Judy Barnard in the Legal Counsel Office makes all the licensing decisions for the university. Ms. Watkins said it is her understanding that some of the money goes to the band and some to the spirit squad and that none of it goes to athletic scholarships. Dr. Scott said that the SALR Committee received the information from Charles Drake. Last fall they received a document stating that all the funds go to athletic scholarships. **Recommendation passed.**

REPORTS OF LIAISON REPRESENTATIVES:

Emeriti Association — **Don Holmes** reported that the association had met Feb. 8 to define their needs and plan to meet with the consultant for the alumni center next week. Planning has been revived to create a retirement center since there has been an offer of lands for this purpose. Construction money will still have to be raised and there is a possibility of grants to cover some of the cost. Pres. Halligan added that the first thing done in the planning of the alumni center was to hire a consultant. The consultant talks to many people. The last question they ask the interviewee is would you give money

to this and how much. They then come back with an assessment of whether there is support for such a center.

Staff Advisory Council — Diana Bateson reported that Feb. 10 SAC would have a fund raiser to finance the scholarship fund. The valentine fund raiser last year raised over \$600. This year balloons were added to the candy option. The cost is \$1 for candy and \$2 for candy and balloons.

Student Government Association — Kristen Jones distributed a survey soliciting Faculty Council opinions concerning the SGA to be returned to her at 040 Student Union. A similar survey will be conducted with the SGA and Student Senate. A report will be given next month on their opinions of the Faculty Council. The schedule is set for Camp Cowboy and it will be held three weekends during the summer. Each camp will involve 100 freshmen. The Big Event now has 4575 job request forms out to the public compared to 1000 last year. You might mention in your classes that volunteers are needed. Oliver Stone is coming to campus in April. SGA elections will be coming up soon. Dr. Edgley asked how the supreme court is doing since they impeached the chief justice. Ms. Jones replied that there are two new members nominated for the court and should be approved at the next meeting.

Graduate Council — Bill Warde reported that since the January 12th meeting of the Faculty Council a sub-committee of the Graduate Council met to examine the reporting structure for the Graduate Dean. This committee recommended to the full Council on January 15th that the Dean should report to the Executive Vice President. As a result, Graduate Council unanimously passed the following resolution: "The council appreciates the explanations by Drs. Keener and Collins describing the reporting structure of the Graduate College and realizes that there is more than one system for effective administration. The Graduate Council retains its previous recommendation that 'the Dean of the Graduate College be placed in the position of other Deans by reporting directly to the President and EVP for Academic Affairs.' This recommendation was not initiated or influenced by the Graduate Dean." In other matters, the Graduate Council passed a recommendation to make some wording changes in the Policy for the recommendation of candidates for Honorary Degrees. These changes are expected to be considered by the Faculty Council Academic Standards & Policies Committee, and thence be presented to the Faculty Council at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS:

Pres. Halligan said that we are now in the initial stages of a new legislative session. The legislature rarely increases tuition in election years and this is not an election year. So, this is a key year in terms of increasing tuition. The number rarely gets any bigger than the initial amount. (The governor has suggested a 9% increase.) This year OSU is supportive of a tuition increase. The President would prefer that the fee setting authority reside with the OSRHE instead of the legislature. (Dale Wells has introduced a bill to transfer the authority to the Regents.) The OSRHE have, in the past, said that the students should pay about one-third of the cost. At this time OSU students are paying 24-26% of the actual cost. It is not reasonable to ask for an increase large enough to get to 33%. To maintain the progress that has been made, to keep the campus technologically current and to give the raises needed for faculty and staff, the university has to be supportive of a tuition increase. Dr. Hallgren asked how long would it take to get to 33% under the current restrictions. Pres. Halligan replied that in the foreseeable future the percentage will not change much from the 24-26% range.

The meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Faculty Council is March 9, 1999.