Minutes of the Meeting of 9 February 2001

Faculty Senate 2000-2001

Full Assembly: Friday, 9 February 2001

Attending: Thomas Andrews, Nancy Artus (also serving as proxy for Gustave Mbuy), Lynn Carson, Paul Emmons, Peter Glidden, Felix Goodson, Cynthia Haggard, Yoko Hashimoto-Sinclair, Allan Hill, Cheryl Krasowski, Peter Loedel Duane Milne, Brian O'Neill, Judith Ray, Paul Smith, Sheri Melton, Chris Teutsch, Deidre Johnson, Maria Van Liew, Naijian Zhang

Call to order: Meeting was called to order circa 1:20 p.m.

Approval of minutes: The minutes from the 10/17/00 meeting were amended to reflect correct spelling of senators Deidre Johnson and Cheryl Krasowski. The amended minutes of the 11/31/00 meeting were approved.

Announcements: Peter Glidden reminded the Senate that Dr. Adler will visit the Senate at the March 15th meeting and Dr Lamwers will appear at the April 20th meeting. Any concerns senators wish to bring to Dr. Adler's attention can be directed to Peter. Peter visits with Dr. Adler before each Senate meeting. Also, elections for Faculty Senate will take place this semester. Finally, the Middlestates review team has asked to meet with members of the senate. A request for volunteers may be forthcoming.

Intersession Plan Briefing and Survey of Faculty Interest: Peter Glidden briefed the senate on the status of the committee investigating the possibility of offering a short, three-week intersession between the fall and spring semesters. A survey was circulated at the senate meeting to get an idea of faculty interest and concerns. The results of the survey will be passed on to the main intersession committee. Senator Emmons mentioned that while the teaching complement for the intersession would be voluntary, the same could not be said of Library faculty and staff.

Educational Media Services Department. Maria Van Liew reported on her continuing efforts to establish a centralized media services department. When faculty teach in buildings outside their main departmental areas (an English class taught in a Science building) there are often difficulties arranging for media devices. In the current system, departments are responsible for providing for their own faculty media needs, but it may be impossible to take the necessary equipment across campus. Right now these faculty needs are not being met. Maria and Alan Cattlett would like to see a centralized media department such that any faculty could call (a single number) and arrange for appropriate media devices. The Senate debated the pros and cons of such a plan. Peter Glidden mentioned that the Senate has a formal process for pursuing unmet faculty needs, but the

Senate decided to use the opportunity to discuss the matter with Dr. Adler at the March meeting before taking further official steps.

Adjournment: 2:30 p.m.