

Minutes\*

**Faculty Consultative Committee**  
**Thursday, January 27, 2000**  
**12:30 – 3:00**  
**Radisson Metrodome**

Present: Fred Morrison (chair), Stephen Gudeman, David Hamilton, Roberta Humphreys, Mary Jo Kane, Leonard Kuhi, Joseph Massey, Judith Martin, V. Rama Murthy, Paula Rabinowitz

Absent: Linda Brady, Susan Brorson, Mary Dempsey, Les Drewes, Richard Goldstein, Marvin Marshak, Jeff Ratliff-Crain

Guests: Ed Wink (Sponsored Program Administration), Nancy Hoyt (Office of the General Counsel); Professor Muriel Bebeau, Senior Vice President Frank Cerra

Other: none

[In these minutes: research secrecy policy exemption; University involvement in a distance education project; the intellectual future of health professionals education]

Professor Morrison convened the meeting at 12:30 and accepted a motion to close the meeting; the Committee voted unanimously to do so.

**1. Research Secrecy Policy Exception**

Professor Kuhi introduced Ms. Hoyt and Mr. Wink and explained that the issue discussed at the FCC meeting the previous week was being brought back from the Senate Research Committee with additional and clarifying information, as the Committee had requested. Following 45 minutes of discussion and questions, the Committee voted 1-5 not to forward the request to the Senate Consultative Committee for action on behalf of the University Senate.

If the Principal Investigator wishes to bring this matter to the Senate on February 24, Professor Morrison explained, it will have to be brought forward by the Senate Research Committee and provided to the Business and Rules Committee no later than February 10.

**2. Midwest Higher Education Consortium**

Professor Rabinowitz reported that she had been provided materials concerning a "Distributed Learning Workshop" and the Midwest Higher Education Consortium, in which it appeared that the University would participate. She raised a number of questions, as did other Committee members; it was agreed that the matter would be brought to the attention of Executive Vice President Bruininks and discussed when he joined the Committee next week.

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**3. Intellectual Future of the University: The Academic Health Center**

The Committee spent 90 minutes discussing with Senior Vice President Cerra the future of medical education and funding for it and the Academic Health Center.

Professor Morrison thanked Dr. Cerra for the discussion, said that this Committee would work with and support the Academic Health Center Faculty Consultative Committee, and said that this Committee would like to see the plans for the Academic Health Center that emerge.

He adjourned the meeting at 3:00.

-- Gary Engstrand

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