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Present: Curtiss
Gilmore
Saltzman
Serotkin
Zahnow

Others

Present: Bredholt
Colvin
Dickey
Driver
Gross
Lee
McCray
Mills
Ryder
Sharp
Thompson
Press (1)

Absent: Arbury, excused
Kendall, "
Suchara, "

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Curtiss gaveled the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. and declared a quorum present.

II. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

1. Minutes of October 11, 1976

Chairman Curtiss noted that these Minutes had not been approved at the November 15 meeting because Mrs. Bredholt had asked for more detailed coverage of Item 3, "1976-77 SVSC Student Senate Resolution No. 1" under VII. OTHER BUSINESS. He asked her if she had had the opportunity to read the amended section and she indicated she had...that she really appreciated Dr. Ryder going

to all the trouble to improve on the Minutes. She concluded that it was really hard to remember what went on two months ago.

BM-463 Dr. Gilmore moved approval of the Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting held on October 11, 1976 as amended.
Mrs. Saltzman supported.

Ayes: Curtiss, Gilmore, Saltzman, Serotkin, Zahnow
Absent: Arbury, Kendall, Suchara

Motion carried.

2. Minutes of November 15, 1976

BM-464 Dr. Gilmore moved approval of the Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting held on November 15, 1976 as mailed.
Mrs. Saltzman supported.

Ayes: Curtiss, Gilmore, Saltzman, Serotkin, Zahnow
Absent: Arbury, Kendall, Suchara

Motion carried.

III. OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF FACULTY ASSOCIATION

There was no official representative of the SVSCFA present.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Letter to Dr. Lange from Helen W. Dunn, R.N., Administrative Secretary, Board of Nursing, Department of Licensing and Regulation, State of Mich.

Dr. Ryder read into the record a copy of a letter (see Attachment) dated December 9, 1976, written to Dr. Crystal M. Lange, Director, Division of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences. He recalled that a little over a year ago, there was a serious question as to whether or not SVSC was going to have a Nursing program. Since then, SVSC has developed a four-year Nursing program...has the leadership in place along with three faculty members. SVSC will be moving forward to identify additional people to staff the program that this institution will have in the winter term and fall term of next year. Twenty-two students will be starting in the winter term and it is assumed there will be additional students in the fall of next year.



WILLIAM G. MILLIKEN, Governor
BEVERLY J. CLARK, Director

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BOARD OF NURSING
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December 9, 1976

Dr. Crystal M. Lange, Director
Division of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences
Saginaw Valley State College
University Center, Michigan 48710

Dear Dr. Lange:

At the December 3, 1976 meeting, the members of the Board of Nursing passed the following motion:

"Move to accept the Progress Report of Saginaw Valley State College submitted November 10, 1976 as it relates to the BSN Program and commend the faculty on the curriculum development which has occurred up to this time."

The Board appreciated your readiness and willingness to respond to the members' questions.

Best wishes for the New Year and a Merry Christmas to all the staff.

Sincerely,

Helen W. Dunn, R.N.
Administrative Secretary

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CC: Dr. Jack Ryder, President
Dr. Curtis McCray, Vice President for Academic Affairs



One of the problems, Dr. Ryder pointed out, is to communicate to the public and those students in community colleges what requirements are necessary to move into this program. While some of the requirements are general and applicable to many programs, there are specific courses that are required if students are to move into clinical work. Given next fall, many of those people will be able to complete those requirements and it is conceivable SVSC will have more than twenty-two students next fall.

Dr. Ryder concluded that SVSC has a fine program, excellent leadership, and that he was pleased with the direction it is taking.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. Admissions and Registration

Dr. Ryder called upon Dick Thompson, Director of Admissions, to make this report. Mr. Thompson distributed the November report for Admissions for Winter Semester 1977. Noting the 13.48% decrease in applications for winter '76 as opposed to winter '75, he indicated he hoped to pick up transfers here where SVSC is short of FTIC's.

Registration, he said, as well as he can estimate, is about the same as last year. This Friday is the last day to pay for classes and SVSC will be going into deregistration after that...it was his guess SVSC would be going into open registration with about the same amount of students as last year. Again, he would say, that December, like any December, is the important month, as is August for fall term. On January 3, 1977, going into open registration, he concluded, SVSC will know exactly where it is going to stand...at this point, SVSC will probably be going into open registration with same number of students (2,400).

Mr. Curtiss asked if he had any figures for fall '77 and Mr. Thompson indicated that with such a small base as a reference it was difficult to comment. However,

he said, at the end of November 275 applications for fall '77 had been collected versus 230 to 235 last year...so SVSC is running about 12% in increased applications for fall '77. At this point, there has probably been more concentration on fall enrollment than there was last year. After deregistration, SVSC is going to have to find ways to pump up winter registration. December is the month when the bulk of applications come in, he concluded, and he was hopeful of overcoming the 13% decrease shown in this month's report.

Mr. Zahnow questioned the effectiveness of the Tabloid and Mr. Thompson stated that it was good...very significant, particularly for fall. The winter Tabloid is out already and although the response hasn't been as good as that for fall, he noted that regardless of what the immediate response is, people know that SVSC exists. It has a circulation of 225,000.

2. Personnel Actions

Dr. Ryder distributed copies of the December 13 Personnel Report and reviewed briefly. He pointed out that two positions have been filled--Charles Kurser moved from the position of Admissions Counselor to the position of Assistant Registrar; and Joseph Vogl has been hired as a Financial Aid Coordinator. Mr. Vogl was one of SVSC's outstanding golfers on the team that went to the Nationals for two years in a row. He is a graduate of SVSC with a B.B.A., Dr. Ryder said, and he was pleased to employ one of SVSC's graduates.

Continuing, Dr. Ryder stated, there are two positions open--Admissions Counselor and Director of Data Processing. Applications are being reviewed now for the latter.

4. Sponsored Programs

Dr. Ryder noted that copies of the November Activity Report of the Office of Sponsored Programs had already been distributed. In the absence of Mr. Smith, he asked Dr. Sharp if he would like to comment. Dr. Sharp stated that Cy's report was

pretty much in order and he had nothing to add.

Dr. Ryder then asked Dr. McCray if he would like to speak to the approved grant of \$6,000 covering the services of a Humanities consultant.

Dr. McCray stated that this is a very important grant since it is going to give SVSC an opportunity to take a very close look at not only Humanities but the General Education programs as well. The National Endowment has made a major effort to provide consulting information to schools such as SVSC. This grant could lead as seed money to apply for a much larger grant to support General Education studies throughout the institution. It has had twelve years and it is time SVSC took a good long look at it. This will provide the means for a person totally outside SVSC, a consultant from Kansas State, which the National Endowment has identified and with whom Dean Collins has been in contact, to come to SVSC.

4. Michigan Efficiency Task Force Report

Dr. Ryder recalled that at the last meeting of the Board of Control a resolution was adopted with respect to the recommendations of the Michigan Efficiency Task Force report. Since then, that resolution has been sent to the Governor along with a letter from him outlining some additional corrections to the content of the report, including the recommendations. Subsequent to that, Dr. Ryder added, he had received from the Department of Management and Budget forms and instructions concerning implementation of the recommendations. Mr. Simon, a lay person, has been appointed to head the implementation, along with Jerry Miller, Director of the Department of Management and Budget, to carry out the detail work. SVSC has also been asked to appoint an Internal Coordinator...he has appointed Dr. Emerson D. Gilbert to that position. His activity is to keep in contact with the implementation office and to answer any questions that may arise...having general liaison with individuals involved.

Dr. Ryder indicated that he had sent to the members of the Board of Control copies of some of the working papers the Task Force had used in coming to its conclusions, and also copies of the first reports that SVSC made to the Task Force with regard to its original recommendations. Basically, as the resolution of the Board of Control emphasized, SVSC has serious concerns about the recommendations, and corrected a number of errors.

In the instructions SVSC received, it was made clear that the Task Force feels each institution should seriously consider the recommendations--even though the question of a merger of SVSC with Delta has been evaluated before, and land holdings, etc. have been looked at before, the evaluation should take place again.

SVSC has developed the plans, as indicated in the report forms, to re-evaluate the recommendations of the Task Force, and then this institution will, over the course of the next couple of months, study the recommendations again, re-evaluate, and then come to the conclusions SVSC wants to communicate to the Task Force. SVSC has taken the steps it should take. The Task Force is asking that these evaluations should be made, which Dr. Ryder stated, he felt was appropriate. It is happening throughout the state, he concluded, and indicated he felt it was the fairest approach SVSC should take...he was not at all sure, however, that SVSC's conclusions would be any different. SVSC should look at it with an open mind and re-evaluate.

Dr. McCray questioned if there were any information on a review process and Dr. Ryder indicated that he didn't see any...the Task Force indicated it understood that evaluations of this kind of a merger have been made in the past and it is saying, "let's make another...after all, time changes." It is appropriate, he said, that SVSC take a look at the question again.

Mrs. Saltzman asked for six copies of the resolution and cover letter.

5. Status of Pioneer Hall of Engineering and Technology

Dr. Ryder suggested that the Board members look at the construction progress of Pioneer Hall. It was started a few days before the groundbreaking on October 23 and it is really moving...already getting the steel up and he assumed the contractor would be laying brick very soon. He indicated he was really amazed how well the construction was moving, despite the bad weather. Dr. Sharp displayed a plaque like those given to donors at the groundbreaking.

6. Men's Basketball Team and Women's Basketball Team

The Men's Basketball Team, Dr. Ryder announced, has won seven straight games...no losses. It beat Calvin College on its home court on which Calvin had not lost a game since 1972 until last Saturday night. SVSC won by one point without three of SVSC's best players. It is felt SVSC has an excellent team...has very fine freshmen, several of whom are playing in first string capacity. SVSC can really look forward to a good season, he concluded. There is a home game on January 10 with Grand Valley.

Mr. Curtiss indicated that if it were possible, he would like to have a composite schedule. Mr. Mills advised its printing had been delayed but would be forthcoming.

Mr. Mills reported that the Women's Basketball Team was 0 and 2, but only by one and two points. Mr. Curtiss noted that if there were only a difference of one point, he would like to have it on the right side.

7. 1977 Football Schedule

Dr. Ryder advised that SVSC would be having seven home football games next year. The team's schedule opens with four games at home. He suggested that for a small school SVSC's 1977 schedule might be the toughest in the country. SVSC will be playing some fine teams.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Executive Committee

Chairman Curtiss called upon Dr. Ryder for a report on negotiations.

A. Negotiations

Dr. Ryder reported that SVSC was still negotiating with the faculty...
it is progressing.

2. Academic Committee

Chairman Saltzman advised there were none.

3. Finance Committee

Chairman Zahnow advised that he had one resolution to present to the Board.

A. Faculty Research and Growth

RES-324 Mr. Zahnow offered the following resolution for adoption:
WHEREAS, The goal for the Forward '71 campaign contained
an allocation of funds for faculty research and growth, and
WHEREAS, A total of \$37,000 has been previously allocated
for this purpose over the past four years;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That an amount not to exceed
\$10,000 is hereby authorized to be expended for this purpose
during the 1976-77 academic year.
Mr. Serotkin supported.

Ayes: Curtiss, Gilmore, Saltzman, Serotkin, Zahnow
Absent: Arbury, Kendall, Suchara

Resolution adopted.

Mr. Curtiss questioned who actually decides how the \$10,000 is to be expended. Dr. McCray advised that the Professional Practices Committee makes the recommendations. SVSC has had some very good research over last few years...great deal published...resulted in a number of books...completion of a number of projects...collection of some marvelous slides.

Mr. Zahnow questioned whether, in the area of research SVSC is doing, if under any circumstances any of it might lead to a patent.

Dr. Ryder indicated he did not know but emphasized this is an area administration is concerned about and that SVSC needs to develop a patent agreement which is made a Board policy and procedure under which the faculty would function. There has been some work done in this respect with the Board of Fellows, he concluded, but it has been on the back burner and needs to be brought out.

Dr. McCray noted that research at SVSC has led to copyrights in a couple of instances.

Mr. Zahnow stressed that this aspect of research needed to be pursued.

B. State Funding Formula Model

Dr. Ryder advised that tomorrow he would be attending a meeting of state college and university presidents, along with some of SVSC's staff who have been working on the funding formula model for the state. Hopefully some agreements can be worked out which will bring equity to all institutions. The formula, he said, which was used last year, had SVSC figured at roughly \$1.6 million more than it received in appropriations. It appears that any formula that gets adopted is likely to enhance SVSC's fiscal position because this institution has been so low on the totem pole. There is a need to look at a formula which will bring equity throughout the state. In so doing, it will help SVSC's cause so that it is funded adequately to meet the needs of the students it serves. It has not been in the past and it is recognized at all levels in the state as well as by this Board and others. Hopefully, the meeting will result in a formula which is fair.

Dr. Ryder added that part of the formula has to do with the developing nature of the institutions. In other words, it requires more expenditure in an institution which is developing...the larger the size, the less administration.

Continuing, Dr. Ryder said that members of SVSC's administration feel this is

an important aspect for SVSC as well as for Lake Superior, Flint and Dearborn.

To a great extent, Grand Valley has reached its development. It is hoped that a formula will be developed which will be one that the people of the state will see as an investment in the human resources of the state.

There was a meeting today with the Governor and a number of state college and university presidents...Dr. Gilbert was sent to represent SVSC. Administration had some concerns that the Governor might be asking the presidents to meet to talk about budget cuts, which he felt would be tragic for SVSC. Fortunately, however, there was no discussion of any budget cuts for higher education, Dr. Ryder said, and he hoped he wouldn't hear about cuts tomorrow...he really felt that the Governor would have said so if cuts were anticipated. This is encouraging, Dr. Ryder pointed out, because as he had said last month, a 1%, 2% or 3% cut would leave SVSC with no alternative than to increase tuition, which has already increased 29% over the last two years...and he didn't think this would be a good alternative. SVSC is already six months into the 1976-77 year...there is not any room for budget cuts. Another alternative would be layoffs. Again, he said, he felt that with the number of student SVSC has, it is still inadequately staffed, and this would not be a good thing to do. Another consideration would be the use of part-time faculty...could possibly eliminate some administrators. This would be penny-wise and pound-foolish. SVSC is just getting to the point of managing effectively, Dr. Ryder concluded, and he was extremely hopeful no cuts will be needed because SVSC will have a tough time making its budget the way it stands now.

Mr. Curtiss asked that since this is the last Board meeting before winter semester, if the Board were to assume that the tuition rate would not change for winter.

Dr. Ryder responded that this was the right assumption, however, if the

Governor comes through with a cut, it might be necessary to call a special meeting of the Board...but he didn't really see that this would happen.

Mr. Curtiss asked what would happen if the Governor were to make a cut around the middle of January.

If this were to occur, Dr. Ryder said, SVSC could take a swipe at spring term...could cut out faculty who would normally be teaching...wouldn't have students. There would be a problem with the faculty contract...there might be a little savings, but SVSC has a contract which says the full-time faculty are employed first. He concluded that he saw no alternative in this event but to raise tuition or eliminate a program.

Mr. Curtiss noted that even with a major increase in spring term, money wise it wouldn't make that much difference.

Dr. Ryder concurred indicating it would save some dollars if SVSC didn't have courses and professors didn't have a commitment to teach. Many of SVSC's student however, depend upon spring term...this is part of the schedule and program with many students and he felt it would be a grave injustice to them to eliminate spring term. Summer term can be done without...SVSC feels it pays its way...the state recognizes this program.

Dr. Ryder concluded that he was hopeful he would not have to call a special meeting of the Board because of an announcement by the Governor of a late budget cut.

4. Building Committee

Chairman Gilmore advised there were none.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Civil Rights Commission Action

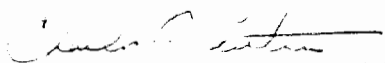
Dr. Ryder recalled that at the time of the termination of Mr. Richard D. Wenek,


who was teaching three courses at the college, a group of students who were in one or more of those classes, filed an action with the Civil Rights Commission indicating that SVSC was violating their civil rights because it did not provide for the continuation of their educational opportunity. The fact is that SVSC identified qualified people to teach all three of the courses that Mr. Wenek had been teaching and they finished out the complete term. It was difficult for him, Dr. Ryder said, as well as others on the SVSC staff to understand how such a charge could be made and have any validity whatever. Having just received a report from the Civil Rights Commission, Dr. Ryder indicated he was pleased to report that the Commission has dismissed this complaint...so this is one step forward in the pursuit of justice. Several other suits are pending against SVSC, Dr. Ryder concluded, but he didn't know their status at this time.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to transact, upon motion of Dr. Gilmore, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Charles B. Curtiss--Chairman


Melvin J. Zahnow--Treasurer
(In absence of Secretary)

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Opal M. Colvin--Recording Secretary