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I would like to add my welcome back to the returning senators and to welcome those of you who are serving their first term on the Senate. I appreciate your dedication to serve. I also appreciate the willingness of Dr. Nowell to serve as chair and I pledge my support to him in that role.

Since it is still early in the semester, I have only a few comments to share with you today. First, I would like to make sure all senators are aware that we are finally in a position to implement a recommendation that has been floating around for many years. That is the conversion of our Library classification from the Dewey System to the Library of Congress System. We know that there will be some disruption, but we do intend to work with the Library and Educational Services Committee and the faculty to minimize this disruption.

Secondly, I am pleased to remind everyone of the major changes taking place at the Kittanning Campus. As has been announced before, this is the last year that we will be admitting residential students to that site. After this year, we will focus on workforce-related programs for non-residential students. We are currently working with Armstrong County leaders to relocate the campus to a new facility on PA 28. I will share more information about this as the semester unfolds.

Thirdly, as many of you are painfully aware, we continue with the implementation of our new administrative systems, Banner. Many folks are working very hard to make this conversion a reality and we all ask your patience. Finally, a reminder that this year we will hopefully be able to secure AACSB accreditation in the Eberly College of Business and Information Technology and we will continue to work toward accreditation in Theater, Art and HRIM.

# NOMINATION OF VICE CHAIRPERSON

**Motion** to approve the following:

Megan Joseph, Vice President of the Student Congress, was nominated to serve as Vice Chairperson of the University Senate.

### Motion APPROVED.

No other nominations were received.

Motion was made to close the nominations.

### Motion APPROVED.

Motion to approve by acclamation was received and passed.

I cannot speak for our curriculum committees or for the Senate as a whole, but I personally hope that we can accept this apology and move on. The program has now been presented to the Graduate Committee for its consideration. I have a great desire to work with management concerning issues that come to this Senate. In my mind we are working toward similar goals, and I will do my best to see that administrators and faculty, as well as the students and staff, in this Senate work in a collegial manner. But apologies are empty unless they are followed by change in behavior. And make no mistake about it, we will not stand aside and let our contractual and constitutional directives regarding our role in control of the curriculum be usurped.

must be made only at the department level and then returned through the regular process. Therefore, I will not recognize motions to modify proposals that are presented by the curriculum committees.

Turning from the curriculum process, I would also ask you to recall that, no matter what

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My name is Megan Joseph. I am currently a Criminology/Psychology double major here at IUP. As Vice Chair of the Senate I would like to recognize the other students who are members of the Senate, and I hope all of our faces become familiar to you.

The SC President and I plan on being very active this year. Committees are in the process of being assigned, and we have met with various people on campus (for example, Dr. Pettit, Dr. Goldsmith, etc.). We are in the process of appointing an ad-hoc spirit committee.

We encourage students to become involved in the general assembly. The next meeting is on September 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the HUB room 222.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## SSHE SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY

Issue still pending. No report.

## STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

## **RULES COMMITTEE ô** (Chairperson Radell)

**Motion** by Senator Soni, seconded by Senator Buriok to nominate Jonathan B. Smith as Senate Secretary. Motion <u>APPROVED</u>.

No other nominations were received.

Motion by Senator Soni, seconded by Senator Novels to close the nominations.

### Motion **<u>APPROVED.</u>**

Motion to approve by acclimation by Senator Stein, seconded by Senator Zoni.

The first meeting of the Rules Committee was on Tuesday, September 5, 2000. Senator Radell was elected chair.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 19, 2000 in 214 McElhenny Hall at 3:15 p.m.

# ACADEMIC COMMITTEE ô (Chairperson Duntley)

The first meeting of the Academic Committee will be held on Tuesday, September 19, 2000 in room 313 of Pratt Hall, at 3:15 p.m.

# AWARDS COMMITTEE ô

No report submitted. The chair of this committee has yet to be selected, and the committee traditionally has the first meeting of the fall semester in October.

# CURRICULUM COMMITTEE ô (Chairperson Sechrist)

Initial meeting was on Tuesday, September 5, 2000. The committee is waiting for the student members to be appointed. This committee should have proposals ready for the October 3, 2000 meeting.

# GRADUATE COMMITTEE ô (Chairperson Condo)

This committee will meet in the HUB room 225 on September 19, 2000.

# LIBRARY AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE ô

This committee will meet in the Stabley Library on September 19, 2000 from 3:15-5:00 p.m.

# NONCREDIT COMMITTEE ô (Chairperson Wolf)

This committee will meet in the Continuing Education Conference Room on September 19, 2000 from 3:15-5:00 p.m.

### **RESEARCH COMMITTEE ô** (Chairperson Numan)

This committee will meet in the Stright Hall Conference Room on September 19, 2000.

### STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE ô

The date and time of this committee meeting will be announced later in the0e announced lateehmeeptemb

### NEW BUSINESS

Senator Petrowski on behalf of numerous student senators questioned the environmental hazards and the visual eyesore on Wayne Ave., which is associated with the Kovalchick Salvage Company.

Chairperson Nowell pointed out that he has lived here for over fifteen years, and the company is not in violation of any laws or regulations in White Township. Chairperson Nowell stated that he has listened to this type of complaint for years and years.

Senator Staszkiewicz added that no zoning laws exist in White Township, which lessens the potential of an infraction by the company.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan B. Smith University Senate Secretary