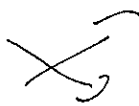




MEMORANDUM

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FROM:  Kamal Yacoub *Kamal Yacoub*
Chair, Faculty Senate

DATE: June 1, 1995

SUBJECT: Faculty Senate Legislation #94012(B) -
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RESPONSE BY THE PRESIDENT:

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APPROVED: Yes 5/2

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FACULTY SENATE MEETING

AUGUST 28, 1995

Chairman's Remarks

Dr. Yacoub, Chair of the Faculty Senate, called the first meeting of the year to order at 3:10 p.m. He recapped the activities of the Senate Retreat held on August 26 at the RSMAS campus. At the conclusion of the Retreat, it was agreed that issues on which a consensus was reached would be incorporated into a strategic plan. The Chair reminded the Senators to send their suggestions and ideas to the Senate office. The plan will be presented to the Senate at a future date.

The Chair announced that the President has signed the following legislation since the April Senate meeting: 1) Name Change for the International Comparative Studies Program to the Undergraduate Program in International Studies; 2) Administrative Appointments and Voting Rights, binding on future appointments; and 3) Academic Bankruptcy - revision of the Bulletin language. The Senate also passed two pieces of "D" legislation which do not require the President's signature: 1) Resolution on the Academic Standards Committee re retention; and 2) Changes in the DF15 Form regarding votes on progress towards tenure. Dr. Yacoub stated that the legislation on sexual harassment was approved by the Senate on April 24 but is still unsigned.

Dr. Yacoub closed his remarks by announcing that he will not seek re-election next April. He urged those interested in seeking the chairmanship to be aware of the amount of time required for the position and the need to keep their schedules for next year flexible.

President's Remarks

The President expressed his appreciation to Dr. Yacoub for his many services to the University culminating with his leadership of the Senate during the past two years. He said he was looking forward to the coming year and welcomed the Senators back from the summer vacation. The President reported that applications for this fall semester were ahead of the previous year and the enrollment numbers appear to be on budget. He announced that the University had raised \$67.8 last year putting us at #19 of private colleges and universities in the United States. He also announced that NIH funding has increased; the effort to cap indirect overhead reimbursements is over; the cap on tax-exempt bond financing is being dropped. Dr. Alexander McIntire, Assistant Dean of the Graduate School of International Studies has been appointed Assistant Provost. His responsibility, among others, will be to restructure and improve advising. Following a nationwide search, Dr. John Clarkson, Chairman of the Department of Ophthalmology and head of Bascom Palmer Eye Institute, has been appointed Dean of the School of Medicine. The search for a Dean of the Graduate School of International Studies has been on

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