The University of Nebraska at Omaha Faculty Senate met in regular session Wednesday, January 13, 1993, at 2:00 p.m. in the Dodge Room of Milo Bail Student Center. The President, H. Carl Camp, presided.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bacon, Camp, Carlson, Curtis, D'Souza, Dalstrom, File, Garrison, Garver, Hartzell, Hagen, Harrington, Hoburg, Krane, Lewis, Lipschultz, Littrell, Lloyd, Metal-Corbin, Mullen, Nazem, Nelson, Pietron, Skreija, Thigpen

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Baker, Bohn, Bradshaw, Johansen, Kenney, Lickteig, Rech, Valle

MEMBERS ABSENT: Hafer, Ziebarth

At the Faculty Senate's invitation, Dr. Bruce Stahl, Executive Director for the Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Post-Secondary Education spoke on behalf of the Commission. A question and answer period followed. Also, Student President/President Jennifer Newhouse and Elizabeth Merrill, Editor-in-Chief for the Gateway, were present.

Senator Skreija moved approval of the minutes; Senator Garrison seconded the motion. Senator Dalstrom asked that on page 18, words beginning with Senator Dalstrom . . . "one thing...implications." be deleted and "we should be very cautious of the implications of the Yeshiva decision" be inserted. President Camp had the following corrections: Page 9, delete second paragraph after Resolution 1957 and insert "Senator Krane observed that the survey recently distributed to individual faculty members was flawed and represented a change from the previous departmental focus when similar information was sought. The previously used procedure seemed to work reasonably well, although there were some problems with that, too. Last year, it was agreed departments could use money from monographs without consulting faculty. Has that decision been overturned?" Page 17, paragraph 3, line 14 insert the word "was" after "which"; Page 17, paragraph 4, line 2 change exclamation point to a period; Page 18, paragraph 2, line 1, change "only" to precede "two" ("only two areas;") paragraph 4, line 1, insert a "t" before "hat"; paragraph 8, line 14, delete "as;" Page 22, paragraph 6, line 4, delete "vote" and insert "voted"; paragraph 9, line 1, change the comma to a semicolon after "4.3.1". The minutes from the
December 9, 1992, meeting were approved as amended.

**President's Report**

On behalf of the Faculty Senate, President Camp sent a sympathy card to Professor Joseph LaVoie on the recent death of his son.

President Camp reported on actions during the December meeting of the Board of Regents:

The main topic was the gender equity reports from each of the campuses. There are indications of progress during the past year; however, the reports from the campuses indicate there is a long way to go in order to incorporate more women into the main stream of university life. Also, concerns about sexual harassment and acts of violence on campus continue. Specific recommendations were made by each campus spokesperson in the reports, and the Regents assured that they would continue to monitor progress in this area.

For informational purposes, the joint UNO/UNL Master of Fine Arts program in Art History was noted for the record and is now on the Regents' agenda for the January 16, 1993, meeting for approval.

President Camp observed that he did not believe the placement of Faculty Senate Presidents' reports at the very end of the Regents' agenda was working well because: (a) most significant items of University business had already been transacted without benefit of faculty comment, and (b) by the end of the longer sessions everybody seems exhausted and anxious to go home.

At the January 1993 meeting, there will a report from the Regents' Subcommittee on Minority Affairs. Also, for informational purposes the sexual harassment document developed by a task force on UNO's campus will be on the agenda. Barring major objection, the document will be on the February agenda for final approval.

In response to Faculty Senate Resolution 1960, which directed that the Senate seek legal advice on various complexities of the draft document on sexual harassment, President Camp reported that Professors Darryll Lewis and Michael O'Hara, of the Law and Society department, have indicated they would be
willing to review the document and do some pro-bono work.

The revised revision of the University Admission Criteria is on the Regents Agenda in January 1993 for final approval. Another January agenda item: the proposed Ph.D. program in Criminal Justice is up for final approval. The doctoral program must then be presented to the Coordinating Commission. Also, the North Central Association will have to make a site visit and approve. For informational purposes only, the agenda contains a draft conflict of interest policy with university-wide implications. There are also two UNO architectural design projects involving the proposed expansion of the Alumni House and the expansion/remodeling of the Milo Bail Student Center on the agenda for approval.

President Camp reported on the December 22 tele-conference the Regents held on the proposed changes in peer groups for UNO and UNK. President Camp participated in the conference and registered four principal concerns regarding the revised list. They seemed to understand two of the four points President Camp was trying to make.

President Camp reported the Vice Chancellor Carrico review commission is operating and preparing to distribute questionnaires. Also, following the election of the Professional Conduct Committee, the committee had an organizational meeting and elected Professor Cassia Spohn, Criminal Justice, Chair, and Professor Justin Stolen, ISQA, Vice Chair.

President Camp reported the Faculty Senate Executive Committee will review the Faculty Senate Constitution and Bylaws and will attempt to present suggested changes to the Faculty Senate at its February meeting.

President Camp noted President Massengale's announcement that he would not seek an extension of his contract when it expires at the end of this year.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report

None

Vice President's Report

Vice President Garrison referred to LB 922. The bill, passed by the State Legislature in the Spring of 1992, mandates
multi-cultural education for all public schools in the State of Nebraska (K-12). He feels the teacher-training colleges and universities should begin thinking about the role they can play helping the K-12 school system in the implementation of the requirements of the bill. He also feels UNO should take a leadership role since it is an urban university with a diverse population. The teacher-trainer colleges and universities should review and revise the way in which they train teachers so, upon leaving the universities, the teachers will be more able to implement in the classrooms what the state has mandated. He encouraged Senators to start dialoging about the role they can play to help implement LB 922.

Executive Committee

None

Standing Committee Reports

Committee on Educational Resources and Services Report

No committee report. President Camp stated that Library Director Robert Runyon will be a guest at the February Faculty Senate meeting.

Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs Report

None

Committee on Personnel and Welfare Report

None

Committee on Goals and Directions Report

None

Committee on Professional Development Report

None

Committee on Rules Report

On behalf of the Rules Committee, Chair Garver moved the following:

Resolution 1963
BE IT RESOLVED, that the following names go forward to
serve on the UNO North and South High Schools Task Force:
Frances E. Thurber, Art, Fine Arts
Janice F. Rech, Math & Computer Sciences, Arts &
Sciences
Gary N. Hartzell, Educational
Administration & Supervision, Education

The motion passed.

Resolution 1964
BE IT RESOLVED, that the following names be forwarded to
the Chancellor to serve on UNO's 85th Anniversary
Committee:
Hugh Cowdin, Communication, Arts and Sciences
Carol Lloyd, Teacher Education, Education

The motion passed.

Other Committee Reports
None

Old Business

President Camp referred to Resolution 1959 passed on December
9, 1992, which had been opened for reconsideration at the end
of the meeting. According to parliamentary rules, the final
version of the amended motion had to be voted upon. It was
not. Vice President Garrison moved, and Senator Skreija
seconded, that amended Resolution 1959 be passed.

The amended motion passed.

For the Good of the Order

General discussion followed.

New Business

Senator Krane moved the following:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the appropriate Faculty Senate Committee
study the proposal by Student Regent/President Newhouse to
provide 23 emergency phone units throughout the campus and
report back to the Faculty Senate by the March meeting.
Secretary/Treasurer Curtis seconded the motion.

Due to the urgent nature of the motion, Senator Skreija suggested the motion be changed to the February 10, 1993, meeting rather than the March meeting. Senators Krane and Curtis agreed.

Resolution 1965
BE IT RESOLVED, that the appropriate Faculty Senate Committee study the proposal by Student Regent/President Newhouse to provide 23 emergency phone units throughout the campus and report back to the Faculty Senate by the February 13, 1993, meeting.

The motion passed.

President Camp will determine the appropriate committee assignment.

Senator Lipschultz reported a subcommittee of three senators from the Educational Resources and Services Committee is working on the Paul L. Beck Faculty/Staff Honors Scholarship. They are pursuing fund raising ideas.

The meeting adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Julia Curtis
Secretary/Treasurer