Special Meeting of the University of Cincinnati
Faculty Senate
February 24, 2011
Minutes

Chair Harknett called to order a special meeting of the University of Cincinnati Faculty Senate to consider a resolution previously forwarded to the Senate regarding Ohio Senate Bill no.5. at 3:30 p.m.

John Cuppoletti introduced the resolution. There was discussion. There was a proposed amendment to replace “raising difficulty in effectively competing” with “hindering our ability to effectively compete.” The amendment was opened for discussion. There was concern regarding the impact of higher health care benefit costs and the speediness of the progression of the legislation. The motion to amend the resolution carried.

Chair Harknett called for any further amendments. A second amendment was suggested to address the issue of hampering the university’s move to semester conversion as a result of contract re-openers not being allowed under the legislation. The motion to amend the resolution was withdrawn. There was a motion for a new amendment as follows:

“Considering that if contract reopening is restricted, this could adversely affect the timing of the conversion to a semester calendar.”

There was no further discussion. The motion to amend was carried. Chair Harknett opened the discussion of the amended resolution. There was a motion to amend the resolution by moving text. This motion to amend was carried.

Chair Harknett indicated that there had been a request for secret ballot. The results of the ballot: 18 yes to approve the resolution as amended, 2 against. The resolution was therefore approved as amended. The full text of the resolution can be found on the Faculty Senate web site:


Respectfully submitted by: Arlene Johnson, Secretary of the Faculty Senate