



CAMPUS ASSEMBLY
April 11, 2006

Steve Tanner, Assembly Chair, called this Special Meeting to order at 3:15pm in Huber Auditorium.

A group of concerned teaching faculty stood and read the following motion and resolution:

Motion *(to be voted on today by paper ballot)*

We move that the resolution presented to you below be voted on electronically and upon its passage be forwarded to the Chancellor of the Oregon University System and to the President of the Oregon State Board of Higher Education. The electronic vote must occur within a 24-hour period beginning from the time of the adjournment of this meeting.

Resolution *(to be voted on by electronic ballot)*

The Eastern Oregon University Assembly declares its lack of confidence in the continued ability of the university president to administer the university and demands that the Chancellor and the Oregon State Board of Higher Education immediately initiate an extraordinary review to determine whether he shall remain in office

The motion was seconded.

Jeff Dense called for a point of order regarding the ability of the Assembly to call for a resolution. Further clarification was requested regarding the timeline limiting 24 hours for the voting period. The rationale was explained as being sufficient per discussion already held with off-campus Assembly members. Greg Monahan explained that the standard practice of the Assembly is to vote during the actual meeting. The proposed motion allows for an additional 24-hours. A request was voiced for clarification of issues creating this situation and was explained as being concerns from faculty members across all three colleges regarding the current financial circumstances of EOU. Curt Whittaker reminded the Assembly that this resolution was a request for a review and that it would be up to the Chancellor and Board of OUS regarding what actions were taken.

The Assembly received a phone call from a web cast listener requesting that persons identify themselves before speaking. The request was acknowledged and discussion continued with speakers providing their name before offering comments. Those comments included: not all members of the faculty had been provided a list of concerns prior to today's meeting, thus the short timeline to submit a vote limited the time period to gather information; requests that evidence be presented to the Assembly in order to make an informed decision.

The discussion period was concluded and Steve Tanner requested that paper ballots be distributed to the Assembly members present who were eligible to vote: all teaching faculty, administrative faculty working at least half-time, classified staff serving on Assembly committees and the officers of the ASEOU student government. **Results of the paper ballot were: 143 yes votes; 35 no votes and 1 abstention. The motion was approved.**

Steve Tanner explained to the Assembly that the online vote would take place via Webster. Access to the online vote had already been programmed for Assembly members who are eligible to vote per Human Resources Department. Everyone was reminded that if they encountered difficulty accessing the online ballot to please contact Assembly Chair, Assembly Secretary or Information Technology HelpDesk.

ACTION #1: Resolution to be posted to Webster following adjournment for a period of 24 hours.

ACTION #2: At 4:00PM on Wednesday, March 8th, online voting was closed with the following results: 139 Yes votes, 38 No votes and 13 Abstained. The resolution was approved.

ACTION #3: The Assembly Chair and Secretary will prepare and mail a letter to both the Chancellor and President of OUS Board.

There being no further business before the Assembly, the meeting was adjourned at 3:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Molly Burke

Molly Burke, Assembly Secretary