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Motion:

Dr. Schille (for the SEC) moved that the bylaws be amended here to read as follows: “The Librarian shall prepare the Librarian’s Report and shall distribute the report to the Senate at least five working days prior to the next scheduled Senate meeting. Committees presenting reports as separate agenda items should post minutes on the senate web page at least five working days prior to Senate meetings for consideration of the Senate.”

Dr. Shawn Forbes (COBA) moved that the Senate drop the Athletics Committee and recommend to the President it become a University Committee. Dr. Schille later restated the motion as “To delete from the Bylaws, Section 17 and 18, adding a recommendation to the President that faculty and senate representation be maintained.”

Rationale:

Senate Response:
2/12/2001: Dr. Schille will make minutes of the committee meetings available on the Senate web site.

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A. Article 3, Section 7. The motion was approved.

B. Athletics Committee

Dr. Bruce Grube requested that the Senate consider changing the Athletics Committee from a standing committee of the Senate to a University Committee because the Athletics program impacts many areas of the University beyond Academics, including Student Affairs and Business and Finance.

An extended discussion followed. Several speakers cited the precedent set with making CLEC a University Committee while retaining faculty input. Others noted the importance of having faculty maintain oversight of athletic programs. At the conclusion of the discussion, the Senate voted to approve the motion (29 for and 5 opposed). Dr. Grube will bring a proposed committee membership list to the next Senate meeting.