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Academic Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes, April 7, 1986

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TO: Members of Academic Council and University Faculty

FROM: Robert Dixon, Vice President of the University Faculty 

SUBJECT: Agenda for Academic Council Meeting on Monday, April 7, 1986,
at 3:10 p.m. Place: Rear Section of the University
Center Cafeteria

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes of March 3, 1986
- III. Report of the President: Paige Mulhollan
- IV. Report of the Steering Committee: Robert Dixon
- V. Report of the Standing Committees
 - A. Student Affairs: Judith Davis
 - B. Faculty Affairs: Jeanne Ballantine
 - C. Curriculum: Peter Bracher
 - D. Library: Larry Kurdek
 - E. University Budget Review Committee: Elizabeth Harden
- VI. Old Business
 - A. Mathematics Minor--Peter Bracher, Curriculum Committee
 - B. Statistics Minor--Peter Bracher, Curriculum Committee
- VII. New Business
 - A. General Education Courses--Peter Bracher, Curriculum
Committee
- VIII. Announcements and Special Reports
 - A. Activities Center
 - B. Vice-Presidential Search--Mary Ellen Mazey, Chair,
Search Committee
 - C. Athletic Council--Joe Hemsy
 - D. Graduate & Research Councils--Don Thomas
- IX. Adjournment

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ACADEMIC COUNCIL
MINUTES
April 7, 1986

I. The meeting of April 7, 1986 was called to order by ^{Robert}~~Richard~~ Dixon, Faculty Vice-President, at 3:10 p.m. in the Cafeteria Extension of the University Center.

Present: D. Beelick, G. Coffee, R. Dixon, P. Engle, W. Goulet, N. Hassan, W. Hutzel, J. Kane, L. Kurdek, J. Lancaster, K. McNamara, C. Nathanson, M. Perkel, S. Renas, J. Sealander, L. Shupe, A. Smith, J. Sullivan, R. Williams, S. Willin

Absent: C. Barbour, D. Barr, D. Bertke, D. Carlson, B. Daniels, C. Denman, J. Fox, C. Gaw, J. Halki, R. Iddings, T. Knapke, B. Mann, B. Mathies, P. Mulhollan, P. Moore, S. Peterson

II. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the March 3, 1986 minutes as distributed.

III. Report of the President. No Report.

IV. Report of the Steering Committee, Robert Dixon, reporting:

- A letter has been written to E. Spanier expressing concern in the temperature regulation in the campus buildings during the spring and the fall.
- The Early Retirement Subcommittee of the FAC and the UBRC will begin meeting soon. P. Merriam has been doing a study on that and will be meeting with the committee.
- The administration has been pursuing discussions with local area two-year community and technical colleges concerning WSU's General Education requirements, sharing facilities, programs, and on-line systems. The Steering Committee would like to see involvement of the Curriculum Committee and faculty in these negotiations, specifically with agreements which have to do with academic policy.
- According to the minutes of the Council of Deans, the ad hoc committee on the implementation of the high school articulation policy has been meeting and is proceeding toward a final recommendation. With that report were letters from W. Collie and K. Davenport (Attachment A) expressing concern to both the implementation and the original policy.

V. Report of the Standing Committees

A. Student Affairs, Cecile Cary, reporting:

The committee is now considering faculty evaluations. Having received samples of forms used by the various colleges, the committee discussed the procedures; the next meeting will focus on the forms.

B. Faculty Affairs, Jeanne Ballantine, reporting:

- Faculty Vice-President for Academic Affairs. The committee met with the three candidates, evaluated them, and made recommendations to the Vice-Presidential Search Committee.
- Research Fraud Policy. The committee sent requests to a number of schools for their policies. WSU's policy is in the hands of a copy editor to make the grammar consistent and the committee is taking into account the several comments received in writing which deal with the issue of accountability of the person who makes the accusation. This policy will be presented to the Academic Council at the June meeting.
- Trustees Award for Faculty Excellence. Twelve nominations have been received; they will be reviewed and recommendations will be made to the Board of Trustees.
- Presidential Awards. The committee will be reviewing these awards later this term.
- Copyright Policy. The committee had a very informative meeting with Howard Tulley, an attorney from the University of Cincinnati, Political Science Department, who drafted and worked on their copyright policy. The committee may be able to combine portions of several policies to present a policy to the Academic Council for feedback shortly.
- Full-time Nontenure Track Faculty Policy. The committee has done a great deal of data analysis on this issue. Various colleges have been contacted to determine which faculty members are in these positions; data has been received and analyzed.
- The committee is in the process of reviewing various policy documents which are being sent from the Affirmative Action Office to the State to be on file.
- Subcommittees. The Early Retirement Subcommittee will be meeting this spring and their work will carry over into summer or fall. Many faculty members have seen some results of the Administrative Review Committee's work as various administrators are being reviewed. The salary inequity's case has been disposed of. The Promotion & Tenure Revision Committee has made a report and it will be forthcoming. The Faculty Administrative Salary Review Committee has been appointed and is meeting.

C. Curriculum, Peter Bracher, reporting:

- The General Education Courses, new business today, is not ready and will be deferred until the May meeting.
- The Oversight Document will be presented at the May meeting.

- In reference to the Articulation Policy, the Curriculum Committee is receiving regular communications from P. Merriam about the work he is doing and the meetings he is having with the two-year schools. The committee is in touch with that matter and will smooth the transition for next year's Curriculum Committee and for the Oversight Committee who will have to deal with transfer credits, etc. The subcommittee established in the winter quarter on academic regulations will be holding open hearings within the next few weeks and the Council should have a document by the end of the term.

D. Library, Larry Kurdek, reporting:

The standing issue is faculty status for the library staff. The Library Committee's meeting was postponed until the Board of Trustees discussed this issue; however, this item was not heard at the Board meeting. The committee will discuss agenda items for the remainder of the quarter at the next meeting.

E. University Budget Review, Elizabeth Harden, reporting:

1. At the March 12 meeting, President Mulhollan reviewed the proposed 1986-87 operating budget for the main campus. He recommended (and the Board approved):
 - a faculty/staff compensation pool of \$2,205,330 (a 6.2% increase, including benefits).
 - the Wellness Program (\$47,000).
 - the dental assistance increase from 50% to 80% for general and basic restorative services (\$23,000).
 - long-term disability coverage for classified staff (\$48,000).
2. At the April 2 meeting William Snyder provided a detailed overview of the Transportation Services Department.
3. The remaining meetings in April will cover Early Retirement and the Sabbatical Leave Supplement, Counselling Services, Telecommunications, the move to Division I in Intercollegiate Athletics, and the Convocation Center planning.

VI. Old Business

A. Mathematics Minor, Peter Bracher, reporting:
(Attachment A, March 3, 1986 Academic Council Minutes)

Discussion: The Mathematics Minor and the Statistics Minor (item B under Old Business today) tend to formalize work in that area for students who use it as a supplement to their other course work.

Question called.

The motion was approved by a voice vote.

- B. Statistics Minor, Peter Bracher, reporting:
(Attachment A of the March 3, 1986 AC minutes)

Being no discussion, question was called.

The motion was approved by a voice vote.

VII. New Business

- A. General Education Courses. Withdrawn until the May meeting.

- B. Academic Council Representation, Gordon Constable, reporting:

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a voice vote to suspend the rules in order to vote on this issue.

Discussion: Since the College of Science & Engineering split into the colleges of Science & Mathematics and Engineering & Computer Science, an adjustment needs to be made to the Academic Council representation with the objective of keeping it to the twenty representatives.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the representatives as listed with a change of Science & Mathematics from 6 to 5 representatives and Engineering & Computer Science with 1 representative.

The motion was approved by a voice vote.

VIII. Announcements and Special Reports

- A. Activities Center, Robert Dixon, reporting:

The university has received \$4 million from the State for the Activities Center that will be located at North Fairfield Road and Colonel Glenn Highway. The Board of Trustees has approved of moving the Riding Center to the other end of the campus on Kauffman Road.

- B. Vice-Presidential Search, Mary Ellen Mazey, reporting:

Three candidates were interviewed on campus. Following feedback from the campus university, the committee met on March 24 and made its recommendation to the President. The position was offered and accepted by Charles Hathaway, Dean, College of Sciences and Engineering, University of Texas at San Antonio. Dr. Hathaway will report on June 1, 1986.

- C. Athletic Council, Joseph Hemskey, reporting:

J. Hemskey reviewed the Athletic Council Constitution and Bylaws modifications (Attachment B - highlighted in bold print).

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Athletic Council Constitution and Bylaws as presented. This will appear as Old Business at the next meeting.

D. Graduate & Research Councils, Don Thomas, reporting:

Activity of the councils were highlighted:

- Admissions and enrollment last year (ending with winter quarter): The number of applicants increased 7.5% (3,400 applications). The number enrolled increased 8.8% (3,074). Converted to FTE's it is a 3.4% increase.
- Graduate Council Activities. Twelve new members of the permanent graduate faculty were selected and \$45,000 has been allocated for 18 full-time scholarships and 32 part-time scholarships. Effective next year all graduate scholarships will be called "Fellowships" and will be administered through the Graduate School.
- The Research Council is involved in allocating the usual incentive and research development funds and will also be involved in the Research Challenge activities.
- Last November the North Central Association granted the university a ten-year accreditation. These visitors will return to the university in 1995-96; the program reviews (the basis for that visit) will begin in the 1986-87 academic year.
- A proposal has been submitted for an Edison Center for the region to include University of Dayton, Sinclair Community College, and Central State University.
- The banquet for the Graduate Student Awards Program (to honor one student in each program, approximately 30 awardees this year) is scheduled for May 28.
- The 1986-88 Graduate School catalog is due at the end May; the Graduate School's Policies and Procedures Manual was distributed in September 1985; the Graduate Handbook for thesis and dissertations is under revision and should be distributed in the fall.
- The Gramm-Rudman-Hollings Act Budget Reduction is being implemented now by the government, but the university may not feel its full impact until late 1987-88.
- U. S. House Bill 3838 from the Senate will continue for at least two years --an exemption for employee fringe benefits from taxation.
- Ohio House Bill 497 was passed last week. "The trustees of any college, state university, college of medicine, shall establish a program to assess the oral English language proficiency of all persons providing classroom instruction to students and shall insure that persons who are not orally proficient in the English language attain such proficiency prior to providing classroom instruction to students."

IX. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. The date of the next meeting is May 5, 1986.