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Academic Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes, May 5, 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, May 5, 1986,
at 3:10 p.m. Place: Rear Section of the University
Center Cafeteria

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes of April 7, 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
Articulation Subcommittee Report--Attachment A
 - D. Library: Larry Kurdek
 - E. University Budget Review Committee: Elizabeth Harden
- VI. Old Business
 - A. Appointment of Melissa Steck as a Student Member
Replacement (a suspension of the rules will be asked)
 - B. Athletic Council Bylaws
 - C. Academic Council Meeting Dates--1986-87 (a suspension
of the rules will be asked)--Attachment B
- VII. New Business
 - A. General Studies Honors Scholar--Peter Bracher,
Curriculum Committee-- Attachment C
 - B. General Education Courses--Peter Bracher, Curriculum
Committee--Attachment D
 - C. General Education Review Committee Document--Peter
Bracher, Curriculum Committee
 - D. Draft Copyright Policy--Jeanne Ballantine, Faculty
Affairs Committee
 - E. Promotion & Tenure Revisions--Jeanne Ballantine,
Faculty Affairs Committee
- VIII. Announcements and Special Reports
 - A. Activities Center
- IX. Adjournment

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ACADEMIC COUNCIL
MINUTES
May 5, 1986

I. The meeting of May 5, 1986 was called to order by Robert Dixon, Faculty Vice-President, at 3:10 p.m. in the Cafeteria Extension of the University Center.

Present: D. Beelick, R. Dixon, C. Gaw, W. Goulet, N. Hassan, W. Hutzel, J. Kane, T. Knapke, L. Kurdek, J. Lancaster, B. Mann, B. Mathies, P. Moore, P. Mulhollan, C. Nathanson, M. Perkel, S. Peterson, J. Sealander, L. Shupe, A. Smith, M. Steck, J. Sullivan, R. Williams

Absent: C. Barbour, D. Barr, D. Bertke, D. Carlson, G. Coffee, C. Denman, P. Engle, J. Fox, J. Halki, R. Iddings, K. McNamara, S. Renas, S. Willin

II. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the April 7, 1986 meeting with the correction of Robert Dixon's name on page 1, paragraph I.

III. Report of the President.

A. The Academic Council calendar for next year will present only two conflicts with the president's calendar so he will attend most of the meetings.

B. Activities Center Project: Many portions are still in the tentative phase. The Governor signed a general appropriation bill supplying \$4 million of State funds. Upon the Board of Trustees' approval of a financial plan at the May 29-30 meeting, it would be the university's goal to seek approval of The Ohio Board of Regents at its June 13 meeting for the issuance of bonding which would complete the financial package of the program. The project site is approximately a 30-acre site against the wooded area at an extension of North Fairfield Road. The highway project, 444A, is scheduled to get underway in October 1986; it is hopeful that the university can save approximately \$1 million by providing fill dirt to this project. The feasibility study estimated the project at \$18 million exclusive of the site work. The plan: \$4 million from the State, \$1 million from the presale of premium seats, \$3 million from private gifts, and \$10 million from revenue bonds. The project schedule: The architect's work should take 6-9 months and the advertising for construction bids would be in the summer or early fall of 1987. Considering that it might take two additional years to construct the project from that point, the schedule is tentatively set for midyear 1989-90.

C. P. Mulhollan will be accompanying local representatives to Washington D.C. on May 13 to lobby on behalf of federal appropriations for WPAFB; therefore, he apologized for not being on campus that day to attend the Spring Quarter 1986 General Faculty Meeting.

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

The Steering Committee has been concerned with all the items that are on today's agenda.

V. Report of the Standing Committees

A. Student Affairs, Judith Davis reporting:

The committee has reviewed the procedures of the faculty evaluation proposal that was approved by the university faculty last spring; a report has been sent to the Steering Committee and to Willard Hutzler who will be working with the deans. At the next meeting the committee will be looking at the forms and a final report will be presented at the June Academic Council meeting.

B. Faculty Affairs, Jeanne Ballantine reporting:

1. The Trustees Award applicants have been reviewed and recommendations have been sent to the Board of Trustees Faculty Affairs Committee.
2. The President Award nominees are currently being reviewed.
3. The Copyright Policy draft (Attachment E, May 5, 1986 AC agenda) is being circulated for comments, questions, etc.
4. The Ethical Standards Document revisions (Attachment A) and the Promotion and Tenure document revisions (Attachment F, May 5 AC agenda) have had routine changes resulting from the division of the College of Science and Engineering.
5. The committee continues to work on the Nontenure Track Policy and will present a draft in June.
6. The Nepotism Policy has been reviewed. The committee decided that the policy, as it stands, seems adequate but recommended that a paragraph be added to set up an advisory committee or a review committee for any questions that might arise with regard to nepotism cases.

C. Curriculum Committee, Peter Bracher reporting:

Aside from the items on the agenda today, two items are of concern to the committee:

1. One major piece of unfinished business that the UCC has is the revision of academic standards and regulations. The subcommittee has completed its review and revisions, and the UCC will be looking at their proposal. Open hearings on those regulations are tentatively set for May 27-28 with a final version presented to the Council at the June meeting. This material needs to be in the next undergraduate catalog so early action in the fall is necessary.
2. The ad hoc committee on Implementatin of the High School Aticulation Policy submitted recommendations to the UCC who, in turn, made a few minor revisions before submitting it for distribution with the agenda (Attachment A, May 5, 1986 AC agenda). The whole effort from The Ohio Board of Regents was to put pressure on the high schools to improve the quality of high school education and to improve the preparation of students entering colleges with the hope that it would minimize, if not eliminate, remedial work at the college level.

D. Library, Larry Kurdek reporting:

1. The collection analysis of the Department of Religion is about one-half completed.
2. The remaining issue is the faculty status for the library staff. The committee will receive input from the staff on May 14 as to what action is desired on this issue.

E. University Budget Review Committee, Elizabeth Harden reporting:

1. At the April 9 meeting:

- a. Paul Merriam presented a detailed review of the current Faculty Early Retirement Plan with its three initial objectives: (1) Cost savings, (2) reduction of overstaffing in affected academic units, and (3) encouragement of faculty turnover.
- b. Willard Hutzal reported that nineteen requests for sabbatical leave supplement monies had been received and granted.

2. At the April 16 meeting:

Darold Engebretson provided a detailed report on the university's counseling services.

3. At the April 23 meeting:

Patricia O'Brien, William Lewis, and Julie Tetteimer discussed the Telecommunications mission and activities.

4. At the April 30 meeting Michael Cusak provided an analysis of anticipated cost increases effected by the move to Division I.

5. Agenda item for next meeting: Richard Edwards will present an overview of University Development.

VI. Old Business

A. Melissa Steck, Academic Council Student Member Replacement

A motion was made, seconded and passed to suspend the rules in order to vote on the appointment of Melissa Steck as a student member replacement on the Academic Council.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the appointment of Melissa Steck as an Academic Council student member replacement for Bill Daniels.

B. Athletic Council Bylaws, Stephen Frederick reporting:
(Attachment B, April 7, 1986 AC minutes)

S. Frederick presented changes in the proposed Athletic Constitution and Bylaws passed by the Athletic Council May 2, 1986 (Attachment B).

A motion was made and seconded to amend the Athletic Council Constitution to include the changes (Attachment B), but to exclude Appendix II which will be considered at the June 1986 Academic Council meeting.

Following discussion the motion was approved by a voice vote.

Discussion: It was suggested the document be submitted to the university's technical editor for minor language changes to conform with the university's nondiscriminatory language policy.

Question called. Motion was approved by a voice vote.

C. 1986-87 Academic Council Meeting Dates

A motion was made, seconded, and passed by a voice vote to suspend the rules in order to consider the 1986-87 Academic Council meeting dates.

A motion was made, seconded to approve the 1986-87 Academic Council meeting dates as distributed (Attachment B, May 5, AC Agenda).

Following discussion, a motion was made, seconded and approved by a voice vote to amend the calendar by changing the January 5 date to the following week: January 12, 1987. The amended calendar is as follows:

1986-87 Academic Council Dates

October 6, 1986	Monday
November 3, 1986	Monday
November 18, 1986	Tuesday--General Faculty Meeting
December 1, 1986	Monday (also is first day of exams)
January 12, 1987	Monday
February 2, 1987	Monday
February 17, 1987	Tuesday--General Faculty Meeting
March 2, 1987	Monday
April 6, 1987	Monday
May 4, 1987	Monday
May 19, 1987	Tuesday--General Faculty Meeting
June 1, 1987	Monday

Being no further discussion, question called. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

VII. New Business

A. General Studies Honors Scholar, Peter Bracher reporting:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Honor Committee's proposal which requests the new designation "General Studies Honors Scholar" (Attachment C, May 5, AC Agenda).

Discussion: The intention is to amend the regulations so that students that are now cut out of honors might be able to participate in the program and graduate with an honors designation. Concern was expressed of the necessary GPA to attain honors; an amendment may be presented at the June meeting.

This will appear as Old Business at the June Academic Council meeting.

B. General Education Courses, Peter Bracher reporting:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the new General Education courses (Attachment C, May 5, AC Agenda).

Discussion: The University Curriculum Committee has a nearly complete draft of the catalog material which is still subject to some revision and additions. This will be brought to the June Academic Council meeting.

C. General Education Review Committee Document, Peter Bracher reporting:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the General Education Supervision and Review proposal (Attachment C).

Discussion: P. Bracher reviewed the proposal--with the note that the largest single piece of business that needs to be attended is the question of the transfer student.

D. Draft Copyright Policy, Jeanne Ballantine reporting:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Wright State University Copyright Policy (Attachment E, May 6, AC Agenda).

Discussion: Concern was expressed that the first sentence in the third paragraph, page 1: "In order to claim the copyright of a 'work made for hire' the university must show that the work has been created....." should be revised.

E. Promotion & Tenure Revisions, Jeanne Ballantine reporting:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Recommended Changes in the University Promotion and Tenure Guidelines (Attachment F, May 5 AC Agenda).

Discussion: Most of the changes are fairly routine. They take into account the change in the College of Science & Engineering and the change in the title "Provost" for "Vice President for Academic Affairs."

F. Ethical Standards Document(formerly Research Fraud), Jeanne Ballantine reporting:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Ethical Standards Document (Attachment A).

Discussion: The Faculty Affairs Committee reviewed the document in great detail and took into consideration the comments of the Academic Council, a copy editor clarified points and provided grammar consistency, and a statement concerning the accuser has been added to the document.

VII. Announcements

R. Dixon reported that the Campus Scholarship Campaign was in its last week with approximately \$15,000 needed to meet the goal and encouraged everyone's support.

IX. Adjournment. Date of next meeting: June 2, 1986.