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# Academic Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes, April 6, 1987

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TO: Members of Academic Council and University Faculty  
FROM: Richard Williams, Vice President of the University Faculty  
SUBJECT: Agenda for Academic Council Meeting on Monday,  
April 6, 1987 at 3:10 p.m.  
Place: Rear Section of the University Center Cafeteria

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes of March 2, 1987 Meeting
- III. Report of the President: Paige Mulhollan
- IV. Report of the Steering Committee: Richard Williams
- V. Report of the Standing Committees
  - A. Curriculum: Robert Wagley
    1. General Education Implementation Committee:  
R. A. Pendergrass
  - B. Faculty Affairs: Gregory Bernhardt
  - C. Library: Adrian Rake
  - D. Student Affairs: Alan Cooper
  - E. University Budget Review Committee: Robert Dixon
- VI. Old Business
  - A. Emeritus/University/Distinguished Professor Status:  
Greg Bernhardt, University Faculty Affairs Committee
- VII. New Business
- VIII. Announcements and Special Reports
- IX. Adjournment

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ACADEMIC COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
April 6, 1987

- I. The meeting of April 6, 1987, was called to order by Richard Williams, Vice-President of the University Faculty, at 3:10 p.m., in the cafeteria extension of the University Center.

Present: C. Altick, D. Beelick, J. Brandeberry, D. Carlson, L. Crum, J. Daily, B. DeMars, C. Denman, P. Engle, C. Hathaway, R. Iddings, M. Kapp, L. Kurdek, J. Lancaster, D. Leach, J. Martin, V. O'Brien, R.A. Pendergrass, M. Perkel, S. Praeger, J. Runkle, M. Sammons, J. Sayer, L. Shupe, D. Uetrecht, R. Williams

Absent: J. Ballantine, W. Goulet, N. Hassan, J. Klinger, B. Mann, K. McNamara, P. Mulhollan, D. Murphy, M. Pryor, J. Abidi

- II. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the March 2, 1987, minutes as distributed.

- III. Report of the President, Charles Hathaway reporting for Paige Mulhollan:

A. Agenda items for the April 15 meeting of the Board of Trustees:

1. Faculty Salary Increment for Promotion:

Assistant Professor to Associate Professor:

Merit increase plus \$1500 or 5% of the base salary (whichever is greater).

Associate Professor to Full Professor:

Merit increase plus \$2250 or 7 1/2% of the base salary (whichever is greater).

2. Fee Increase:

Tuition increase of 8.2%.

Early Retirement:

• Faculty early retirement based on a five-year STRS buyout with a one-year window.

• Unclassified/classified employees PERS early retirement based on a three-year buyout with a one-year window.

- IV. Report of the Steering Committee, Richard Williams reporting:

- A. Elections

1987-88 faculty elections this month: University Committees, Academic Council Membership, and Faculty Vice-President Elect.

- B. Administrative Review

The administrative review process is currently underway for the College of Engineering & Computer Science, the College of Science & Mathematics, the Dean of Continuing and Community Education, and the Dean of Graduate Studies.

*Note cancelled in May 4 minutes - because of de. Hathaway*  
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V. Report of the Standing Committees

A. Curriculum, No report.

1. The committee has an item under New Business today.
2. General Education Implementation Committee, R. A. Pendergrass reporting:
  - R.A. Pendergrass expressed thanks to the committee for its work and time in reviewing how the new general education requirements could be implemented. He gave particular recognition to William Collie, Louis Falkner, and James Vance.
  - A brochure is being prepared to show how the new general education courses fit in with the old general education requirements for returning and continuing students.
  - The committee has recommended guidelines for transfer students with more than 45 hours who choose to complete the old general education requirements. This option will be available through the Fall Quarter, 1989.
  - The committee has recommended the Office of the Registrar be responsible for the evaluation of transfer credit and to determine how these credits fit in with the new general education requirements.
  - The committee is concerned that there may be too few sections being offered and that enrollment limits may be set too high; therefore, quality may be affected. Mr. Pendergrass expressed appreciation for Charles Hathaway's response (March 18 memorandum) to these concerns.

B. Faculty Affairs, No report.

The committee has an item under Old Business today.

C. Library, No report.

D. Student Affairs, Martin Evers, Student Representative, reporting:

1. Student Study and Lounge Space.
  - The committee voiced its concern regarding the lack of student study and lounge space.
  - The committee has worked with John Cwan and Robert Fenning in determining if additional space would be available.
  - The committee felt that the university has done everything possible to find additional area, but at this time there isn't any space available.
  - The committee adopted the following resolution:

"The university should assure that maximum attention is given to student study and lounge space in all major capital projects."

2. Teacher Evaluation Instrument

The committee continues to work on the teacher evaluation instrument. The committee is gathering selected instruments from other universities and, in addition, will develop an instrument drawing upon those presently in use within WSU. This instrument will reflect the common questions from across the university. From these documents the committee will select a group of acceptable instruments to pass on to a joint committee of Faculty Affairs and Student Affairs. The Student Affairs Committee hopes that the joint committee would be in place before the spring quarter with a charter to carry forward into the 1987-88 term. It is the desire of the Student Affairs Committee that this process be targeted to conclude with the adoption of a common instrument on or before the final faculty meeting in the spring of 1988.

E. University Budget Review, Robert Dixon reporting:

1. The committee has endorsed an early retirement plan of a five-year buyout with optional teaching (at the discretion of the department chair/dean).
2. The committee considered and made a recommendation to the administration on university and distinguished professor stipends.
3. The committee heard a report from Dean John Barton on the status of the College of Continuing Education.
4. The committee has received a report from the Office of the Vice-President of Academic Affairs that new faculty positions will be added in the coming year in an effort to improve the ratio of full-time faculty to students.
5. Within the coming week the committee will review the proposed tuition increase recommendation for the coming year.
6. Augmentation requests from the academic units have been received, but the committee has not received a full set of augmentation requests from non-academic units and has not received a second iteration on income estimates.

VI. Old Business

A. Emeritus/University/Distinguished Professor Status

Mr. Bernhardt presented possible amendments (Attachment A) to the Proposal on the Academic Titles of Emeritus/University/Distinguished Professor (Attachment A of March 2, 1987 Academic Council Minutes).

A motion was made and seconded to accept the first substitute amendment (Attachment A, page 1) to the compensation under University Professor, p.3, and Distinguished Professor, p. 5 of the March 2 Academic Council Minutes, Attachment A.

After discussion, the motion was approved by a voice vote.

A motion was made and seconded to accept a substitute motion as to how the emeritus professor will be selected (Attachment A, page 2).

A long discussion ensued. A faculty member asked Manley Perkel to have the following statement made for the record:

"Emeritus status allows senior faculty to maintain continued membership in a community of scholars with whom they have been affiliated with a major portion of their professional careers. To deny such membership is tantamount to 'book burning' because it can become a vehicle for the elimination of old ideas. Approval from the department should only be required when the retiring faculty member has been granted a retirement title from a previous employer who has devoted less than half of his/her professional life at Wright State University."

The motion was defeated by a hand vote.

A motion was made and seconded to amend the original proposal, March 2 Academic Council Minutes, page 1, paragraph 3, by adding a statement to the end of the first sentence, i.e.: "Faculty members who have served ten or more years as fully-affiliated and full-time members at Wright State University will automatically be granted the emeritus title upon retirement and upon written request by the faculty member to the Vice-President of Academic Affairs."

Following discussion, the amendment was approved by a voice vote.

Question was called, the amended document was approved by a voice vote.

#### VII. New Business

##### Approval of Psychology 110

Robert Wagley reported that the Curriculum Committee recommends the approval of Psychology 110--the new general education course for the old general education requirements.

A motion was made, seconded and approved, to suspend the rules to consider a motion for the approval of Psychology 110 to apply toward the old general education requirement in area 3.

A motion was made and seconded to approve Psychology 110 to fill the old general education requirement.

Following discussion, the motion was approved by a voice vote.

#### VIII. Announcements and Special Reports - None.

IX. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m. The next Academic Council meeting is scheduled for May 4, 1987, at 3:10 p.m., in the cafeteria extension of the University Center.

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Attachment