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Date: March 24, 1972

To: Members of the Academic Council

From: Byron Weng, Secretary of the Steering Committee *BW*

Subject: Agenda of the Academic Council Meeting of April 3, 1972

The April meeting of the Academic Council is scheduled for Monday, April 3, 1972, in Room 402 Fawcett Hall, at 3:10 p.m.

The agenda is as follows:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of the Minutes of the March Meeting
- III. Report of the President
- IV. Report of the Steering Committee
- V. Reports of the Standing Committees
 - A. Curriculum
 - B. Faculty Affairs
 - C. Library
 - D. Student Affairs
 - E. University Resources
- VI. Old Business
 - 1) Proposed change in "scholastic regulations"
 - 2) Revision of the University Faculty Constitution and By-laws, Art. III, Sect. II, Para. B.
 - 3) Student representation on the Academic Council
 - 4) Election constituencies and procedures for 1972-73 Academic Council
- VII. New Business
 - 1) Composition of the Special Committee on the Immunity of Council Members
 - 2) Procedures on cases where the Administration disapproves of the Academic Council's resolutions (See Minutes of the Steering Committee Meeting with the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees, March 16, 1972)
 - 3) Curriculum changes (see Attachment A)
- VIII. Adjournment

Academic Council
April 3, 1972
Minutes

I. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman Pro tem Provost A. P. Spiegel in 402 Fawcett Hall at 3:10 p. m.

II. Mr. Klein moved to disapprove the Minutes.

Motion failed.

The Minutes of the March meeting were approved with the following corrections:

- A. p. 2, V., E. 1 should read ". . . dealing primarily with the degree granting colleges, the University library, and the University Division.
- B. p. 4, the first line should read ". . . concurrence between the student and the Dean or his designee to make use. . . ."
- C. p. 4, VI. 5 second line is to be corrected to read ". . . April meeting, as recommended by the Student Affairs Committee."
- D. p. 5, paragraph two, delete "The Chair. . ." and add the following:

"In response to a question about the range of intimidation covered by the motion, the Chair ruled that the motion limits the committee to investigation of intimidation involving Academic Council members in connection with their council activities."

III. Report of the President - No report.

IV. Report of the Steering Committee, Mr. Spetter reporting.

- A. As a result of this committee's previous meeting with the Board of Trustees, the Academic Council will be asked to approve Item 2 under New Business on the Academic Council's April 3, 1972, Agenda, concerning "Procedures on cases where the Administration disapproves of the Academic Council's resolutions. (See Minutes of the Steering Committee Meeting with the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees, March 16, 1972)."
- B. The Steering Committee wished to add two new items to the April 3, 1972 Agenda for consideration under New Business to be as follows:

"4. Proposed Revision of Article VII on the Procedure for Promotion, Tenure, Removal, or Suspension

5. Proposed Policy Statement on Faculty and Administration Accountability" (copies of both were distributed at the meeting)

C. The Steering Committee has chosen the following five professors to make up the Special Committee on Immunity of Council Members:

1. Dr. Robert P. Milheim (University Professor)
2. Dr. Willard J. Hutzler (Liberal Arts)
3. Dr. Gerald Meike (Science and Engineering)
4. Dr. Louis Imundo (Business)
5. Dr. Eugene W. Wade (Education)

V. Reports of the Standing Committees

A. Curriculum Committee - No report.

B. Faculty Affairs Committee, Mr. Blake reported that they have completed the Revision of Article VII and have drawn up a new document on Accountability.

Mr. Battino proposed that perhaps open hearings be held before a document is presented to the Academic Council rather than after it is presented to the Council.

C. Library Committee - No report.

D. Student Affairs Committee - No report.

E. University Resources Committee - No report.

VI. Old Business

1) Mr. Leavitt requested that the item concerning the proposed change in "Scholastic Regulations" be left on the table until the next meeting.

2) Mr. Throckmorton moved that the University Faculty Constitution and By-Laws, Article III, Section II, Paragraph (2) the proposed amendment to read ". . . The Chairman of the Steering Committee shall annually be elected from among the five elected representatives serving on the Steering Committee." be placed on the Agenda of the Spring Faculty Meeting.

Motion carried.

- 3) Mr. Paul moved to place on the Agenda for the Spring University Faculty Meeting amendments to the University Faculty Constitution and By-Laws, Article III, Section 3. A. 3. which would then read: "Fourteen representatives from the student body, as provided in Section 4 of this Article" and that Article III, Section 4 which would be amended to read: "The fourteen representatives to the Academic Council from the Student Body shall be selected as determined in the Constitution or By-Laws of the representative student assembly."

Discussion: Mr. Paul pointed out that the Academic Council is not voting on the student constitution but on a 25% student membership on the Academic Council. The student body Constitution is a separate issue.

Mr. Paul proposed providing for a review at the end of the next Academic year to assess student participation on the Academic Council. The chair indicated that such an action would obligate a future Academic Council to act and thus would not be proper.

Mr. Leavitt indicated that the S. A. C. supports the amendment.

Mr. Battino suggested that there are many ways of getting participation which haven't been discussed, explored and evaluated; he felt more information is needed and that this matter has not been studied as thoroughly as possible.

Mr. Paul explained the student caucus which would replace the present student government.

Mr. Paul called the question on the original motion.

Motion carried on the call of the question.

A ballot was requested.

Motion passed. (The amendments will be forwarded for action at the University Faculty Meeting to be held in May.)

- 4) Mr. Low moved that the constituencies remain the same as well as the procedures used by the Election Committee in counting the ballots, etc., be kept the same as last year for the 1972-73 Academic Council elections.

Mr. Coppage suggested that information be furnished about each of the candidates as well as a political statement from each after the nominations are made.

Motion carried.

VII. New Business

- 1) Mr. Spetter moved to approve the following five persons chosen by the Steering Committee to compose the Special Committee on the Immunity of Council Members: Professor Robert P. Milheim, Willard J. Hutzel, Gerald Meike, Louis Imundo, and Eugene W. Wade.

Mr. Throckmorton moved to suspend the rules to act at this meeting.

Motion to suspend the rules carried.

Motion carried.

- 2) Mr. Weng moved that the rules be suspended so that the Academic Council could approve the proposal on Procedures in cases where the Administration disapproves of the Academic Council's resolutions.

Motion carried.

Mr. Weng moved to approve the following: The procedure in cases where the Administration disapproves of an Academic Council resolution is to have one or two representatives of the Academic Council (possibly Vice-Chairman of the Academic Council and Chairman of the Steering Committee) present views of the faculty concurrently with the Administration to the appropriate body of the Board of Trustees, preferably in working sessions of the Academic Affairs Committee.

Mr. Throckmorton moved that the words "(possibly Vice-Chairman of the Academic Council and Chairman of the Steering Committee)" as well as "one or" be deleted.

Amendment passed.

Mr. Weng then reworded the resolution for clarity to read as follows:

"In cases where the Administration disapproves of the Academic Council's resolutions, two representatives of the Academic Council will present views of the faculty concurrently with the Administration to the appropriate body of the Board of Trustees, preferably in working sessions of the Academic Affairs Committee."

The Chair ruled that the Academic Council could elect other representatives who wouldn't be members of the Academic Council.

Mr. Leavitt moved that this resolution be amended by adding:

"The representatives will be elected by the Council unless an emergency situation exists as determined by the Steering Committee such that there is no time for them to be elected by the Academic Council in which case the Steering Committee would have the right to appoint representatives."

Amendment passed.

The motion (as amended) carried.

Mr. Klein suggested some type of orientation should be planned for new Academic Council members.

- 3) Mr. Batra moved to table the curriculum changes contained in Attachment A of the Agenda until the next meeting.

Motion passed.

- 4) Mr. Spetter on behalf of the Faculty Affairs Committee moved that the Proposed Revision of Article VII be placed on the May Agenda of the Academic Council.

Motion carried.

- 5) Also, on behalf of the Faculty Affairs Committee, Mr. Spetter moved that the Accountability Document be placed on the May Agenda of the Academic Council.

Motion carried.

- 6) Mr. Battino moved that the Academic Council request that the Board of Trustees discuss with representatives of the Academic Council the changes they make in the procedures affecting the faculty which the Board of Trustees have already approved.

Mr. Klein moved to suspend the rules to act at this meeting.

Motion to suspend the rules failed.

VIII. Meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p. m.