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Academic Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes, March 3, 1975

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Date: February 25, 1975

To: Members of the Academic Council

From: Barbara Dreher, Secretary, Steering Committee

Subject: Agenda, Academic Council Meeting, Monday, March 3, 1975

- I. Call to order.
- II. Approval of Minutes of February 3, 1975, meeting.
- III. Report of the President.
- IV. Report of the Steering Committee.
- V. Report of the Standing Committees:
 - A. Curriculum Committee
 - B. Faculty Affairs Committee
 - C. Library Committee
 - D. Student Affairs Committee
- VI. Old Business:
 - A. Approval of Revised Promotions and Tenure Document for Main Campus (continued). Approval of Article VI in its entirety; Articles VIII and IX (see Faculty Handbook); Amendment to Document, see Attachment A to the November 4, 1974, Agenda.
 - B. Approval of Proposed Amendment to Faculty Constitution and Bylaws (see Attachment A to February 3, 1975, Agenda). (Re: University Petitions Committee to be Standing Committee of Academic Council)
 - C. Approval of General Education courses (see Attachment A to Minutes of February 3, 1975). (Re: Music 111, 112, 113)
- VII. New Business:
 - A. Approval of Student Affairs Committee proposal to increase student membership on University Petitions Committee (see Attachment A to this Agenda).
 - B. Approval of proposed Amendment to Faculty Constitution and Bylaws (see Attachment B to this Agenda).
 - C. Approval of Athletic Council Constitution and Bylaws (see Attachment C to this Agenda).
- VIII. Adjournment.

ACADEMIC COUNCIL

March 3, 1975

Minutes

- I. The regular monthly meeting was called to order by Chairman Pro Tem Vice President of the University Faculty Treacy at 3:18 P.M., in Room 155 of the University Center.

Present:

C. Benner, M. Bireley, C. Brown, E. Cantelupe, C. Cornyn, B. Dreher, R. Gray, R. Harvey, J. Hughes, B. Hutchings, R. Iddings, R. Kegerreis (first half of meeting), E. Levine, A. MacKinney, J. Martin, H. Neve, E. Nicholson, N. Nussbaum, H. Roehm, D. Sachs, J. Sherwin, G. Skinner, C. Snyder, E. Stearns, W. Stoesz, B. Tanamachi, J. Thatcher, J. Treacy, E. Wade, P. Winkler, T. Yoder, J. Zamonski, (G. Eakins - Parliamentarian, L. Falkner, Secretary)

Absent:

D. Badaczewski, J. Beljan, A. Spiegel, H. Wachtell

Two student replacements were welcomed by Mr. Treacy; Etta Stearns now replaces P. Brinkman and Tim Yoder replaces K. Cartwright from W.O.B.C. Mr. Treacy also welcomed members of the State Department of Education team, on campus in connection with the accreditation of the College of Education program.

- II. Minutes of the February 3, 1975, meeting were presented for approval, which was given by voice vote without correction.

Mr. Treacy noted receipt of a request for corrections to the Minutes of the January 13, 1975, meeting and there was no objection to making the following changes:

Page Nine, paragraph 6:

Change the first sentence to read -

"Mr. Frommeyer affirmed that the Library professional staff (including administrators, reference librarians, bibliographers, media consultants, etc.) have been a recognized and established faculty since the University was founded in 1964."

Page Nine, paragraph 8:

"Mr. Sachs asked Mr. Frommeyer if there are at this time any faculty holding the rank of full Professor, and Mr. Frommeyer replied there are none at this time, but that there are nine Assistant Professors and two Associate Professors, plus a number of Instructors."

- III. Report of the President, Mr. Kegerreis reporting.

Formation of the University Regional Broadcasting Corporation, of the date of February 21, 1975, was the first item discussed by Mr. Kegerreis. Negotiations between Central State, Miami University, and Wright State looked interminable at times during the past four years, but have finally resulted in the founding of this corporation. Mr. Kegerreis stated that he had, as a gesture of goodwill, nominated President Shriver to be the first Chairman of the Board, and he was elected. The Executive Director of the corporation will be Dr. Clair

Tettermer of Wright State. In practice, the corporation will replace Miami University in public broadcasting and educational television for Channel 14 and the local corporation for Channel 16. Sources of income for the operation will be public subscriptions, legislative appropriations, university funds, and the State Department of Education allocations of funds to the daytime public educational portion of the broadcasting. As with most "infant" corporations, it is now "thinly staffed and thinly funded".

Mr. Kegerreis welcomed the evaluation team from the State Department, mentioning that about sixty persons came on campus Saturday and most of that group would be present through Wednesday. The usual five-year-cycle for evaluation does not apply to every university, Mr. Kegerreis stated, and also stressed the fact that the University would benefit greatly from this extensive exercise and from the conferences held to review the findings of the team.

Mr. Kegerreis' closing remarks dealt with several members of the University community:

Dr. Anni Whissen is reportedly recovering well from recent surgery.

Mr. Fred White, the University's first employee and most widely known and highly regarded person connected with Wright State, has resigned, effective April 30. Mr. Kegerreis will recommend to the Board of Trustees that Mr. White be awarded the title of "Senior Vice President Emeritus", and stated he felt that there would be other recognitions of Mr. White's contributions to the University.

Dr. Craine, Professor in History, is in serious condition and scheduled for surgery tomorrow; hope was extended for his rapid recovery.

Warren Abraham, another long-time University personage, is now at home following extensive hospitalization, and remains in serious condition.

Last, and most grievous, Mr. Kegerreis reported the death of Associate Professor Bill McGrath's eighteen-year-old son.

Mr. Kegerreis expressed regret at having to present such somber matters.

IV. Report of the Steering Committee, Mrs. Dreher reporting.

Mrs. Dreher reminded members that Committee activity had been reported through distribution of minutes following the February 12 meeting; the only item needing reinforcement from the Council concerned the appointment of a Sergeant-at-Arms to record voting on policy issues. Ordinarily the Steering Committee as a group would choose a Council member to fill this position, but a volunteer was requested at this time.

At Mr. Treacy's request, Mr. Hughes agreed to serve as recording Sergeant-at-Arms.

V. Reports of the Standing Committees:

A. Curriculum Committee, Mr. Clark reporting.

A reminder was given that Council needs to act on approval of the three Music courses

for General Education requirements presented at last meeting: Music 111, 112, and 113.

Mr. Clark presented a problem encountered in relation to "dual" majors and "double" majors. He illustrated the difference between these designations - the dual major program can be entered into by any department on campus, but the requirements to graduate under that major must be reduced, whereas the "double" major requires fulfillment of all requirements for both majors. A subcommittee is presently studying this situation, and Mr. Clark will report further on this at a later time, perhaps with recommendations.

B. Faculty Affairs Committee, Mr. Skinner reporting.

Having just come from a meeting of the Committee, Mr. Skinner stated that there were a few minor changes to be made in the Promotions and Tenure Document, as passed by the Council in parts, and suggested that he felt the reworded draft would be ready for attachment to the Minutes of this meeting. One concern of the Committee, not minor, is the need to keep in mind that something must be written into this document with regard to faculty who may be employed on non-tenure or limited-term contracts. He held out the alternatives of including something in this document, or amending it at a later time. Continuing, he reminded members of the approval of Article VII at the June 3, 1974, meeting and suggesting that Article VIII could stand as it is with four minor typographical changes. Referring to Article VIII, Mr. Skinner made known that it had never been implemented, and the Committee's view was that it would be just as well to let it stand until its mechanisms had been tried. Substantial revision of Article IX is underway; since the Committee meets next Monday, March 10, it is likely that the entire document, with recommendations, can be given to faculty for consideration well in advance of next month's meeting (there being five weeks between meetings this time).

NOTE: FULL DOCUMENT - ATTACHMENT D; please retain for future use.

Mr. Skinner also informed Council that Robert Thobaben resigned from the Due Process Hearing Board and has been replaced by Faculty Affairs' appointment of Myrtle Korenbaum.

Mr. Sachs inquired if the standing committee created under Article VII had yet been appointed by Faculty Affairs.

Discussion brought out that Article VII, after approval by Academic Council, had been approved by the Board of Trustees. Further, a list of nominees to that committee had been submitted to Mr. Kegerreis but apparently at a time prior to the Board of Trustees' approval. Therefore, the Faculty Affairs Committee will send now a list of proposed members to Mr. Kegerreis for consideration, the appointments then to be approved by Academic Council.

C. Library Committee, Mr. Zamonski reporting.

Mr. Zamonski reported on the February 28 meeting of that Committee: The group is particularly anxious to consider ideas and suggestions on new ways of distributing money

for the purchase of new periodicals, and solicits faculty input.

Returns of questionnaires concerning the continuing grad programs are not yet complete, so no final report is possible at this time. One complaint has been forwarded to Mr. Hubschman, and interchange of information is now taking place between Mr. Hubschman and the Committee.

Attention was directed by Mr. Zamonski to the status report from the Subcommittee on Periodicals Security, distributed prior to the meeting (see Attachment A), and particularly to the recommendations under "IV". Enlarging upon A) 2. a. - by means of xerox a number of copies of heavily assigned articles could be made available to students by faculty members, eliminating much frustration on the part of both students and faculty. Recommendations strongly offered to Library included making known the "full" replacement cost of periodicals, which would include not only the basic cost but also time costs in processing the replacement. Timely replacement of materials was stressed.

The report shown on page four, Mr. Zamonski said, does not include missing materials but relates to materials on hand that show mutilation.

There were a series of inquiries at the February 28 meeting, related to an article carried on pages one and three of the February 17 Guardian under the heading "Debts Cut Student Work". The Dean of Library was satisfied as to the accuracy of the article, but there needed to be clarification of the implications. The "vacancy credits to be used to fund students" in the Library was explained as being a part of a commonly used procedure wherein credit of vacancies (ranging from clerk typist job openings to department or functional heads) represents funds that could be transferred to employ students in the Library. There are at this time four clerk typists slots open. It was also verified that there are 123 students now employed in the Library.

In response to a request from the College of Liberal Arts, the Library Committee would like to clarify function and status of the Fund Report issued each two weeks, and sent to departments by way of the colleges. This report is accurate and inclusive up to the day before the date of the report and covers requests for book purchases that have been processed and actually put on order. There is at this time about a month's lag between receipt of the purchase request and final processing with inclusion in the Fund Report, orders being processed and placed in chronological order of receipt, except in really rush situations. For anyone needing to know the specifics of their departmental fund, F. Edwin Johns in the Library will be glad to make an individual check on orders received and placed.

The matter of making typewriter rental use available to students is being handled by the Dean of Students office, and Mr. Zamonski doubted that this could be available in the Library because of shortage of space.

Mr. Nussbaum asked if there were any particular accounting for the mutilation of periodicals in one area over another; Mr. Zamonski replied that in addition to some vague allusions contained in the report, there were seven instances where individuals were involved in working on specific research projects and were guilty of this type of mutilation. A general tightening up is needed in the way research assignments are made and in the

way research materials are put on the shelves in the Library, as suggested in the attached report.

D. Student Affairs Committee, Mr. Hartmann reporting.

Three items were introduced by Mr. Hartmann:

The first recommendation is the increase of student representatives on the University Petitions Committee, as covered in Attachment A to the Agenda for today's meeting.

The second and third items, to be brought up under New Business, will be the approval of a report from the Subcommittee on Student Publications and the approval of the Constitution for the student body at W. O. B. C. After introduction today, these matters will be acted upon at the April Academic Council meeting.

Mr. Hartmann also indicated that Student Affairs members were invited to participate in discussions on food services on campus, met with Mr. Spiegel and his staff, an ad hoc Food Services Committee, and other interested persons last Friday, the results having been reported in the Guardian distributed today. (ARA is continuing as Food Service.)

VI. Old Business:

A. Approval of Revised Promotions and Tenure Document for Main Campus.

A motion was placed by Mr. Skinner for approval of Article VI, in its entirety (the point at which discussion was ended in February); the motion was seconded.

Mr. Harvey placed a motion for amendment of the Article:

"All other provisions notwithstanding, the University Promotion and Tenure Committee shall have one student member, who shall be selected to serve for one academic year by the Student Caucus. The selected student shall have a minimum 2.7 cumulative G. P. A."

Following a second on the motion, discussion was opened by the question as to how this amendment differed from Amendment A submitted by Student Caucus at an earlier meeting. Mr. Harvey replied that the minimum standard was incorporated, therefore this constituted a new amendment.

Mr. Nussbaum spoke against this being a "new" amendment; Mr. Treacy ruled - as Chairman - that this was a new amendment, and Mr. Nussbaum questioned the reasoning behind this. Mr. Treacy said his ruling opened the way for Mr. Nussbaum to speak concerning the amendment. Mr. Nussbaum stated more fully that he felt the substance of the amendment was not changed and that Council had already addressed the issue.

Mr. Benner asked Mr. Harvey who would do the selecting of the student and Mr. Harvey assured him that all the student representatives would - Mr. Benner then expressed his feeling that the wording of the proposed amendment should be changed to reflect election rather than selection. Mr. Harvey agreed to this.

Mr. Levine asked for instruction on questioning the ruling of the Chair; Mr. Eakins advised this would be an "appealing of the rule of the Chair".

Mr. Levine responded by appealing the previous ruling of the Chair.

Mr. Treacy indicated there would be a vote to support the ruling of the Chair (Mr. Eakins indicated a simple majority vote was needed for support).

Voice voting was unclear; hand voting was -

Against	16
In favor	11

The ruling that the amendment was substantially a new one was voted down.

Discussion returned to approval of Article VI in its entirety.

There was no discussion; Mr. Treacy ruled this a policy issue and asked for roll call voting.

Mr. Skinner questioned this ruling since the document must return to Council for final draft voting.

Mr. Treacy agreed that Mr. Skinner could appeal the ruling but elaborated on the circumstances behind his decision: Faculty members' input to the Steering Committee strongly suggests the desire of constituents to know the voting on each issue as it is presented as well as the final decisive voting.

Mr. Skinner accepted this explanation.

Mr. Neve wondered how voting on this Article differed from the voting on the previous articles and amendments.

As pointed out by members of the faculty, the Council had been acting - unknowingly - in violation of the Constitution which specifically requires roll call voting on policy issues; Mr. Treacy said his ruling would lead the Council in conforming to the Constitution.

There was no further discussion related to policy voting nor to Article VI.

Roll call voting by Mr. Hughes:

In favor of approval of Article VI as amended:

Benner, Bireley, Cantelupe, Cornyn, Dreher, Gray, Hughes, Hutchings,
Iddings, MacKinney, Martin, Neve, Nicholson, Nussbaum, Roehm, Sachs,
Skinner, Snyder, Stearns, Stoesz, Thatcher, Zamonski

Opposed:

Brown, Harvey, Levine, Sherwin, Tanamachi, Wade, Winkler

Abstaining:

Yoder

Tally of voting indicated Article VI as amended was approved by a vote of 22 to 7 with one member abstaining.

A motion on Article VIII of the Promotions and Tenure Document was requested by Mr. Treacy (Article VII was approved at the June 1974 meeting as a separate item).

Mr. Skinner asked for tabling of further discussion on the articles remaining in the document, restating that there are several minor amendments to be made to Article VIII; the Chair agreed to deferment of discussion.

Council was referred to -

- B. Approval of Proposed Amendment to Faculty Constitution and Bylaws reinstating the University Undergraduate Petitions Committee as a Standing Committee of Academic Council (Attachment A to February 3, 1975, Agenda).

Mr. Skinner questioned the advisability of item 2. e., pointing out that while this provided for the removal of the student member at the request of the petitioner, there was no possibility of any other member of the committee being removed in like manner.

Mr. Hubschman spoke from the audience, indicating that the material in Attachment A had been taken from the original document that created the committee, back in 1967-68, and in the writing of the Revised Constitution, with its guidelines on Academic Council and its standing committees, the inclusion of the Petitions Committee had just been left off. He further pointed out the addition of item 3., "Alternative Representative", as a definite addition to the composition of the committee and one compensating for 2. e. Discussion brought to light that this possibility of removal of the student member has not occurred to date.

Mr. Gray asked if Council were just to act on this approval as a formality.

Action by Council, Mr. Hubschman and Chair agreed, would not be a mere formality since new material was included in the proposal.

Mr. Gray questioned if the approval was offered as the solution to on-going problems concerning the Petitions Committee, and Mr. Treacy gave background -

The Petitions Committee was formed years ago as a part of the Council, then dropped off into "limbo" in the rewriting of the Constitution. As time went on, Colleges began to send to the Petitions meetings persons who were non-faculty, and this brought vigorous objection on the part of other members, since that Committee represents the "last quality control on academic regulations" of the University. Steering Committee's efforts to solve problems by advising did not accomplish the desired results and it was the consensus of opinion that the Committee should be put back where it had been recommended to be a Standing Committee, in the Academic Council.

This being an acceptable basis for action and no further discussion forthcoming, Mr. Treacy called for roll call voting on this policy issue.

In favor of approval of the University Undergraduate Petitions Committee as a Standing Committee of Academic Council:

Benner, Bireley, Cantelupe, Dreher, Gray, Hughes, Hutchings, Iddings, Levine, MacKinney, Martin, Neve, Nicholson, Nussbaum, Roehm, Sachs, Sherwin, Skinner, Snyder, Stearns, Stoesz, Tanamachi, Thatcher, Wade, Zamonski

Against approval:

Brown, Harvey, Winkler

Abstaining:

Yoder

The issue was passed by a vote of 25 to 3.

- C. Approval of General Education courses Music 111, 112, and 113, Attachment A to the Minutes of February 3, 1975, meeting.

A motion for approval was placed, seconded, and passed by voice vote without opposition.

VII. New Business:

- A. Approval of the following resolution from the Student Affairs Committee (Attachment A to March 3, 1975, Agenda):

That the number of student members of the University Petitions Committee be two, to be appointed by the method used to select student members of other committees of the Academic Council.

Motion for approval action at next month's meeting was placed, seconded. Affirmative voice vote was given.

- B. Approval of proposed amendment to Faculty Constitution and Bylaws (Attachment B to March 3, 1975, Agenda) concerned with voting records on policy issues becoming a part of Minutes of each Council meeting.

Motion to include this as an item of Old Business for the April meeting was placed, seconded, and passed by voice vote.

- C. Approval of the Constitution of the Athletic Council (Attachment C to the March 3, 1975, Agenda) to be placed on the April Agenda was requested by means of a motion: this was seconded.

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Mr. Sachs recalled that when the document had been brought for approval to Council before, an objection raised was to the ability of the Athletic Council to amend its own Constitution without Academic Council approval, and he felt that no change had been made in that area in this revised document.

The Chair ruled Mr. Sachs' question out of order at this time, to be re-submitted when the document comes up for debate next month.

Acceptance of this item for Old Business next month was signified by affirmative voice vote.

- D. Mrs. Dreher requested admission of a new item of business, with suspension of rules to allow for voting on it at this meeting:

Approval of the proposed Academic Calendar for 1975-1976.

Mr. Treacy pointed out that a two-thirds approval was needed to suspend rules; Mrs. Dreher's motion for suspension of rules was seconded.

Motion to suspend rules to allow for discussion and voting was passed by voice vote without opposition.

Mrs. Dreher stated approval was needed at this time in order to make the deadline for publication of the next year's catalog. Also, she reminded members that this tentative calendar had been placed before the University at the Winter Faculty Meeting and that, although there had been individual objections, the group as a majority had agreed that the calendar fulfilled the state requirements in addition to meeting desires of students.

Mrs. Dreher's motion for approval of the calendar (Addendum A to the Winter Faculty Meeting Agenda) was placed and seconded. (Attachment B to these Minutes)

Mr. Gray mentioned the early September opening by Ohio State, and asked if the Calendar Committee had given any consideration to this.

Mr. Treacy interjected that this was an effort at fuel conservation and because of the unfavorable reception by Ohio State's community of that calendar, Wright State's Committee had not pursued the probability.

Mr. Gray continued; it was his understanding that the feelings were bad at Ohio State because of dismissal of classes for the Thanksgiving holidays and reconvening again on December 5. His question related to the quarter ending with the Thanksgiving week, with the entire month of December off.

Mrs. Snyder spoke to this issue: The major savings in fuel are related to its use in the months of January, February, and March. Secondly, she expressed the appreciation of students at W. O. B. C. for the later starting date, which allowed for their working longer in the summer. In their geographical area, it is not possible to pick up adequate work during the Christmas vacation.

Mr. Iddings commented that these two or three weeks prior to the University's opening

is not an unused period; it makes up a very important component of the teacher education program in the College of Education.

Voice vote approval was given the Academic Calendar.

- E. Mrs. Dreher moved for acceptance of another item under New Business: approval of a report from the Subcommittee on Student Publications.

Responding to questioning, Mr. Treacy indicated this report would change the make-up of the Student Publications Committee, and was requested by the Student Affairs Committee.

The motion was seconded, and the item accepted by voice vote approval.

- F. Following through on Mr. Hartmann's earlier reference, Mrs. Dreher moved for acceptance of the Revised Constitution for W.O.B.C. Student Body as another item of New Business.

Mr. Treacy indicated that the arrangement of student government at the Branch Campus would be facilitated by acceptance of this item now, with action in April.

Mrs. Dreher's motion was seconded, and passed by voice vote.

- VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 4:21 P.M.