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## Academic Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes, February 2, 1976

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# Wright State University

# Campus Communication

Date: January 23, 1976  
To: Members of the Academic Council  
From: Glenn Graham, Secretary, Steering Committee  
Subject: Agenda, Academic Council Meeting, Monday, February 2, 1976

Members of the Academic Council will meet at 3:10 P.M., Monday, February 2, 1976 in Rooms 155 A,B,C (Presidential Dining Area), Main Floor, University Center.

- I. Call to Order.
- II. Approval of Minutes of January 12, 1976 meeting.
- III. Report of the President.
- IV. Report of the Steering Committee.
- V. Reports of the Standing Committees:
  - A. Curriculum Committee
  - B. Faculty Affairs Committee
  - C. Library Committee
  - D. Student Affairs Committee
- VI. Old Business:
  - A. Return from table approval of statement on "Faculty Retrenchment Policy" (see Attachment D of June 2, 1975 minutes; see also proposed amendment, Attachment B of November 3, 1975 agenda).
  - B. Return from table approval of definitions of affiliation for Faculty of Medicine. (See attachment A being sent under separate cover).
  - C. Approval of Proposed Academic Calendar 1976-1977. (See attachment of January 12, 1976 minutes).
- VII. New Business:
  - A. Approval of policy on reclassification of students. (See Attachment B; see also the accompanying motion from the University Curriculum Committee).

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VII. New Business (continued)

B. Approval of policy on submission of early grades for graduating students. (See Attachment C, Motions 1 and 2 from University Curriculum Committee).

C. Approval of membership of Constitutional Review Committee.

VIII. Adjournment.

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# ACADEMIC COUNCIL

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## Minutes

- I. The regular monthly meeting was called to order by Chairman Pro Tem Vice President of the University Faculty, Barbara Dreher, at 3:15 P.M., in room 155 of the University Center.

### Present:

S. Barone, C. Benner, K. Boas, E. Cannon, J. Castellano, W. Collie, B. Dreher, E. Duffy, J. Fortman, I. Fritz, R. Frommeyer, G. Graham, R. Gray, R. Kegerreis, K. Kotecha, A. MacKinney, J. Martin, T. Matczynski, A. Moliterno, H. Neve, N. Nussbaum, G. Pacernick, H. Roehm, J. Sayer, D. Schmidt, G. Skinner, E. Stearns, J. Thatcher, G. Torres

### Absent:

D. Badaczewski, J. Beljan, S. Dyer, E. Levine, C. Montgomery, A. Spiegel, B. Yoder, J. Zamonski

- II. Minutes of the January 12, 1976 meeting were approved as written.

Mrs. Dreher introduced two members who are new at Academic Council. Mr. Kim Boas, the elected representative from the Liberal Arts students. Also, Ms. Bobbi Yoder from the Western Ohio Branch Campus.

- III. Report of the President.

Mr. Kegerreis advised that the University has completed all but one of the discussions on the State Treasury and its relationship to the University's budget forecast. He related that he has been very gratified by the number of suggestions and constructive reactions to the situation. These are being digested, and Mr. Kegerreis will get back to Academic Council about the conclusions at a later date.

- IV. Report of the Steering Committee, Mr. Graham reporting.

The Steering Committee has reviewed the report of the University Curriculum Committee, attachment C to the February 2, 1976 Agenda, concerning early grades for graduating students. This is an item of New Business today which will be discussed at next month's meeting. The other two items, passed out at the meeting today, are (1) a memo from Mr. Skinner concerning the Academic Calendar, and (2) a list of names proposed by the Steering Committee for the Constitutional Review Committee. The Constitutional Review Committee is New Business today for action at the next Academic Council meeting.

V. Reports of the Standing Committees:

A. Curriculum Committee, Mr. Whipple reporting.

The Committee does not have a formal report; however, under New Business, Attachment C, the motions are only the first sentences of those paragraphs. The rest of the paragraph is just an explanation.

B. Faculty Affairs Committee, Mr. Nicholson reporting.

The Faculty Affairs Committee met and discussed and have a recommendation in regard to an amendment to the definition of a fully affiliated member of the School of Medicine, Attachment A to the February 2, 1976 Agenda. The Committee has proposed amendments to the Faculty Retrenchment Policy, and is continuing to review the bylaws of the School of Medicine.

C. Library Committee, Mr. Wood reporting.

The Library Committee has reiterated its policy on charge of the materials which have immediate demand. In every case, the privacy of the original borrower will be protected by not revealing his name either to faculty or students, while his cooperation is solicited in getting the material returned. The book drop in Allyn Hall is working out very satisfactorily. There are new shelves on the second floor in the Library for display of new acquisitions with a three day turnover. The Library Book Purchase Orders will be due on April 16, 1976. The Library Committee has recommended that the acquisitions survey be completed prior to April 16, 1976, and those results made available so the departments may act accordingly in finishing up their book orders. It has been suggested that the approximate \$1600, set aside from the dropping of certain periodicals this last quarter, be made available for departments wishing to make large acquisitions which they could not make on their regular book budgets. Many requests were received which seemed to be ordinary book requests, nothing special about them, so the Library Committee decided to hold off for another month on any decision as to what to purchase, asking the departments to submit items of great importance which could not be reasonably ordered out of their own acquisitions budget. A new deadline has been set for these submissions of February 20, 1976. The Library Committee will be meeting Friday, February 6, 1976 to review the approval plan of obtaining library acquisitions, a plan proposed for Wright State University Library.

D. Student Affairs Committee, Mr. Sayer reporting.

The Student Affairs Committee met on January 26, 1976 and dealt with two issues. One, at the request of the Steering Committee, the possibility of establishing a code of faculty teaching responsibility; and two, the possibility and feasibility of establishing some sort of university wide course and instructor evaluation instrument. Those discussions will continue indefinitely, and the Student Affairs Committee will meet again this month.

VI. Old Business:

- A. Return from table approval of statement on "Faculty Retrenchment Policy" (see Attachment D of June 2, 1975 minutes; see also proposed amendment, Attachment B of November 3, 1975 agenda).

Mrs. Dreher asked for a motion to return this from table. It was moved and seconded.

There is now a motion in order to approve the proposed amendment, attachment B to the November 3, 1975 agenda. Mr. Sayer was asked to please read it aloud.

Mr. Sayer noted that the last time this was discussed, the faculty retrenchment policy was being looked at as a whole, and Mr. Levine proposed an amendment which dealt with striking out the sentence beginning on Line 61 with the word "within" and going through that lengthy sentence, ending on line 65 with the word "ranks". Mr. Levine would strike that sentence and replace it with the following: "The order of termination will be determined by the department after consultation with the Dean." That is the amendment that is on the floor.

The amendment failed by voice vote.

A motion to amend the June 2, 1975 document by substituting for it the January 23, 1976 document was placed and seconded.

Mr. Skinner advised there are some typographical errors, one major error in lines 59 through 62. The sentence is practically duplicated. Line 59 should end with the word "abolished", and the rest of line 59 and lines 60, and 61, and the first "expanded" on line 62 be deleted. Then on line 95, put a parenthesis after the word "Committee." and on line 97, the superscript should be 2 instead of 3.

Mr. Schmidt asked if the Budget Review Committee established by this document supersedes the Budget Review Committee we already have.

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Mr. Nussbaum replied it is his understanding the existing Budget Review Committee is an advisory committee to the President and, as such, is called at his pleasure. This proposal that is being added as a separate item would establish a standing committee of the Academic Council as a Budget Review Committee.

Mr. Fortman moved an amendment, to insert on line 96, after the words "order of termination of the faculty will be":

"first, non-qualified and non-tenured; second, non-qualified but tenured; third, qualified but non-tenured; and last, qualified and tenured."

The motion was seconded.

After much discussion, Mrs. Dreher asked for a vote on Mr. Fortman's amendment.

The motion passed by voice vote.

Mr. Nussbaum moved an amendment to include the word "substantially" on line 101 after the word "not".

The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Mr. Fortman then moved that the section beginning on line 98 with the word "begin", and the remainder of that sentence, be deleted and substitute the following amendment:

"Within each of these categories the order of termination will be in strict order of seniority, those of the shortest service as full-time faculty members being terminated first. Between two faculty members of equal seniority but different rank, the one with the lowest rank will be terminated first."

Mr. Roehm asked if Mr. Fortman is saying seniority should come before rank.

Mr. Fortman replied, "Yes". If there is an assistant professor who has 20 years of service, and he is qualified to perform the functions as defined in the document for the continuation of that program, he should not be terminated before a full professor who has two years of service to the University.

Mr. Fritz seconded this amendment.

Mr. Fortman asked for a roll call vote.

In favor of approval of the amendment:

Barone, Benner, Boas, Castellano, Duffy, Fortman, Fritz, Graham, Gray, Molliterno, Skinner, Thatcher

Opposed to the amendment:

Cannon, Collie, Dreher, Frommeyer, Kotecha, MacKinney, Martin, Matczynski,  
Neve, Nussbaum, Pacernick, Roehm, Schmidt, Stearns, Torres

There were no members abstaining.

The amendment failed by a vote of 15 to 12.

Mr. Neve moved an amendment to paragraph 5, page 5, line 105, after the word  
"Implementation.":

"Upon recommendation of the affected departments, colleges, or schools, the  
Faculty Affairs Committee shall have the right to omit from the order of termination  
any faculty member whose termination would, in the view of the Faculty Affairs  
Committee, seriously disrupt the academic effectiveness of the department or  
program involved."

The amendment was seconded.

After a great deal of discussion, the amendment failed by voice vote.

Mr. Fortman moved that the order of the wording be inverted on line 99 to read  
"proceed within each rank strictly by seniority".

The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Mrs. Dreher referred to the document as a whole without the covering resolution.

Motion was seconded and discussed.

Ms. Torres called the question for the document.

The question was called by voice vote.

A vote was taken on the January 23, 1976 Faculty Retrenchment Policy omitting the  
cover resolution, as amended.

It passed by voice vote.

A vote was called, by roll call, on the January 23, 1976 Faculty Retrenchment  
Policy as official policy.

In favor of approval of the motion:

S. Barone, C. Benner, K. Boas, J. Castellano, W. Collie, B. Dreher,  
J. Fortman, I. Fritz, R. Frommeyer, G. Graham, R. Gray, N. Nussbaum,  
H. Roehm, D. Schmidt, G. Skinner, J. Thatcher, G. Torres



Opposed to the motion:

E. Cannon, K. Kotecha, A. MacKinney, J. Martin, T. Matczynski,  
A. Moliterno, H. Neve, G. Pacernick, E. Stearns

There were no members abstaining.

The motion passed by a vote of 17 to 9.

Mrs. Dreher asked for a motion for the approval of the resolution for consideration of the Budget Review Committee. Moved and Seconded.

After discussion, Mr. Fritz moved to table the resolution.

The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

- B. Return from table approval of definitions of affiliation for Faculty of Medicine.  
(See attachment A to February 2, 1976 Agenda).

Moved and seconded to return from table.

Much discussion evolved around the following points:

1. Should the Academic Council approve the bylaws of how the faculty of a school or college of the University wishes to operate within their own college? Up to this time, the Academic Council has not taken any action on the bylaws of individual faculty.
2. Can faculty be considered fully affiliated within a college and be only partially affiliated to the University as a whole?
3. Can the titles of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, and Professor be granted to an individual who would not meet the definition of these titles as given in the Policies and Procedures for the Granting of Promotions and Tenure at Wright State University and the University Faculty Constitution and Bylaws?

Mr. Fritz made a motion that the Academic Council send a letter to the School of Medicine stating that the Council recognizes, for internal purposes of the School of Medicine, its definition of fully affiliated members. That Academic Council requests the School of Medicine recognize that the determination of numbers, for the purposes of university committee and voting rights at faculty meetings, are covered in the University Faculty Constitution and Bylaws.

The motion was seconded.

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After much discussion, Mr. Roehm moved to table the motion and have the School of Medicine refer the matter to legal counsel to determine what the implications are to the proposed paragraphs. Specifically, the issue is not what title these people are given, but what rights the medical school faculty would have with whatever title they are given. This should be spelled out in the School of Medicine bylaws.

The motion was seconded.

The motion to table passed by voice vote.

- C. Approval of Proposed Academic Calendar 1976-1977. (See attachment to January 12, 1976 Minutes). Memo passed out at meeting from Mr. Skinner taking note of the shortened time span.

Mr. Schmidt moved approval of the calendar. It was seconded.

Mr. Fortman moved the calendar be sent back to the Ad Hoc Calendar Committee to increase the number of days in class, to keep it more in line with the past system at Wright State University.

The motion was seconded.

After much discussion, the motion passed by voice vote.

VII. The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 P.M.