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Academic Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes, October 4, 1976

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Campus Communication

date: September 23, 1976
to: Members of the Academic Council
from: Glenn Graham, Chairer, Steering Committee
subject: Agenda, Academic Council Meeting, Monday, October 4, 1976

Members of the Academic Council will meet at 3:10 p.m. Monday, October 4, 1976, in Rooms 155 A, B, and C (Presidential Dining Area), Main Floor, University Center.

- I. Call to Order.
- II. Approval of Minutes of Meeting on June 1, 1976.
- 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
 - E. Undergraduate Petitions Committee
- VI. Old Business:
 - A. Proposal for granting the student representative from the School of Nursing a vote and seat on the Academic Council. (See Attachment B, Minutes of June 1, 1976)
 - B. Proposal from Student Affairs Committee that the Student Publications Committee become the Media Committee. (See Attachment C, Minutes of June 1, 1976)
- VII. New Business:
 - A. Election of Professor-At-Large for the University Promotions and Tenure Committee. (See Attachment A)

B. Replacements for Standing Committees:

1. Student Affairs Committee:

- a. P. Foster to replace U. Battigaglia.
- b. B. Anderson to replace R. McCarty.
- c. One student replacement.

2. Library Committee: K. Hale to replace A. Bennett.

C. Election of Nursing representative to the Steering Committee.

D. Approval of Undergraduate Petitions Committee. (See Attachment B)

E. Election of representative to Athletic Council.

F. Recommendation to hold December meeting of Academic Council on November 29.

G. Approval of change in By-Laws of Graduate Council. (See Attachment C)

VIII. Adjournment.

ACADEMIC COUNCIL

October 4, 1976

Minutes

- I. The first meeting of the academic year 1976-1977 was called to order by Chairman Pro Tem Vice Provost Murray at 3:15 p.m., in room 155 of the University Center.

Present:

L. Arlian, J. Baldwin, J. Booghier, H. Brown, E. Cannon,
E. Cantelupe, J. Castellano, M. Cleary, W. Collie, J. Dorn,
R. Earl, J. Fortman, J. George, G. Graham, T. Hubbard,
B. Hutchings, R. Iddings, R. Kegerreis, K. Kotecha, J. Lynch,
T. Matczynski, D. Matual, P. Nolan, E. Silver, A. Spiegel,
V. Sutch, G. Torres, and J. Wright

Absent:

J. Beljan, I. Fritz, R. Haber, D. Hamilton, A. Kader, and
G. Pacernick

Mr. Murray welcomed everyone to the first Academic Council meeting of the academic year.

Before proceeding with the agenda, Mr. Murray welcomed the newly elected faculty representative Julia George from the School of Nursing. Mrs. George is replacing Ullainee Battigaglia who resigned.

- II. A motion was placed for approval of the Minutes of the June 1, 1976, meeting; the motion was seconded.

Mr. Graham called attention to the need for clarification of the fourth paragraph in Item VII, New Business. Mrs. Bennett has asked that she not be on the Library Committee since she was already on the Curriculum Committee. She felt that there should be another representative to serve on the Library Committee.

Approval of the June 1, 1976, Minutes was given by voice vote.

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

Mr. Kegerreis reported that the new academic programs launched this fall seem to be heavily subscribed and doing well.

The building program is on a revised schedule due to delays caused by the strikes of a year ago.

All faculty positions and prominent administrative positions are filled with only one or two exceptions.

For the first time, our enrollment has declined; undergraduate enrollment is down four (4) percent and graduate enrollment is down 11 percent. The full-time equivalent enrollment is down only 2.4 percent. This decrease could have an effect on the budget in two ways--one through subsidy and the other through student fees. After all figures are available, the budget will be reviewed.

The Governor has indicated that there will be a cut across the board for all state agencies; this will be somewhere between 1.3 and 1.7 percent. Because of this cut in funds, Bowling Green and Miami have already announced fee increases for the next quarter. The Board of Trustees will review Wright State fees at its next meeting but he was unable to forecast the trustees reaction. If the university does raise fees, it might be on a surcharge basis. The university would go back to the previous level of fees if the biennium budget would get back to a realistic level.

The university has been working with the Board of Regents' staff on the needs of the university during the next biennium. At this time, neither political party in Ohio is speaking of an increase in taxes. The university might assume that the Higher Education Community in the state will then be operating on what amounts to a continuation budget. It does not mean that our budget will not increase. What it means is that we will receive a modest increase to take care of inflation and perhaps for some enrollment increases. The details of the university's fiscal affairs will be made available to the university as soon as all information has been gathered.

Mr. Kegerreis closed on a note of continued optimism about the university. The university's new programs are going forward.

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

Under the item of New Business, Item B., the Replacements for Standing Committees, 1., a., Peggy Foster is to replace Marie Lobo, not Ullainee Battigaglia.

Under B., 1., c., the student replacement is Janice Malicki.

For information purposes only, Mr. Graham notified Council that the Admissions Committee replaced Ullainee Battigaglia and Billy Friar with Joan Swartz and Merrill Andrews.

Sue Cummings, an elected faculty representative from Science and Engineering, has resigned her position on Council because of her appointment as Acting Associate Dean of the School of Graduate Studies. Nominations and elections are now being carried out by the Elections Committee.

The Faculty Affairs Committee distributed a handout at this meeting pertaining to amendments to the charter of the University Programming Board. This will become Item H under New Business.

The list of Tenured Full Professors that relates to Item A. , New Business, needs to be corrected inasmuch as non-tenured members were included. (See corrected list, Attachment A.)

Mr. Graham stated that the Steering Committee would appreciate input as to the criteria for professor emeritus status.

V. Reports of the Standing Committees:

A. Curriculum Committee, Mr. Neve reporting.

The committee met for the first time on September 27. The committee is reviewing two items, one is an articulation with Southern State College and the other is a revision in the course change form.

B. Faculty Affairs Committee, Mr. Constable reporting.

Mr. Constable indicated there was nothing to report inasmuch as the committee had not yet met.

C. Library Committee, Ms. White reporting.

The committee discussed how to maintain lines of communication with all departments and program chairmen concerning the library.

The committee is also evaluating the new approval plan for acquisitions; committee members will be meeting with various library representatives to determine how the plan is working.

The third item of discussion was the general periodicals section of the library.

There was also interest expressed in regard to longer library hours and establishing a support group, a "Friends of the Library" group.

D. Student Affairs Committee, Mr. Sayer reporting.

The Student Affairs Committee has appointed Mr. Allan Spetter as Chairman of the Student Publications Subcommittee.

The Student Affairs Committee met on September 23 and approved changes in the charter of the University Programming Board which is on the agenda as Item H, under New Business.

The same day, the Student Affairs Committee also adopted the following resolution, "The University Student Affairs Committee opposes censorship on campus recognizing the responsibility of university individuals and groups to act in a responsible manner."

- E. Undergraduate Petitions Committee, Mr. Hubschman reporting.

There was no formal report from the Undergraduate Petitions Committee.

Mr. Hubschman requested approval under New Business of the Undergraduate Petitions Committee membership. (See Attachment B of the October 4 Agenda.)

VI. Old Business

- A. Proposal for granting the student representative from the School of Nursing a vote and seat on the Academic Council. (See Attachment B, Minutes of June 1, 1976.)

Ms. Lynch made reference to the Faculty Handbook (June 1976), page 12, and moved that Article III, Section 3, D., of the University Faculty Constitution and Bylaws be amended to read: "The eight representatives from the student body shall be appointed in the following manner":

The motion was seconded.

It was pointed out that this motion, if approved, would not go to the Constitutional Review Committee but to the general faculty at the next Faculty Meeting.

Mr. Wright asked if this additional student to the Academic Council could be a recurring situation as constituencies change.

Mr. Murray pointed out that additional changes might be necessary in the future.

Ms. Lynch indicated that the Student Caucus determines what constituencies are mutually exclusive.

The motion recommending the policy change passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

- B. Proposal from Student Affairs Committee that the Student Publications Committee become the Media Committee. (See Attachment C, Minutes of June 1, 1976.)

Motion was made and seconded.

The change is well defined in the brief memo that Mr. Page, last year's chairer of the Student Affairs Committee, sent to Ms. Dreher suggesting that in the time that the Student Publications Subcommittee had been formed, and at present we have the existence of a new student voice, WWSU. Essentially, we would ask that the Student Publications Subcommittee be changed to the Student Media Committee to encompass the operations of WWSU--any changes are made to encompass that change itself. This is something that will have to eventually be voted on by the faculty.

Motion passed by roll-call vote, 27-0

VII. New Business:

- A. Election of Professor-at-Large for the University Promotions and Tenure Committee. (See Attachment A, Revised List of Tenured Full Professors.)

This item will be Old Business at the November Academic Council meeting.

The motion was made to suspend the rules for Items B through F.

The motion was seconded and the rules were suspended by two-thirds vote.

- B. Replacements for Standing Committees:

It was moved and seconded that P. Foster is to replace M. Lobo, B. Anderson is to replace R. McCarty, and Janice Malicki is to be placed on the Student Affairs Committee; K. Hale is to replace A. Bennett on the Library Committee.

Item B passed by voice vote.

- C. Election of Nursing Representative to the Steering Committee.

Julia George was nominated as the Nursing Representative.

The motion was made and seconded to close the nominations.

The nomination passed by voice vote.

- D. Approval of Undergraduate Petitions Committee. (See Attachment B, October 4 Agenda.)

Mr. Graham moved the acceptance of the Undergraduate Petitions Committee.

Motion seconded and passed by voice vote.

E. Election of Representative to Athletic Council.

Michael Cleary was nominated as chairer of Athletic Council.

The motion was made and seconded to close the nominations.

The nomination was passed by voice vote.

F. Recommendation to hold December meeting of Academic Council on November 29.

The motion was made to change the meeting from the 6th of December to the 29th of November.

The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

G. Approval of Change in Bylaws of Graduate Council. (See Attachment C October 4 Agenda)

H. Amendments to the Charter of The University Programming Board. (See University Programming Board Charter, Attachment B.)

This item was added as New Business at this meeting, and will be carried over as Old Business at the November meeting.

VIII. The meeting adjourned at 3:55 p. m.