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ACADEMIC COUNCIL

MAY 7, 1979

MINUTES

- I. The meeting of May 7, 1979 was called to order by Chairman Pro Tem Vice President Murray at 3:15 p.m. in the Cafeteria Extension of the University Center.

Present:

J. Barton, J. Beljan, S. Bentsen, J. Castellano, G. Constable, S. Cummings, P. Doherty, R. Dolphin, K. Eckerle, I. Fritz, R. Glaser, B. Hutchings, R. Kegerreis, S. Klein, L. Low, J. Murray, E. Nicholson, D. Pabst, M. Ritchie, A. Rodin, J. Sayer, W. Stoesz, B. Tea, E. Wetter.

Absent:

B. Barth, C. Burkhart, T. Burns, R. Fox, P. Horn, L. Lord, K. Racevskis, R. Schumacher, P. Simcox, T. Staton, H. Wachtell, M. White.

- II. A motion was presented to have the minutes of the April 2, 1979 Academic Council minutes approved as written. The motion was seconded, and the minutes were unanimously approved.
- III. Report of the President: no report.
- IV. Report of the Steering Committee: Mr. Castellano stated that items to be added to the agenda as New Business are:
1. Approval of courses with variant grading.
 2. Resolution by Mr. Klein.
 3. Proposal to Change the Grading System.

Mr. Castellano also reported the appointment of an ad hoc Committee on Faculty Fringe Benefits. Members of the Committee are: D. Pabst, chairer, N. Nussbaum, K. Ahmad, A. Spiegel, C. Benner, M. Lowe and M. Kinney. Mr. Castellano advised the Council that input can be made to any of these Committee members.

- V. Reports of the Standing Committees:

- A. Curriculum Committee: Mr. Glaser reported, as previously mentioned, the Committee will introduce the Proposal to Change the Grading System as New Business.
- B. Faculty Affairs: Mr. Tiernan reported that the "STRS Pick-up" was still in an approved status.

He, also, reported the Committee was reviewing the Retrenchment Policy and the possibility of dental insurance for the faculty

- C. Library Committee: no report.

- D. Student Affairs Committee: Mr. Renas reported on two areas of concern brought to his attention recently. First is the procedure for appealing a grade and second is the use of visitors parking lot by faculty and medical school personnel.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Proposed Changes to the Athletic Constitution

A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposed changes. Discussion followed.

The vote was as follows:

In favor: J. Beljan, S. Bentsen, J. Castellano, G. Constable, P. Doherty, R. Dolphin, R. Glaser, R. Kegerreis, S. Klein, J. Murray, E. Nicholson, D. Pabst, A. Rodin, B. Tea.

Opposed: J. Barton, S. Cummings, K. Eckerle, I. Fritz, B. Hutchings, L. Low, M. Ritchie, J. Sayer, W. Stoesz, E. Wetter.

Motion passed with a vote of 14-10.

(See Attachment A)

B. Proposed Policy concerning "I" Grades

A motion was made and seconded to approved. Discussion followed.

A motion was made and seconded to amend the policy by exempting graduate courses. Discussion followed. The motion was denied by voice vote.

The vote on the original proposal was as follows:

In favor: J. Barton, J. Beljan, S. Bentsen, J. Castellano, G. Constable, S. Cummings, P. Doherty, R. Dolphin, K. Eckerle, R. Glaser, B. Hutchings, R. Kegerreis, S. Klein, L. Low, J. Murray, D. Pabst, M. Ritchie, A. Rodin, J. Sayer, W. Stoesz, B. Tea, E. Wetter.

The motion passes with a vote of 22-0.

C. Proposed Policy on Changing Official Transcript Grades

The motion was made and seconded to approve. There was no discussion.

The vote was as follows:

In favor: J. Barton, J. Beljan, S. Bentsen, J. Castellano, G. Constable, S. Cummings, P. Doherty, R. Dolphin, K. Eckerle, R. Glaser, B. Hutchings, R. Kegerreis, S. Klein, L. Low, J. Murray, D. Pabst, M. Ritchie, A. Rodin, J. Sayer, W. Stoesz, B. Tea, E. Wetter.

D. Proposed Policy on Transfer Credit for Students from Colleges and Universities without Regional Accreditation

The motion was made and seconded to approve. After discussion, the motion was made and seconded to send the proposal back to Committee for further clarification.

E. Election of the Members of the Steering Committee for 1979-80

J. Daily, Business and Administration; T. Wetmore, Liberal Arts;
H. Ertel, Education; and T. Burns, Student Caucus Chairer; were elected
to the Steering Committee.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Proposed Academic Council Calendar 1979-80

A motion was made and seconded to suspend the rules. Motion passed.

A motion was then made and seconded to approved the calendar. The motion passed
by voice vote.

B. Recommendation from the ad hoc General Education Committee

Mr. Neve explained the rationale of the proposal. There were questions in
regard to the proposal. Mr. Kegerreis encouraged the Committee members to
continue on the project. (See Attachment B)

C. Proposal to Change the Grading System

The proposal was discussed and Mr. Falkner was asked to report on the feasibility
of the change to the Council at the next meeting. (See Attachment C)

D. Variant Grading of Courses

A motion was made and seconded to suspend the rules. The motion passed by
voice vote.

A motion was then made and seconded to approved the changes. Motion passed
by voice vote. (See Attachment D)

E. Resolution

In a statement preceding his resolution, Mr. Klein said when someone experiences
something good, we all like to share in the euphoria, and he would like to
recommend this type of resolution be a tradition year after year.

Motion was made and seconded to suspend the rules. Motion passed by voice vote.

Mr. Klein then presented a resolution commending the Theatre Arts Department
on their recent production of "Look Back in Anger" presented in Washington D.C.

The motion was made and seconded to accept the motion as part of the minutes
and forward a copy of the resolution to the Theatre Arts Department. Motion
passed by voice vote. (See Attachment E)

- F. Mr. Murray voiced his thanks and appreciation to Mr. Castellano for his year of service as Vice President of the Faculty.

Mr. Klein will present a formal resolution thanking Mr. Castellano at the next meeting.

- VIII. The new members of Academic Council were seated at the conclusion of the meeting. The new members are: J. Beljan, E. Cantelupe, R. Fox, B. Hutchings, G. Torres, J. Daily, H. Ertel, E. Fernandez, J. Barton, E. Wales, T. Wetmore, L. Howard, K. Kotecha and S. Klein.

- IX. A motion was presented and seconded to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

The next meeting of Academic Council will be on Monday, June 4 at 3:10 p.m. in the Cafeteria Extension of the University Center.