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CAMPUS COMMUNICATION

Date: October 27, 1970

To: Walker Allen, Secretary of the Academic Council

From: Allan Spetter, Secretary of the Steering Committee

Subject: Agenda of the Academic Council Meeting of November 2, 1970 at 3:10 P.M. in Room 402, Fawcett Hall

- I. Call to order.
- II. Approval of the Minutes of the Academic Council meeting of October 5, 1970.
- III. Report from the President.
- IV. Committee Reports.
 - A. Steering Committee.
 - B. Standing Committees.
 1. Faculty Affairs Committee.
 2. Student Affairs Committee.
 3. Curriculum Committee.
 4. Resources Committee.
 5. Library Committee.
- V. Old Business.
 - A. Recognition of course-related work.
See Attachment "A" of October 5 Agenda.
 - B. Deletion of Psychology 113.
See Attachment "B" of October 5 Agenda.
 - C. Approval of interim "Pass-Fail" plan.
See Attachment "C" of October 5 Agenda.
 - D. Approval of Accounting 481-6, Internship Program.
See Attachment "D" of October 5 Agenda.

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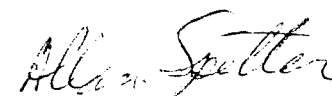
- E. Approval of Graduate Faculty and Council By-laws
(note amendment submitted by L. Strausbaugh).
See Attachment "G" of October 5 Agenda and
Attachment "F" of October 5 meeting Minutes.
- F. Approval of Celina Petitions Committee.
See Attachment "H" of October 5 Agenda.
- G. Approval of revisions of regulations relating to
Student Publications. See Attachment "G" of
October 5 meeting Minutes.
- H. Approval of revision of Art. 6 (Conduct) of the
Code of Regulations and final version of the
Judicial Council Charter. Distributed to the
Academic Council on October 21, 1970.

VI. New Business

- A. Proposal for new B.A. requirements for Science
and Engineering. See Attachment "A."
- B. New course approvals.
See Attachment "B."
- C. Approval of Courses for "pass-unsatisfactory"
grading. See Attachment "C."
- D. Consideration of recommendation from Resources
Committee for creation of Division of Freshman
Studies. See Attachment "D." (The Resources
Committee may ask for a suspension of the rules
to get a vote on this).

VII. Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,


Allan Spetter

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING

November 2, 1970

- I. The meeting of the Academic Council was called to order by the Chairman, President Brage Golding at 3:10 in room 401 Fawcett. The following members were present:

Constituency A

J. Uphoff
H. Silverman
J. Dillehay
L. Hoehn

Constituency E

E. Cox
J. Dorn
A. Spetter
L. Krantz

Constituency B

J. Treacy
J. Throckmorton
N. Anon
T. Evans
J. Laycock

Administration

B. Golding
A. Spiegel
W. Baker
R. Conley
R. Kegerreis
N. Marquis
R. Milheim
W. Abraham

Constituency C

L. Hussman
N. Cary
R. Must
C. Cary
B. Dreher
P. Olds
E. Harden

Students

D. Campbell
L. Strausbaugh

Constituency D

J. Hubschman
D. Karl
D. Sachs
R. Battino
B. Hutchings
S. Klein
W. Coppage
P. Batra

- II. A. The Minutes of the Academic Council Meeting of October 5 were approved with the following changes:
1. Add to the beginning of III, G. paragraph 2 "After much discussion"...
 2. Change VII, D., 1., "Bio 433-2 Laboratory for Plant Biochemistry".
 3. Add to VII, E., (before "Motion adopted") the paragraph "The Chair ruled that there was no need to delay this motion since it is needed for the Agenda for the University Faculty Meeting."
- B. The Chair ruled that any member of the Academic Council may provide an addendum to the Minutes of the Academic Council.

III. Report from President, Brage Golding:

The Chairman requested that Council agree to being less formal by dropping the title of "Doctor" in discussions and that the Minutes reflect only Mr., Miss, or Mrs. The Council concurred.

1. Copy of Leavitt Committee report has been distributed to the Faculty. The Faculty should be aware of Legislative sentiment and the fact that this version is milder than the original.
2. President Golding has copies of the Grand Jury's Kent State indictment. Copies are to be placed in the Library, Dean's offices and other convenient locations. The report represents the thinking of the public.
3. Copies of the Scranton Report are available in the Library, President's Office, or Dean Baker's Office.
4. Miami University has established a trespass law on its campuses and more such actions will probably follow.
5. The new parking lot still needs a final coat of glaze and will be open when the weather permits.

IV. Reports of Committees.

A. Steering Committee Mr. Hussman reporting.

1. Faculty meeting is to be held November 23, 1970 at 3:30 p.m. in Oelman Auditorium. The change in the charge and makeup of the Curriculum Committee is on the agenda.
2. Election of Professor-at-large on University Promotion and Tenure Committee is to be taken up under New Business today. Divisional representatives are:
 - a. E. Craine - Liberal Arts
 - b. D. Pabst - Business
 - c. R. Battino - Science and Engineering
 - d. Education - election is in process

3. Efforts are being made to get the agenda out early. It may be necessary to hold the Steering Committee meeting earlier.
4. Mr. Hussman moved to endorse the nomination of Mr. Paul Wolfe as Faculty Representative to the Residence Hall Council. No action was taken since the Academic Council is not the authorizing agency for the Residence Hall Council, but the Academic Council did concur in principle with the appointment. The Student Affairs Committee was directed to review the Residence Hall Council, purpose to determine whether or not the Academic Council should be involved.
5. Items G and H of the original agenda were temporarily withdrawn.

B. Standing Committees.

1. Faculty Affairs, Mr. Thobaben reporting
See Attachment A
2. Student Affairs, Mr. Cary reporting
Withdrawn items (G and H of agenda) are being re-worked.
3. Curriculum, Mr. Batra reporting
See Attachment B
4. Resources, Mr. Uphoff reporting
Report of ad hoc Freshman Studies Committee is on this meeting's agenda.
5. Library, Mr. Sachs reporting
No report

V. Old Business

A. Dr. Batra moved, for the Curriculum Committee, the following:

"The faculty and administration of the University recognize that, while course-related work will make up the largest part of a student's educational program other activities may have substantial educational value. Since course work is usually structured in a rigid time pattern, participation in these other activities may occasionally conflict with regular course program."

"It is the policy of the university that, when students notify them in advance, faculty should make all reasonable efforts to help students keep up with their course work when they are absent from class to participate in some other activity of educational value. Faculty members will have the right to decide on the educational value of any activity, but they should take a broad rather than a narrow view. Examples of such activities are attendance at talks by well-known persons at Wright State or at neighboring institutions,

participation in field trips organized by student professional clubs, attendance at musical and dramatic performances, and participation in political and civic improvement campaigns. Naturally, students should make every effort to arrange these activities around their regular course programs. If a student expects to be away from more than ten percent of his classes, he should seriously consider dropping out of school for a quarter or at least reducing his course load."

Motion adopted

- B. 1. Deletion of Psychology 113
(See Attachment "B" of October 5 Agenda)

Mr. Batra moved to delete Psychology 113 (as a part of the sequence 111-112 for those beginning Psychology 111 during and after Fall Quarter 1970).

Discussion:

Mr. Klein expressed concern that the action is not in the best interest of the students. It is difficult for students as well as faculty to compress 108 hours of instruction to 72 hours. He felt more consideration needs to be given to improvement of the course.

Mr. Treacy moved the question.

Motion carried

Mr. Klein requested a secret ballot.

Mr. Campbell objected.

Request to take secret ballot denied by a show of hands.

Original Motion adopted.

2. Dr. Batra moved, for the Curriculum Committee, that Psychology 113 be dropped after the Spring Quarter 1971. (in order to accommodate those who started the Psychology 111-112 prior to the Fall Quarter 1970).

Motion adopted

- C. Mr. Batra moved for the Curriculum Committee approval of the policy:

"As an interim policy, while the whole grading system is under review, the University Curriculum Committee is hereby authorized to approve a pass-unsatisfactory grading system for special courses that have been approved previously on the established A through F grading system."

Discussion:

Dr. Batra indicated that special courses are identified as courses which cannot be graded objectively such as workshops, seminars etc. Mr. Throckmorton felt these are temporary courses offered in this way and if this is not the case that they be handled through other procedures.

Mr. Throckmorton moved to refer this to the Curriculum Committee for a more specific definition of "special" courses and a termination date of authority.

Motion to refer fails.

Motion adopted

- D. Mr. Batra moved approval of Accounting 481-7, Internship Program for the University Curriculum Committee.
(See Attachment "D" of October 5 Agenda)

Motion adopted

- E. Mr. Milheim moved to adopt the Graduate Council Bylaws

The Chair ruled that the document would be acted upon at the next meeting after the Graduate Council has an opportunity to discuss the amendment proposed by Miss Strausbaugh.

Mr. Campbell questioned the relationship of the matter of dishonesty of graduate students as covered by the Graduate Council Bylaws to the Student Judiciary Council.

Mr. Campbell moved the Section I, 4 be amended to remove all wording in that item after "meet academic standards".

Motion adopted

- F. Approval of Celina Petitions Committee.
(See Attachment "H" of October 5 Agenda)

Mr. Cary moved that the Western Ohio Branch Campus be permitted to establish its own undergraduate petitions committee. The committee would be at the same level as our current divisional committees and would have at least one full-time faculty member from each of our academic divisions. It would act upon petitions for exceptions to the University regulations requested by students enrolled at the Western Ohio Branch Campus.

Discussion:

It was noted that the committee's action would be reviewed by the University Undergraduate Petitions Committee.

Motion carried.

VI. New Business

- A. Mr. Hussman noted that the Professor-at-large member of the Promotion and Tenure Committee should have been elected by Council at the June 1970 meeting but was overlooked.

Those nominated were: Messrs G. Skinner, W. Huckins, R. Smith, J. Hubschman, and H. Hanson. In the run-off between Messrs Skinner and Hubschman, Mr. Hubschman was elected.

- B. Dr. Batra presented for the University Curriculum Committee, the requirements for the B.A. degree in the Division of Science and Engineering for action at the next meeting. (See Attachment A)
- C. Mr. Batra moved for the University Curriculum Committee, the approval of the following courses:

SPC 133-3	Fundamentals of Parliamentary Procedure
SPC 137-3	Persuasion: Theory and Practice
SPC 334-3	The Thetoric of Agitation and Control
EGR 444-3	Advanced Electronic Circuits
ED 470-1-6	Curriculum and Instruction Workshop

And these additional new courses from amended Motion #2:

PSY 373-3	Methods in Sensation and Perception
PSY 363-3	Methods in Animal Learning
PSY 456-3	Methods in Psycholinguistic Research
PSY 462-3	Methods in Human Learning and Memory
PLS 361-3	Politics of the Middle East
PLS 464-3	Contemporary African Politics
GEO 402-3	Geography of the United States
GEO 404-3	Geography of Europe
GEO 434-3	Climatology for Earth Science Teachers
GEO 450-3	Geography of Transportation
BIO 450-3	Molecular Genetics
BIO 451-3	Molecular Genetics Laboratory

Motion adopted.

- D. Consideration of recommendation from Resources Committee for creation of Division of Freshman Studies. See Attachment "D" of November 2 Agenda. (The Resources Committee may ask for a suspension of the rules to get a vote on this).

Mr. Uphoff presented the report for the ad hoc Freshman Studies Committee. The chair requested Council consensus.

Discussion:

Mr. Coppage indicated that he had been a student in such a division and it did not improve the situations it was designed to help and the organization was finally dropped.

Mr. Throckmorton wondered if the Wright State University General College concept was the same. Mr. Abraham indicated that it was not the same for a number of reasons. Mrs. Harden expressed concern about the lack of information justifying the creation of the division.

Mrs. Harden moved to refer back to the Resources Committee for discussion with departments involved.

Mr. Uphoff offered that the Committee had intentionally left the structure undefined to permit a new man flexibility. Questions were raised about the amount of money to operate the division and whether or not the money would be well spent.

The Chairmanship was turned over to Mr. Hubschman, Mr. Golding pointed out that freshman are not well handled in terms of suspension rates, advising, etc. This division will focus on the problems of freshmen. It will have such responsibilities as:

1. Administrative matters for freshmen.
2. Transfer student in and out of courses for the interest of the students.
3. Specialized advisors in residence.
4. Coordination of other services.
5. To demonstrate that we care about the freshmen.

Time is essential if we are to implement by June for next fall's class. Other kinds of academic programs might be utilized, i.e., Orientation, Special Lecture Series.

Mr. Treacy asked if the danger of specialization doesn't apply to this. He felt that other academic units may drop all concern about freshmen with a division devoted to freshmen. Mr. Uphoff pointed out that the division will have no faculty at the beginning.

Motion to refer failed.

VIII. The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.



Walker M. Allen, Jr.
Secretary