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Academic Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes, November 3, 1975

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Members of the Academic Council will meet at 3:10 P.M., Monday, November 3, 1975 in Rooms 155 A, B, C (Presidential Dining Area), Main Floor, University Center.

I. Call to order.

II. Approval of Minutes of October 6, 1975 meeting.

III. Report of the President.


V. Report of the Steering Committee

VI. Reports of the Standing Committees:
   A. Curriculum Committee
   B. Faculty Affairs Committee
   C. Library Committee
   D. Student Affairs Committee

VII. Old Business:
   A. Approval of members of the Petitions Committee (See Attachment A).
   B. Approval of statement on "The Computerization and Use of Faculty Records" (See Attachment E of June 2, 1975 minutes).
   C. Approval of statement on "Faculty Retrenchment Policy" (See Attachment D of June 2, 1975 minutes). (See proposed Amendment, Attachment B).
   D. Approval of Professional Development Degree (See Attachment C).

VIII. New Business
   A. Approval of new courses (See Attachment D).

VIII. Adjournment.
B. Replacement of member on the Curriculum Committee.

It was moved to suspend the rules to consider this item at this time. The motion was seconded and approved by voice vote.

The Curriculum Committee asked that J. Zamonski replace N. Cary for the fall quarter only.

It was so moved and seconded and approved by voice vote.

VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 P.M.
I. The November meeting was called to order by Chairman Pro Tem Vice Provost Murray at 3:15 P.M. in room 155 of the University Center.

Present:

Absent:

II. Minutes of the October 6, 1975 meeting were approved by voice vote without correction.

III. Report of the President, Mr. Spiegel reporting:

Mr. Spiegel reported on the impact on the university of the so-called Sunshine Bill. Legal opinion from our general council indicates that this bill would only include meetings held by the Board of Trustees. Most committees already have students as members. Mr. Spiegel requested that Chairmen of Academic Council Committees let his office know when their meetings are scheduled to be held so that if others wish to attend, the information would be available.

Mr. Spiegel noted that analysis of enrollment, student fee income, and subsidy, was being studied on campus and in Columbus. As matters stand at present, the University expects to receive only 98 percent of the subsidy originally allocated by the Board of Regents because of Governor Rhodes's action in reducing appropriated funds by two percent. Since all schools in the state had higher enrollments than are provided by the Board of Regents, there will not be any overearned subsidy. Therefore, there are a number of students enrolled this quarter for which the university is not receiving subsidy; student fees pay only approximately 40 percent of the cost of their education. The impact of the loss of this subsidy will be felt next year, when these additional students need additional support services and new faculty, if subsidy cannot be earned for them in the future. For the present year, Mr. Spiegel felt that the state of affairs is still healthy.
IV. Report on North Central Visitation, Mr. MacKinney reporting.

Mr. MacKinney reported that the North Central Sight Visitation Team will be on campus November 19, 20 and 21, 1975. He asked that full cooperation be given to the team. He noted that they will be meeting with members of the Steering Committee, Faculty Affairs Committee, and several other groups along with staff from the Library, Computer Center, and Student Services.

Mr. MacKinney was asked if there would be any classroom visitations. He replied that he doubted if there would be any classroom visitations, especially without the Professor's permission.

At this point, Mr. Murray deviated from the agenda and apologized for not introducing the new Chairer of the Student Caucus, Mr. Schmidt, at his first meeting with us.

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

Under old business, the Steering Committee will ask for approval of the Undergraduate Petitions Committee. Under new business, there will be discussion concerning replacement of a member for the Curriculum Committee for the fall quarter.

The Steering Committee is working with the Elections Committee concerning the change of constituencies, and it is continuing to deliberate on alternatives to the quarter system.

VI. Reports of the Standing Committees.

A. Curriculum Committee, Mr. Whippen reporting.

Under old business, the University Curriculum Committee is recommending approval of a Professional Development Degree to be offered by the College of Science and Engineering. The committee is still working with the eight week drop date and early graduation. Mr. Whippen asked for input from the university community in regard to procedures for course approval, and in particular, for workshops for academic credit offered at the Kettering Center.

B. Faculty Affairs Committee, Mr. Nicholson reporting.

The committee is continuing to study the idea of a limited term contract. Within the next week, the committee will be conducting a survey of the faculty to determine their priorities for fringe benefit programs. Next month the committee hopes to make some recommendations for changes in the due process procedures.
C. Library Committee, Mr. Wood reporting.

The Library Committee met on October 24, 1975 and reviewed the library acquisitions budget for 1975-76 and began the development of an agenda for the academic year. By realizing that the success of the Library Committee depends to a large measure on the amount of communication the committee has with the rest of the faculty, the committee is going to attempt to assign each member of the Library Committee a certain number of departments and area of programs for which they will have the responsibility of contacting library representatives within those areas. The committee will be meeting again November 21, 1975 and welcomes any suggestions for the items to be placed on the agenda.

D. Student Affairs Committee, Mr. Page reporting.

Mr. A. Spetter was approved as Chairman of Publications for this year. The committee has also been considering the following: 1. An advisory committee for WWSU, a parallel to the publications committee, and 2. day care facilities on campus - what are they currently and what possibilities are there for a drop-in day care center, and also parking.

VII. Old Business:

A. Approval of members of the Undergraduate Petitions Committee (Attachment A to November 3, 1975 Agenda)

It was moved that the University Undergraduate Petitions Committee be approved with the exception of the Western Ohio Branch Campus representative. WOBC will nominate a member at a later date.

The motion was approved by voice vote.

The members of the Undergraduate Petitions Committee are:

- J. Hubschman, Chairer
- L. Aleshire, Student
- B. Collie, Education
- A. Foley, Biological Sciences
- A. Gasior, English
- J. George, Nursing
- D. Pabst, Continuing Education
- A. Shearer, University Division
- P. Vorherr, Accountancy
- C. Workman, Student

B. Approval of statement on "The Computerization and Use of Faculty Records" (Attachment E to June 2, 1975 minutes).
Motion for approval was placed and seconded.

It was noted that at the present time, no data concerning faculty is being input into a computer file.

The statement on "The Computerization and Use of Faculty Records" was approved by voice vote.

C. Approval of statement on "Faculty Retrenchment Policy" (Attachment D to June 2, 1975 minutes). (Proposed Amendment, Attachment B to November 3, 1975 Agenda).

Motion for approval was placed and seconded.

Mr. Levine proposed the amendment that we strike out on line 61 beginning with the word "Within" and ending with the word "ranks" on line 65, and the following sentence be substituted:

"The order of determination will be determined by the department after consultation with the Dean".

The proposed amendment was seconded.

There was much discussion concerning this matter. It was noted that, in this document, there is reference to the 1975 revised Policy and Procedures for the Granting of Promotion and Tenure at Wright State University. Since the promotions and tenure document has not yet been approved, there were reservations about acting on this document.

Mr. Levine moved to table this document.

It was seconded and passed by voice vote to table the motion until the Promotion and Tenure Document is passed.

Mr. Fortman's amendment was not considered.

D. Approval of Professional Development Degree (Attachment C to November 3, 1975 Agenda).

A motion for approval was placed and seconded. There was no discussion from the floor.

Approval was given by voice vote, without opposition.

VIII. New Business:

A. Approval of New Courses (Attachment D to November 3, 1975 Agenda).

There was discussion as to the process by which courses are approved and the time element needed for this process. It was noted that there might be courses that are being offered without full approval of the Academic Council.