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Academic Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes, October 6, 1980

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To: Members of the Academic Council

From: Lilburn P. Hoehn, Chairer of the Steering Committee

Subject: Agenda for Academic Council Meeting on Monday October 6, 1980 at 3:10

Place: Rear Section of the University Center Cafeteria

Agenda:

I. Call to order

II. Approval of minutes from the June 2, 1980 meeting.

III. Report of the President.

IV. Report of the Steering Committee.

V. Report of the Standing Committees:
   A. Curriculum
   B. Faculty Affairs
   C. Library
   D. Student Affairs
   E. Budget Review Committee

VI. Old Business:
   A. Approval of the nomination of Peter Doherty to the General Education subcommittee as the representative from Social Sciences as directed by Academic Council action on June 2, 1980 (see minutes VII. C.). The Steering Committee, however, recommends that Academic Council reconsider the addition of a representative from Social Sciences before voting on the above nomination.

VII. New Business:
   A. Approval of additional representatives to the Standing Committees (see Attachment A). Current Committee memberships will be distributed at the meeting.

VIII. Adjournment.
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MINUTES
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I. The meeting of October 6, 1980 was called to order by Chairman Pro Tem Vice President John V. Murray, at 3:15 p.m. in the Cafeteria Extension of the University Center.


II. A motion was presented to have the minutes of June 2, 1980 Academic Council meeting approved as written. The motion was moved and seconded. There was unanimous approval for acceptance of the minutes.

III. Report of the President:

A. President Kegerreis reported on the University Budget. Because of the cut in state funding, the University Budget was reviewed and cut. The next possible crisis could come after the first of the year, when the legislature reconvenes and then the Office of Budget Management assesses the second half of the fiscal year for the State of Ohio.

B. The President reported on the progress of the University Planning Task Force. The task force are meeting regularly and has achieved nearly all the objectives that were included in the first phase, including a draft of a working document titled "Missions Statement of Wright State University".

C. The President reported on the progress of the four Administrative Review Committees scheduled for this Fall. The two reviews involving Deans of Science & Engineering and Liberal Arts are proceeding on schedule. The Administrative Review Committee for Vice President for Student Affairs announced open hearings and a questionnaire surveying instrument has been tentatively adopted. The Administrative Review Committee for the President has been divided into five sub groups and is examining various aspects of the operation and activity of the President. Those five sub committees are drafting their reports for consideration by the committee of the whole.

D. The last item President Kegerreis reported on budgetary problems facing Higher Education in other states. In some states the voters will have to face either reducing university expenditures or increasing taxes such as property taxes. The President felt that the Higher Education of the State of Ohio may be fortunate enough not to have to face these problems.

IV. Report of the Steering Committee:

A. Mr. L. Hoehn, Chairman, reported the committee met on September 17. The committee discussed and acted on the Academic Council Motion of last June with regard to add an additional person to the General Education Sub-Committee.

B. Mr. Hoehn reported that the Steering Committee heard a report on the University Undergraduate Petitions Council. There was a concern over how petitions were approved, procedures of the council, and the consistency of its decisions.
C. Mr. Hoehn introduced Mr. Piediscalzi to the Council. At this time Mr. Piediscalzi showed a film on the United Way Campaign and spoke to the Council about the campaign for 1980 and urged everyone to give.

D. Mr. Hoehn reported on the progress of the Presidential Review Committee. The committee met three times and at the first meeting decided to establish five sub committees to review the various tasks of the President. The committee found out there are many tasks of the President: (1) problem solving, decision making; (2) personnel, academic planning and administration; (3) fiscal affairs; (4) student affairs; and (5) external relations.

E. Mr. S. Klein, Chairman, Administrative Review Committee for Vice President for Student Affairs, reported the committee was charged with evaluating the quality of the performance of its incumbent and the structure and function of the Office of Student Affairs. The committee held weekly meetings throughout the summer, heard reports from the nine administrative units reporting to the Vice President for Student Affairs, assembled questionnaires, and, is reviewing a confidential preliminary report on the structure and function of the office. Open hearings have been planned for next week. Reports of the committee's findings will be submitted before the Winter General Faculty Meeting.

V. Report of the Standing Committees:

A. Curriculum Committee: Mr. S. Frederick submitted two items of business to be placed on the agenda for the November 3, 1980 Academic Council Meeting under "Old Business". (1) RHB 470 - Special Topics with varied titles as a course modification request. (2) One Course Inventory Request - ENV 413 Applied and Environmental Studies. These courses are being presented for variant grading.

B. Faculty Affairs Committee: Mr. C. Hartmann reported the committee met three times and is considering the following five items: (1) Faculty Retrenchment Document (Including an early retirement option), (2) Charter for the Appeals Board, (3) A rank of Senior Instructor, (4) Funding a Disability Leave Program, and (5) Administrative Review Procedures.

C. Library Committee: Ms. E. Fernandez reported the committee has not met yet.

D. Student Affairs Committee: Creighton Phelps reported the committee is in the process of discussing class ranking and the Charter for the Appeals Board.

E. Budget Review Committee: Mr. J. Sayer reported the committee has met five times so far this year and is meeting on a weekly basis. They have to date provided the President with input concerning meeting the budget cuts caused by the reduction in state subsidy. This year the Budget Review Committee has a wide array of responsibilities. So that the entire committee would not have to study everything, three separate sub committees were formed. The subcommittees are:

1. Faculty and Staff salaries and benefits - Donald Pabst, Chairperson
2. The relative relationship between instructional and non-instructional budgets, chaired by Prof Batino
3. Revenues and Retention - J. Sayer

The Budget Review Committee also adopted Tentative Operating Guidelines (See Attachment "A").

VI. Old Business:

A. Mr. Hoehn provided some background on this agenda item, then made the motion for
Academic Council to reconsider the addition of a representative from Social Sciences, as approved at the June 2, 1980 Academic Council meeting, and it was seconded. After much discussion the question was called for and seconded. A voice vote was taken and it was unanimous to close discussion. A roll call vote was taken on the original motion as stated above. Those voting yes: P. Batra, B. Beeler, J. Buening, C. Cline, J. Daily, E. Fernandez, C. Hartmann, L. Hoehn, R. Iddings, R. Kegerreis, M. Moloney, J. Murray, D. Pabst, M. Roach, J. Sullivan, H. Viets, R. Weisman. Those voting No: P. Merriam, S. Ghosh, K. Hennessey, L. Howard, A. Hye, B. Guess, S. Klein, K. Kotecha, G. Skinner, P. Smith, A. Spiegel, E. Wales, B. Walker, T. Wetmore. 17 Yes and 14 No. Motion passed.

B. The motion now before the council was the amendment to include a representative be added to the General Education Subcommittee from the Social Sciences from the College of Liberal Arts. The motion was seconded and the floor was open for debate. After much debate the question was called for and by voice vote unanimously approved to close debate. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Those voting yes: J. Buening, P. Merriam, C. Cline, J. Daily, S. Ghosh, K. Hennessey, L. Howard, A. Hye, B. Guess, S. Klein, K. Kotecha, G. Skinner, P. Smith, A. Spiegel, E. Wales, B. Walker, T. Wetmore. Those voting No: P. Batra, B. Beeler, E. Fernandez, C. Hartmann, L. Hoehn, R. Iddings, R. Kegerreis, M. Moloney, J. Murray, D. Pabst, M. Roach, J. Sullivan, H. Viets, R. Weisman. 17 Yes and 14 No. Motion passed.

C. Mr. Hoehn, Chairman, Steering Committee, moved to nominate Mr. Peter Doherty from Geography, to serve as a representative from the Social Sciences of Liberal Arts on the General Education Subcommittee and his motion was seconded. No discussion took place, question was called for, and unanimously approved by voice vote. At this time a voice vote was taken and unanimously approved the motion.

VII. New Business

A. Approval of additional & replacement representatives to the Standing Committees (See Attachment "A" of the Agenda). Mr. Sayer reported this item should be considered as "Old Business" and acted upon at this meeting. A motion was made and seconded for approval. At this time floor was open for discussion. Mr. Donald Pabst asked to have item number 6 General Education Subcommittee corrected. It was repetitious of the line below it. Also to please add Peter Doherty (Liberal Arts). Discussion ended, a voice vote was taken, and the motion was approved (See Attachment "B") of the approved list.

B. Approval of Mr. Klein's motion (distributed to the council at this meeting), and Attachment "C" of these minutes. Mr. Klein moved to suspend the rules so that the council could act on his motion. The motion to suspend the rules was seconded and approved by voice vote. Mr. Klein then read his motion (See Attachment "C") and it was seconded. After considerable discussion and several amendments proposed, Mr. Sayer proposed a substitute motion: That the Academic Council direct the University Curriculum Committee to investigate the issue of scheduling the fourth hour and report to this body with all deliberate speed in offering recommendations and suggestions. This task needs to be completed by the end of Fall Quarter 1980 so that Spring schedules will read as such. At this time a voice vote was taken on the substitute motion and it was approved unanimously.

VIII. Adjournment:

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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