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Academic Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes, November 3, 1986

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TO: Members of Academic Council and University Faculty
FROM: Richard Williams, Vice President of the University Faculty *REW*
SUBJECT: Agenda for Academic Council Meeting on Monday, November 3, 1986,
at 3:10 p.m. Place: Rear Section of the University
Center Cafeteria

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes of October 6, 1986
- III. Report of the President: Paige Mulhollan
- IV. Report of the Steering Committee: Richard Williams
- V. Report of the Standing Committees
 - A. Curriculum: Robert Wagley
 - B. Faculty Affairs: Gregory Bernhardt
 - C. Library: Adrian Rake
 - D. Student Affairs: Alan Cooper
 - E. University Budget Review Committee: Robert Dixon
- VI. Old Business
 - A. A Recommendation Concerning the Position of "Lecturer"--
Gregory Bernhardt, University Faculty Affairs Committee
 - B. New Major in Management Information Systems--Robert
Wagley, University Curriculum Committee
 - C. New Minor in Anthropology, Robert Wagley
 - D. New Minor in History--Robert Wagley
 - E. New Minor in Political Science--Robert Wagley
 - F. Motion to approve GL 251, GL 252, GL 253, and GL 254
for ABCDF/PU (optional) grading--Robert Wagley
 - G. Motion to approve MTH 228 as an approved substitute
for MTH 105 (General Education)--Robert Wagley
 - H. Academic Standards and Requirements (UCC will propose
amendments to the document)--Robert Wagley
- VII. New Business
 - A. Call for nominations for the Professor-at-Large for the
University Promotion and Tenure Committee
(Attachment)
- VIII. Announcements and Special Reports
- IX. Adjournment

ACADEMIC COUNCIL
MINUTES
November 3 & 17, 1986

I. The meeting of November 3, 1986 was called to order by Richard Williams, Vice-President of the University Faculty, at 3:10 p.m. in the cafeteria extension of the University Center.

Present: J. Abidi, C. Altick, J. Ballantine, D. Beelick, J. Brandeberry, D. Carlson, J. Daily, C. Denman, P. Engle, M. Hall, C. Hathaway, R. Iddings, M. Kapp, J. Klinger, L. Kurdek, J. Lancaster, D. Leach, B. Mann, K. McNamara, V. O'Brien, R.A. Pendergrass, M. Perkel, S. Praeger, J. Runkle, M. Sammons, J. Sayer, R. Williams

Absent: L. Crum, W. Goulet, N. Hassan, J. Martin, P. Mulhollan, D. Murphy, M. Pryor, L. Shupe, D. Uetrecht

II. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the October 6, 1986 minutes as distributed.

III. Report of the President. No report.

IV. Report of the Steering Committee, Richard Williams reporting:

The committee approved the agenda for today's meeting. An ad hoc committee will be appointed to review and combine the Copyright and Patent policies into one Intellectual Property Document.

V. Report of the Standing Committees

A. Curriculum, Robert Wagley reporting:

No formal report; under old business today several items will be presented for a council vote.

B. Faculty Affairs, Gregory Bernhardt reporting:

1. The Faculty Affairs Committee met three times during the month of October and deliberated on the following:

a. A nontenure track position for teaching.

b. Early retirement.

c. Two AAUP resolutions concerning retired faculty.

d. Consideration of emeritus, university and distinguished professor status.

2. Under old business today the committee will present a recommendation to appoint an ad hoc committee to develop a recommendation concerning the employment of nontenured faculty to teach for a definite term of employment beyond the six-year term now in place. The ad hoc

committee will be able to address the various issues and concerns raised at the October 6, 1986 Academic Council meeting. Tentatively, a report and recommendations will be made to the Council in March, 1987.

3. Allan Barclay will serve as liaison between the subcommittee of the FAC and the UBRC on Early Retirement. A progress report will be presented before the end of the Fall Quarter, 1986.
4. The committee is reviewing the current policy for emeritus and university professor status. In addition, the title of distinguished professor is being reviewed and considered. The committee will be making a proposal concerning these three ranks as to their availability, criteria for appointment, and criteria for selection at a later date.
5. A number of faculty have expressed concern about the current status of the WSU Mission Statement. Their concern seems to be on the perceived lack of any wide-spread faculty consultation and input. Faculty seem to be generally uninformed about the current status of a document that could have a far-reaching impact on the university as a whole, and on its faculty in particular.
6. The FAC is in the process of appointing a hearing board to review the complaint of a member of the faculty.

C. Library, Adrian Rake reporting:

1. Mr. Rake discussed the acquisition of missing library holdings and the magnitude of the cost of these replacements with Charles Hathaway. Following a committee meeting on November 12, a statement and/or recommendation will be presented to the Academic Council.
2. Bids for the library addition have been submitted and one has been accepted.

D. Student Affairs - Richard Williams reporting:

The committee has met once to identify issues of student concern.

E. University Budget Review Committee, Robert Dixon reporting:

The UBRC meets biweekly (Wednesday) at 2 p.m. in the Large Conference Room.

1. A subcommittee is developing background for the salary negotiations for this year.
2. Ken Pollock reported on the following items:
 - An update on the management informational system that was conducted last year. Essentially, the study recommends the university spend between \$5-\$8 million over the next five years to upgrade data handling capability.
 - The university will be spending approximately \$750,000 to upgrade the telephone system.

3. Within the next two weeks:
 - James Parry will be reporting on the financial implications of the classified/unclassified salary study.
 - Donald Thomas will be reporting on the faculty research grant activity.
4. The committee has been made aware of the budget schedule for this year. It will be receiving raw data augmentation requests, and as the requests go through the process, the committee will be made aware of the recommendations and will have a chance to have feedback before they are sent to the Board in the spring.

VI. Old Business

A. A Recommendation to consider the Position of "Lecturer"
(Attachment A)

Discussion: Following the October 6 Academic Council meeting, this was discussed at two FAC meetings, with faculty government representatives, and with Charles Hathaway. The decision was to appoint an ad hoc committee to include a group of individuals that would be able to represent the various diverse concerns of the faculty. The ad hoc committee should provide their recommendation to the FAC by February 16, 1987.

Question called. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

B. Major in Management Information Systems
(Attachment C, 10/6/86 AC minutes)

Question called: Motion was approved.

C. Minor in Anthropology
(Attachment D, 10/6/86 AC minutes)

Question called: Motion was approved.

D. Minor in History
(Attachment E, 10/6/86 AC minutes)

Question called. Motion was approved.

E. Minor in Political Science
(Attachment F, 10/6/86 AC minutes)

Question called. Motion was approved.

F. GL 251, GL 252, GL 253, and GL 254 for ABCDF/PU (Optional) Grading

Discussion: There was question about the ABCDF/PU (optional) grading.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to table this recommendation pending further information on the grading system of these courses.

- Removing High School Deficiencies (Page 4, lines 18-25.)
Being no discussion, question was called and the motion was approved.
- Completing General Education Requirements (Page 4, lines 1-7.)
Discussion: It was pointed out that on line 1: "Students should" and on line 4: "requirement should" means this is not a requirement, but a recommendation. A friendly amendment on line 2: remove MTH 105 and add: "the general education mathematics requirement by the end of the....."
Question called; the motion was approved.
- Course Repeats (Page 4, lines 8-13 and page 5, lines 14-24, 1-11.)
Discussion: Mr. Wagley pointed out the change on page 5, lines 15/16: "(Exception: or until the course is offered again, during the regular academic year.)" The other change was made on page 5, line 7: "Courses may be repeated after graduation, but the grade earned will not affect the undergraduate grade point average."
Concern was expressed that this document, as written, selects a certain point in a student's academic history (45 hours) to implement a punitive system to punish a student for wanting to improve not only his/her knowledge and understanding of some course material, but also to try to improve his/her grade point average. There was a lengthy discussion as to the question of two separate policies for undergraduate students.
A friendly amendment was made on page 5, at the beginning of line 16 to add: ", if ever," during the regular academic year.)
A motion was made and seconded to return the "Course Repeats" section of the Academic Standards Proposal to the Curriculum Committee.
Discussion: Students expressed concerned for the lack of understanding and clarity of the policy and insufficient student input on the formation of the policy.
Following a lengthy discussion between faculty and student representatives, the motion to amend the policy was defeated.
Question was called on the original motion. There was no further discussion; the motion was approved.
- Audit (Page 5, lines 9-13, and page 6, lines 14-16.)
Discussion: Mr. Wagley pointed out the change on line 16: the first "week of class." Clarification: This is not a new policy, merely a rewording of exactly what is on the books already.
Following discussion, question was called on the Audit portion of the document. The motion was approved.

VII. RECESS

At 5:45 p.m. the meeting was recessed until Monday, November 17, at 3:10 p.m.

VIII. RECONVENE

The November 3 Academic Council Meeting reconvened on Monday, November 17, 1986. The meeting was called to order by Richard Williams, Vice-President of the University Faculty, at 3:10 p.m. in the cafeteria extension of the University Center.

Present: J. Abidi, C. Altick, J. Ballantine, D. Beelick, J. Brandeberry, D. Carlson, L. Crum, J. Daily, C. Denman, P. Engle, N. Hassan, C. Hathaway, R. Iddings, J. Klinger, B. Mann, K. McNamara, M. Perkel, S. Praeger, M. Sammons, J. Sayer, L. Shupe, R. Williams

Absent: W. Goulet, M. Hall, M. Kapp, L. Kurdek, J. Lancaster, D. Leach, J. Martin, P. Mulhollan, D. Murphy, V. O'Brien, R.A. Pendergrass, M. Pryor, J. Runkle, D. Utrecht

IX. Academic Standards and Requirements

(Old Business continued from November 3, 1986 AC meeting.)

- Course Repeats (Page 4, lines 8-13 and page 5, lines 14-24, 1-11.)

A motion was made and seconded to reconsider the section on Course Repeats.

Discussion: At the November 3 AC meeting when this section was voted upon only 22 members were in attendance because of the late hour (5:45 p.m.). The section was defeated by a narrow margin. Presented to the Council was "repeat" information researched from the Office of the Registrar. A lengthy discussion ensued.

Question called. The motion was defeated.

- Student Classification (Page 6, lines 17-24.)

Discussion: The wording "Freshman" on line 21 will be changed to conform to the university's language code.

Question called. The motion was approved.

- Good Standing (Page 6, lines 2-4.)

Discussion: The idea of "good standing" is new and was not in the catalog. A discussion ensued concerning mandatory advising.

Question called. The motion was approved.

- Dean's List (Page 6, lines 5-13.)

Discussion: Mr. Wagley pointed out the suggested changes on line 10: remove "P", and line 11: remove the "S."

Question called. The motion was approved.

- Academic Honors at Graduation (Page 6, lines 14-15, and page 7, lines 16-23, 1-5.)

Following a short discussion, question was called.

The motion was approved.

- Mandatory Advising (Page 7, lines 7-19, and page 8, lines 20-22.)

Discussion: Mr. Wagley pointed out the sentence added on lines 10, 11, and 12: "Students will not be placed on mandatory advising until they have attempted six or more credit hours."

Question called: The motion was approved.

- Dismissal from the University (Page 8, lines 1-12.)

Discussion: Concern was expressed that dismissal action is taken by the chief academic officer of the college, school, or division to which the student is assigned.

Question called. The motion was approved.

- Readmission (Page 8, lines 13-24, and page 9, lines 1-3.)

Discussion: Mr. Wagley clarified questions concerning mandatory advising and dismissal with respect to readmission.

Question called. The motion was approved.

- Petitions (Page 9, lines 4-8.)

Being no discussion, question was called. The motion was approved.

X. New Business

- A. Nominations for the Professor-at-Large for the University Promotion and Tenure Committee. (Attachment of the November 3, 1986 agenda.)

The following nominations were accepted:

Terry McKee (Science & Mathematics)
Gary Barlow (Education & Human Resources)
Rubin Battino (Science & Mathematics)

This will appear as old business at the December 1 meeting.

- XI. The December 1, 1986 Academic Council Meeting is scheduled from 1-2 p.m. in the Medical School Auditorium.

- XII. The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.