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Academic Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes, March 2, 1987

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TO: Members of Academic Council and University Faculty

FROM: Richard Williams, Vice President of the University Faculty

SUBJECT: Agenda for Academic Council Meeting on Monday, March 2, 1987 at 3:10 p.m.
Place: Rear Section of the University Center Cafeteria

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes of February 2, 1987 Meeting

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

VII. New Business
   A. Emeritus/University/Distinguished Professor Status: Greg Bernhardt, University Faculty Affairs Committee

VIII. Announcements and Special Reports

IX. Adjournment

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I. The meeting of March 2, 1987, 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.


II. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the February 2, 1987 minutes as distributed.

III. Report of the President, Charles Hathaway reporting:

The Board of Regents is considering changing their policy on student housing as it pertains to the urban campuses. They are considering that schools such as Wright State University could have housing where up to 10% of the undergraduate student body and 20% of the graduate students would reside. The emphasis would be on graduate housing.

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

A. The Steering Committee received a report from the Elections and Calendar Committee which reads as follows:

"Each faculty member will receive a 'Notice for Nomination' which will contain the name of each individual who is in his/her constituency who is eligible to run for election. An individual may nominate as many individuals as he/she wishes and/or himself/herself. This notice will be returned to the Office of the Registrar.

The individuals nominated will be contacted to determine if they are interested in running for office. Those who indicate an interest will be placed on the ballot. There must be a minimum of two names on the ballot for each opening in that constituency. If an insufficient number of individuals are nominated and willing to run, the dean's office will be contacted to make further nominations.

The election ballot will contain the names of the individuals who are nominated and willing to run. If an individual receives a majority of the votes cast, that individual will be elected. If no one receives majority a run-off election will be held."

This procedure will be followed for the elections during this spring quarter.
B. The Steering Committee appointed an Academic Dishonesty Committee which will review the present policies on dishonesty and formulate a policy as such as needed.

C. A three-person committee has been formed to implement the administrative review process for this year.

D. The committee discussed the uniform faculty evaluation instrument. The Student Affairs Committee has been asked to collect information of what other universities are doing in this area.

V. Report of the Standing Committees

A. Curriculum, Robert Wagley reporting:

1. The committee reminds department chairs and deans that courses that are being for one-time only need not be approved by the Curriculum Committee unless the course will have a Pass/Unsatisfactory grading system or that is intended to meet general education requirements.

2. All new course requests should have a syllabi attached.

3. The committee continues to work with the General Education Review Committee and there is definite progress in the General Education Review Committee's work.

4. Suspension of the rules will be asked under New Business to consider a change in the "Good Standing" policy.

B. Faculty Affairs, Gregory Bernhardt reporting:

1. The committee will present under New Business a proposal on the academic titles of emeritus/university/distinguished professor (Attachment A) which was sent to Academic Council members on February 23, 1987.

2. The Faculty Affairs Committee met with the University Budget Review Committee in regard to a proposal for the faculty retirement plan.

3. The committee will be making three nominations for the Trustees Award for Excellence.

4. The committee is preparing a resolution on harassment of WSU students on Dayton's west side which appears to be racially motivated.

5. The committee is recommending that a permanent ad hoc committee for the administrative review process should be established.

C. Library - No report.

D. Student Affairs - No report.
E. University Budget Review Committee, R. Williams reporting:

1. The UBRC endorsed the Early Retirement Report prepared by the Faculty Affairs Committee.

2. The committee has reviewed the income and expense assumptions made for the coming year. The committee feels that perhaps the enrollment projections for next year were too low.

3. The committee accepted the report from the classified/unclassified staff advisory committees and made a recommendation that the university should extend the fee waiver to post-master's degree work and that the university should consider a 100% fee waiver for staff and faculty.

VI. Old Business - None

VII. New Business

A. Emeritus/University/Distinguished Professor Status, Gregory Bernhardt reporting:

The Faculty Affairs Committee recommended approval of the emeritus/university/distinguished professor status (ATTACHMENT A). This will appear as Old Business at the April meeting.

B. Academic Standards - "Good Standing" Policy

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to suspend the rules to consider a motion to adopt the modification of academic standards as proposed by the Athletic Council (ATTACHMENT B).

A motion was made and seconded to delete the definition of "Good Standing" of the Academic Standards Attachment B, Page 6 of 11. After much discussion, the following substitute motion was made and seconded to change the definition to read:

"Good Standing. Students are considered to be in good standing if a 2.0 grade point average is maintained or if the students have been on mandatory advising for no more than two consecutive academic quarters."

Following discussion, the substitute motion was approved by a 14-5 hand vote.

A motion was made and seconded to change Academic Standards Attachment B, Page 7 of 11, to read:

"Whenever students return to a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0, they are removed from mandatory advising."

The motion was approved by a voice vote.

VIII. Announcements and Special Reports - None

IX. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m. The next Academic Council meeting is scheduled for April 6, 1987, at 3:10 p.m., in the cafeteria extension of the University Center.

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Attachments