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Academic Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes, November 6, 1989

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TO: Members of Academic Council and University Faculty

FROM: James E. Sayer, Faculty Vice President

SUBJECT: Agenda for Academic Council Meeting on
Monday, November 6, 1989, 3:10 p.m., 155 A, B, & C--University Center

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes of October 2, 1989

III. Report of the President: Paige Mulhollan

IV. Report of the Steering Committee: James Sayer

V. Report of Standing and Ad Hoc Committees
   A. Building & Grounds Utilization & Planning: Robert Riordan
   B. Curriculum: Robert Wagley
   C. Faculty Affairs: Allan Barclay
   D. Library: Adrian Rake
   E. Student Affairs: Lewis Shupe
   F. University Budget Review Committee: Alphonso Smith

VI. Old Business
   A. Election of Faculty Member-At-Large to University Promotion and
      Tenure Committee
      Nominees: William Brown, Peter Carusone, Terry McKee,
      Marvin Seiger, M. Paul Serve
      (Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor)

VII. New Business
   A. 1991-92 Academic Calendar
   B. Resolution for the General Faculty Meeting (See Proposal--
      Attachment A)

VIII. Announcements and Special Reports
   A. Next Academic Council: November 27, 1989, 3:10 p.m.
   B. Fall Quarter General Faculty Meeting: November 14, 1989, 3:30 p.m.,
      Medical Science Auditorium

IX. Adjournment

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I. The meeting of November 6, 1989, was called to order by University Faculty Vice President James Sayer, 3:10 p.m., 155 A, B, and C University Center.


Absent: J. Blair, P. DeClaire, M. Dunn, R. Fox, A. Gillis, D. Henderson, M. Kapp, H. Khamis, P. Rodenhauser, J. Rossmiller

II. The October 2, 1989, Academic Council minutes were approved with the following attendance corrections: Present at the meeting - N. Dorris, F. Gies, and H. Khamis; on sabbatical leave - M. Perkel. An election is under way to fill the constituency D position for the remainder of the 1989-90 term.

III. Report of Standing and ad Hoc Committees:

A. Building & Grounds Utilization & Planning. No report.

B. Curriculum, Robert Wagley reporting:

The Curriculum Committee has been meeting to approve new course requests and course modifications. The proposed changes to the semester system was discussed, and the committee decided not to be involved with the issue.

C. Faculty Affairs, Allan Barclay reporting:

1. Promotion & Tenure Committee/Faculty Handbook. Vice President Charles Hathaway met with the Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC) to discuss issues concerning the University Promotion & Tenure Committee (P&T). The FAC will be posing some questions to the P&T committee. The goal is to provide additional material for the Faculty Handbook relative to the procedures for the P&T committee.

   Discussion: A question was posed concerning the Promotion & Tenure Document as it was adopted June 1989— if letters of evaluation are optional or required for promotion and tenure, and if letters from the outside are required for promotion to full professor. Mr. Barclay will investigate and, if necessary, an addendum will be made to the current document.

2. Sexual Harassment & Discrimination Policy. The committee is working with Juanita Wehrle-Einhorn on proposed changes to the policy. A report will be submitted to the Academic Council at the November 27 meeting.
3. **Salary Inequity Grievance Procedure.** A Salary Inequity Appeals Document was adopted by the Academic Council on June 5, 1989. The document states that deans and departmental chairs are responsible for establishing procedures for considering a salary inequity grievance within the guidelines of the school or college.

**Discussion:** It was reiterated that part of the document did indicate that each college or school establish methods by which one could go through a salary and equity grievance. If such methods do not currently exist, this discussion serves as a reminder that they be established and then communicated to all the faculty within the respective units. Mr. Sayer requested this concern be discussed at the next Council of Deans meeting in order to insure that such procedures are in place.

4. **College of Education Professional Practice Plan.** A professional practice plan is under active review and revision in the College of Education and Human Services. The plan, which would structure and direct the organization, promotion, and supervision of professional services within the college, is a potential model for other units within the university.

D. **Library,** written report by A. Rake read by J. Sayer:

1. The committee has been looking into queries posed to the faculty about the new facilities. In general, they have found satisfaction. Noise levels seem to have been reduced to acceptable levels in most cases, though there does seem to be some confusion by whom and how the unbound periodicals can be used. A library newsletter is being planned. The committee is reviewing the use of the unbound journals by undergraduate students. It was suggested that the faculty reading room be moved to the area of the unbound journals so that all readers could use the journals without removing them from that immediate area.

   A general complaint brought to the Library Committee was that there were not enough terminals generally throughout the library.

2. Eight companies responded to requests for suggestions for the Ohio Library Information System (OLIS) operation. These range in cost from $11 to $25 million, which the committee considers, in view of the magnitude of the undertaking, to be very reasonable.

3. Departments and programs in need of library information for the purposes of accreditation may now get such information by contacting John Lashbrook of the University Library Systems Office at #2689.
E. **Student Affairs**, Lewis Shupe reporting:

1. **Agenda.** The committee has established the agenda for the academic year.

2. **Drop Date Issue.** The drop date issue was tabled until later in the winter quarter after the discussion has been completed relative to the quarter/semester question.

3. **Library's Extended Hours for Student Study Space.** Robert Fenning, Director for Planning and Institutional Research, met with the committee to report on the status of extended hours for secure study space for students after the library has closed. A small ad hoc committee has been established and will have a report by the winter quarter.

4. **Multicultural Task Force.** The majority of data has been received, and at the next meeting of the Multicultural Task Force they will be speaking directly to and analyzing the data.

5. **1988-89 Academic Dishonesty Report.** During the 1988-89 academic year 17 cases of academic dishonesty were reported:

   13 cases: The colleges requested no disciplinary action. The students received a failing grade for the course paper and/or examinations.

   4 cases: The colleges requested disciplinary action. All four cases were given strict disciplinary probation or disciplinary probation. One of those cases made an appeal to the University Appeals Board. The Appeals Board determined the evidence inconclusive—no penalty grade was issued.

   No appeals for academic dishonesty reached the level of the president.

6. **Student Affairs Restructure.** The restructuring of the division of Student Affairs was very well stated in the Guardian. The Student Affairs Committee will respond if there are any other questions.

7. **Student Government.** At the end of each Student Affairs Committee meeting a direct report is given from Student Government. Roni Wilson-Vinson, Chair, was complimented for the very positive way she and her colleagues in Student Government have been approaching the many questions that have been presented to them—one issue being the semester/quarter issue.
8. "I'm MAD" Campaign. The "I'm MAD" (I am making a difference by taking a stand) buttons signify a specific campaign that evolved out of literature distributed in university mailboxes that brings back the racism mentality of the 1950's and 60's. President Mulhollan has responded with a memo (endorsed by the academic vice presidents) to the university community. This event has been reported in the Dayton Daily News and on television.

On November 20, 1989, at 12 noon on the quad there will be a student rally with Dr. Sarah Harris, WSU Board of Trustees member, speaker. In the evening on the 20th, at 7 p.m. in the Medical Sciences auditorium, a forum, "The Perspective on Race Relations: Finding the Solutions to the Problems," is scheduled.

This campaign is sponsored by Student Development, Student Affairs, and Student Government. The buttons can be obtained by attending the student-sponsored activities.

F. University Budget Review Committee. Alphonso Smith reporting:

The University Budget Review Committee continues to hear reports of the academic deans—reports stating their budget priorities and concerns.

IV. Report of the President. Paige Mulhollan reporting:

A. President Mulhollan reported on some of the past and present initiatives undertaken by the university:

1. General Education Program Modification.
2. Enrollment Management.
3. Minority Affairs Council
4. Multicultural Task Force
5. WSU Smoke-Free Environment
6. Health Care Cost Share
7. Capital Construction Projects

He then announced that with many programs and projects underway at Wright State University which are gathering steam, but not yet concluded as we head into the 1990's, he has been been given assurance by University Faculty Vice President Sayer that he will exert active, positive leadership toward the successful conclusion of all these initiatives.

During the past month President Mulhollan said he took a hard look at Wright State and the history of the calendar issue, consulted with some involved in the situation, and looked at the question as it relates to the aforementioned initiatives. Accordingly, he decided that it is in the university's best interest not to change the calendar system.
President Mulhollan stated: "I do not want our many important, recently-undertaken initiatives to be put on the back burner or delayed while curricular changes are studied or while we debate internally a calendar conversion. The time loss would be irretrievable, and that's a loss that Wright State University can't afford to suffer. Wright State University will, therefore, remain on the quarter system. In addition, I have no present plans to raise the issue in future years."

V. Report of the Steering Committee, James Sayer reporting:

Mr. Sayer publically announced full support, on behalf of the elected faculty leadership, of President Mulhollan’s initiatives delineated in his report.

A. President's Review. President Mulhollan’s review will continue until November 17. Responses to the questionnaire should be received by the University Faculty Office by November 17 when they will be forwarded to Fred Young, Chairman of the Board of Trustees. Mr. Sayer urged those who have not yet taken part in the process to do so.

B. Lake Campus Faculty Senate Meeting. J. Sayer met with members of the WSU Lake Campus Faculty Senate in Celina to discuss issues concerning them--the same issues concerning faculty on the main campus. He encouraged them to attend the General Faculty Meeting on November 14 and to consider nominations from the Lake Campus for the University Vice President-Elect. Mr. Sayer plans to meet with them again in Celina in the spring.

C. Faculty Exchange Program. A proposed faculty exchange program is currently in the process between Wright State University and Central State University. Explorations continue with meetings of both institutions Board of Trustees, Deans, etc. If everything can be worked out, an exchange program in small initial steps could begin as early as Fall Quarter 1990.

D. Academic Council Agenda. The Steering Committee is scheduled to meet November 13 in the University Faculty Office to set the agenda for the next Academic Council Meeting on November 27.

VI. Old Business:

Election of Faculty Member-At-Large to University Promotion and Tenure Committee.


Nominations accepted from the floor 11-6-89: Elizabeth Harden.

Elizabeth Harden was elected as Faculty Member-at-Large to the University Promotion and Tenure Commitee in a a run-off election by paper ballot.
VII. **New Business:**

A. **1991-92 Academic Calendar** (Attachment A)

A motion was made and seconded to accept the calendar as new business. It will be discussed and voted on at the next Academic Council Meeting on November 27, 1989.

B. **Resolution for the General Faculty Meeting.** (Attachment A, 11-6-89 Academic Council Agenda)

James Sayer cancelled this item of business as the semester/quarter issue was resolved by President Mulhollan's report with his announcement that Wright State University will remain on the quarter system.

VIII. **Announcements:**

A. Next Academic Council: November 27, 1989, 3:10 p.m., 155 A,B,C University Center.

B. Fall Quarter General Faculty Meeting: November 14, 1989, 3:30 p.m., Medical School Auditorium.

IX. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 4:07 p.m.