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Academic Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes, March 6, 1995

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TO: Members of Academic Council and University Faculty  
FROM: James Sayer, Faculty President  
SUBJECT: Agenda for Academic Council Meeting on Monday, March 6, 1995, 3:10 p.m., W169 A, B, C Student Union (formerly 155 A, B, & C--University Center)

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes of February 6, 1995 (Attachment E)

III. Report of the President: Harley Flack

IV. Report of the Steering Committee: James Sayer

V. Reports of Standing Committees  
   A. Buildings & Grounds Utilization & Planning: Mateen Rizki  
   B. Curriculum and Academic Policy: Mark Sirkin  
   C. Faculty Affairs: Rudy Fichtenbaum  
   D. Library: Larry Turyn  
   E. Student Affairs: James Walker  
   F. University Budget Review Committee: Marguerite MacDonald

VI. Old Business  
   A. Classroom Attendance Policy: Only those individuals enrolled in a class have the right to attend class meetings. Exceptions to this policy may be made only by the individual course instructor.  
   B. Proposed Academic Calendar for 1996-97--Calendar & Elections Committee: Manley Perkel (Attachment A)  
   C. P & T Open Documents--Faculty Affairs Committee: Rudy Fichtenbaum (Attachment B)

VII. New Business  
   A. Writing Across the Curriculum--Curriculum and Academic Policy Committee: Mark Sirkin (Attachment C)  
   B. Child Care Resolution--Student Affairs Committee: James Walker (Attachment D)

VIII. Announcements and Special Reports  
   A. Governance Report: Donna Schlagheck  
   B. Call for Candidates for Faculty President  
   C. Next Academic Council Meeting--April 3, 1995

IX. Adjournment
I. The meeting was called to order by University Faculty President James Sayer at 3:10 p.m. in W169 A,B,C Student Union.


II. The minutes of the February 6, 1995, meeting were approved as written.

III. Report of the President: Harley Flack reporting:
1. The Provost search has been extended. Campus interviews will be conducted in May.
2. The linking of planning and budget is progressing. Additional FY96 funding is needed for tactical plans, salary increases, payment for early retirement program, the Student Union deficit, and the Nutter Center deficit. Beginning in the fall 1995 our revenue from the state will be indexed to enrollment increases. We must all work diligently to increase our enrollment.
3. An open forum of university governance will be held March 7.
4. As part of the long range visioning process, the following three sessions will be held: on April 13 Dr. Richard Detweiler, President of Hartwick College; on May 18 Michael Losh, chief financial officer at General Motors; on June 22, Dr. Peter McGrath, President of NASULGC, and Dr. James Appleberry, President of AASCU.

IV. Report of the Steering Committee: James Sayer reporting:
The April, May and June meetings of Academic Council will be very busy and lengthy. The next meeting of Steering will be March 20.

V. Reports of the Standing Committees
A. Buildings and Grounds Utilization & Planning: no report

B. Curriculum and Academic Policy: Mark Sirkin reporting:
We have two items of new business today: Writing Across the Curriculum and Management minor.

C. Faculty Affairs: Rudy Fichtenbaum reporting:
1. We have one item of old business today: P&T Open Documents.
2. We have finalized a draft version of P&T that includes the evaluation of teaching and will be forwarding it to Steering.
3. We will be proposing that the composition of P&T committee be modified to increase the voice of faculty. We are also reviewing the rules under which P&T operates with the same goal.

D. Library: no report

E. Student Affairs: no report
F. University Budget Review: Marguerite MacDonald reporting: (Attachment A)

VI. Old Business:
A. Classroom Attendance Policy: (See Agenda, March 6 Academic Council)
   After discussion, a motion was made and seconded to modify the proposal to:
   **Instructors have the authority to exclude any non-enrolled individual, whether child or adult, from their classes.**
   The motion passed as a substitution for the original proposal. The policy was approved.

B. Proposed Academic Calendar for 1996-97
   It was decided to postpone consideration of the proposed calendar until April meeting.

C. P&T Open Documents
   Since there was not a quorum present, the vote will be delayed until the April meeting.

VII. New Business
A. Writing Across the Curriculum (Attachment C, March 6 Academic Council Agenda)
   A motion was made and seconded to place on the floor under new business a proposal entitled "Writing Across the Curriculum." It will be treated as old business at our next meeting.

B. Child Care Resolution (Attachment D, March 6 Academic Council Agenda)
   A motion was made and seconded to place on the floor under new business the Child Care resolution. It will be treated as old business at our next meeting.

C. Proposed Management Minor (Attachment B)
   A motion was made and seconded to place on the floor under new business the proposal for a Management minor. It will be treated as old business at our next meeting.

VIII. Announcements and Special Reports
A. Governance Report: Donna Schlagheck reporting:
   An Open Forum for the university community will be held on March 7. All other forums have been held. The Governance Committee will reconvive and survey the faculty on their views on the formation of a Faculty Senate.

B. Call for Candidates for Faculty President
   There must be three candidates on the ballot. Voting will be by mail ballot at the end of April. The Faculty President has a three year commitment.

C. Next Academic Council Meeting: April 3, 1995

IX. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.