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Academic Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes, June 1, 1987

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TO: Members of Academic Council and University Faculty  
FROM: Richard Williams, Past Vice President of the University Faculty  
SUBJECT: Agenda for Academic Council Meeting on Monday,  
June 1, 1987 at 3:10 p.m.  
Place: Rear Section of the University Center Cafeteria  

I. Call to Order  

II. Approval of Minutes of May 4, 1987 Meeting  

III. Report of the President: Paige Mulhollan  

IV. Report of the Steering Committee: Richard Williams  

V. Report of the Standing Committees  
A. Athletic Council: Charles Hartmann  
B. Buildings & Grounds Utilization & Planning: Stephen Peterson  
C. Curriculum: Robert Wagley  
D. Faculty Affairs: Gregory Bernhardt  
E. Library: Adrian Rake  
F. Student Affairs: Alan Cooper  
G. University Budget Review Committee: Robert Dixon  

VI. Old Business  
A. Air Force ROTC Courses for 0 Credit and Pass/Unsatisfactory Grading—Robert Wagley, University Curriculum Committee  
B. Academic Council Meeting Dates—1987-88 (To be voted on following Seating of New Council Members)  

VII. New Business  
A. Seating of New Council Members  
B. Election of New Members of Steering Committee  
C. Ratification of Committee Appointments for 1987-88  

VIII. Announcements and Special Reports  

IX. Adjournment  

Attachments:  
Results of the Academic Council Election by Constituency with with Steering Committee Nominations Designated  
To be handed out at meeting:  
Nominations for University Committee Appointments for 1987-88  

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New Convocation Center. Ground has been broken and the completion date is tentatively September, 1989.

Move to Division I, NCAA. An on-site visit was conducted by a representative of NCAA on May 14-15, 1987, at the request of the university administration.

Athletic Eligibility. The Council has been kept informed as to athletic eligibility by means of a scholastic update report.

Faculty Representatives. The Council has been monitoring its own membership by means of election of membership rather than appointment to the Council.

Search Committee for Women's Volleyball Coach. The new coach has been selected and has arrived on campus.

Open Forum. An open forum was held on May 15 on the quadrangle to respond to questions/issues of athletic concern at WSU.

Strategic Plan. The athletic director has prepared a strategic plan on goals and objectives for the next five-year period.

1987/88 Schedule. At the meeting this week the Council will schedule the 1987/88 opponents.

President Mulhollan announced that, effective July 1, Charles Hartmann will be the faculty athletic representative to the National Collegiate Athletic Association. He also stated his personal appreciation, and that of the university's, to Professor Gordon Wise who has served with distinction for a large number of years in the role as athletic representative.

When the decision to go to Division I was made, there was a projection of budget expenditures which were necessary to accomplish that goal over a 2 1/2 to 3 year period. The university stayed on track with that projection last year and will stay on track during the coming year which completes the commitment. When Wright State University goes to Division I on September 1, it will be budgeted in accord with the decision reached in 1985. The Athletic Department should be in a position to maintain its competitive quality and its status in Division I without significant additional subsidy augmentations in subsequent years.

B. Bookstore Committee, Leonard Cargan reporting:

Survey. As a result of multiple complaints, the committee surveyed the students and faculty concerning the bookstore. Only 20 students out of 1000 replied and 50 faculty responded. On most items, i.e., magazines, paperback books, etc., medications, convenience foods, clothing, toys, misc., both faculty and students were satisfied. The two biggest complaints were: 1) The bookstore is not centrally located; it needs a better location or an annex near the quadrangle, and 2) The textbooks (especially the used books) are too expensive. The Director of the Bookstore assured the committee that the pricing range is within the usual perimeters.
C. Building and Grounds Committee, Steve Peterson - No report.

President Mulhollan commented that the committee has been very active as a participant in both the development of plans for the Nutter Center and the implementation of the appropriation for the new Creative Arts addition. The committee also has been involved with the Planning Office in putting together a detailed needs-analysis for the entire campus. The university is looking at the possibility of building a very large, but very inexpensive building, in the K-Lot area, to house all of those administrative and service functions which could be moved out of Millett and Allyn Halls, i.e., Stores, Shops, Public Safety. These offices, that are taking space in the middle of the core, if moved, could probably satisfy the current and expansion needs of the Colleges of Liberal Arts, Education & Human Services, and Nursing.

D. Curriculum Committee, Robert Wagley reporting:

- New programs initiated this year: A major in Management Information Systems, four new minors: History, Political Science, Anthropology, and Music.

- Several policy changes—primarily in the area of academic standards. Implementation policies and procedures that were co-worked on by the General Education Review Committee and the University Curriculum Committee.

- Course Actions. The Committee approved 64 new courses, 299 course modifications, 78 course deletions, and 11 courses were given an inactive status, for a total of 452 different courses.

- The Committee voiced concern relating to General Education—the number of sections, the class sizes, etc. The second area of concern was the unmet formal fourth hour, the field courses, the various independent study, and the dual listed courses (courses offered for both graduate and undergraduate courses). These all need continued study.

- Unfinished Business. A new major proposal in International Studies and a new certificate program in Gerontology will be carried over as New Business in the fall.

As chair of the committee, R. Wagley urged the Steering Committee and the Curriculum Committee (next year) to look at the whole course approval process as there is too much paper generated, and too much delay. Mr. Wagley also stated that, with concern to the university's commuting students, the university's calendar and the three credit hour course need study.
E. Faculty Affairs Committee, Gregory Bernhardt reporting:

- Special thanks were expressed to the entire committee and especially to the faculty (Allan Barclay, Manley Perkel, and Rubin Battino) who gave exceptional service in terms of the amount of energy and time required to follow through on some of the issues dealt with this year.

- Issues carried over to next year: Early Retirement Plan, Due-Process Policy, and the Intellectual Properties Policy. The Student Affairs Committee has indicated that they would like to urge, and have set as a high priority, for the establishment of a unified or a common faculty evaluation instrument.

F. Library Committee, Adrian Rake. No report.

G. Student Affairs, Billy Friar reporting:

(Attachment A)

H. University Budget Review Committee, Robert Dixon - No report.

VI. Old Business

A. Air Force ROTC Courses for 0 Credit for Pass/Unsatisfactory Grading, Robert Wagley reporting:

Discussion: Several of the Air Force courses carry lab courses which carry 0 credit hours; they wish to have these courses on a pass/unsatisfactory basis.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved by a voice vote.

B. Seating of New Academic Council Members:

Deans Donald Carlson (1987-90), Richard Millman (1987-90), and Donald Thomas (1987-88)

New Faculty Representatives, 1987-88

Gerald Alter
Larry Arlian
Gregory Bernhardt
Rudy Fichtenbaum
John Fortman
Robert Hetherington
Carol Nathanson
John Rudisill
Raymond Siferd
Mark Sirkin

C. 1987-88 Academic Council Meeting Dates.

Following discussion, a motion was made, and seconded to change the December 7 meeting date to November 30, and to change the January 4 meeting date to January 11, 1988.
VII. New Business

A. Election of Steering Committee. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by a voice vote to suspend the rules in order to elect new members of the Steering Committee.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved by a voice vote to elect the new members of the Steering Committee. (Attachment B—new members are identified by asterisks.)

B. Ratification of Committee Appointments for 1987-88.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved by a voice vote to suspend the rules for the purpose of the ratification of university committee appointments for 1987-88.

A motion was made and seconded to ratify the university committee appointments for 1987-88 (Attachment B).

The motion was approved by a voice vote.

VIII. Announcements and Special Reports. None

IX. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 5, 1987.

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Attachments

A - Student Affairs Committee Annual Report
B - 1987-88 University Committees
C - Admissions Committee Annual Report
D - School of Graduate Studies Annual Report
ACADEMIC COUNCIL
MINUTES
June 1, 1987

I. The meeting of June 1, 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.


Absent: J. Abidi, J. Ballantine, B. DeMars, C. Denman, W. Goulet, C. Hathaway, R. Iddings, M. Kapp, J. Lancaster, B. Mann, D. Murphy, V. O'Brien, M. Pryor, M. Sammons, D. Uetrecht

II. A motion was made and seconded to approve the May 4, 1987, minutes as distributed.

III. Report of the President, Paige Mulhollan reporting:

• The President expressed his thanks to all members, who were leaving Academic Council, for the work that they had done while on the Council.

• The document on distinguished professor will not be presented at the upcoming trustees' meeting; it will be presented to them toward the end of the year or the first of next year.

• The Ohio Senate's budget proposal has an increase for education over the one proposed by the House.

• There is a proposal in the Appropriation Bill that Wright State University, in conjunction with Sinclair Community College, would have an Artificial Intelligence Center.

• President Mulhollan announced the retirement reception, in honor of Dr. Lois Cook, Assistant Dean, College of Science & Mathematics, was taking place concurrently in the Faculty Dining Room. He invited everyone to attend immediately following the Council meeting.

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

The past and present committee members met to appoint committees for next year. They will be voted upon today following the seating of the 1987/89 council members.

V. Report of the Standing Committees

A. Athletic Council, Charles Hartmann reporting:

• Athletic Assistance Plan. Drug testing and rehabilitation assistance have been instituted.