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MINUTES OF THE FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING

Time: November 14, 1973, at 3:00 P.M. in the Rare Books Room

Members Present: Darrel E. Bigham, Chairman; Professors Barnes, Eichman, Frost, Kinzie, Kirsch, and H. Sands

Ex-officio Present: President Rice, Dean Bennett

Others Present: Professors DeVries, Hahn, Kent; Ms. Welch

1. Minutes of October 24 and 31 and November 7 meetings

Minutes from the meetings of October 24, October 31, and November 7 were accepted as corrected. The Chairman requested that substantial changes to the minutes as prepared by the Secretary be submitted in writing to the Secretary in order to facilitate approval. He reasserted the belief that substantial minutes would be appropriate for some meetings.

The Secretary noted that the final typed and distributed copies of the minutes of the September 19 meeting reflected an inadvertent deletion of a word in the Chairman's statement, in which the Council had concurred. It was important to correct the error, since the deletion of the word not resulted in changing the intent of the statement. The first full sentence on page 3 of the September 19 minutes should read as follows:

"The request for the withholding of formal judgments in the matter of her contractual status does not cover, the Council feels, discussion of issues related to her claims, or the discussion of fundamental questions in other settings."

2. Approval of Curricular Committee Action on New and Modified Courses

After discussion of course proposals from the Allied Health area, which discussion included questioning of the course descriptions, Professor Kinzie moved, second by H. Sands,
Motion: That action on the proposals from the Allied Health area be tabled. The motion carried. The Chairman noted that it would be appropriate to have a representative from the area to answer questions at the next meeting.

Professor Frost moved, seconded by Kirsch,
Motion: That the petitions for the courses Communications 372 and Communications 400 be amended so that the courses should not count as credit toward general education requirements.
The motion carried.

Professor Eichman moved, seconded by H. Sands,
Motion: That the petitions for the courses Social Work 290 and Social Work 490 be amended so that the courses should not count as credit toward general education requirements.
The motion carried.

After appropriate motions and discussion, petitions for the following modified program and new and modified courses were approved:

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Accounting Major

Art 340--Stained Glass--3 hours

Business 265--Business Statistics I--3 hours

Business 350--Introduction to Management Science--3 hours

Business 445--Production Management--3 hours

Communications 291--Radio-Television Workshop--3 hours

Communications 320--Advanced Oral Interpretation--3 hours

Communications 372--Introduction to Film-Making--3hours (as amended)

Communications 400--Independent Study in Communications--3 hours (as amended)

Earth Science 214--Meteorology--3 hours

Life Science 331--Human Physiology--3 hours

Life Science 430--Molecular Biology--3 hours

Social Work 290--Fields of Social Work--3 hours (as amended)

Social Work 490--Social Work Methods--3 hours (as amended)

After discussion of a petition for an examination for credit in Communications 352, Basic Television Production, in which discussion concern was expressed with appropriateness of the test and the security of its transmittal.

Professor Barnes moved, seconded by H. Sands,

Motion: That consideration of the petition for examination for credit in Communications 352 be tabled.

3. Review of the Draft Version of the North Central Association Self-Study Report

The Chairman stated that he wished to record his appreciation of Professor Wardner's preparation of the draft version of the self-study report under occasionally poor conditions.

The Chairman reported that he had had lengthy talks with President Rice on the disposition of the report and had concluded that a vigorous and comprehensive discussion of the report was a sign of a healthy academic climate.

The Chairman reported that an editing committee to include Professors Pitzer and DeVries had been formed to bring the document into final form. Professor DeVries reported that a memo from President Rice on this date explained the final steps in the process. The meeting scheduled for Sunday would be to consider any final changes. Professor Frost asked whether a memo from her would be included, to which DeVries responded that suggestions made both before and at the meeting would be considered. The Chairman stated that the lack of consideration to changes he and Professor Frost had suggested in the report of the committee they had worked on was cause for concern to them. Professor DeVries responded that substantive changes were in the purview of Professor Wardner and not of the editing committee.

President Rice stated that conducting the self-study with such a large number of faculty members involved in a large number of committees had undoubtedly contributed to the inefficiency of the process, but that such a large process was chosen deliberately to give experience to as many of the predominantly young faculty members on this campus as was possible. He compared this campus' process to that of many campuses where a small committee of very few faculty members handles the entire process.

The Chairman stated that although no official request for a judgment had been made to the Faculty Council or to the General Faculty, he felt it would not hurt for the document to have the sanctioning of Faculty Council. He wished to solicit from members a series of items to present at the Sunday meeting, and he suggested further that individuals could make their own suggestions directly to Professor Wardner.

Professor H. Sands read into the record the following statement of the local chapter of AAUP:

The Indiana State University Evansville Chapter of the American Association of University Professors requests that the Faculty Council reserve judgment regarding the self-study proposal on the grounds that the faculty has not had sufficient access to the material contained therein nor time to make an intelligent assessment of it.

Discussion on the amount of faculty input into the committee reports followed. The Chairman concluded that the Council could not take action on the draft and suggested that members could most profitably spend time studying the report and could present their own reactions on Sunday.

President Rice emphasized the fact that Professor Wardner did not have the right to make substantive changes in reports from the committees and that any such changes would have to be dealt with by those committees. Dean Bennett reported that the Student Government Association had substantive changes to request in the section on students.

4. New Business

a. President Rice had two items to report from the meeting of the Commission for Higher Education:

(1) The Commission had approved a new procedure for the submission of programs for approval. A letter of intent was to be filed each December 15 for the second following fall. Subsequently more detailed requests would have to be filed in the spring for final approval. Any programs currently having Board of Trustees approval would not have to be refiled in the letter of intent stage, but would have to be resubmitted in the new format which had been approved.

(2) A request from a faculty member at Ball State University was not accepted by the Commission because the faculty member had not gone through the internal governance structure of that campus with his request.

b. The Chairman reported that the next meeting would be on November 28 and that he hoped action on the proposed revision of a portion of the Handbook could be completed by December 5. He requested that any further suggestions for change in the proposed revision be made in writing. He encouraged the participation and support of the student sponsored event in support of Indians.

He also announced that he had received copies of a student gripe sheet submitted by the Student Se at

c. Professor H. Sands relayed a request from Professor B. Marting that consideration of changing the method of selecting Committee Chairman be put on the agenda. The Chairman stated that such a change would require changes

in the By-Laws of the Constitution and reminded Professor H. Sands of the decision to collect all submitted suggestions and deal with them after the end of the semester

d. President Rice announced that 40% of campus employees had contributed to the United Fund.

The meeting adjourned at 4:52 P.M. to meet next November 28, 1973, at 3:00 P.M. in the Rare Books Room.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Thomas L. Eichman".

Thomas L. Eichman, Secretary

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