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INTER-DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL FACULTY

DATE: 1/12/84

FROM: L. D. Goss

SUBJECT: Faculty Council Meeting

SESSION #8

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the faculty council will be at 3:00PM Friday, January 20, 1984, in L-100.

AGENDA

1. Approval of minutes from Session #7.
2. Announcements.
3. Reports.
4. President's Medal (Student Academic Affairs Committee)
5. Appointments to university committee on nomenclature.
6. Report from the general education commission.
7. Old Business.
8. New Business.
9. Adjournment.

SESSION #8
MINUTES OF THE 1983-84
FACULTY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Time: Friday, January 20, 1984; 3:00 p.m. in L-100

Members present: Larry Goss, Chairman; Professors J. Davis, C. Petranek
O. Ozete, K. Kim, D. Swope, H. Dunn,
W. Everett, M. Willett

Ex-officios present: Vice President Reid

Others present: Professors K. Settle, G. Kelley,
and C. Bertram

1. Approval of minutes from Session #7

The minutes were approved as amended.

2. Announcements

Chairman Goss announced that Darrel Bigham, Chairman of the General Education Commission, is on sabbatical during the spring semester and William Kirsch has been appointed to the Commission as Professor Bigham's replacement.

The next meeting of the Faculty Council will be Friday, January 27, 1984 at 3:00 p.m. in L-100 and the meeting following the January 27 meeting will be Friday, February 10, 1984 at 3:00 p.m. in L-100.

3. Reports

Vice President Reid, in President Rice's absence, reported that the issue of ISUE independence has continued to be a topic in the Indiana State legislature. Vice President Reid explained that a compromise understanding had been reached at the Senate committee level which proposes a nine member committee to plan the transition which could be effective July, 1985. This nine member committee may serve as the first Board of Trustees.

Vice President Reid also reported that the biennial budget for 1985-87 will be prepared this spring and urged Council members to alert their chairpersons to plans for new programs, program improvements, etc.

Vice President Reid stated that our mission statement was examined by the Higher Education Commission. He explained that ISUE and IU East were the first schools to experience a review of their revised mission statements. The Commission is using these two statements as a guide in critiquing other mission statements.

Vice President Reid discussed the interim graduate council's establishment. A copy of that proposal is attached.

4. President's Medal (Student Academic Affairs Committee)

Chairman Goss introduced the topic of the proposal by the Academic Affairs Committee for a President's Medal. During the discussion period several concerns as well as additional issues to consider were voiced. Among them were questions concerning the problem of logistics during commencement, the physical appearance of the medal, funding of the award, the criteria for selection of the medal winner, the need for still another award, the method by which applications will be submitted, the possibility of presenting the award at Honor's Day, and the final location/ownership of the medal after it has been awarded. Professor Davis moved that the proposal be returned to the Student Academic Affairs Committee for further study and clarification of the above listed concerns. The motion passed.

5. Appointments to university committee on nomenclature

The following names were submitted to Chairman Goss for his selection as members of the University Committee on Nomenclature recently established by President Rice: Larry Arp, Aldo Cardarelli, Robert Gehring, Robert Hooper, Paul Robinson, Helen Sands, Frank Stanonis, Thomas Wilhelmus.

6. Report from the general education commission

Chairman Goss announced that he believed the Council would not be ready on a vote of the proposal by the general education commission until the February 10, 1984 meeting at least. He then opened the meeting to a general discussion of the proposal. At this time, Professor Kim introduced an amendment to the commission's recommendation (see attached). Professor Settle discussed the problems he believed the Division of Business would encounter if the recommended proposal were accepted, e.g. scheduling problems, developing a minor. Professor Petranek stated his belief that business students have not had difficulty in scheduling Social Science classes and Professor Settle confirmed this. Professor Davis expressed concern over lack of student freedom in selecting courses. Chairman Goss explained the need by Engineering Technology students for flexibility in scheduling general education courses. He reinforced his concern by stating that three of the four members of the recent ABET accreditation team commented on this problem. Professor Dunn explained how the commission arrived at its recommendation. He stated that many different alternatives were studied ranging from proposals for more to fewer hours in each area and in the total number of hours and, also, proposals for no selection to total freedom of choice. He explained that the commission selected this proposal as the best after much study and deliberation.

At this time, Professor Everett moved that the amendment be sent to the general education commission for consideration and documentation. Professor Dunn seconded the motion.

Discussion continued. Vice President Reid expressed his concern that, with limited faculty and time schedules, some impossibilities result in scheduling. Professor Everett questioned whether the scheduling problem is a result of general education courses or of courses in the various majors.

A vote was taken and the motion passed with five in favor, two opposed, and one abstention.

7. Old Business

There was no old business discussed.

8. New Business

There was no new business introduced.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Willett

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Secretary