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INTER-DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL FACULTY

DATE: 2/03/84

FROM: L. D. Goss

SUBJECT: Faculty Council Meeting

SESSION #10

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the faculty council will be at 3:00PM Friday, February 10, 1984, in the Faculty Reading Room (L-100.)

AGENDA

1. Approval of minutes from Session #9.
2. Announcements.
3. Reports.
4. Continuation of discussion on removal of Students from class.
5. President's Medal Award.
(Council members see enclosure.)
6. General Education modifications.
7. Old Business.
8. New Business.
9. Adjournment.

SESSION #10
MINUTES OF THE 1983-84
FACULTY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Time: Friday, February 10, 1984; 3:00 p.m. in L-100

Members present: Larry Goss, Chairman; Professors Kim, Ozete, Willett, Dunn, Swope, Everett, Petranek, Kinzie for Davis

Ex-officio present: Vice President Reid

Others present: H. Sands, D. Bennett, J. Deem, E. Marting, J. Moore, C. Bertram, J. Fredrich, K. Settle, B. Schonberg, W. Hibbitts, G. Abshier, H. Van Over, W. Henderson, G. Alkhatib, S. Choe, E. Edwards, L. Arp, R. Englert, S. Schnacke, E. Nolan, D. Frost, A. Foroughi, R. Mays, A. Cardarelli, E. Mullins

1. Approval of minutes from Session #9.

The minutes were approved as amended.

2. Announcements

Chairman Goss routed a memo from Tim Buecher which showed that ISUE freshmen scores were above average on the 1983 Scholastic Aptitude Test.

Chairman Goss also routed a brochure on the National Professor of the Year Award.

3. Reports

Vice President Reid announced that the issue of ISUE independence is before the Indiana House of Representatives.

4. Continuation of discussion on removal of Students from class

Chairman Goss requested a continuance of discussion on the report by the Student Academic Affairs Committee on procedures to remove a student from class. The Council amended two items. "For Current Semester," number one should read "Faculty member will notify in writing within 24 hours (excluding weekends and holidays): Division Chairman." For "Change of Status University Wide," number four should include "3.01" on plagiarism. Professor Everett moved that the proposal be accepted as amended. Professor Ozete seconded the motion. The motion passed.

5. President's Medal Award

Chairman Goss explained that the Student Academic Affairs Committee had responded to the Council's concerns about the President's Medal and made several modifications in the proposal. The Council made an editorial change in item four

of the award criteria which now reads, "Applicants must have applied for graduation in the current academic year." Professor Petranek moved that the proposal be accepted. Professor Everett seconded the motion. The motion passed.

6. General Education modifications

Professor Goss again introduced the subject of general education. He noted that this was the second time the General Education Commission's report had been before the Council and that there was no formal motion before the Council yet. He stated that he would entertain a motion for a secret ballot on the issue. Professor Willett so moved and Professor Kim seconded it. The motion passed five to three. Professor Willett moved to accept the General Education Commission's proposal and Professor Everett seconded it. Professor Kim made a motion to accept the amendment to the recommendations of the General Education Commission for revision of the general education requirements that he had proposed at the previous Council meeting. Professor Willett seconded it. A discussion followed. Professor Dunn said that the amendment destroys the intent of the Commission to provide a balance. Professor Kim said that there should be flexibility for the student. Professor Dunn questioned why. Professor Bertram requested the amendment be read for the sake of the audience. Professor Kim pointed out the three combinations possible with the amendment. Professor Dunn again said that the Commission's idea was to have a balance among the three areas. He said that the Commission was concerned with general education, not scheduling classes. He also said that the Commission's recommendation was not administratively impossible. He said that the comments from the Business and Education Divisions dealt with administrative scheduling, not general education. Professor Settle requested and received permission to distribute a report on the "Survey of General Education Course Offerings" containing statistics to support the amendment. He then explained the report. Professor Edwards stated that he agreed with Professor Dunn that general education is not scheduling but that there are scheduling problems and flexibility is needed to guide the student. Professor Frost stated that general education is scheduling when a student cannot get the general education course. Professor Dunn said there may be special cases. Professor Schnacke said special cases are a fact. Vice President Reid stated that the Higher Education Commission recognized a need to do more for evening and part-time students. Professor Choe stated that we are here to serve the students and there are different philosophical concepts of the best way to serve the students. Professor Abshier stated that there is a need to recognize the nature of the Business student. He also said that the amendment was really only a change in one course. Professor Petranek said that the Social Science Division feels strongly that students should get a broad background. Professor Kim explained that Business students would take ten hours of Science and Math because Math 111 is required. Professor Bertram pointed out that a minimum of two disciplines must be represented. Professor Settle stated that the worst case would be eighteen hours in one Division. He asked if we were concerned about a student overdosing in one area. He said he has no objection to overdosing except in drugs. Professor Dunn said that he was concerned about the possibility of a student taking twice as much in one area as another and counting it as general education. He was concerned also about the elimination of four hours of general education. Professor Settle said he wanted to be sure that the option of each Division to exceed the minimum be retained. Professor Everett sought verification of his interpretation of part two of the amendment that all hours could be counted toward a minor. He quoted the General Education Statement on page 46 of the Catalog. He stated that he was struck by the inconsistencies in courses being offered for general education credit. He said that he believed some courses are too specialized to count for general education.

Professor Kim said that he believed the amendment would not cause any significant problems. Chairman Goss stated that it is important that we, as a group, decide upon a single set of criteria without having to have variances in order to meet general education requirements for graduation. He also said that there is only an apparent imbalance. He said that problems will occur in Engineering Technology because of the way the Divisions have been put together. He said that usually a school separates mathematics from science and sometimes even divides math and science into four separate divisional structures.

Professor Everett called for the question on the amendment. The ballots were five to four in favor of the amendment. There was a brief discussion on the Commission's recommendation regarding the interpretation of item 2-5-a, "General Education Requirements for the Transfer Student."

The ballots were seven to two in favor of the Commission's proposals as amended.

7. Old Business

There was no old business.

8. New Business

There was no new business.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Willett

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Secretary