

MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE, DECEMBER 12, 1966

The University Senate met in regular session at 4:00 p.m., Monday, December 12, 1966 in the Court Room of the Law Building. Chairman Diachun presided. Members absent: Staley F. Adams, A. D. Albright, Clifford Amyx, Jack N. Baldwin, Charles E. Barnhart, John R. Batt, Wendell E. Beals, Norman Billups, Harold R. Binkley, Harry M. Bohannon, Peter Bosomworth, Thomas D. Brower, Lester Bryant, C. Frank Buck, Marion A. Carnes, David B. Clark, Jerome E. Cohn, Carl B. Cone, Glenwood L. Creech, Tihamerz Csaky, Melvin DeFleur, John E. Delap, Wendell C. DeMarcus, Kurt W. Deuschle, Robert M. Drake, Jr., J. H. Drudge, Ray Dutt, Ben A. Eiseman, Herman A. Ellis, W. Garrett Flickinger, Hugh Scott Fulmer, Art Gallaher, Wesley P. Garrigus, Lyman V. Ginger, Peter Gillis, Charles P. Graves, John W. Greene, Jr., Ward Griffen, Jack Hall, Jesse Harris, Herbert W. Hargreaves, Ellis F. Hartford, Charles F. Haywood, John W. Hill, Almonte C. Howell, James C. Humphries, Robert F. Kerley, James B. Kincheloe, Aimo Kiviniemi, Donald E. Knapp, John A. Koepke, Wasley Krogdahl, R. A. Lauderdale, Jr., C. Oran Little, Leslie L. Martin, Marcus T. McEllistrem, G. E. Mitchell, Noel E. Moore, Alvin L. Morris, R. T. Muelling, Jr., Vernon Musselman, Paul Oberst, James R. Ogletree, John W. Oswald*, Leonard V. Packett, Blaine F. Parker, Howard C. Parker, J. W. Patterson, Doris P. Pearce, N. J. Pisacano, Arlon G. Podshadley, Carson Porter, James H. Powell, James Prestridge, John T. Reeves, Benjamin Rush, William A. Seay, Roy E. Sigafus, Dewey G. Steele, Wellington B. Stewart, M. Stanley Wall, Ralph H. Weaver, T. F. Whayne, Warren E. Wheeler, William R. Willard, W. W. Winternitz.

The minutes of November 14, 1966 were approved as circulated.

The Chairman expressed to the Senate the sincere regret of President Oswald at being unable to be present at the meeting due to his representation of the University at the commemorative service for Paul Blazer, deceased, of Ashland, however, he had offered to meet with the Senate on Wednesday. The Chairman exercised the privilege of the Chair and called another meeting of the Senate on Wednesday, December 14, 1966 at 4:00 p.m. in the Court Room of the new Law Building.

The Chairman of the Program Committee provided a substitute program for this meeting--a report by the Provost of the University on the progress and implementation of the academic plan.

The Provost gave his impressions of the present status of the several recommendations which were made to the University Senate, to the College Faculties, and to the Administration, at the University Senate meeting of November 22, 1965 which he felt were proper for his comment and about which he was knowledgeable.

Dr. Cochran presented the following remarks concerning the implementation of the 20 recommendations to the University Senate.

1. the University requirements for each baccalaureate degree program (including the General Studies Component and its eight areas) have been implemented and are presently in operation;
- 2&3. the four academic officers and the system of Councils have been established and are functioning;

*Absence Explained

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4. the minor changes made in the composition, purpose, and the functions of the Senate Council are being carried out;
5. the procedure to be used for the approval of new courses and programs and for changes in courses and programs has been followed with the occasional exception that a college has failed to circulate to the entire teaching faculty of the University some proposed courses or course changes. A circulation to the entire teaching faculty is required of the college at the time it submits its recommendations to the Council(s), and a final circulation to the entire teaching faculty is made by the Senate Council following its action;
6. the procedures for establishment of new departments, schools, and colleges are being followed;
7. the registration of entering freshmen in the College of Arts and Sciences this fall and the establishment of a system of advisers have been implemented;
8. credit in MA 110, 111 and 112, not to be counted toward degree requirements, will become effective September, 1967;
9. rules governing the study of a foreign language have been implemented;
10. limited progress has occurred in the renumbering of professional courses to the 800-900 series;
11. status of the basis for representation on and composition of the University Senate is uncertain;
12. recommendations covering the administration and management of Interdisciplinary Instructional Programs is being followed insofar as is known.
13. until such time as the need for additional residential facilities becomes more acute there may not be any real activity toward the South Campus residential campus concept;
14. the status of extension offerings, correspondence courses, night classes is unknown;
15. the evening class program is being printed as a part of the regular class schedule book;
16. whether or not the schedule of correspondence courses is being distributed to all members of the faculty for their use in advising students is unknown;
17. the recommendation that elementary and junior high teachers be required to register in the College of Education and that those not enrolled in Education who apply for certificates in the field of secondary education be permitted to get their degrees in the appropriate college does not depart from previous practice and continues to be followed:

18. the University Senate Committee on Student Organizations and Social Activities has been disbanded and a University Senate Advisory Committee for Student Affairs has been established;
19. the studies to be carried out by the Advisory Committee on the Honors Program are presently under way and are not yet completed;
20. to what extent the University Senate Advisory Committee on Community Colleges has explored with the administration of the Community College System the equivalence of cultural and intellectual advantages in the two locations is not known.

The Provost moved to the recommendations to the college faculties and reported that

in the College of Arts and Sciences

1. (a) a School of Fine Arts consisting of the departments of Art, Music and Theater Arts has been implemented;
(b) a Department of Speech has not yet been implemented;
(c) a School of Communications to embrace the departments of Journalism and Radio, Television and Films, has been implemented;
2. an evaluation of all undergraduate major programs with respect to quality and relevance is in varying stages of implementation;
3. the recommendation that the appropriate faculty groups consider the desirability of new courses in the areas of literature, music, art, biology, math and philosophy, and the behavioral sciences to be offered as parts of the General Studies component to limited numbers of students on trial basis has been followed in that Area VIII, Behavioral Sciences, has been developed and implemented, a new math sequence has been added in Area I, HYG 110 has been added in two of the Biological Sciences sequences, an addition has been made to the Social Sciences grouping, and a rather complete reworking of the Humanities offerings has been accomplished. A group in the College of Arts and Sciences is continuing the study of the content of the General Studies courses since they are, with the exception of Economics, Arts and Sciences courses;

in the College of Agriculture and Home Economics

1. the Home Economics curriculum has been reworked considerably and now carries something of the same format as the programs in the agricultural component of the College of Agriculture and will probably be reworked further as the program develops;

in the College of Engineering

1. the college has met the decreasing enrollment in Mining Engineering by combining some two-year terminal programs in the community colleges and by incorporating the mining option into the Civil Engineering department;

in the College of Education

1. the college has studied and evaluated its programs in elementary, junior high, and secondary education and these programs have been approved by the University Senate Council.

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the College of Commerce complied with the recommendation for name change to the College of Business and Economics; and further, it has accomplished a thorough reconstruction of its undergraduate curricula and organization into a system of departments;

in the Graduate School

1. a system of evaluation reviews of existing programs by outside panelists to provide that each program be reviewed not less frequently than every five years has been initiated. The first outside panel has been to the campus but that report has not yet been received. Funds are allocated for at least three or four more reviews during the present academic year;
2. discontinuance of the Doctor of Engineering degree has been accomplished and replaced with the Ph.D, with specialization in Physical Metallurgy;
3. new doctoral programs have been approved in German, Mechanical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Engineering Mechanics, and Soil Sciences; in or out of committee study also are programs in Plant Physiology, Plant Pathology, Biophysics, and Spanish; further, several other programs are in some degree of development at the present time;
4. the policy statement on professional master's degrees in areas where this is the usual terminal degree is being followed in all the considerations;
5. in the communities where establishment of Resident Graduate Training Centers was considered the situation was not favorable;
6. the rank of associate membership in the Graduate Faculty has received no formal consideration to this time.

In the recommendations involving two or more colleges

1. the Department of Physical Education has been transferred to the College of Education with change in name of the department to Division of Health, Physical Education and Recreation;
2. the degree program in Medical Technology has been transferred from the College of Arts and Sciences to the Medical Center and resides in the School of Allied Health Personnel;
3. all secretarial science courses associated with the degree program in business education which had been offered in the Department of Business Administration, College of Business and Economics, have been transferred to the College of Education under the designation of Business and Office Education and the courses have been renumbered accordingly;

- 4&5. while uncertain of the breadth of discussion between Architecture and Agriculture as it relates to program and landscape architecture, consideration is being given in connection with the development of the planning program in the School of Architecture, as is the matter of a building engineering program between Architecture and Engineering;
6. while uncertain of the involvement of Arts and Sciences in the discussions, groups in the Colleges of Agriculture and Business and Economics have been considering the interrelationships of their offerings and needs in the field of economics as they relate to instructional programs, research and extension programs, and these considerations are continuing;
7. the transfer of technical courses in secretarial practice to the Technical Institute program has not been accomplished. The existing courses are now renumbered and are being offered in the College of Education as indicated under 3 above;
8. uncertainty was expressed that each college faculty has organized to accord with the Governing Regulations as set forth in this item;
9. uncertainty was expressed that Graduate Faculty members within a given college had organized for the purpose of considering the graduate program within that college, and for its presentation to the Graduate Council.

In the Administrative recommendations, Dr. Cochran reported that recommendations on the Library are continuing; he is unaware of any activity in the Museum program; the creation and operation of research institutes is being followed; the transfer of the Kentucky Geological Survey to the Office of the Executive Vice President has been accomplished; the recommendations for establishment of an Instructional Resources Center, full support for the state-wide ETV network, and appointment of a coordinator of educational television, are being consistently studied; that there is some funding for the establishment of the Center and since it is likely that instructional television will figure prominently in such a Center during the first two years, it has been necessary to look at these recommendations as a total package and no administrative decision has been reached; the recommendations for continued study of the title series and the area committees is continuing; encouragement for the establishment of endowed chairs is a priority item in the extra-mural funding; there is support for increased secretarial assistance and the executive secretary-type of appointments in the departments; there is movement toward appointment of acting chairmen in the summer for those on 10-months' appointments; and the recommendation for the preparation of an Administrative Manual is being followed;

In summation, Dr. Cochran stated that he thought the recommendations on establishment of University academic requirements, and recommendations on the establishment of general college requirements throughout the University have been met; that the undergraduate degree programs of all applicable colleges have been acted on finally with the possible exception of the College of Nursing; and that the departmental major programs are complete and formalized and will be published in the next issue of the General Catalogue with the exception of the College of Arts and Sciences which remains incomplete.

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He then enumerated several matters which will require the attention of the faculty beyond the present time, namely,

the need for strong improvement in the student advising system. He stated that certain attempts were made to improve the system last summer and again this fall, he pointed up some deficiencies on the part of the advisers during these periods, and reported that it is planned this year to make the job of advising one of the special items in the merit reviews and to try to identify those who have worked effectively in the student advising program and give them appropriate recognition for their work. He further reported that consideration is being given to an experimental program whereby limited numbers of graduate and undergraduate students might, under the supervision of an able faculty member, be used in the advising of undergraduate students, serving more in the role of a check to determine that students are taking what they should be taking at the time they should be taking it. He indicated a hope that some of those departments with a large number of students and a small number of faculty might be willing to try such students on an experimental basis to determine its merit;

improvement in undergraduate teaching. He stated that while the University has had the reputation over the years of being a very effective undergraduate teaching institution, as a result of his attendance at conferences over the nation during the past year and his reflections upon our achievements in relation to what had been reported in these conferences, he felt that we were falling short, particularly in the experimental area; that no real progress has been made in the instructional television area, in the area of programmed instruction, in teaching machines and its variations, in the testing and evaluation of computer-assisted instruction, in independent study programs, in the incorporation, in a regular organized way, of off-campus activities into a total instructional program such as is done at Western Michigan and Antioch, in formal consideration of international education or the study abroad factor;

the liberal arts education phase of the University. He stated that a number of large enrollment institutions have taken steps to establish within that institution the equivalent of liberal arts colleges, e.g., the Rutgers approach, San Diego, Santa Cruz, Florida State, Kansas; that we need to look at our own curricula with this approach in mind, and to some degree at our organization, to determine if we are truly offering to our students in the College of Arts and Sciences a genuine opportunity for a liberal arts education; that if the faculty will examine the Catalogue, it will note the relatively few courses that are specifically and especially designed for upper division students. He said that we move very promptly from a freshmen-sophomore level into the 500 level where there is a mix of graduate and undergraduate students, and that this, coupled with lack of definition of anything other than the major program, provides some cause for concern as to whether this is the proper set of offerings and the proper organization if we wish to offer a real liberal arts education opportunity.

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Following a question and answer session the Chairman expressed to Dr. Cochran the appreciation of the Program Committee and the Senate for bringing to the Senate on such short notice this review.

The Senate adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Elbert W. Ockerman
Secretary

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE, DECEMBER 14, 1966

The University Senate met in special session at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 14, 1966 in the Court Room of the Law Building. Chairman Diachun presided.

President Oswald presented a report on some of the University's major issues followed by a question-answer session. The entire report will be circulated to the faculty at a later date.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Elbert W. Ockerman
Secretary