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Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Wednesday, November 9, 1955, in the Dean's Office at 3:45 p.m.

Members present: E. R. McCartney, S. V. Dalton, Don Ade, Doyle Brooks, John Garwood, Calvin Harbin, Joel Moss, Andrew Rematore, Mrs. Dollie Thomas and Gerald Tomanek.

Member absent: Ralph V. Coder

The chairman, E. R. McCartney, called the meeting to order and the following was presented to the members and discussed.

Junior College Credit: The North Central Assn. has accredited only one junior college in the state of Kansas, namely, Kansas City Kansas Junior College. Since the state board approved the curriculum of the public junior colleges in the state and accepts credit from many of the private junior colleges towards certification, it is the policy of Fort Hays Kansas State College to accept transfer credit from all the state-board-approved junior colleges of the State of Kansas to apply on a degree program in this college insofar as the courses taken in the junior college coincide with the curriculum of Fort Hays Kansas State College. It is further understood that not more than sixty semester hours of junior college credit may be counted toward a degree.

It was noted that many of the high schools which maintain a junior college are accredited in the N.C.A. but that the junior college has not been accredited.

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the above policy regarding the transfer of credit from junior colleges be maintained. Seconded and carried.

Request from the Department of Biological Sciences: The following request was read: "It is requested that the number of the course Conservation of Natural Resources be changed from 54 to 154 effective with the beginning of the summer session, 1956. This change will accommodate those students from the Departments of Education and Biology who wish to take the course for graduate credit. It is felt that the course is now being taught at a comparable level with other courses numbered over 100." Respectfully submitted, (signed) Harold Hopkins.

It was explained that this course is a prerequisite to the workshop course in conservation, number 155, and that many of those who were interested in the workshop course could not enroll because they did not have the prerequisite. If the number of the present course 54 is raised to 154, it will be possible for students to enroll for this course. It was mentioned that the Conservation course is an excellent course and is regarded very highly.

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the course, Conservation of Natural Resources, be numbered 154. Seconded and carried.
Class hours for the summer session. It was asked if the schedule of class hours as used last summer was satisfactory? They were 7:30, 8:40, 9:50, 11:00, 1:00, 2:10, 3:20, and 4:30 with the two-hour classes meeting four days per week, three-credit-hour classes meeting five days per week, and five-credit-hour classes meeting five days per week for one full period and three days per week for an additional full period.

It was suggested that required courses scheduled at 7:30 a.m. should have a second section offered at a later time to accommodate the drive-in students. Perhaps it might be better to offer at 7:30 a.m., only those courses having two sections with the second section at a later period. Five-hour courses using double periods should be scheduled for 7:30 and 8:40, or for 9:50 and 11:00 so that the class period would not be interrupted when there are assemblies.

It was suggested that it was confusing to have the schedule change each hour rather than having it be 7:30, 8:30, etc., but it was explained that this arrangement makes the proper amount of clock hours for the credit allowed. Each class period is sixty minutes long with the passing time of ten minutes between the periods. The double period of 120 minutes is very long and it is possible that no other institution has this long a class period.

**RECOMMENDATION:** It was recommended that the same schedule of class hours be used for the coming summer as was used last summer which is, classes begin at 7:30 a.m., 8:40, 9:50, 11:00, 1:00 p.m., 2:10, 3:20, and 4:30; and that the classes scheduled at 7:30 should be those having another section at some other time during the day; and that the double periods should be the first and second, or the third and fourth periods. Seconded and carried.

Scheduling of classes for the fall and spring semesters:

The scheduling of classes for the fall and spring semesters was considered and especially the advisability of scheduling classes throughout the day beginning on the hour in the afternoon as well as the forenoon. This would make possible classes at 1:00, 2:00, 3:00 and 4:00 p.m. Large groups might meet at either 3:00 or 3:30 p.m. This would add one more period in the afternoon which would help in scheduling the three-hour classes.

**RECOMMENDATION:** It was recommended that the afternoon classes in the regular semesters of 1956-1957 be scheduled on the hour, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00 and 4:00 in order to provide one additional period. Seconded and carried.

It was suggested that more classes might be scheduled at 12:00 noon which helps in planning enrollment programs.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

E. R. McCartney, Chairman

S. V. Dalton, Secretary