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Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Wednesday, November 19, 1958  
at 4:00 p.m. in the Dean's Office.

Members present: S. V. Dalton, Mrs. Bogart, Dr. Craine, Mr. Friesner, Dr. E. Martin, Dr. Parish, Dr. Ray, Dr. Tomanek and Dr. McCartney, Chr.

Members absent: Dr. Coder, Dr. J. Martin, Dr. Richardson

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, E. R. McCartney.

Use of Classroom Space. A memo from Dr. Coder was read regarding the scheduling of classes in an effort to make the best use of the classrooms. Some of the suggestions were: "schedule classes at 7:30 a.m.; consider running classes until 5:00 p.m. next year, and then prepare for an evening school for 1960; janitors would have to change their working hours but student assistants would be able to take care of that; teachers might object to the evening classes, but new teachers can be hired to take these classes; dining services would have to be changed slightly but this should be no great obstacle; sororities and fraternities will need to change meeting hours but that can be done by shifting the meeting hour from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.; the general education classes can be spread over more periods and some laboratory periods may be added."

These suggestions were discussed. Science laboratories scheduled at 7:00 p.m. and on Saturday mornings would work out very well, the science faculty members stated. Faculty Senate members stated that they were agreeable to teaching classes during the noon period and also late afternoon and night classes. The chairman said that it would not be long before time to prepare the schedule of classes for next year and asked the Senate members to be sure the above suggestions are discussed with the department staffs for further suggestions to be presented at the next meeting of the Senate.

New courses for approval. Within the last two days two institutes have been approved for next summer--one is in mathematics and the other in science. New courses will be needed and these should appear in the catalogue. The mathematics and science faculties have asked approval for the following courses:

281. Institute in Botany. Five credit hours. Prerequisite, permission. A review of general principles of plant anatomy, morphology, physiology, taxonomy and ecology. The plant anatomy, morphology and physiology review will lead to topics in hormones and recent developments in heredity. Taxonomy will stress the recognition of plant families, the use of keys in identification and a field study of native flora. Review of ecological systems and methods will lead to a study of plant succession, conservation, and plant formations of the United States.

281. Institute in Chemistry. Five credit hours. Prerequisites, permission. A summer institute for secondary school teachers, sponsored

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by the National Science Foundation, stresses recent developments in chemistry, and a review of some topics which are of use in chemistry instruction. Lecture, discussion, demonstration, and laboratory work will be utilized.

281. Institute in Physics. Five credit hours. Prerequisite, permission. A summer institute for secondary school teachers, sponsored by the National Science Foundation, stresses recent developments in physics, and a review of some topics which are of use in physics instruction. Lecture, discussion, demonstration, and laboratory work will be utilized.

281. Modern Topics in Mathematics. Three credit hours. Prerequisite, permission. This course will treat such topics as deductive reasoning, use of truth tables, properties of the number system, theory of sets, vectors and matrices, theory of games; with applications to the behavioral sciences. Recommended for teachers.

291. Seminar in General Science. Three credit hours. Prerequisite, permission. A summer institute for secondary school teachers, sponsored by the National Science Foundation, presents a seminar in general science. The seminar is designed to broaden the experience of and provide scientific inspiration for the participating teachers.

291. Seminar in Teaching Techniques. One or two credit hours. Prerequisite, permission. The purpose of this seminar is to afford an opportunity for the participants to discuss teaching problems with each other and with experienced teachers in the field. Definite areas of teaching will be chosen and a series of programs built around each area.

**RECOMMENDATION:** It was recommended that the Senate approve the request for the courses: 281 (Institute in Chemistry), 281 (Institute in Physics), 281 (Institute in Botany), 281 (Modern Topics in Mathematics), 291 (Seminar in General Science), and 291 (Seminar in Teaching Techniques). Seconded and carried.

Report from the committee regarding Honors at Commencement. Dr. Ray, chairman of the committee, reported that the committee has been studying and working on a plan but the plan is not complete and they are not ready to present the plan as yet.

Special meeting time for the Faculty Senate next week. It was announced that it was imperative that the Senate meet next week in order to complete the approval of material for the catalogue. It was decided to meet on Tuesday at the regular time in place of Wednesday as classes close at noon.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

E. R. McCartney, Chairman

S. V. Dalton, Secretary