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Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Tuesday, April 28, 1964 at 4:00 p.m. in the Office of the Dean of the Faculty.

Members present: Dr. Bartholomew, Mr. Dalton, Dr. Edwards, Dr. Falls, Mrs. Helleem, Mr. Marcus, Dr. Pierson, Miss Rowlands, Mr. Spomer, Dr. Staven, Miss Veed, and Dr. Garwood, Chairman.

Members absent: Mr. Berland, Dr. Coder.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Dr. Garwood.

Proposal and Evaluation of Teaching as prepared by the Improvement of Instruction Committee, et al. The chairman said that the minutes of the last meeting appeared in the Faculty Bulletin showing the reports of the Senate members which were given at that meeting. Dr. Garwood said that at the last meeting the reports were given and discussed but there was not sufficient time to take action on the proposal.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Edwards moved that the Senate reject the Proposal made by Committee for the Improvement of Instruction—the Proposal for the Evaluation of Instruction. Seconded and carried.

Dr. Garwood said that he would communicate with the Committee for Improvement of Instruction and thank them for the time and study which they gave to the proposal that was presented.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Staven recommended that the responsibility for the evaluation of instruction be placed in the hands of the division chairman. LOST FOR WANT OF A SECOND.

This recommendation was discussed. It was the opinion of the Senate members that the question being considered was the evaluation of the teaching of the instructor whereas the above motion would resolve into an evaluation of the instructor on a much wider scale.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Spomer recommended that the Senate go on record as being in favor of evaluation and suggested that the division chairmen encourage the use of the Evaluation of Teaching form on a voluntary basis. Seconded and carried.

This was discussed. It was asked if there was a way that the Data Processing might be used for the purpose of scoring the results. It was suggested that a paragraph at the end of the form might be requested of the students for their comments.

Dr. Garwood called attention to the item in the Faculty Bulletin stating that Dr. Edwards would represent the college in a Seminar for New College Teachers at Macalester College, St. Paul, Minnesota, August 3-14. The purpose
of the Seminar is to help new college teachers become more effective in the art of teaching. Dr. Garwood said that we are glad to have Dr. Edwards represent us at the Seminar.

Report on the Master's Report. Mr. Berland's committee on the Master's Report will be ready to give a report of their study at the next meeting.

New Course. The application for a new course from the division of economics and business administration was presented. The description of the course is as follows:

190. Business Cycles. 3 cr. hrs. A study of the factors producing economic cycles, including history, theory and statistical measure of business cycles. The course also deals with the present methods employed in forecasting business cycles.

The application explained the objectives and the need for the course. At present there is no course in this area. There were courses in business cycles in the catalog some years ago but they were dropped. There seems to be a need for this type of course. The approach for this course will be different from that used in the courses offered in the 20's and 30's.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Marcus moved that the course, 190 Business Cycles, 3 cr. hrs., be approved. Seconded. Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

John D. Garwood, Chairman
S. V. Dalton, Secretary
Florence Bodmer, Recorder