

7-2-1963

Fort Hays State University Faculty Senate Minutes, July 2, 1963

FHSU Faculty Senate

Follow this and additional works at: https://scholars.fhsu.edu/sen_all

Recommended Citation

FHSU Faculty Senate, "Fort Hays State University Faculty Senate Minutes, July 2, 1963" (1963). *Faculty Senate*. 466.

https://scholars.fhsu.edu/sen_all/466

This Minutes is brought to you for free and open access by FHSU Scholars Repository. It has been accepted for inclusion in Faculty Senate by an authorized administrator of FHSU Scholars Repository.

*Prof. Office
July 9, 1963*

Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Tuesday, July 2, 1963 at 3:30 p.m.
in the Office of the Dean of the Faculty.

Members present: Dr. Bartholomew, Mr. Campbell, Mrs. Colburn, Mr. Coulson,
Dr. Dick, Dr. Kinsinger, Mr. Slechta, Mr. Spomer, Miss Veed,
Dr. Garwood, Chairman.

Members absent: Dr. Coder, Mr. Dalton, Mr. McKee, Miss Rinker.

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

Probation, Spring Semester, 1962-3. The following report on the probation
for the spring semester, 1963, was given by Dr. Garwood:

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Academic Probation</u>	<u>Academic Suspension</u>
Freshmen	160	139
Sophomores	83	51
Juniors	67	59
Seniors	19	18
Graduates	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	334	267
Overall Total		<u>601</u>

It was noted that there are many more freshman and sophomore students on probation than juniors and seniors. Approximately 1/3 of the freshman students are on probationary status. With the "open door" policy for admission this would be the case. It was suggested that the faculty would be interested in the information above and that it should be sent to them. Copies of the Faculty Senate meetings are sent to all the faculty members and so they will receive this report.

A comparison of the number on probation for the spring of 1962 was discussed briefly. The number of those on probation in the spring of 1962 was given by Dr. Garwood. It was suggested that a comparison between this spring's report and similar reports from other institutions might be made. It was asked if there is any follow up on those who are placed on academic suspension. How many come back after one semester of suspension? A study of the probation students would be a good topic for a thesis. It was the consensus that as long as we do not select more carefully, the number on academic probation will increase with the increased enrollments.

Psychology 1. Sectioning of students. Dr. Dick presented a plan for selection of students enrolling in Psychology 1 based on the ACT scores. This would be analogous to what is being done in English and mathematics. He noted that it would be possible to do much more in the advanced sections of the course.

Faculty Senate Minutes

July 2, 1963

- 2 -

It was pointed out that other general education courses might seek to be sectioned especially for those students who have had good high school preparation in biology, physical science, etc.

It was asked if this sectioning would be a movement toward two levels of college work. Is sectioning courses a movement in the direction of the Honors program? Does sectioning indicate a discontent with the core curriculum? Is there a failure or lack of enthusiasm for the teaching of the general education courses, particularly the five-credit hours courses? How would this sectioning affect the whole college?

If the Psychology 1 classes are sectioned, would this require more staff since the classes would be smaller?

The attitude of the students toward the poorer sections of the courses which are sectioned was discussed. These sections are sometimes referred to as "dumbbell sections," etc. Does sectioning make the students in the lower sections feel inferior? It was pointed out that people have limitations of many kinds such as financial, physical, etc., and perhaps it is well to know classwork limitations.

The Senate members were asked to discuss the sectioning with the division people and report to the next meeting of the Senate.

Dr. Garwood said that it would probably be necessary to have another meeting of the Senate this summer. The question regarding the 6-weeks grade reports will be considered as well as sectioning of Psychology 1 classes.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

John D. Garwood, Chairman

S. V. Dalton, Secretary

Florence Bodmer, Recorder