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Discussed: Advising, vocational-- very little if any
being done because of lack of facilities, staff, etc.
Dr. Dechant and Dr. Daley explained what would be needed.
(RECOMMENDATION:) Establishment of a counseling service as described above --
Lost for want of a second.

It was suggested that A plan be submitted which might be considered.
RECOMMENDATION: That the Senate go on record as being interested in the im-
provement of the vocational counseling program, and that Dr. Dechant
and Dr. Daley submit a plan which they consider adequate for the
need on our campus. Seconded and carried.
(See attached plan which was received.)

Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Tuesday, November 5, 1963
at 4:00 p.m. in the Office of the Dean of the Faculty.

Members present: Mr. Berland, Dr. Coder, Mr. Dalton, Mrs. Hellem, Mr. Marcus,
Miss Rowlands, Dr. Sackett, Mr. Spomer, Miss Veed, and Dr.
Garwood, Chairman

Members absent: Dr. Bartholomew, Dr. Falls, and Dr. Pierson

Others present: Dr. Daley, and Dr. Dechant

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

Dr. Garwood said that the Senate would not meet, Tuesday, Nov. 12.
The next meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 19. At that meeting will be con-
sidered the proposals submitted by the Economics and Business, and the
Social Science Divisions to substitute the courses, Economics 35, American
Government 34, and Sociology 34 for the course, Man and Society 56. An
application for a new course will be presented at the meeting.

Advising. Dr. Garwood asked Dr. Daley and Dr. Dechant to explain
what is being done in the way of vocational counseling. Dr. Dechant re-
ported that most of the counseling being done is in personal counseling.
He noted that in his opinion the two main problems connected with vocational
type of counseling is the lack of staff members, and space and facilities
for administering tests, scoring them, etc.

Senate members asked questions as to what might be done in regard to
vocational advising. Could the faculty members be given the information re-
garding administration and scoring of tests? It was suggested that faculty
members teaching faculty does not create a good relationship. Students have
reported to the advisors that they would like to have information regarding
fields for which they might qualify but were told that there was no informa-
tional available.

One suggestion was that the advisors continue advising the same advisees
for the four years in place of the present method. Each advisor could be
assigned five new advisees each year and this would make it possible for the
advisor to learn to know the advisees, his likes, abilities, problems, back-
ground, etc. There would be the problem regarding faculty members taking
leaves, those resigning and new faculty members.

The testing was discussed. It was noted that some testing has been done
in the English classes as well as other testing, but not much has been done
with the results. To do a creditable job of testing and advising along voca-
tional lines, it would require a full-time staff member to head the program
and ample facilities, such as testing space, office space, graduate assistants
and clerical help.

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RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Sackett recommended that the establishment of a counseling service as described above be set up with the necessary staff, equipment, etc. (Lost for want of a second.)

It was asked if Dr. Dechant would submit a plan to the Senate which might be considered. The plan would necessarily be subject to budget and approval of the administration.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Spomer recommended that the Senate go on record as being interested in the improvement of the vocational counseling program, and that we ask Dr. Dechant and Dr. Daley to submit a plan which they consider would fill the needs on our campus. Seconded and carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

John D. Garwood, Chairman

Standlee V. Dalton, Secretary

Florence Bodmer, Recorder