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Request for Business Education Club.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval for the organization of the Business Education Club. Seconded and carried.

Report, Dr. Pierson. A summary of the Responses Given by 886 Freshmen in Engl. Comp. 1

Applications for three new courses. 330 Folkson^g and Ballad^g; 342^g The West in Amer. Lit.; and 379 Heritage^g of Greek Lit.

RECOMMENDATION: Recommended that the Senate approve the 3 courses above. Seconded and carried.

Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Tuesday, December 3, 1963 at 4:00 p.m. in the Dean's Office.

Members present: Dr. Bartholomew, Mr. Berland, Dr. Coder, Mr. Dalton, Dr. Falls, Dr. Pierson, Miss Rowlands, Dr. Sackett, Mr. Spomer, Dr. Staven, Miss Veed, Dr. Garwood, Chairman.

Members absent: Mrs. Hellem, Mr. Marcus.

Others present: Miss Gallion.

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

Business Education Club. Dr. Garwood presented the request for the establishment of a Business Education Club on the campus. Copies of the request giving purpose, need, names of officers and members, and the constitution, etc., were sent to the Senate members earlier. Miss Gallion was questioned regarding the organization. She said that this organization is intended for students in the business and economics area who have 15 hours in the division with a minimum grade point of 2.00 in the division and a 1.5 overall average, and who will enter the teaching field at the secondary level. This should encourage students to become better acquainted--at present there seems to be very little done in a social way in the area, in fact the students scarcely know each other. It is also the hope to encourage scholarship. After a six-month probationary period the Club will become Lambda chapter of Pi Omega Pi, a national business education fraternity designed for prospective business teachers.

The organization was discussed briefly.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Sackett recommended that the request for the organization be approved. Seconded and carried.

A Summary of the Responses Given by 886 Freshmen in English Composition 1 to a questionnaire. Dr. Pierson handed out copies of a questionnaire or inventory, and the summary of responses which were given by the students at the Student-Principal Conference. Dr. Pierson explained the correlation between items on the questionnaire and the responses of those answering it. He explained the discrepancies in the responses. This was discussed. It was suggested that this inventory might be used by any area.

Applications for three new courses. Copies of applications for three new courses, 330 Folkson^g and Ballad^g, 342 The West in American Literature, and 379 Heritage of Greek Literature, each for three credit hours, were given to the Faculty Senate members. The catalog descriptions for these courses

are as follows:

330. Folksong and Ballad. 3 cr. hrs. A study of the part which folksinging and balladry have played in the oral culture of the English-speaking peoples from Medieval times to the present.

342. The West in American Literature. 3 cr. hrs. A study of the image of the West as pervasive metaphor, symbol, and myth in American Literature from the frontier novels of J. F. Cooper to the modern symbolistic novels of Walter Van Tilburg Clark.

379. Heritage of Greek Literature. 3 cr. hrs. A study of selected works from ancient Greek literature, with attention to parallel or derived works of later periods, especially the contemporary one.

The need for these courses was discussed. It was explained that the team which evaluated the college last year had suggested that there should be more 300 courses and that the graduate program should be strengthened. Dr. Sackett said that the lowest enrollment in any graduate course in his division is five students. He also explained that many bible college transfer students enroll, make up deficiencies, and complete the work for a masters degree.

Dr. Sackett said that all the courses in the Division are being taught and that they develop with good enrollments. The only time this has not been the case is when a course is offered in the summer and then offered in the fall semester following that summer session.

It was the consensus of the group that there should be more high-numbered courses.

It was noted by some of the Senate members that these courses would be fine related courses for students in other areas.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Staven recommended that the Senate approve the three courses, 330 Folksong and Ballad, 342 The West in American Literature, and 379 Heritage of Greek Literature, each with three credit hours. Seconded and carried.

It was asked if the graduate program is designed to attract only our own students. It might be wise to circularize the information regarding graduate school. It was mentioned that all the colleges are probably having trouble as they are sending letters, brochures, and even personnel are making contacts in an effort to increase enrollments in their graduate schools. Some very excellent grants are being offered.

Dr. Garwood announced that a committee would be appointed from the Senate to study the entire general education program.

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For the next meeting there are some applications for new courses which should be considered.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

John D. Garwood, Chairman

S. V. Dalton, Secretary

Florence Bodmer, Recorder