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RECOMMENDATION: To approve the requirement that seniors take the semester exams. at the regularly scheduled time and that this should be effective with the Summer Session, 1966. Seconded and carried.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Dead week practice be abolished, and that this should be effective beginning with the spring semester, 1966. Seconded and carried.

Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, at 3:30 p. m., Tuesday, March 22, 1966, in the Office of the Dean of the Faculty.

Members present: Dr. Edwards, Mr. Evans, Miss Felten, Dr. Fleharty, Mrs. Hoffman, Dr. Proctor, Mr. Osborne, Dr. Rice, Mr. Schmidt, and Dr. Garwood, Chairman.

Members absent: Mrs. Cobb, Dr. Hollister.

Also present: Dr. Burnett, Dr. Coder, and Dr. Harbin.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Dr. Garwood, who said that Dr. Burnett, Dr. Coder, and Dr. Harbin, members of the NCA Committee were here to give a report to the Senate, and asked them to present the report.

Report: Copies of the report were given to the Senate members. Dr. Burnett said that the NCA accrediting team is to be on the campus soon. They are to arrive on Sunday, April 10 and will be here the 11th and 12th. Dr. Burnett explained that the Committee felt that it would be well to give their report to key people on the campus previous to the visit so that everyone would be aware of the situation. He gave a brief review of the NCA accrediting. We are accredited for the granting of the bachelors degrees and masters degrees. Since 1959, the Ed. S. degree was planned. The team which visited the campus suggested that this program should be strengthened before it could be accredited. This Committee has been working on this problem.

Dr. Harbin said that the Masters Degree program was accredited in in 1921. The Ed. S. degree was prepared in 1959. Since that time the philosophy regarding this degree has changed. At that time it was planned to confer this degree on classroom teachers, supervisors, etc. This has been changed and now it is the thinking that the Ed. S. is not for classroom teachers. It is rather for those people who are not classroom teachers, such as supervisors, administrators, specialists, consultants, etc. This degree is terminal and is not half of a doctorate.

Dr. Coder explained the patterns which are being followed in this degree. He said the program is set up with a Core (40 hours of education courses), Field Study, professional courses, and cognate courses. He explained this program.

The visiting team will set up the program for their visit after they arrive. They will meet with groups on the campus and will study the report. There is a real need for this program and degree. With unification there will be larger schools and there will be more supervisors, specialists, etc. It was noted that

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we are scholastically prepared to offer this program. It will serve an area need as well as a geographical area. This program is important to the future of FHKSC and should be brought to the attention of all staff members. It was suggested that copies of the patterns might be prepared and distributed through the Graduate Office.

The Committee thanked the Senate for the opportunity to bring this report to them.

Are final examinations to be required of all students? This question was presented at a previous meeting and discussed. A report on Final Examination-- Commencement Policies was prepared and presented by Mr. Blickenstaff to the Senate at the March 1 meeting. At that time the report was discussed and Senate members were asked to take this question to their division faculty and discuss it with them and get their opinions. The Senate members reported. It was the general consensus that graduating seniors should be required to take the semester examinations, and that the practice of dead week should be discontinued.

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended to approve the requirement that seniors take the semester examinations at the regularly scheduled time and that this should be effective with the Summer Session, 1966. Seconded and carried.

It was suggested that the Oregon Plan regarding Commencement be followed.

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the dead week practice be abolished, and that this would be effective beginning with the spring semester, 1966. Seconded and carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p. m.

John D. Garwood, Chairman

Standlee V. Dalton, Secretary

Florence, Bodmer, Recorder