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Minutes of the Meeting of the Faculty Senate, Tuesday, April 19, 1966, at 3:30 p.m. in the Office of the Dean of the Faculty.

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

Members absent: Dr. Edwards, and Mr. Evans.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Dr. Garwood. He said that at the next Faculty Senate meeting, Tuesday, April 26, Dr. Dick will give a report on the honors program and how these courses may be used in lieu of some required courses.

Dr. Garwood said that members of the Student Council asked about having a student representative meet with the Senate. They were told that the request should be sent to the Senate. The Student Council does not ask that this representative should be a voting member, but rather be a consultant for areas where he might have a competence, i.e.; present the students' point of view.

Mr. Dalton who is attending the national meeting of registrars this week sent a letter which Dr. Garwood read. In the letter Mr. Dalton said that he is studying the possibilities of enrollment by computer. He outlined how it might be accomplished.

Dr. Garwood said that in talking with one of the members on the accrediting team who was here last week, it was noted that at Iowa State College freshmen and graduate students are assigned advisers but the sophomores, juniors and seniors do not have assigned advisers. This was discussed. It was suggested that this should help to make the students more aware of the requirements, etc. It was asked how the division chairmen get the information that students are graduating. Perhaps the students have not been given enough responsibility in the matter of enrolling. The disadvantages probably would be that it would take students longer to complete the work unless they planned very carefully, and that the divisions would not know their graduates as well.

It was suggested that the most troublesome problem in our enrollment program is the dropping and adding of courses. It was asked if there was a possibility of making a charge for this. It was asked if the computer could handle the dropping and adding of courses. When enrolling for a class in which there are multiple sections, it would be helpful if the meeting time for the section could be arranged when the students get to the table to pick up class slips. There will be a meeting of advisers in June to explain the advising.
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Senate members were asked if there should be general faculty meetings from time to time. Would a general faculty meeting be useful for such things as advising, for reporting on meetings, etc. It was suggested that the division meetings are more useful. It was the consensus of the members that it is not necessary to have regularly scheduled faculty meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

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