Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Tuesday, December 13, 1966
at 3:30 p.m. in the Office of the Dean of the Faculty

Members present: Miss Cotham, Mr. Crates, Dr. Fleharty, Miss Gangwer,
Mr. Johnson, Dr. McMechan, Mr. McGinnis, Mr. Schmidt,
Mr. Tomlinson, Dr. Youmans, Dr. Garwood, Chairman

Also Present: Mr. Maxwell
Member absent: Dr. Wilkins

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Dr. Garwood. He said
that Mr. Dalton was to be here to present the enrollment plans for the Spring
Semester. Since Mr. Dalton was in Topeka, the enrollment procedures were
explained by the chairman.

Enrollment for Spring Semester. The spring semester enrollment is to
be by classification and not alphabetical as it has been. The seniors will enroll,
then the juniors, sophomores, freshmen in that order. It has been said that the
seniors who enroll on the last day sometimes could not get the classes they
needed because classes were closed. This plan will give the seniors the first
choice. It was noted that within the class--such as senior, etc. --the enroll­
ment will be alphabetical. It was asked if this would be a permanent arrange­
ment. If this method of enrollment appears to be advantageous it is conceivable
that it might be retained.

Workshops. The chairman explained that each year in November the divi­
sion chairmen meet to plan the workshops for the coming summer. Copies
of the workshops to be offered in the summer of 1967 were given to Senate
members. The workshops are offered according to the demand for them. It
has been argued that the workshops deplete the enrollment in the nine-weeks
session. On the other hand some students cannot come for the nine-weeks
session but can come for one or perhaps two of the workshops--three or six
weeks. The workshops have been very popular. It was asked if there would
be any institutes. Not all institutes requested have been accepted.

Brochure. A brochure will be made up of all the courses and workshops
in the Summer Session and will be sent to all the teachers in the state. Ad­
dresses from the KSTA will be used. The KSTA's list does not list the resi­
dence address of the teachers. They list town and building.

It was suggested that some of the seminars and readings might be speeded
up so that they could be completed in less than nine weeks. These could be
flexible and the students could come and complete a seminar in four or five
weeks. The enrollment for these could probably be flexible too—they could enroll as they wished.

Length of term of Senate Members. At a previous meeting the term of Senate members was discussed briefly and Senate members were asked to get the opinion of their divisions regarding this. At present a Senate member may serve no longer than two years. It is possible to have all new members at one time. This tends to cause loss of continuity in Senate action. It was suggested that members might serve two years and the and the election might be staggered—six divisions elect one year and five divisions elect the next year—so that not all the members or the majority of the members would be new at one time. The Senate members surveyed their divisions and reported at this time. The consensus was that a two-year term would be a good idea.

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Senate members be elected for a two-year term. Seconded and carried.

Proposal on Scheduling of Assemblies from the Social Science Division. (See copy of proposal following Senate Minutes.) A proposal regarding the scheduling of assemblies was presented. Copies of the proposal were distributed to the Senate members. This was discussed. The method of scheduling assemblies was explained. It was asked if they might be scheduled for the afternoon. It has been customary to schedule them in the morning. Probably more students are on the campus at this time. However, some assemblies are held in the afternoon. It was asked if classes should be dismissed for pep assemblies. Sometimes the attendance is only a few hundred at the assembly and this does not seem to justify dismissing classes.

Assemblies should not be scheduled without sufficient notice as examinations are scheduled and this causes confusion. Some of the assemblies are not applicable for the total student body. Assemblies have been held which are of interest to specific divisions and these should be arranged so that the classes involved could be dismissed for the assembly but the whole student body should not be dismissed. It was asked if criteria could be set up for judging the need for an assembly. A minimum of assemblies should be held.

Should the Senate give permission for general assemblies? It was asked if 34:30 would not be a good time to hold assemblies as there are not many classes at that time. It was noted that sometimes instructors dismiss classes early or arrive late for classes and so do not use all the class time, yet they may complain about loss of ten minutes from their classes for an assembly.

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that we set up a policy that the Faculty Senate approve all student assemblies. Seconded and carried.
It was asked if this would make for different decisions than those now made. If the Senate disapproved dismissing classes, would this decision be honored.

The chairman replied that as long as he had been chairman of the Senate the decisions of the Senate had been respected. He noted that as a Senate member he could not recall any time when a decision of the Senate had been negated.

In the past most decisions as to assemblies have been made in the Office of the Dean of the Faculty.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

     John D. Garwood, Chairman

     Florence Bodmer, Recorder