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Discussion:
1. Language Enrollment
2. Freshmen orientation—arrival of freshmen on campus
3. Classes listed in schedule and then cancelled—enrollment.
4. Course offerings in various subject fields — See notice attached.

Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, September 20, 1951, at 3:30 p.m., in the Dean's Office.

The following members were present:

E. R. McCartney, Chairman
S. V. Dalton, Secretary
Ralph V. Coder
C. Thomas Barr
Alice Beasley
Doyle Brooks
Harold Choguill
Geneva Herndon
Joel Moss
Ivan Richardson
Emmet C. Stephe
Leonard Thompson

This was the first meeting of the Faculty Senate for the year. The chairman welcomed the three new members to the group.

Language enrollment.

The language enrollment is small. There is a total of about 45 students in all the classes. The applied degrees makes it possible to circumspect the languages. It was suggested that the language classes might be made more attractive by following the current trends in language teaching. This question will be discussed further.

Freshmen orientation—arrival of freshmen on campus.

The chairman read a letter received from Mr. Burnett in which Mr. Burnett suggested that the freshmen are new and strange and that the time between their arrival and the 4:00 program is a lonely time for them. They are bewildered and don't know how to find their way about—to Picken Hall, etc.

It was suggested that there should be signs on the campus indicating the names of the buildings; some kind of social affair such as informal tea, etc., might help to bridge the gap for these entering freshmen; and that such groups as the W.I.O. and 7th Cavalry might be organized to help "look out" for the entering freshmen—This might be somewhat on the order which the Y.W. has used in the "Big Sister" idea.

Classes listed in the Schedule and then cancelled—Enrolling students.

The chairman said that the students are unhappy because there are so many courses listed and then cancelled because the enrollment is only one or two students in a class. The advisers have many problems in connection with enrolling students which need to be studied.
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There was a meeting of the Faculty Senate, Thursday, September 17, 1951, at 4:30 p.m. in the Senate Office.

Course offerings in various subject fields.

The chairman discussed the statement made in the communication to each member of the Senate relative to the major problem of course offerings in the various subject fields. Further consideration was left to later meetings.

The meeting adjourned.

E. R. McDaniel, Chairman

Standlee V. Dalton, Secretary