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Report on Freshman Orientation Program

Discussion: How to improve the enrollment procedure.

RECOMMENDATION: One or two faculty members stationed in the Arena (near entrance) to make changes in the programs of students which are changes in sections, classrooms, etc., (minor changes) and notify the adviser of the student that this change was made.

(See Minutes.)

Rhodes Scholarship and Fulbright Act.

Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate on Thursday, October 1, 1951, at 3:30 p.m. in the Dean's Office.

Members present:

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

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Dr. McCartney.

Report on Freshman Orientation Program:

Questionnaires regarding the Freshman Orientation Program were given to the freshmen students in the English classes and they were asked to fill them in and return. A copy is attached. Dr. McCartney presented the report to the Faculty Senate.

Plans for the Freshman Orientation Program for next fall should be given consideration. Should the same group which presented the program this year present it again next year or should it be passed around? This year there was an organ prelude at the beginning of each program and the speakers were introduced.

Mr. Moss suggested that the same speakers should present the program and that it was not a question of passing this around but of giving good programs which would be of value to the freshmen.

Mr. Brooks asked if there were too many programs. He said that the freshmen were very busy trying to get everything done during the first week. This year there was some confusion regarding the tests and that should be handled better next year. It was also suggested that the order of the programs might be arranged better. It was the concensus of the Faculty Senate that the Freshman Orientation Program should be continued next year much as it was this year.

How to improve the enrollment procedure:

This year on the enrollment days some of the advisers were helping with the freshmen tests and could not advise the upper classmen with their enrollments very satisfactorily.
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which would allow for changes and when this is completed it could be copied into the enrollment book.

RECOMMENDATION:

It was the recommendation of the Faculty Senate that an enrollment book be developed which would allow for changes and when this is completed it could be copied into the enrollment book.

Dr. Stopher recommended that one or two faculty members be stationed near the entrance of the Arena to make changes in the programs of students where it is a change in sections; and these faculty members be authorized to make changes even though the adviser has signed the card and notify the adviser that these changes are being made. This is to take care of minor changes, such as changes in sections or classrooms. Seconded and carried.

Dr. Codar asked if it would be possible to ask the students not to turn in a work program until the program of study has been made out. It was suggested that this should apply to work in the campus as well as downtown. There are far too many students asking for a whole program of study in the morning or afternoon. If the students were free to make up the study programs without trying to fit it into a work schedule, there would not have to be so many eight, nine, ten and eleven o'clock sections and the afternoon classes would be filled. This would be a great help in scheduling of classrooms. It was suggested that this might be workable.

Dr. McCartney asked that the members of the Faculty Senate give some thought to changing the afternoon class hours to 1:00, 2:00 and 3:00 in place of the present schedule. Mr. Barr suggested that this would be most difficult in their department as they meet band and chorus at 12:30 to 1:20 on Fridays in order to get a practice before the students leave the campus for the weekend.

Rhodes Scholarship and Fulbright Act:

The chairman said that the material for application for the Rhodes Scholarship has been received and asked how this should be handled this year. After some discussion, it was decided to ask the department heads for suggestions of suitable students in their departments who might be interested in making application. The meeting adjourned.

Miss Beasley asked how long it takes for a student to obtain the Fulbright Scholarship. She said that there is a student, Gene Johnson, in her department who is interested. Dr. Welty has most of the material regarding the Fulbright Scholarships.

The meeting adjourned.

E. R. McCartney
E. R. McCartney, Chairman

Standley V. Dalton, Secretary