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Minutes of the Faculty Senate, October 25, 1951, 3:30 p.m. in the Dean's Office.

Members present:

E. R. McCartney, Chairman

Leonard Thompson

C. Thomas Barr

Doyle Brooks

Joel Moss

Emmet Stopher

Ivan Richardson

Geneva Herndon

Harold Choguill

Alice Beesley

Ralph Coder

Standlee Dalton

Members absent: none

The meeting was called to order by the chairman.

Pageant for 1952.

Dr. Coder stated that he and Dr. Herndon would appreciate receiving ideas for the pageant to be given in the Spring of 1952.

Activities

Dr. McCartney asked the question why Newman Club should be given activity credit. He wanted the group to think about it and the matter would be brought up later. Should Newman Club carry activity credit when other church-sponsored groups are not approved as activities for which the student may receive activity credit? Mr. Brooks suggested that Y.W.C.A. and Y.M.C.A. and Newman Club originally may have been given equal status as activities.

Mr. Richardson expressed the opinion that activities need not be a part of the transcript. The transcript is an academic record and activities need not be placed on it.

Dr. Thompson suggested that the Dean find out the policy on other campuses regarding activities. He suggested that Mr. Dalton and Dr. McCartney check on this at the Deans and Registrars meeting in November.

### Excess Program

Dr. McCartney presented the problem of what to do about over-loads or excess programs. Is there a regulation about taking excess programs? Should the student come to the Dean's office for permission to take over 17 hours (including physical education)?

Dr. McCartney suggested that he notify all advisers and heads of departments that every adviser who signs enrollment cards should have the student clear with the Dean's office if he wants to carry more than a normal load for him as stated in the catalogue (page 43).

Dr. Stopher suggested that the reminder include a review of the regulation as given in the catalogue. He also suggested that the wording on the blank which the Dean uses to give permission for excess program be changed to conform with the statement in the catalogue.

### Absences.

Dr. Thompson mentioned the problem of students who leave the campus early for some reason and receive incompletes in their courses. How should this be worked out so that a student may complete his work and receive credit? Or should we allow such practices? An example was given of a student who left for spring baseball training.

### Number of hours per week spent in class meetings.

Dr. McCartney brought up the question as to how many hours per week a student is expected to spend in class for a given number of semester hours of credit. As examples he mentioned the women's physical education classes in which the student is expected to observe on days when she is unable to take part and then at a later date make up the class work missed; the music department beginning music theory course in which the student is required to spend 5 recitation periods and 2 laboratory periods for a 4 semester hour course; accounting courses in which a student is required to spend 3 recitation periods and 2 laboratory periods. It was also stated that in the accounting course they were often given 5 assignments per week.

Mr. Barr asked that nothing be done at the present time as to the Theory course. He stated that Miss Felten will be attending the N.A.S.M. meeting in November and he would like for her to confer with people from other colleges to see what is being done in their colleges. He also stated that in first year theory a compromise may be made but he does not feel that it could be done in the second year theory.

The question was raised as to the possibility that the extra hours spent in class may be added in lieu of outside preparation.

Dr. Thompson stated that in accounting the extra hours were added to provide supervised study.

Dr. Coder expressed the opinion that many courses do not cover the subject matter they should nor with the thoroughness that they should because to do so would flunk too great a percentage of the class. It is Dr. Coder's opinion that many students know very little English when they come to college and they do not know how to study effectively.

No conclusions were reached and no action was taken on this discussion.

The committee adjourned at 5:30.

E. R. McCartney

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Standlee V. Dalton

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