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Statement regarding physical education (men)
requirement for the catalogue.

District Music Festival on April 4 and 5

RECOMMENDATION: No classes on April 4 and students and
faculty assist with music festival.

Students absent from classes for out of town trips

RECOMMENDATION: Faculty sponsors of student groups shall send
the list of students who will be absent from
classes to the Dean's Office one week prior
to time of departure.

RECOMMENDATION: Miss Beesley recommended that the student group should meet on Friday,
April 4, and that the students in any capacity they are asked in
and carried. Discussed, no action taken:
Probation for students doing inferior work.
Language situation on this campus. Seconded

Names of students absent from classes for out of town trips:

Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Thursday, March 27, 1952,
in the Dean's Office, 3:30 p.m.

Members present:

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

Members absent: The instructors are aware of a pending trip far enough in ad-
vance they have time to arrange the assignments, tests, etc., to the best
advantage. Mr. Barr

RECOMMENDATION: The meeting was called to order by the chairman, E. R. McCartney. (See notice attached)

Statement regarding physical education requirement:

At the last meeting, Mr. Dalton and Dr. McCartney were asked to
prepare a statement to appear in the catalogue in the physical education
department regarding the required physical education for men. This would
be one to be used in place of the present one which does not seem to be satis-
factory. The following statement was presented to the committee:

Physical education 1 is required of all first semester fresh-
men. Second semester freshmen and sophomore may fulfill the
remainder of the requirement by electing from the following
courses: 2, 3, 12, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, and 27. Those people
with restricted health ratings will be placed in appropriate
courses on the advice of the college physician and health
office.

The above statement was approved by the Faculty Senate.

District Music Festival on April 4 and 5:

The District Music Festival will be held on April 4 and 5 this
year. Last year on the Friday of the music festival, there were no classes
held and the faculty members were asked to act as proctors of home rooms.
This year there will be more than 3,000 high school students on the campus
for the festival and this is more than were here last year.

Mr. Brooks suggested that the plan used last year had proved to
be very successful and that many favorable comments were received regarding
the way it was handled.

This was discussed at some length.

RECOMMENDATION: Miss Beesley recommended that no classes should meet on Friday, April 4, and that the students and faculty will be expected to serve in any capacity they are asked in assisting with the music festival. Seconded and carried.

Names of students absent from classes for out of town trips:

It was explained that the names of students making trips away from the campus for college-sponsored trips are submitted to the Dean's Office and this office then notifies the faculty. The lists have been submitted at various times previous to the trip. Sometimes the lists are brought in just as the group is leaving the campus and this makes it too late to notify the instructors of the trip far enough in advance. It was explained that the list of students making the choir tour which was sent to the Dean's Office was not sent out to the instructors because of an error in filing. Miss Butler has reported that some of the students are not to leave the campus without the parent's permission and if the lists are late the students make the trip without getting permission.

If the instructors are aware of a pending trip far enough in advance they have time to arrange the assignments, tests, etc., to the best advantage for all concerned.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Herndon recommended that faculty sponsors of student groups who plan to leave the campus for an out of town trip shall file a copy of the list of students, who will make the trip, in the office of the dean one week prior to the time of departure. Seconded and carried.

(See
notice
attached)

Probation for students doing inferior grade of work:

The Student Personnel Committee has asked regarding a probation for students doing an inferior grade of work and have asked to explain what is being done at present. Dr. McCartney explained the plan being followed at present. The grade sheets are examined and lists are made of students who have failed to do creditable work and also of those who have just barely done the required work--average grades of D. These students are contacted by letter and provisions are made regarding their status as a student. Some of these students have not done good work because they have been enrolled in too many activities and the dean and registrar have tried to protect them from this sort of practice.

It was suggested that students should qualify for co-curricular activity whether they enroll in the activity for credit or not.

It was decided to table this question until a later time when it could be considered further.

The language situation on this campus:

A letter was received from the language teachers on this campus in which they pointed out the present situation regarding languages and the

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possibility of enrolling in language courses; the requirements for language study; generalizations prevailing among educators today; and a recommendation to the Faculty Senate and to the College Administration. (Copies of this letter were sent to the members of the Faculty Senate previous to today's meeting. Copies of this letter are attached to this copy for administrative offices only since all members of the committee have been supplied with copies.)

The various phases as set forth in the above letter were discussed at length. It was agreed that the language courses have been pushed into the background in order to complete the general education requirement during the first two years. The advisers insist that the students complete the general education courses before enrolling in other courses. Therefore the student is a junior before he may enroll for a language and at that point he needs high-numbered courses and cannot arrange his program to include languages.

It was suggested that the present purpose in the teaching of languages was to obtain the cultural contribution of a language and not to acquire mechanical proficiency.

Dr. Coder suggested that the language people ask that the language courses be given a chance for enrollment by the students. At present the enrollment has been only those who have to have languages as a requirement for some specific curriculum. He also called attention to the army schools teaching languages, to the advertisements in New York City papers calling for people with knowledge of languages for excellent positions. It was suggested that advisers be given permission to allow students to enroll for a language in the freshmen year if the students wish to do so.

Many opinions regarding the teaching of languages were presented by the different members of the Senate. It was decided that this question should be discussed further before taking any action.

The chairman announced that the next meeting of the Faculty Senate would be on April 24.

The meeting adjourned.

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

Standlee V. Dalton
Standlee V. Dalton, Secretary

1. Language is required for an A. B. degree.
2. Language is required for a B. S. degree.
3. Language is an excellent tool for aid in a specialized study.
4. Language is needed for study toward advanced degrees.
5. Language study is interesting and fun for many students.