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RECOMMENDATION: Courses, 22 Advanced Radio announcing and 55 Radio Production approved.
Discussion: Honors convocation -- To be discussed further next fall -- too late for this year.
RECOMMENDATION: That the physical education requirement be optional for students after they have reached the age of 30. Carried.
Discussion: Language requirements -- No action taken.

The minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Thursday, May 22, 1952, at 3:30 p.m. in the Dean's Office.

Members present:
F. R. McCartney, Chairman
Stanlee V. Delton, Secretary
C. Thomas Barr
Alice Beesley
Boyle Brooks
Harold Chequill
Joel Moss
Ivan Richardson
Emmet C. Stopher
Leonard Thompson

Members absent:
Ralph V. Goder (Out of town.)
Geneva Herndon (Teaching a pre-summer session class.)

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

The Speech Department presented two radio courses for approval.

Two radio courses, 22 Advanced Radio Announcing and 55 Radio Production, were presented by the Speech Department for approval. The description of the courses is given below:

22. Advanced Radio Announcing. Two credit hours. Spring semester. Prerequisite, 21. Specialized training in announcing and in microphone techniques, with the opportunity for students according to their ability to participate regularly in the college radio program.

55. Radio Production. Three credit hours. Fall semester. Prerequisite, six hours in radio. For students interested in the production of radio programs with emphasis placed on the timing, content, and microphone placement. This will include the study of music, news, drama, and the various types of interview programs.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Chequill recommended that the two courses, 22 Advanced Radio Announcing and 55 Radio Production, be approved. Seconded and carried.

Student Council has proposed holding an honors convocation once a year.

Dr. McCartney reported that the Student Council has proposed that an honors convocation be held each spring, perhaps about the middle of May. It was presented too late this year to do anything about it. Several years ago it was the custom to hold an honors assembly once a year but this got to the place where it
was felt that everyone was given an honor of some kind and so became somewhat meaningless. In a recent issue of President McFarlane's Free Press (faculty bulletin, K.S.T.C., Emporia) there was a notice regarding an honors convocation on their campus. There was only a notice and nothing regarding what is covered in the convocation. The fraternities and sororities award honors for scholastic records and recently there have been awards for the outstanding person on the campus. The important questions in connection with an honors convocation would be who should be honored and when such a convocation would be held. Mr. Dalton asked about awarding the cum laude, etc., honors at commencement.

It was decided that the honors convocation should be discussed next fall.

Physical education requirement.

The physical education requirement was discussed. There is the problem of those students who transfer from junior colleges but have not fulfilled the physical education requirement. At a meeting with the Dodge City Junior College officials recently this was presented and discussed. At present they offer golf, tennis, etc., and call it the equivalent of physical education.

It was suggested that if mature students have two credits in physical education, they might be excused from taking the additional two credits. Mr. Dalton said he believed that if the physical education is to be required of all students, then they should be expected to complete the requirement. Many of the transfer students have not been able to meet the physical education requirement because of conflicts in schedules. The physical education requirement is set up for the freshmen and sophomores and fits into their schedules.

Dr. Thompson suggested that those people who have attained the age of 35 or 40 might be excused from the physical education requirement because in many cases, these students cannot enroll for the regular classes but take the "rest exercises" classes which according to some reports have not been too satisfactory.

The question of allowing mature students to graduate without meeting the physical education requirement was discussed very thoroughly.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Brooks recommended that the physical education requirement be optional for students after they have reached the age of 30. Seconded and carried.

Discussion of the language requirements.

Language and language requirements were discussed. With the present general education requirements, it is not likely that many students may arrange their programs so that they may enroll for languages during the first two years of college, unless special attention is given to this need by the lower division advisers.
When they start on the major and minor requirements, there is not much opportunity to enroll for languages. The need for use of language courses was discussed and also the method of teaching languages.

The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

E. R. McCartney, Chairman

Standlee V. Dalton, Secretary