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MOTION: Dr. Moreland request to change the credit for the course, American Political Parties, 179 to two-credit hours. Seconded and carried.

Faculty meeting on Monday, September 29 — Miss Lacey a Mr. Crowder.

Improvement in reading committee: Miss Lacey, Miss Anderson Mr. Reid and Dr. Naylor "Honors" or "recognition" convocation.

MOTION: Committee be appointed to investigate the question of the honors convocation. Mrs. Bogart Chr., Harold Hopkins, Calvin Harbin, and 2 students to be appointed by Student Council.

Reports handed out: Degrees Conferred & Distribution of classes with advisers, etc. to discuss enrollment procedure.

Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Thursday, September 18, 1952,
Dean’s Office, 3:30 p.m.

Members present:

E. N. McCartney, Chairman Joel Moss
S. V. Dalton, Secretary Ivan Richardson
Ralph V. Coder Emmet C. Stopher
C. Thomas Barr L. W. Thompson
Katherine Bogart Margaret van Ackeren
Harold Chouquill

Members absent:

Geneva Harnon

Student Council suggested improvement in reading committee.

Last spring the Council suggested "honors" or "recognition" convocation, but at that time it was too late in the semester and it was decided to wait until this fall to investigate this possibility. The committee has been held here, but was abandoned when it was felt that it had lost its meaning. Since the students have brought this question probably there is no objection and the subject should be studied and an answer given. Dr. Thompson suggested that a sub-committee might handle this best. Some of the awards cannot be given until the end of the semester when the grades are out.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman who welcomed the new members of the Senate.

MOTION: Dr. Thompson moved that a committee be appointed to investigate the question of the honors convocation. Dean McCartney reported that Mrs. Landrum is in the process of finding out what is the demand for courses by correspondence. She is sending out a questionnaire which should give a good idea of the demand for courses by correspondence.

Request to change the credit for the course, American Political Parties, 179.

Dr. Moreland sent a request asking to have the credit changed from three hours to two credit hours for the course, American Political Parties. He wrote, "We think the course can be taught in two hours and another two-hour course will work into our schedule better. We are also thinking of teaching this course at night or on Saturdays and feel that the two credit hour program would be better for such a purpose."

MOTION: Dr. Thompson moved that Dr. Moreland’s request to change the credit for the course, American Political Parties 179, to two credit hours be granted. Seconded and carried.

Dean McCartney said that Miss Lacey spent four weeks at the Minneapolis workshop as well as visiting other colleges in a study of the subject. Improvement in reading.

It was suggested that Miss Lacey give a report of this to see the complete picture of our offerings. The committee members should be studied in advance of the printing of the next catalogue. Members of the committee were asked to study these and then they would be discussed at a later meeting.
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study to the complete faculty so they could learn what has been done in this field. Mr. Crowder made a study of the dropouts for his master's thesis at Iowa State University and a report of this would also be of value to the entire faculty. It was decided to call a faculty meeting on Monday, September 29, and ask Miss Lacey and Mr. Crowder to report on these two subjects.

It was suggested that it might be wise to set up a committee in which Miss Lacey and others might determine how to develop the improvement in reading on our campus. It was suggested that Miss Anderson, Mr. Heid and Dr. Naylor would be helpful on such a committee as they have done some work along this line.

In the improvement in reading program it was decided that there are many phases of the subject and that merely to add a course would not be sufficient.

Student Council suggested an honors convocation.

Last spring the Student Council suggested that we have an "honors" or "recognition" convocation. At that time it was too late in the semester and so it was decided to wait until this fall to investigate this possibility. The honors convocation has been held here but was abandoned when it was felt that it had lost its meaning. Since the students have brought this question probably there is an obligation and the subject should be studied and an answer given. Dr. Thompson suggested that a subcommittee might handle this best. Some of the awards cannot be given until the end of the semester when the grades are in.

MOTION: Dr. Thompson moved that a committee be appointed to investigate the question of the honors convocation. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Bogart was named chairman, Dr. Harold Hopkins, Dr. Martin, and two students to be selected by the Student Council at the next meeting will constitute the committee.

It was asked that the committee should make a report by Christmas of this year.

The possibility of allowing the freshmen to complete the English requirement later in the college program was discussed. The summer school requirement is that students must complete the requirement in the first three summer sessions or the first thirty credit hours of work. Dr. Coder suggested that there are only three English courses required but they must also take speech and if the English 1 is not taken in the first semester it will push all these courses further down in the program. No action was taken at this time.

Tabulations showing the number of Degrees Conferred, 1946-1951 and the distribution of courses and percentages were handed to the committee members by Dr. McCartney who said that these had been prepared in an effort to see the complete picture of our offerings. It was suggested that these should be studied in advance of the printing of the next catalogue. Members of the committee were asked to study these and then they would be discussed at a later meeting.
It was suggested that there are a large number of changes in the enrollments which take place after the enrollment is supposed to be complete and handed into the Registrar's Office. This may be due to the fact that the students have been rushed too much; some of it is due to students discussing the enrollments with others and then changing their minds. Perhaps the advisers should be consulted to find out what the problems are. Mr. Dalton said that the work program of students causes many of the changes. This semester there were perhaps more changes than in the spring semester of 1952. The next meeting will be with the lower division advisers and those who helped with the enrollment in the arena for the purpose of discussing the enrollment problems of students in the fall enrollment.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.