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Attached to
Faculty Bulletin
April 22, 1953

Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Thursday, April 16, 1953,
at 3:30 p.m., Dean's Office.

Members present:

E. R. McCartney
Ralph V. Coder
Standlee V. Dalton
Mrs. Katherine Bogart
Harold Choguill
Geneva Herndon
Joel Moss
Ivan Richardson
Emmet C. Stopher
Leonard Thompson
Margaret van Ackeren

Others present:

George Bray
Charles Onion
Geraldine Morris

Members absent:

C. Thomas Barr

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

Report of the committee appointed to study and make recommendations for activities and activity credit.

Mr. Dalton, chairman of the activities committee, presented a report prepared by the committee composed of the following members: George Bray, Joan Jecha, Geraldine Morris and Charles Onion.

A questionnaire was sent to all colleges in Kansas including the junior colleges and to a considerable number of senior colleges in the states bordering Kansas. The answers to the 76 questionnaires returned gave very little information which helped the committee reach decisions that they would recommend for our use.

The committee recommended the following in which the wording has been changed slightly and the Faculty Senate has approved the report and recommends it to the faculty for consideration:

I. Definition. A student organization is a group of college students with a collegiate-centered program dedicated to these aims and purposes: To supplement and enrich their education, develop socially acceptable characteristics and attitudes, and promote desirable recreation and use of leisure time. It is subject to the following qualifications:

- (1) The group will present in writing an adequate statement of their aims and purposes.
- (2) The group will select or have appointed a faculty sponsor approved by the college administration.
- (3) The secretary will be responsible for keeping adequate records of all meetings, business, attendance, etc., and preferably in a bound book.

- (4) The treasurer will be responsible for keeping adequate records of all financial matters.
- (5) All records will be audited once each year. Auditing teams are to be appointed by the student council and composed of one faculty member and two junior or senior students, one from the department of Business Administration.
- (6) Rules of parliamentary procedure as contained in Robert's Rules of Order will be followed in all business meetings.

II. Definition. Activities may be defined as functions of organizations of students, outside of regular courses, in which the students with the aid of a faculty sponsor do the planning, organizing and managing. Those who participate do so for pleasure, satisfaction and helpfulness for themselves and others rather than for pay or credit. It is recognized that different activities vary in the degree to which these different elements apply. Activity credit is not given for membership in fraternities, sororities, and academic honor societies.

The committee further recommends that those organizations now listed in the class schedule be continued on the approved list for activity credit if they meet the qualifications listed for organizations. If the organizations now listed as college-approved do not meet the suggested qualifications at this time, it is recommended that they be given one year of time to meet the suggested standards or be dropped from the approved list.

The committee reasoned that if football, basketball and track receive activity credit, then tennis and golf should also receive activity credit.

The committee recommends that all college-approved organizations listed in the schedule of classes be given activity credit on the transcript when the student makes the proper enrollment and when the sponsor certifies to the Registrar's Office that the student's attendance and participation were adequate to receive activity credit.

The committee recommends that not more than one departmental organization be approved for any one department of the college.

The committee recommends that the advisers give more consideration to activities when they counsel with their advisees.

This report is hereby submitted to the Faculty Senate for its consideration.

The Faculty Senate commended the Activity Committee for work well done.

The report of AACTE Committee V was presented and discussed at some length but recommendations were deferred to an adjourned meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

E. R. McCartney, Chairman

Standlee V. Dalton, Secretary