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Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Wednesday, September 18, 1957, in the Dean's Office at 4:00 p.m.

Members present: Mr. Dalton, Mr. Friesner, Dr. E. Martin, Dr. Parish, Mr. Rematore, Dr. Richardson, Dr. Tomanek, Dr. McCartney, Chairman.

Members absent: Dr. Coder, Dr. Craine, Dr. Garwood, Dr. Ray

Dr. Parish, newly-elected member of Senate:
Dr. Parish was welcomed as the new member of Faculty Senate to fill the position left vacant by Dr. Freeman. This is a replacement for an unexpired term of two years.

Request to change name and number of a course:
The first item to be given consideration is a request from Mr. Toalson for permission to change the number and title of Series, 225, of the mathematics offerings to Series 170 with a prerequisite of Calculus 51 in order that both juniors and seniors may take the course since it is offered in alternate years.

RECOMMENDATION: It was moved and seconded that the request to change Series 225 to Series 170 be approved.

Request from Psychology Department:
A request from the Psychology Department to include in their offerings the course 154, Counseling with Parents of Exceptional Children, for two credit hours, was discussed. This request is made in light of new special education requirements basic to all special education teachers, speech correctionists, hearing conservationists and school psychologists. In the subject and field requirements for teachers of special education, from the State Department of Public Instruction reads "General competencies to be acquired through 8 to 12 semester hours of course work prescribed by the recommending teacher education institution." At the present time, only four hours of course work are offered in the Department of Psychology which would meet these requirements. The new course, Counseling with Parents of Exceptional Children, would satisfy, in part, general competency in this area.

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Senate adopt the new course requested by the Psychology Department, 154, Counseling with Parents of Exceptional Children. The motion was seconded and carried.

Presented several problems for consideration:
The chairman, Dr. McCartney, presented several matters for the Senate to think about to be settled at later meetings. Of these, the matter of selection of college freshmen was discussed and whether the college should offer Basic English and Basic Mathematics to provide these students with courses that they should have had in high school.

The chairman also read a letter from Miss Schleich, who is chairman of the committee to study new music courses to be made available for graduate students in the music department. No discussion.
A letter from Dr. Welty was read regarding final examinations and whether or not they should be held at the end of each semester. It was Dr. Welty's opinion that they should be done away with and regular classes be held up to the very last with no final examinations. His thinking was brought about because some instructors allow the students in their classes to choose whether to take the final examination or if they are satisfied with their grade in the course as it is, they are not required to take the examination. This matter of final examinations will be discussed to greater length at a future meeting.

Should the college determine the course load for which Saturday class students may enroll:

Should teachers who are enrolled for three hours of credit in a Saturday class be permitted to carry work in correspondence along with their Saturday class. The problem of whether we are justified in saying that they may carry no more than three hours and teach while on the other hand say that a resident of Hays, working on the campus may carry five hours in a semester was discussed. The problem will be considered further at a later meeting.

Material prepared by Dr. Moreland concerning pre-law students was handed each member of the Senate to study and action will be taken later.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

E. R. McCartney, Chairman

S. V. Dalton, Secretary