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Announced that the report on cheating would be given at the Faculty Mtg.
Report that the 1960-61 Schedule of Classes is at State Printers and should be available for May 7 testing.

English Proficiency Test. New plan presented by Dr. Coder.

RECOMMENDATION: That the English Proficiency plan as presented by Dr. Coder be approved. Carried.

Committee to work out details, etc:

Mr. Moyer Mr. Mahoney Miss Dellinger
Dr. Kroll Mr. Rice
Dr. Craine Mr. Huffman Mr. Slechta
Dr. Reynolds Mrs. Bogart Mr. Campbell
Mrs. Hoffman Dr. Coder, consulting

Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Wednesday, April 6, 1960, at 4:00 p.m. in the Dean's Office.

Members present: Mr. Dalton, Dr. Coder, Mrs. Bogart, Dr. Craine, Dr. Garwood, Mr. Moreland, Dr. Parish, Dr. McCartney, Chairman.

Members absent: Mr. Friesner, Dr. Herren, Dr. Martin, Mr. Toalson.

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

Correction to the minutes of February 17: Dr. Craine's name should have been listed among those present for the Faculty Senate Meeting of February 17.

Faculty meeting: It was announced that the report of the questionnaires on cheating would be given at the faculty meeting. Dr. Harbin has been asked to have charge of the report.

Report on the 1960-1961 Schedule of Classes: The chairman announced that the printer's copy of the Schedule of Classes is being corrected. Since we have a change in class periods and the elimination of Picken Hall, many changes have to be made.

English Proficiency Test: The following communication was received from Dr. Coder:

"We have studied the problem of the English Proficiency test in the department and have come to the following conclusions:

1. Every student needs to take it because:
   a. It is a goal toward which his first two years of work will lead him.
   b. Any scheme which permits him to by-pass it is based upon individual teachers' opinions.
   c. It should guarantee that upper division students can write well enough to do satisfactory work.

2. The test should be given before the student begins his Junior year so that he may take Expository Writing #51 immediately if he needs remedial work.

3. The test should be given regularly at the frequent intervals, so that one teacher can supervise it and regulate the grading and posting of grades.

4. The entire procedure should be set-up and governed by an all-college committee representing all subject areas.

5. The grading of the papers should be done by representatives of all departments who are appointed by the governing committee."
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6. Mrs. Bogart, or other representatives of the English Department would be the general supervisors of the entire procedure since she would have the responsibility of teaching the remedial course and should know better than anyone else just where the passing and failing point should fall.

Therefore, we, the English Department, ask that you appoint a representative committee to meet for the purpose of studying the problem with a view toward setting up a permanent all-college board to govern the procedures of the Proficiency test in the future." /s/ Ralph V. Coder

Copies of this were sent to the members of the Senate previous to today's meeting. This was discussed. It was the consensus that the testing should be administered and graded in the most advantageous manner. It was suggested that the committee should work out details.

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the report from Dr. Coder be approved and that a committee be appointed by the chairman to work out details regarding the Proficiency Test and submit plans to the Senate. Seconded and carried.

NOTE: The following faculty members were appointed to serve on the committee:

1. Mr. Moyers  
2. Dr. Kroil  
3. Dr. Craine  
4. Dr. Reynolds  
5. Mr. Mahoney  
6. Mr. Rice  
7. Mr. Huffman  
8. Miss Dellinger  
9. Dr. Garwood  
10. Mr. Slechta  
11. Mr. Campbell  
12. Mrs. Bogart  
13. Mrs. Hoffman  
14. Dr. Coder, consulting

The grading of the English Proficiency Tests was explained.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

E. R. McCartney, Chairman

S. V. Dalton, Secretary