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Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Wednesday, December 7, 1960 at 3:45 p.m. in the Dean's Office.

Members present: Dr. Coder, Mr. Dalton, Mrs. Bogart, Dr. Dick, Mr. Friesner, Dr. Garwood, Dr. Herren, Dr. Moreland, Dr. Parish, Mr. Toalson, Dr. Tomanek, and Dr. McCartney, Chairman

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, E. R. McCartney, for the transaction of business.

Industrial Arts: The application for a workshop in Industrial Arts was presented as follows:

153. Workshop. Three credit hours. Prerequisite, permission. The workshop will be used to study intensively some phase of industrial arts. An attempt will be made to provide experience not available in a specific course which will be of benefit to a teacher of industrial arts.

This workshop was discussed.

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Senate approve the course 153 Workshop as described above. Seconded and carried.

Biological Sciences: The chairman presented the request for two new courses in the biological science area. Dr. Tomanek explained that these two courses are necessary for the Science Institute which has been approved for the coming Summer Session. Other courses needed for the Institute will be requested later. The applications for the two biology courses were presented as follows:

281. Institute in Biology. Three credit hours. Prerequisite, permission. Major emphasis will be given to the basic principles of ecology and the consideration and observation of ecological relationships. Field recognition of plants and animals will be developed. Recent trends and problems in biology will be included with consideration being given to population dynamics, economic biology, and conservation. Field experiences will include Fort Hays Kansas State College grassland research areas; the Cedar Bluff Lake and surrounding areas; and nearby rivers and small streams.

292. Projects in Science. Two credit hours. Prerequisite, permission. A summer institute for secondary school teachers, sponsored by the National Science Foundations, presents projects in science. These projects are to give participants experience in scientific investigation which will in turn be useful in assisting students to select and pursue science projects.

These courses were discussed.

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Senate approve the courses 281 and 292 as described above. Seconded and carried.
Enrollment program for students having low test scores in reading and English. This was discussed briefly at the last meeting and was presented again. It was suggested that the advisers should be trusted to advise students properly without giving them strict restrictions. However, the advisers who have many advisees do find it is difficult to advise especially those students who enroll in the last of the enrollment period because the classes close, etc.

RECOMMENDATION: It was moved that students in the lower 25% should not be permitted to enroll in a program of more than 14 credit hours. Seconded.

It was suggested that these students should be given the opportunity of improving reading skill and they should be encouraged to enroll in Reading Improvement which would be very helpful.

AMENDMENT: It was recommended that the above recommendation be amended to read "in the lower decile" in place of lower 25% and "reduced program" in place of not more than 14 credit hours and add, "that these students should enroll in Reading Improvement. Seconded and carried.

RECOMMENDATION as amended: It was moved that students in the lower decile in reading should enroll in a reduced program and be urged to enroll in Reading Improvement. Seconded and carried.

Proficiency in English. Mrs. Bogart distributed the report of the committee appointed to examine the present practices and to suggest any needed changes in English Proficiency. Since it was 5:00 p.m., this report is to be discussed at the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

E. R. McCartney, Chairman

S. V. Dalton, Secretary