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Discussion: Who's Who Among Students. Faculty will vote on maximum of 34 out of 65 semi-finalists.  
" Student-Faculty Review Committee. Dr. Joe McFarland, Assoc. Exec. Sec. of KSTA, discussed problem of ethics. Dr. Sackett distributed copies of "AAUP Statement on Professional Ethics." Copy attached.  
Recommendation: A motion was made by Dr. Hamilton that an Appeals Board be established and that it be composed of seven members - three upper division students, three faculty members with tenure and the Registrar to sit as Chairman. Motion seconded by Dr. Thomas. 3 favored the motion; 8 opposed. Motion was not passed.  
Discussion: Crisis in School Finance. Dr. McFarland discussed topic and noted causes for condition.  
" Student Council Meeting. Dr. Sackett invited to discuss Student-Faculty Review Board.  
" Summer School Program. Survey made of schools as to courses they would like FH to offer in summer. Summary distributed to Senate members and Div. Chairmen.  
" Exchange of Senate Minutes. Minutes received from KSU.  
" Study Abroad. Committee - Dr. Hamilton, Mr. Schroder and Dr. Thomas - investigating possibilities of FH students studying abroad; also exchange of faculty members.

**Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Tuesday, October 15, 1968, at 3:30 p.m. in the Office of the Dean of the Faculty.**

**Members Present:** Mr. Ginther, Mr. Schroder, Dr. Thomas, Dr. Hamilton, Mrs. Popp, Dr. Sackett, Miss Christopher, Dr. Miller, Mrs. Theis, Dr. Witten, Dr. Oliva, Mr. Dalton, Mr. Finnin and Dr. Garwood, Chairman.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Also Present:** Dr. Joe McFarland.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Garwood, Chairman.

WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS. Dr. Garwood reported that the description of students nominated for Who's Who had been placed in the hands of faculty members. These returns will be tabulated by Dr. Miller and his committee and they will report their recommendations to the Faculty Senate.

STUDENT-FACULTY REVIEW COMMITTEE. Dr. Joe McFarland, Associate Executive Secretary of the Kansas State Teachers Association, was invited to the Senate to discuss the problem of ethics as viewed by the KSTA Committee. These comments were invited because of the proposal that a Student-Faculty Review Committee be established. Dr. McFarland distributed bulletins to each member - one entitled "Code of Ethics of the Education Profession" and the other entitled "Grievances." He discussed the grievance procedure as it would apply in a public school situation. The work of an Ethics Committee was also discussed very briefly by Dr. McFarland.

Dr. Sackett distributed copies of the "A. A. U. P. Statement on Professional Ethics" to the members of the Senate. He discussed the statement briefly. A copy of the Statement on Professional Ethics is enclosed with the Minutes.

Mr. Finnin, representing the Student Council, said the Ethics Committee, which is being established by the Faculty Association, had nothing concrete as far as the students were concerned. It was his view that the Review Board as proposed by the Student Council would be something tangible and workable for students who requested a review of their grades.

Dr. Sackett, in response to questioning regarding the Ethics Committee proposed by the Faculty Association, compared the position of the college professor to one of the old medieval guild where the individual involved eventually becomes a master craftsman with the privileges and responsibilities of such a profession.

At the previous meeting of the Faculty Senate, it was noted that faculty members in discussing a question of this nature discuss these questions with their peers. The student whose grade is at stake would also like to have his case reviewed by his peers. Does this mean that students should grade themselves or should they still be graded by their teachers?

RECOMMENDATION: A motion was made by Dr. Hamilton that an Appeals Board be established and that it be composed of seven members - three upper division students, three faculty members with tenure and the Registrar to sit as Chairman. Motion seconded by Dr. Thomas. Three favored the motion; eight opposed. Motion was not passed.

CRISIS IN SCHOOL FINANCE. Dr. McFarland discussed the crisis in school finance briefly. The KSTA this school year is emphasizing the crisis which has occurred in school financing in Kansas. This has resulted from the method of financing the school program, the way the programs are organized throughout the State and lastly, because of the environment for teaching and learning. In his brief review of school financing in the State, Dr. McFarland pointed out the heavy dependence upon property tax, the relatively low ranking of Kansas in terms of the average teacher's salaries, the many classrooms with fewer than 10 students in them and the many teaching vacancies which were not filled this past September. He said that it is essential that the people understand the educational situation in the State at the present time.

STUDENT COUNCIL MEETING. Mr. Finnin invited Dr. Sackett to attend the Student Council meeting at 6:00 p. m., Tuesday, October 22. Mr. Finnin suggested that Dr. Sackett might wish to explain to the Student Council his thinking in regard to a Student-Faculty Review Board.

SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM. Last year the Senate members in discussing the summer school program expressed concern that we offer courses in the summer program which are needed by teachers who return to summer school. It was suggested that the schools in the Western two-thirds of the State be contacted as to which courses they would like to see Fort Hays offer in the summer time. This survey was made and results were tabulated. This survey was distributed to the Senate members. A copy of the summary has been distributed

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to all Division Chairmen. This summary will be discussed at the next Senate meeting.

EXCHANGE OF SENATE MINUTES. A copy of the Minutes from Kansas State University has been received. These will be made available for Senate members to review as they arrive in the Office of the Dean.

STUDY ABROAD. A Committee composed of Dr. Hamilton, Chairman, Mr. Schroder and Dr. Thomas has been established to investigate the possibilities of study abroad by students of Fort Hays. The Committee will investigate the possibilities of a year or a semester abroad by students who are members of the Fort Hays student body. In addition, the Committee will investigate the possibilities of exchange of faculty members with institutions abroad. The Committee seeks to determine the possibilities in these two areas.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p. m.

John D. Garwood, Chairman

Lucille Drees, Recorder