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DEANS' COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 31, 1976

The meeting was held in the Engineering Science Conference Room, and was convened by Vice President Edgar at 1305. Those present were Dr. Loch, Dean McBriarty, Dr. Largent (for Dean McGraw), Dr. George Drew (for Dean Moore), Dean Paraska, Dr. Alderman, Dean Yozwiak, Dean Scriven, Dean Miller, Dean Sutton, Dr. Jonas.

<u>Minutes</u>: The minutes of the June 8 meeting were approved without opposition.

<u>Long Range Computing Plans</u> (Aug. 13, 1976): Dr. Jonas, Director of Planning, was present to discuss the implications of the published plan, and to clarify future actions expected of the deans.

The Academic Deans are to respond to the report by October 1, 1976, with all material to go to Dr. Edgar.

The report addresses itself only to allocation of programmers' time, not to allocation of dollar budget. Of the 20,800 person-hours available in the Computer Center, the following expectations were used for planning:

10%	(2080 hours)	are unrecorded and unrecordable
15%	(3120 hours)	are allocated for leave
8%	(1664 hours)	are allocated for maintenance of present systems
11%	(2288 hours)	are allocated to consultation
56%	(11,648 hours)	are available for developmental activity, of which 83% are specifically allocated, to allow some flexibility.

The various categories assigned to projects were explained, since the policy statement by the Data Services Committee had not been previously available. Dr. Edgar did distribute said policy. Considerable discussion ensued, with some of the Academic Deans expressing serious concern with the apparent weak position of projects proposed by the academic portion of the university. There was some doubt that a project, considered meritorious, having fallen into category D, would have any significant budget focus in planning. The apparent answer is that Deans must continue to annually request and support all projects, since there is no automatic retrieval from that category.

New terminals are looked upon with disfavor, both because of lack of funds and because of skepticism that the present system can handle more.

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Deans are to update, comment, add new projects, and submit on or about October 1, 1976.

There is discussion on a North East Ohio Computer Consortium, and a proposed budget has been asked of each institution for a two-year experiment. This is hoped to ease some of the burden in some programs.

Veterans Administration: Under present rules of procedures, a veteran is paid in advance for expected supportable activities. A partial audit has shown several discrepancies which should have reduced or modified payments, which were not brought to the attention of the Veterans Administration by Youngstown State University. The Veterans Administration is claiming University liability for overpayments if restitution is not made by the veteran. Regardless, it is necessary to improve communication with respect to activities of veterans which might affect their fiscal support. A form was presented which faculty would be asked to complete at any time one of the veterans in his or her class had missed two weeks of classes. A system of identification will be instituted for class lists to insure that the faculty member is aware of those for whom he is to report. Several alternatives were discussed, but none were satisfactory to those assembled. The proposed system will, therefore, be instituted.

After some discussion on other academic matters, the meeting was adjourned at 1530.

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