ACADEMIC DEANS' COUNCIL Minutes Arts & Science Conference Room

April 19, 1977

Present: Drew (for Moore), Edgar, Loch, McGraw, Miller, Paraska, Rand,

Sutton, Yozwiak

Guest: Murphy

1. The minutes of the April 5, 1977, Deans' meeting were accepted without correction.

- 2. Mrs. Murphy discussed the writing diagnostic test, given by the English Department to new freshmen, which serves as a basis for advising students into the proper English 550 section. It was her thesis that if all students were required to take this test it would serve the students better. Sutton moved, and Yozwiak seconded, that the completion of a writing diagnostic test be mandatory prior to a student's registration in English 550. After further discussion about logistics, the motion was passed.
- 3. Jonas discussed his 4-1-77 memo addressed to Deans, Chairmen, and other computer users. The actions outlined in that memo were a result of the freeze of the Computer Center budget by the Budget Committee until a better understanding of the utilization of the facilities was gained. It was Jonas' feeling that the problems indicated by his 12 points could best be studied by the testing program effected through his memo. With respect to the problems that some faculty and students have encountered, as a result of schedule and use changes, Jonas cited his invitation for communication (page 4) and that for the seven people who responded, the difficulties were alleviated.
- 4. Rand mentioned that copies of the self-study reports from all of the University respondents would be delivered to the academic deans for their information.
- 5. Edgar reminded the deans of the meeting of chairpersons and deans on Thursday, April 21, 1977, where information on the budget would be distributed. With respect to the budget, the amount available would not be known for some time because salaries have not yet been negotiated and the state appropriation has not yet been established.
- 6. Paraska referred to an article in the April 18th issue of the Chronical, page 7, that deals with policy of the AACSB as it pertains to the transfer of business course credits from two-year colleges. Paraska also referred, for purposes of interest, to the opinion on retirement, by McKeachie, on page 21.
- 7. Meeting adjourned at 3:15.