

ACADEMIC DEANS COUNCIL

Tuesday, July 21, 1987

1:30 p.m.

School of Education

Present: Gillis, Yozwiak, Sutton, Conser, Seibold, Scriven, Hotchkiss, Lyons, Richley, Neal, and Ruggles

Absent: Mapley, Loch, McBriarty, and McEwing

I. Minutes

Approved.

II. Old Business

- A. North Central Report. Chairs should be asked to share their report with their faculty; Deans to do the same with the Chairs.

The final copy will be edited for style. It will be 80 pages with backup consisting of institutional documents and accreditation reports.

III. New Business

- A. Implementation of Underprepared Students Program

Dean Sutton inquired about English 550 sections not being available for incoming freshmen. Sutton also complained about the 2 + 2 hour schedule format for the 550 course. Provost Gillis asked Dean Yozwiak to check into the 550 situation. A long discussion about the freshmen composition problem ensued and the Provost outlined some of the steps being taken to deal with the problem.

- B. Frank Seibold, WSBA Interim Dean, was introduced. He will serve until a new dean is named.

- C. Miscellaneous

Dean Richley expressed concern over the coordination of the effort to resolve the underprepared student problems. Provost Gillis outlined his step-by-step strategy for implementation.

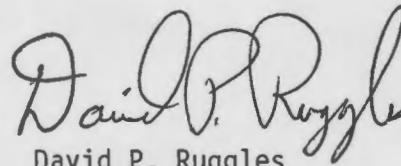
Provost Gillis explained the quality push concept. Monitoring of the system was discussed and the steps needed to insure its working.

Richley is concerned about how the publicity and manner of policy development for the underprepared student program is being conducted. Conser feels we don't have the enforcement capacity to implement current catalog regulations. Scriven stated that mandating a self-help curriculum would be in the best interests of the students. Seibold stated that there is the self-esteem factor for students who repeatedly fail and that keeping them around if they have no chance serves no purpose.

IV. Announcements

- A. Capital Improvement Project. The Provost displayed our new plan and briefly outlined some of the physical plant future directions.
- B. Limited Service. Allocations have been distributed.
- C. Academic Challenge Grants. Phase I has been refunded. Phase II money is not available; previous RFP rescinded for Phase II projects.
- D. Annual Reports. Reminder that they are due August 1, 1987.
- E. Cushwa Power Outage. Reminder to plan for problems in advance. Offer vacation time to employees affected; flex time around problem areas; find an alternate work site if it can be arranged; request special equipment as needs permit. Memo on specifics to follow.
- F. Final Examinations. A copy of the final examination position statement was distributed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.


David P. Ruggles
Recorder

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Approved September 8, 1987