

Academic Standards Committee

12 March 1959

Present: Mr. Behen, Mrs. Botty, Mr. D'Isa, Mr. Dykema, Mr. Gillespie, Mrs. McCarty, Mr. Smith, Mr. Worley.

1. Dean Smith reported that the Records Office had submitted grade lists which would be the basis for the Dean's list and the honor roll. This is the first time in several years that it has been possible to obtain material for these reports. He also remarked that in the present catalog no mention is made of either the dean's list or the honor roll. Mrs. McCarty suggested that this was because it had been impossible in recent years to publish such lists in a reasonable time. The lists for the junior and senior honor rolls were for business administration, education, engineering, music, and liberal arts. A question was raised as to why there was a separate list for education since the department of education was part of the college of arts and sciences. There was also a question as to what the basis for the education list was. Mr. Dykema, therefore, called Mrs. Smith who explained that the education list was based on those who had been admitted to the department of education. It might, therefore, include students who were candidates not only for the B. S. in Ed. degree but for the B. A. or B. S. In the catalog for 1957-58, page 82, it is stated that the junior and senior honor roll is based upon degree candidacy. It will, therefore, be necessary to reclassify those on the education list according to the degree for which they are candidates. Mr. Smith moved that the dean's list be approved as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Worley and unanimously approved by the committee. Mrs. Botty moved that the honor roll list be approved when revised to meet the definition in the 1957-58 catalog. Mr. D'Isa seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the committee. Mr. Behen requested that the minutes include a statement to the effect that students in University Seminar receive a grade of P (progress) and that this grade should not be counted as an E and the students should not be omitted from consideration for the dean's list or the honor roll. The chairman was requested to check the minutes of the committee to corroborate the procedures for determining the dean's list and the honor roll. The present dean's list is composed of all undergraduates whose honor points average 2.0 or better for the preceding semester. Students with E's or incompletes are not included.

2. Mr. Dykema presented a request from Mr. Nelson, the assistant business manager, for a determination of policy on equivalent credit on physical activity and health extended to veterans. Mr. Swartz moved that the request be referred to the committee on credits and admissions. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kitchen and unanimously approved.