Minutes

THE ACADEMIC STANDARDS & EVENTS COMMITTEE 5th Meeting, November 2, 1983

Present: Peter Von Ostwalden, Chairman; Braden, Earnhart, Hassell, Henneman, McGraw, Munro, Rost

Meeting called to order at 4:10 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

1) The minutes of October 26, 1983 were approved as distributed.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Earnhart handed out the latest course descriptions and rationale of composition courses which he obtained from the English Department. He mentioned the fact that, since the level of achievement of students who have completed the 550, 551 sequence often lacks uniformity, the Department is not in favor of a proficiency examination that would be administered after completion of the sequence.
- 2) The redefined Communications section (from page 40 in the 1982-83 YSU Bylletin, and page 41 in the 1983-84 Bulletin) was again reviewed, disclosing some additional controversial items. Discussion of this section will continue.
- 3) Questions were raised regarding exemption from a course by passing a proficiency examination or demonstrating competency in a subject. Dean McGraw reported that Dr. O'Neill, Department of Speech Communication & Theatre, finds that it would be possible for the Department to develop a speech skills proficiency exam if necessary. Dean McGraw feels that students able to demonstrate competency in speech skills should be given the opportunity to do so.

Braden

McGraw motioned that the following sentence be included in our Communications section:

"Any student wishing to demonstrate proficiency in oral communication without taking one of the above courses, should consult the Department of Speech Communication & Theatre to arrange to take the appropriate exam that would serve to satisfy the requirement."

Motion seconded

Motion dies 2 to 1, with 3 abstentions

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

to Ellen Hall SEllen Hall, Secretary

cc: Dr. Gillis