

THE ACADEMIC STANDARDS & EVENTS COMMITTEE

2nd Meeting, October 12, 1983

PRESENT: Peter Von Ostwalden, Chairman; Braden, Earnhart, Guzell; Hassell, McGraw, Munro, Rost, Sorenson, Stocks

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

OPENING REMARKS

- 1) The meeting commenced with opening remarks from the chairman regarding committee meeting time, which will be Wednesday at 4:00 p.m., and place, room 3014 (inside Dean McGraw's office - 3006). The committee will not, however, meet on the first Wednesday of each month, as these are reserved for Academic Senate meetings.
- 2) Dr. Duane Rost, Academic Program and Curriculum Committee chairman, was welcomed as an ex-officio member.
- 3) The committee expressed appreciation to Hugh Earnhart, last year's chairman, for a fine performance.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) The chairman reviewed the minimum general requirements Proposal as amended and passed by the committee on May 26, 1983, as well as the requirements of the "Gould Report" and those currently enforced at YSU.
- 2) A general discussion followed with the majority of members agreeing that the Proposal contains no dramatic changes from the current minimum general requirements and does indeed afford a broad range of experience for the student. In some areas it is even more demanding than the present requirements.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Von Ostwalden relayed some suggestions from Provost Gillis: 1) Dr. Gillis would like to see a committee member attend the workshop at Slippery Rock University entitled "Evaluating, Developing, and Promoting General Education," which will be presented by the ACT Program and held October 18. Von Ostwalden agreed to take on this task. 2) Dr. Gillis would find it advantageous to the proceedings of the committee if he could attend a meeting before the final Proposal is presented to the Senate.
- 2) Dean McGraw suggested the possibility that the individual schools could stipulate requirements in addition to a generally acceptable minimum as contained in our Proposal. Some committee members doubted that the schools would take this initiative.
- 3) The following motion was made by Stocks: that "the Committee adopt the Summary; The Academic Standards and Events Committee, 1983-84, and the amendments to the Summary, as contained in the minutes of May 26, 1983, excluding the Note under II, and proceed to prepare an informational report with justification for presentation to the Academic Senate."


Motion seconded by Braden

Motion carries 8 to 1

- 4) The question regarding a Computer Science requirement was again voiced. The consensus was that computer courses should not be mandated in the near future since one or two classes would be inadequate for familiarization of a student with the field, and many students are presently required to take computer courses in their majors anyway.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


JoEllen Hall
PVO

cc: Dr. Gillis
Provost