

The Academic Events Committee meeting was held on February 3, 1977 at 2 P.M. The November 17, 1976 minutes were approved as submitted. The following members were present: F. Barger, G. Atkins, B. Brownlee, E. Foldvary, R. Kramer, C. Reid, and J. Turk.

Memorandum from R. Ameduri

The memorandum from Professor Ameduri, Chairman of the Senate Executive Committee, was discussed. F. Barger stated that due to the variation in time people were appointed, it is difficult to determine attendance. Original list of committee members included faculty members only. No individual missed over one-half of meetings during fall quarter. It was moved and seconded that F. Barger report to Professor Ameduri that no one had any unexcused absences for the fall quarter, 1976.

F. Barger's Meeting with President Coffelt

Chairman Barger met with President Coffelt on Thursday, January 20, 1977. He reported that Dr. Coffelt was pleased with the information on all that we were doing and planning to do. He felt that the procedure of recognizing retiring faculty members was a fine idea; also, pleased with the renewed faculty interest in commencement.

The President stated that there is no written policy statement concerning commencement programs that he knows about, and we do not need a written policy.

Reception Following Graduation

The committee is in favor of having a reception for graduates after commencement. It was the general consensus that it would be excellent for public relations. The various schools would arrange a reception and distribute diplomas.

B. Brownlee voiced concern about the availability of Records Office Personnel to distribute diplomas.

It was moved and seconded that a sub-committee be appointed to investigate the feasibility of having a reception for graduates following the formal graduation ceremony. B. Brownlee agreed to serve as chairperson. Other committee members are R. Kramer and J. Turk.

They were charged with the following duties:

1. Meet with Dr. Looby, Chairman of Finances, to determine the availability of funds for this type of program.
2. Set-up a tentative plan to determine how the Academic Events Committee plans will work with the Ceremonial Committee's program.
3. Talk to deans, Records Office personnel, and student representatives to get feedback.

Colloquia

F. Barger will look into the possibility of funding for this program. He will write to distinguished professors, who received awards within the last 5 years, to get their opinion on coming to speak at programs

Committee members agreed that this would be a good beginning in getting this worthwhile program started.

Meeting adjourned at 3 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria M. Atkins

TO: Members of the Academic Events Committee
FROM: F. Barger
DATE: January 25, 1977
SUBJECT: Reports and Meeting Agenda

The next meeting of the Academic Events Committee will be at 2 PM on Thursday, February 3 in Room 1060 of the C.A.S.T. Building.

I met with President Coffelt on Thursday, January 20. I am pleased to report there are no serious disagreements with our proposals. The implementation of some proposals will require some additional work. The President seemed generally pleased with the renewed faculty interest in commencement.

Agenda for the February 3 meeting

1. Review and approval of minutes of November 17.
2. Action on request for information from Professor Ameduri.
3. Details on the meeting with President Coffelt.
4. Discussion of Colloquia.

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Attachment