

Minutes of meeting of Academic Council. Present were Deans Edgar, Dykema, Paraska, Charignon, Miller, Aurand and Swartz. Also attending were Mr. Martindale, Mr. Aubrey, Mr. Livosky, Mrs. Elenz, Miss Brownlee, and Mrs. Smith.

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Executive Conference Room

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

The document submitted by Dean Dykema, Dean Miller and Mrs. Smith on treatment of transfer students and our own students was brought up for discussion.

If we give the transfer student from another school a second chance, why do we so often deny our own student that same second chance. A transfer student who enters with a 2.0 and 3 F's will have those F's wiped off his record but our own student will carry those F's with him all through college. It was also suggested that the D does more harm than the F for the transfer student. Some Ohio schools will transfer grades only on the C level. In other words, nothing under a C will transfer and everything C or better transfers as a C. Dean Coffield stressed to the group that he was not against giving the transfer student the second chance but felt we should give our own student the same second chance. Generally, students transferring from Youngstown do better than students transferring into Youngstown.

When asked how other Ohio schools handled the transfer student, it was stated that there seems to be no sameness in their policies and statements.

The following motion was made:

Dean Miller moved and Dean Charignon seconded that each student be allowed a second chance. Motion carried.

No further action was taken on this subject in order that we all have a chance to study and discuss Mr. Clyde Painter's document.

Honors day this year will be handled as it has in the past.

The next item for discussion was the problem of ignoring upper and lower division policies. Mr. Livosky suggested we form a committee to study and revise the entire general requirements area of the catalog. We need to become consistent in so many areas covered in this part of the catalog.

Mr. Painter's document was discussed briefly. Many of his proposals are good although he is assuming all transfer students transfer because of poor academic performance. The group felt this was somewhat unfair. On page 2 of Mr. Painter's report, several members of the committee did not understand the relationship between paragraph 1 and paragraph 2. Mr. Painter will be asked to explain these two paragraphs.

It was announced that students with a 3.0 or better may take 18 hours without special permission.

Page 2 of Dean Dykema's document should read A,B,C, or D. An incomplete should not be given unless they can be passed eventually. The difference between a progress mark and an E is that the E adds to the hours but the progress does not.

Dean Swartz suggested Dean Dykema reproduce his document with his amendments for presentation to the Academic Council.

We must be prepared to support the documents we bring before the Senate in the future.

The group devoted some time to the discussion of the concept of a general college. There seemed to be a consensus that at least a one-year "port-of-entry" program was worthy of further consideration. Specific attention will be given to this concept in future meetings of the Academic Council.

At the close of the meeting Dean Dykema read a note he received concerning Student Council wishing to develop a student-operated tutoring service. Dean Coffield stated that a member of the Student Council had visited with him about this matter and that the Student Council would be involved only in keeping a registry of qualified teachers. Dean Coffield stated he encouraged the idea as it seemed a profitable purpose.

Mrs. Smith announced that she had the applications for transfer within the school and to be sure that she receives a copy of any such transfers.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.