

Minutes of meeting of Academic Council - Present were Deans Byo, Charignon, Dykema, Edgar, Miller, Paraska, and Swartz and Dr. Coffield

May 6, 1969 - 1:00 p.m.

Executive Conference Room

The meeting was called to order at 1:15 p.m.

Dr. Coffield asked for the deans' recommendations in choosing the recipient of the Roemer Award for the outstanding male scholar. From the list presented, it was decided that it should go to the male with the highest overall average, unless his record shows negative factors.

It was announced that a member of the Investigating Committee has questioned the Student Council concerning the validity of the regulation that students are required to attend commencement.

Dean Miller moved that we do not require attendance at graduation and that, furthermore, we do not read names of graduates at the Commencement exercise. Dean Dykema seconded.

Dr. Coffield ruled the motion out of order. He explained that we can not make such a motion without first referring it to the Public Ceremonial Committee.

Dean Miller inquired as to whether the tickets for those students who will not attend graduation are given to others or taken away completely.

It was announced that Pete Wilms, a member of the Student Government, will attend the meeting of May 13 to discuss with the deans the reason names of instructors can not be printed in the schedules.

Dean Dykema talked with members of Student Government and his department chairmen about this subject. He suggested we print as many names as possible with the statement that "the names of teachers are printed wherever it is probable that they will be assigned to the class; however, in many instances it is impossible to forecast with any confidence who the teacher will be and, in that case, the name is not printed."

The Chairman of the Department reserves the right to make other assignments. It was also suggested that the further into the future we try to project, the more difficult it is to determine who will be teaching what courses.

Would the student consider it more of a breach if the name of an instructor was printed and that instructor did not teach the class than if the name was not printed at all?

Dean Miller asked if we have any statute of limitations on admitting students with transfer credits. The general concensus was if this person can complete 45 hours at Youngstown satisfactorily, his previous schooling should be acceptable. Another possibility would be not to accept any until they are validated by the appropriate department within the University.

In reference to a cut-off date for those planning to graduate in June, the Committee authorizes Dr. Foster to set the date and we will concur. It was suggested that the Office of Dean of Admissions and Records should see that deadline dates, etc. are publicized.

In regard to the problem of orientation, Dean Dykema has proposed that we set up orientation so that the student must attend in order to register. Dr. Coffield asked that this Committee continue to develop this idea in proper format.

Dean Edgar announced that a resolution had been adopted to adjust the summer schedule to take care of the Youngstown public school teachers. Please try to avoid letting them come a week late and make up the credit.

Summer school enrollment trends seem to indicate a larger enrollment than last year. Please watch small classes very carefully. Those below 15 enrollment must be cancelled. It was suggested that this rule regarding 15 in a class for the summer should be printed in the schedules for public relations purposes.

The deans were asked to make a list of changes that should have been made in the computer center and were not so that Dr. Jonas can check them. A suggestion was made that we set up a card system whereby if a card is made out for an impossible situation, the computer would reject it.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.