

Y O U N G S T O W N S T A T E U N I V E R S I T Y

MINUTES OF Dean's Council

Meeting Place C.A.S.T. Conference Room
Meeting Date October 11, 1988
Meeting Starting Time 2:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Cicarelli, J. Conser, B. Deeb, B. Gillis,
S. Hotchkiss, R. McEwing, G. Mapley, C. McBriarty, V. Richley,
D. Ruggles, G. Sutton, D. Sweetkind, H. Yiannaki.

MEMBERS ABSENT: J. Loch, B. Yozwiak

GUESTS: None

I. Minutes of September 13, 1988 were approved as distributed.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. Degree Audit Progress

The Provost requested Deans to forward him their College Specific General Requirements for coding into the system. Future changes in these requirements will be entered by the Provost following committee and Senate approval.

B. Academic Challenge Grants - Round Three:

The Provost seeks development of proposal concepts since only a few have come forward to date. The objective of this grant program is "to strengthen strong programs" by augmenting the program budget by a minimum of 10%. Proposals relating to curriculum development qualify for this program. The Provost suggests that prior to the development of a full proposal, a concept paper should be prepared for his review.

C. Equipment Budgets for 1988-89:

Progress is being made in the allocation of HB 810 funds for departmental use in Instructional and Replacement Equipment Purchases.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. 1990-91 Academic Calendar:

The Provost requested reaction to the proposed calendar previously distributed. A potential problem was pointed out in that a change of registration has been scheduled for September 14, 1990 one day prior to the return of the faculty. Only chairs will be available to staff academic departments for add/drop advisement and they may not be available due to the press of other duties. H. Yiannaki will review this aspect of the calendar.

B. Forensics:

President Humphrey and Provost Gillis have decided to fund the Forensics program. Current partial funding will be provided using reserve monies while future YSU/BOT action will be necessary to provide permanent funding mechanism.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Contracts, Grants and Commitments to Potential Employees:

The Provost urged the prompt submission of grant proposals through the usual "blue sheet" route. The various officers reviewing the proposal require time to evaluate the involvement of University resources. Last minute requests for approval in order to meet a deadline are unacceptable.

It must be emphasized again that all contracts require the approval of President Humphrey and that verbal commitments to potential employees or contractors are not to be made. Such commitments, if not eventually approved, place the University and/or the person making the commitment in a libelous position. An example relating to the need to pay a faculty relocation allowance was pointed out. Established approval procedures are to be rigorously followed.

B. Faculty Non-Teaching Duties Forms:

Forms are required for Faculty Professional Development, Program Coordination, Research Professorships, and Grants. All forms have not yet been received.

C. College Courses Used to Satisfy High School Requirements:

The Provost polled the Deans on the previously discussed policy using college credits to satisfy high school requirements. There was general approval and it was noted that credit for courses such as Engl. 550 and 551 should apply to both University and high school requirements.

D. Statute of Limitations Impact on University Honors:

Dean Ruggles introduced the case of a non-traditional student who, after doing 2.8 GPA academic work while earning an Associate degree in Nursing years ago, transferred to the School of Education and earned a 3.9+ GPA since then. The student pointed out that intra-university transfer students do not suffer a penalty for poor previous academic work as do inter-university transfer students and therefore qualify for Honors more easily. Following extensive discussion during which use of the Statute of Limitations was considered, no clear consensus came forth. Finally it was agreed that the Deans should bring cases of very high merit to the attention of the Provost.

V. NEXT MEETING:

November 1, 1988, School of Education

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Council Members