

ACADEMIC STANDARDS COMMITTEE
7 November 1957

JOINT MEETING WITH THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

Present: Mr. Beckman, Mr. Behen, Mr. Bien, Mrs. Botty, Mrs. Bridgham, Mrs. Dehnbostel, Mr. D'Isa, Mr. Dykema, Mr. Fulkerson, Miss Jenkins, Mr. Jones, Mr. Kitchen, Mr. Malak, Mr. Mayer, Mrs. Mills, Mr. Miner, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Riley, Mr. Swartz, and Mr. Richardson. Mr. O'Brien presiding.

Item 1. Mr. O'Brien read the book purchase budget for 1957-58 which totaled \$24,520, an increase of about \$1,100 over last year, though actually an increase of something over \$2,000 since the allocation for law books has been cut by \$1,000. Mr. Jones, the librarian, gave some explanation of how the allocations were determined. It was pointed out that the number of books borrowed had increased from 1,500 in October of 1954 to 2,500 in October of 1957. Mr. O'Brien presented the suggestion of the library staff that when the faculty felt inadequacies in the library they should be brought to the attention of the staff rather than to the students'. The staff felt, however, that this unfortunate type of complaint was made mostly by part-time instructors. The staff also requested that they be given advance notice of books to be put on reserve.

Item 2. The main purpose of the joint meeting was to discuss means of getting better faculty cooperation in ordering books. Among other points made were these: in general, text books should not be purchased for the library; that more basic, up to date material be ordered; that students should be expected to purchase most of the text material that they will be using. Mr. Swartz suggested that the general conclusions of the meeting be summarized and be presented to the faculty.