

6 December 1956

Present: Mr. Kitchen, Mr. Behen; Mrs. McCarty, Mr. Reilly, Mr. Smith
Mr. Swartz, Mr. Worley, Mr. D'Isa, Mrs. Botty, and Mr. Dy-
kema.

1. Minutes of the Committee for 11 Oct., 25 Oct.; and 8 Nov. were approved with the following corrections: 11 Oct., item 2, line 5, change comprehension to comprehensive; 25 Oct., line 1, change Waldron to Worley.

2. Mr. Swartz reported on the investigation on which he and Mr. Reilly had made about the proposed changes in the scheduling of summer classes presented at the meeting of 11 Oct. On the basis of informal samplings they concluded that the five-day schedule was overwhelmingly favored. The Committee also felt that if no difficulties with accrediting agencies or the Veterans Administration arose the five-day schedule should be introduced this summer with the classes beginning at 8 a.m. Mr. Kitchen moved therefore that if there appeared to be no objections from accrediting agencies, the V. A., or the State Dept. of Education, this Committee recommends that summer classes should be scheduled five days a week as follows:

8:00 a.m. to 9:40 a.m.	1:30 p.m. to 3:10 p.m.
9:50 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.	3:20 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
11:40 a.m. to 1:20 p.m.	

The motion was seconded by Mr. D'Isa and unanimously approved. This recommendation would not affect the scheduling of evening classes in the summer.

Note: Mr. Swartz reported later that Mr. Wilcox, head of the Education Dept., felt that there would be no objection from the State Department of Education to such a change in schedule.

ACADEMIC STANDARDS COMMITTEE

14 February 1957

Present: Mr. Swartz, Mr. Beckman, Mr. J. E. Smith, Mr. Worley,
Mrs. McCarty, Mr. Dykema, Mrs. Bridgham, Mr. Behen, and
Mr. Reilly.

1. The chairman offered to Mr. Beckman a letter from the American Association for the Advancement of Science in which an offer was made to send a representative to Youngstown University to discuss problems in science and mathematics courses. Since the representative for this area is Professor Garrett of the science department of Ohio State, it seemed best to refer the letter to the head of our science department, which Mr. Beckman will do.

2. Dean Smith brought up the problem of dealing with students who because of low grades should be expelled or placed on probation. The problem is particularly serious at the mid-year registration because there is so little time to find out who these students are. It was suggested that the present rule--a student who has half or more F grades is to be dropped from the University--be altered so that expulsion would be required only at the end of the academic year, and even students with more than half F's would merely be placed on probation. The Committee however did not feel ready to act on this suggestion immediately, and Mr. Reilly and Mr. Swartz were appointed to work out a more careful statement in consultation with Dean Smith.

3. Dean Smith requested the chairman to check on the action of the Committee of last spring on the matter of determining probation. (From the minutes of the Academic Standards Committee of 16 Feb. 1956, item 2: Mr. Smith moved that probation be determined on the basis of the preceding semester's grades rather than on the cumulative point average. Work done during a summer session shall be considered as part of that done in the student's preceding semester for purposes of point average. The motion was seconded by Mr. Behen and unanimously approved.) This action should be put in the catalog this year.

4. Dean Smith raised the question of whether there would be any value in indicating two kinds of E grades in turning in students' grades: E(F) and E(P). The little discussion that followed the proposal indicated little enthusiasm for it.