

## Minutes

### The Academic Standards & Events Committee 9th Meeting, January 4, 1983

Present: Peter Von Ostwalden, Chairman; Earnhart, Guzell, Hassell, McGraw, Munro, Scriven

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m.

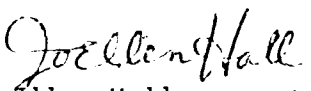
#### OLD BUSINESS

- 1) The Minutes of November 30 were approved as distributed. An editorial change, "...and the anthropology courses 782, 783, and 784," was made under NEW BUSINESS, #4.
- 2) Chairman's announcements, as follows:
  - A report was given to the Academic Senate on December 7, concerning progress made toward our General Graduation Requirements Proposal.
  - Two letters were received by Dr. Von Ostwalden from Larry Esterly: One urged the Committee to proceed with all deliberations as quickly as possible so that our Proposal can be submitted at the earliest possible date. The other letter concerned a specific case of an out-of-state student that had difficulty satisfying the current admission requirements. Our Committee concluded that no action could be taken concerning this at the present time, since admission policies are still formally under the jurisdiction of the Student Academic Affairs Committee.
  - Provost Gillis will be invited to attend a meeting within the next 2 weeks.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- 1) In planning the justification/rationale for the Proposal, the Committee assembled the following list of ideas to be included in the document:
  - The University is a collection of individual professional schools/colleges with a liberal arts foundation. It is not a liberal arts college.
  - The Academic Standards and Events Committee can do only the initial step of defining the ground-floor (minimum) requirements for graduation. The individual schools/colleges, as well as the Academic Programs & Curriculum Committee, are expected to add to these requirements so as to satisfy their particular programs.
  - Our whole effort derives from the present-day tendency in this country to raise academic standards.
  - We are addressing ourselves only to baccalaureate programs at YSU.
  - Our Proposal is not highly revolutionary. Some changes are proposed, area requirements have been sharpened and balanced, but on the whole we have not drastically departed from the prevailing requirements.
  - Our Proposed General Graduation Requirements are intended to be consistent with the recently upgraded unconditional admission standards.
  - The implementation date of our Proposal, and of the Unconditional Admissions Standards Policy must be consistent. The date has been tentatively set for September 1, 1985.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

  
JoEllen Hall, secretary  
P. Von Ostwalden