

Meeting place Kilcawley Center Room 2057Meeting Date October 11, 1993Meeting Starting Time 9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alice Betz, Health and Human Services; John White, Arts and Sciences; Susan DeBlois, Education; Martha Pallanti, Arts and Sciences; Robert Rollin, Fine and Performing Arts; Dean Peter Kasvinsky, Administration; Dean James Cicarelli, Administration; David Genaway, Librarian, Administration; Karin Sheetz, Student Member; Bill Good, Student Member.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Phyllis Stoll, Williamson School of Business Administration.

GUESTS:

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

The first meeting of the Academic Research Committee focused on what the committee had accomplished in the past and what the direction of the committee should be for the current year.

Susan DeBlois and Robert Rollin were elected co-chairs. Members of the committee introduced themselves and welcomed the students.

An open discussion of Quest followed. It was noted that attendance for the past couple years has been poor with about five people present per session. Publicity seems to be weak and getting information concerning Quest in the Jambar has been frustrating. Much discussion centered on student research, student faculty research, or graduate students. A suggestion was made to include graduate students from nearby institutions, for example: Kent, Cleveland, Edinborough and Slippery Rock. A suggestion was made to focus on a particular area, college, or department for one year and then another area the next, etc.

To encourage more attendance it was suggested to have professors give incentives to their students for attending Quest or cancel classes for a specified period of time. It was suggested that more high level administrative support for the event would encourage attendance. Attendance might improve, if the event was sponsored by student government, an honor society or other university club. Panel discussions among students, presenters or graduate students were suggested. Serving refreshments might also be one way to encourage attendance and add to the "community spirit" of the event.

After discussing Quest the committee briefly reviewed the purpose of the committee and discussed the research survey that had been conducted three years earlier by Daryl Mincey.

Decisions the committee made:

1. Quest most appropriately should be handled by a separate committee. Susan DeBlois will contact each Dean for a representative from each school to serve on the Quest committee. Susan DeBlois and Karin Sheetz will act as the liaisons to the Quest Committee.

2. Robert Rollin will contact Virginia Phillips to replace Jalal Jalali who is on sabbatical this year and Daniel Borgia who is no longer at YSU.
3. The next meeting the members will revisit the charge to the committee and the results of the research survey done by Daryl Mincey.
4. The next meeting of the Academic Research Committee will be on Monday, October 25, 1993 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. in room 2057 of Kilcawley.

Minutes recorded by Alice Betz

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