MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

May 9, 1977

Members Present: Hill, Khawaja, Quinby, Scott, Scriven, Shuster, Vogel

Previous Minutes: The minutes of 4/25/77 were approved unanimously with a minor editorial correction.

Labor Studies Technology:

Memos from the chairman of the Economics Department (dated 5/5/77) and from Prof. Shuster (dated 5/5/77) were distributed.

The Committee expressed its complete satisfaction with the proceedures being followed in the case of the Labor Studies Technology proposal. It was once again stated that the Committee should encourage the parties involved in this case to resolve their concerns on a mutual basis. It was agreed that in cases such as this one, where several University units are involved, the Committee should avoid any hasty decisions and it should provide enough time for the parties to resolve their concerns. It was also observed that the Committee should avoid, as much as possible, getting into situations in which it has to make decisions on behalf of various University units. It was resolved that a note should be sent to Dean Paraska outlining some of the concerns that have been brought to the Committee's attention. It was agreed that this note should include concerns relating to:

a) home for the program

b) its relationship to any future 4-year program in Labor Studies

c) faculty teaching the courses-

 d) selection of future faculty involved in this program.

Committee Guidelines:

The guidelines were discussed and several modifications were made in the first draft. It was agreed that the Committee should re-examine this modified version at the next meeting for possible adoption.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Monday, May 16, 1977, in the Dean's Conference Room, ESB. The agenda will include discussion of Committee guidelines.

Respectfully submitted.

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