

MINUTES

Of The Meeting

Of

THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 28, 1980
3:30-5:00 p.m.
Room 215 Engineering Science

Present:	Dr. Baldino	Dr. Kougl
	Dr. Hahn	Dr. Munro
	Dr. Hovey	Dr. Richley
	Dr. Khawaja	Dr. Scriven

ACTIONS

1. The acting chairman called the meeting to order. Dr. Baldino advised committee members that he would be acting chairman for the meeting because Dr. Hill was needed at home and, therefore, unable to make the meeting.
2. Dr. Baldino asked for discussion concerning the minutes of the previous week's meeting. A member referred to page two, the seventh paragraph, and wished that the word resurrect be changed to "re-examine."

The member then referred to paragraph 11 of that page, Dr. Hovey's motion; he did not wish a correction in this case but rather an explanation be amplified in this week's minutes for the sake of a third party who may read it. Other members did not feel it was necessary.

Dr. Munro made a motion that the minutes be approved; Dr. Khawaja seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

3. The items on the agenda were pre-empted by objections received by Secondary Education concerning curriculum proposals which may increase degree requirements.

One member had doubts that this matter would come under this committee's charge. He was not certain that it was a restructuring of a program. He was later convinced by other members that it does involve a restructuring. The member then agreed that due to the fact that it is a restructuring of a program, it should be dealt with by this committee.

One member asked why is it that the Curriculum Committee is not willing to handle the objections and if it is clearly out of the Curriculum Committee's charge.

4. Dr. Baldino asked Dr. James Douglass, representing the Secondary Education Department, into the meeting. He asked him to give the committee a very brief sketch of why this has occurred.

Dr. Douglass explained that there are new state standards and new state and federal laws requiring changes in teacher education. He said that the previous standards must also still be met. Dr. Douglass said that the only way that these new standards can be met is by adding more hours of course work.

A member asked if there is some deadline by which time these things have to be done. Dr. Baldino said that for the School of Education it must be in effect for the people in teacher education this fall.

A member said that he does not feel that an objection should be raised solely on the fact that it creates more hours for a department; whether it creates more or less hours should be immaterial.

A member said that if there must be a supplement to the catalog that is what will have to be done, because it is vital that the committee take the time to examine this thoroughly for academic quality ~~and so~~ forth.

Dr. Douglass said that he thinks that those people who have objected to it are those people who feel that those changes would result in added hours for their students.

Lengthy discussion followed.

5. Mrs. Phillips, who has filed an objection as Chairman of the Business Education and Technology Department, was asked into the meeting at this time.

A member asked Mrs. Phillips if this addition of ten hours is really going to have an impact on the student.

She said, yes, that her objection is that it will change degree requirements and possibly add additional hours.

There was then general discussion.

It was decided that the discussion must end at this point and be placed on the agenda for next week's meeting.

6. Dr. Munro made a motion to adjourn, and Dr. Richley seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.