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The April Faculty meeting was held in the University Union beginning with a served dinner at six o'clock p.m. A prayer was offered by Leonard Meyers. All members were present except for the following: Kevin Barr, Genella Benjamin, Stephen Biddle, Carl Bobbish, Peter Bouvier, Robert Buchanan, Bill Frear, Polly Jaben-Meineke, Bill Kloster, Tom Lewis, Ben Moor, Murle Mordy, Robin Pratt, Michael Sancho, and Mike Twedt.

President Armacost called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m. The President then asked for action on the minutes of the previous meeting of March 17, 1976. Elmer Roth moved and it was seconded that minutes be approved as distributed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ronnie Averyt announced that this coming Saturday, April 24, 1976, Professor Tom Adams would be participating as a panel member at the Second Annual Symposium sponsored by the University of Kansas and the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

Horton Presley announced that Peter Evans, a classical and flamenco guitarist, will be the UPS Event this evening at 8:15 p.m. and encouraged members of the faculty to attend.

Elmer Roth reminded the faculty of the Annual Sports Banquet to be held April 28, and encouraged the faculty to show their support to the athletes and the athletic program by attending.

Martin Meade announced that Professor Ronnie Averyt recently chaired the Meeting of the Kansas Historical Teachers Association. He further announced that as of today, Ronnie had accepted the position of Professor of History at Austin College, ~~Austin~~, Texas - for the summer of 1976.

*Sherman,*

Ed Morrissey announced that the Center on Environment is sponsoring an Environmental Aesthetics Week under the general directorship of Shirley Swayne.

Mike King announced that yearbook pictures are being taken and these are to be for faculty as well as students. The pictures and the sittings are free and he encouraged the faculty to participate.

Jim Billick announced that the Associated Independent Colleges of Kansas is distributing information relative to particular changes of the Internal Revenue Service Code which has to do with home offices deductions for faculty. He encouraged those faculty members who have claimed the home office as a deduction to become informed on this matter and encouraged them to write to their Congressman forthwith.

Hal Germer announced that two members of the Board of External Examiners for AIDP will be visiting campus April 21 - 23. He further announced that information on pre-enrollment will be sent to the faculty prior to the April 28 and 29 pre-enrollment days, and reminded faculty advisors of the importance of such time for planning and advising.



REPORTS

Elmer Roth reporting for the Faculty Athletic Committee, reported that after careful study the Faculty Athletic Committee recommends that Ottawa University continue its membership in the Heart of America Conference. Professor Roth also indicated that the Faculty Athletic Committee has unanimously endorsed a project for the painting of the interior of Wilson Field House and is in hopes that this will be started yet this spring. He further indicated that the vote on approving the specific design was a split vote.

Ed Morrissey, Chairman of Committee on Committees, presented the faculty with a recommendation that reads as follows: "The Committee on Committees recommends the following persons to the faculty for recommendation to the President for appointment for the academic year 1976-77 (see attached)." The slate presented included recommendations for all standing faculty committees there listed, with the exceptions of Faculty Affairs, Academic Council and Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees.

Keith Shumway then gave a report for the College Without Campus. All numerical signs are showing a successful experience in Kansas City with the FTE enrollment at the end of March 1976 over 240 F.T.E. students and with a head count of over 500 students. At this time the CWC is operating in the black and Keith further indicated that as many as 33 graduates may participate in Commencement in May of 1976. He further thanked those members of the Task Force who had worked with him the last two years and those members were: Sherwin Snyder, Ed Morrissey, Neil Harris, Jack McCracken, Peter Sandstrom, and Robert Buchanan.

The President then moved into a special question and answer period and began the discussion with an apology to the faculty for contracts being mailed so late this year. Following that comment faculty asked questions pertaining to the Venture Fund, the Ottawa Investment Corporation, enrollment for next year, the UPS Program which featured the President in an interchange with students, and finally a comment relating to faculty contracts.

OLD BUSINESS

The President indicated that the motion that had been tabled from the March 17th meeting relative to changing the number of UPS requirements from 7 to 5 was not on the floor for debate. There was debate centering around wild cards and about Center sponsored events and the reason that the motion was made to lower the number from 7 to 5. A motion by Justo Diaz to table was seconded by Ed Morrissey. The motion was voted on and failed. The President then called the question on the original motion. It failed by a voice vote, and there was a division of the house called; by a show of hands five people voted Yes for the motion and 30 people voted No.

Keith Shumway made the following motion and it was seconded: "The College Without Campus Program Council (Old Task Force) is to continue to exist through the academic year 1976-77 with its same responsibility and authority as before. The current members of the Task Force are reappointed for the year subject to their willingness to serve and the need to fill vacancies. The Program Council will report to the faculty in November 1976 and April 1977." The major question that was raised was whether or not the new Council dealt with the governance question as it related to CWC, and the President noted that the minutes will indicate that this is a high priority item. The motion was then voted on and passed.



NEW BUSINESS

Dean Hal Germer presented four recommendations from the Academic Council on the basic skills program and asked that the four be considered one motion. The motion read as follows:

1. The developers of the Basic Writing and Reading Improvement programs are charged to propose to Academic Council and the faculty "minimum performance standards" by the end of the first year of implementation.
2. No more than one enrollment for Basic Writing and one enrollment for Reading Improvement may be counted toward graduation in a student educational plan.
3. Credits in Basic Writing and Reading Improvement must be over and above the customary thirty-one course minimum (effective with the entering class of 1976).
4. The Academic Council expresses its intention to recommend to the faculty, on the basis of the recommended "minimum performance requirements" for writing, reading, and quantitative skills policies concerning either prerequisites or graduation requirements or both.

Martin Meade amended the motion to insert in recommendation Number 4 the following: "The Academic Council is charged to . . ." The amendment was voted on and passed and the motion as amended was passed.

*commented* Ronnie Averyt then submitted the following motion: "Moved that the faculty ~~comment~~ the Faculty Affairs Committee for its efforts on behalf of the welfare and morale of the faculty under difficult and trying conditions." This motion was seconded and subsequently passed. ~~The~~ The President asked for further new business and the following announcements were forthcoming.

Ronnie Averyt announced that the History Department would be holding a tray luncheon Friday, April 23 to discuss the History-Political Science curriculum for next year and students and faculty are invited.

Spencer Martin indicated that Otis is here and there will be an open house for the community to be held April 24th and a further open house would be conducted for the faculty and staff.

Martin Meade then announced that there would be a tray luncheon Monday, April 26th to discuss proposed curriculum for the Psychology Department for the 1976-77 year and the faculty and students are invited.

The President then seeing no further business adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Fredric B. Zook  
Faculty Secretary



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### Corrections and Additions

Page 2, second paragraph - this addition.

The President called for further nominations, hearing none the faculty approved the slate as presented. Professor Morrissey then presented a ballot for the Faculty Affairs Committee: the President asked for further nominations and John Lehner's name was placed in nomination. By secret ballot the faculty elected Pat Cleveland, Martin Meade, and Shirley Swayne to the Faculty Affairs Committee. The next ballot was for election to the Academic Council; with no further nominations from the floor the faculty elected in a secret ballot Wayne Angell, Lora Reiter, and Sherwin Snyder to the Academic Council. The final ballot was an election of the Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees; with no further nominations from the floor the faculty voted by secret ballot and elected Joyce Stuermer as the Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees.

Correction - (word underlined- the corrected word)

Page 2, Old Business 2nd line -

. . . changing the number of UPS requirements from 7 to 5 was now . . .

Page 3, second paragraph, 2nd line

. . . "Moved that the faculty commend . . .