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Minutes of the Faculty Council

October 17, 1950

The Faculty Council convened in the Board of Trustees Room at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 17, 1950, President Wells presiding.

Absent were Professors Lundin and Weatherwax; Deans Briscoe, Browning, Hall, Hine, Sikes, Weimer, and Wright; and Mr. Franklin. Alternates present were Professor Barker for Dean Weimer; Professor Baxter for Professor Lundin; Dean Collins for Dean Briscoe; Professor Hauck for Dean Browning.

Items of business:

1. Motions in the Council.
2. Recommendations for degrees.
3. Policy of the Council on invitations to persons not members of the Council to attend its meetings.
4. Faculty Council agenda distribution to Council members before meetings.
5. Attendance at public lectures.
6. Free hour in the afternoon for all University use.
7. Committee Reports--the Committee on Faculty-Student Relations
8. State of the University message of the President.
9. Election of members of Faculty Board of Review and Review Committee on Faculty Salaries.

1. On the initiative of the Secretary of the Council, it was taken by consent that all motions of substantive character should be prepared in writing and handed to the Secretary.

2. President Wells called upon representatives of the various divisions of the University to present lists of candidates for degrees. The Council approved the recommended lists in each case. The list of Candidates, and the degrees recommended, is as follows:

A.B.....	123	M.S. Recreation.....	14
A.B. With High Honors.....	1	M.S. in Health and Safety.....	8
A. B. With Honors.....	2	Dir. Physical Education.....	12
B.S. Anatomy and Physiology.....	14	Dir. Recreation.....	3
B.S. Geology.....	5	Dir. Health and Safety.....	1
B. S. Home Economics.....	3	Dr. Physical Education.....	1
B.S. Home Economics (Dietetics).....	1	Total.....	104
B.S. Medical Technology.....	9	B.M.....	6
B.S. Medicine.....	1	B.M. With Honors.....	1
B.S. Social Service.....	4	B.M. Ed.....	5
Total.....	163	M.M.....	22
B.S. Business.....	104	M.M.P.C.....	1
B.S. Business With High Distinction..	2	M.M. With Distinction.....	2
B.S. Business With Distinction.....	2	Total.....	37
M.B.A.....	43	Ll.B.....	19
D.C.S.....	2	Ll.B. With Distinction.....	1
Total.....	153	J.D.....	9

The list of Candidates, and the degrees recommended, is as follows:
(continued):

B.S. Education.....	99	Total.....	29
B.S. Education With High Distinction..	1	A.M.....	55
B.S. Education With Distinction.....	2	A.M. for Teachers.....	2
M.S. Education.....	215	M.F.A.....	1
Ed. D.....	12	Ll. M.....	1
Total.....	329	M.S.....	9
B.S. Physical Education.....	16	Ph. D.....	23
B.S. Physical Ed. With Distinction..	1	Total.....	91
B.S. Public Health.....	1	G.N.....	30
B.S. Recreation.....	3	Total.....	30
MSS. in Physical Education.....	44	Grand Total.....	936

3. President Wells reopened the discussion of the policy of the Council relevant to the attendance of non-members at its meetings. (See item #3 of the Minutes of October 3, 1950.) He noted that there had been some dissatisfaction of the Council with Daily Student coverage of Council business. It was his opinion that there is need for a more fundamental understanding of student-faculty relations, in addition to the work the Committee on Faculty-Student Relations is doing. A member of the Department of Journalism present at the discussions of the Faculty Council would be in a position to supply background interpretations for student reporters. Thus an opportunity would be afforded to improve student understanding of University problems because reports in the Daily Student based on more thorough knowledge would be more accurate. He pointed out the effect of first impressions.

Disadvantages to having representatives of the Department of Journalism present in Faculty Council meetings were pointed out by various members of the Council. The question was raised as to whether the representatives of the Department of Journalism would welcome the greater responsibility for material appearing in the Daily Student resulting from their attendance in Council meetings. Would the students interpret the proposal as a tendency towards censorship? Would the representative of the Department of Journalism welcome the additional work load?

President Wells made it clear that his suggestions were not intended to control the Daily Student, his only aim being more accurate student understanding growing out of more ample information.

Alternative suggestions were informally made. Could a Student reporter be invited to attend certain meetings of the Council? Professor Fuchs reported a proposal under consideration by the Committee on Faculty-Student Relations for a Faculty edited column in the Daily Student. Professor Yellen felt that President Wells could exercise the discretion already possessed by him to invite non members to attend. But the President objected. His privilege was to invite persons on special occasions with special information or special interest--in spot cases. It was concluded that President Wells should confer with Professor Stempel or the advisor of the Student to see if such an opportunity would be welcome by them, and if so, a trial period could be undertaken after which the Faculty Council could decide whether or not to continue the practice. President Wells pointed out with some emphasis that his

proposal did not contemplate changing the route through which information would go to the reporters or the substance of the material appearing in the Daily Student. His only hope was to supply interpretative information, Student reporters being expected to go to the normal sources for news.

4. During the preceding discussion Professor Anderson raised the question whether it was possible for the Secretary to circulate the agenda for the Council prior to each meeting so that the members might be better prepared to discuss the topics which were to come before the Council. Professor Yellen, from his experience as Secretary, was not sure whether it would be possible for the agenda to be prepared in time for such procedures.

5. Consideration of recommendations 1 and 2 in the report of the Committee on Attendance at Public Lectures (Minutes, November 15, 1949) was resumed by President Wells reading the two recommendations. The discussion turned on the advisability of clearing a morning hour on Tuesdays and Thursdays for all University use such as convocations, Patten and Powell lectures.

Many questions were raised. Would this increase student attendance? Was the arrangement last year satisfactory? Would the committee restudy the problems in light of the past year's experience? Would advantages gained offset the loss to townspeople and to the members of the Indianapolis Faculty who come to evening convocations? Could science courses and the required number of classes for pre-medics be arranged?

Professor Cleland, a member of the Committee submitting the report, commented on it at President Wells' request. The Committee probably would not want to restudy the problem; attendance at meetings needed to be increased. There is no certainty that this proposal will do it. It has worked well at some places. Conflicts are given as reasons for staying away; to eliminate the conflicts would at least eliminate the excuses. This proposal was put forth as worth trying as an experiment.

A motion was made by Professor Yellen and seconded by Professor Lusk, that the first two proposals of the report of the Committee on the Attendance at Public Lectures and Convocations--that is, the proposal for setting aside the 10:30 hour on Tuesdays for convocations and other public functions be dropped. The motion was carried unanimously.

6. During the discussion of the above proposal, Professor Cleland expressed a hope that a free hour sometime during the week could be established. It would help attendance at such occasions as the Patten lectures. The 4:30 hour was suggested and commented on favorably. Dean Bain observed that rehearsals were held at this period. Dean Ashton felt such activities would be permitted at that hour.

7. Professor Fuchs reported that the Faculty Committee on Student Relations is preparing to sponsor a booth at the Fall Carnival manned by Faculty personnel; that Professor Smith of the Speech Department has assembled a Faculty show to be given during each half hour and that Faculty members were to perform and were to be barkers. He prayed for the sympathy and tolerance of the Faculty.


The list of outstanding committees was read, but no reports were ready.

8. President Wells explained why he could not comply with the directive of the Consitution (Article 3, Section 11) that he report within the first three weeks of the first semester to the Faculty on the State of the University. He had been ill, and he had been deeply engrossed in complying with the Legislative directive to the four State schools to prepare a quadripartite budget for submission to the State Budget Committee in preparation for the meeting of the General Assembly. He summarized briefly negotiations with the other State schools and reported progress in arriving at a formula for capital expenditures. He added that with the approval of the Council he would portpone the State of the University report. Professor Christenson moved, and Dean Bain seconded the motion that the time for the President's State of the University report be extended this fall for one month. The motion was carried unanimously.

9. The elected members of the Faculty Council proceeded, with President Wells presiding, to a consideration of the election of the members of the Faculty Board of Review and the Review Committee on Salary Policy. Professor Yellen moved that the President appoint a committee of three to bring in slates for the two Faculty Boards of Review at the next meeting of the Council. After a second, the motion was carried unanimously. President Wells hoped that the nominating committee would take into consideration the problem of representation on the committees from the Indianapolis campus.

The Council adjourned at 4:32 p. m.

John E. Stoner, Secetary



THE NEXT MEETING OF THE FACULTY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD IN THE BOARD OF
TRUSTEES ROOM ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1950, AT 3:30 p.m. A COPY OF
THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 17 MEETING ARE ENCLOSED.

JOHN E. STONER, SECRETARY