

Agenda
for the meeting
of the
Faculty Council
on Tuesday,
January 31, 1961
in Ballantine Hall 8
at 3.30 p.m.

1. Approval of the minutes of the Faculty Council of January 17, 1961.
2. Memorial Resolution for Professor Ernest Leveque.
3. Changes in the membership of the Council for the spring semester.
4. Disposition of a proposal by Professor Hanson.
5. Continued discussion of the report by the Committee on Constitutional questions, first presented at the Council meeting of January 17, 1961.
6. Report on and discussion of site planning at Indiana University, including the question of an undergraduate library, led by President Walls.

Agenda Committee

Edward H. Buehrig
Shelby D. Gerking
Henry H. H. Remak
(Chairman)

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Alternates not personally known to the Secretary are kindly asked to introduce themselves to him before taking their seats.

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Minutes of the Faculty Council

January 31, 1961

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President Wells called the Faculty Council to order at 3:33 p.m. CDT.

Members absent, no alternates: Dean Hine, Dean VanNuys, Professor Dunn, Professor Hickam, Professor Laves.

Alternates present: Professor Rash for Dean Daniels, Professor Pratter for Dean Wallace, Associate Dean Pinnell for Dean Weimer, Professor Wakefield for Professor Daugherty.

Visitors present: Professor Ludlow, Professor Seeber.

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4. Disposition of a communication from Professor Hanson relative to the status of departmental chairmen.
5. Preview of anticipated Council business for the spring semester.
6. Discussion of Part IV of the report by the Committee on Constitutional Questions (Professor Gerking, Chairman), continued from Council meeting of January 17, 1961.
7. Report on and discussion of site planning at Indiana University, led by President Wells.

ACTIONS OF THE FACULTY COUNCIL

1. The minutes of the January 17 meeting of the Faculty Council were approved as circulated.
2. Professor Edward D. Seeber presented the memorial resolution on the death of Professor Ernest J. Leveque on behalf of a committee of which Professors Hulet H. Cook and Agapito Rey were also members. The Council paused for a moment of silent tribute to its departed colleague.
3. The President announced that Professor Laves' return to the Council from government service in Washington was offset by Professor Turner's going in the opposite direction. Professor Turner's seat on the Council falls to Professor C. Leonard Lundin whom the President welcomed.
4. The Secretary announced that the Agenda Committee had received, on January 10, a communication from Professor Norwood Russell Hanson, entitled "Proposal for a discussion on the status of departmental chairmen," which contained the following motion to be put before the Council:

"That Chairmen be appointed for terms of four years, at the expiration of which time the Department may either vote the Chairman into further periods of leadership ad indefinitum, or request the Deans to appoint a successor."

In the accompanying document Professor Hanson explained that his communication "constituted only a suggestion that the Faculty Council might see fit to discuss the entire issue anew, with the proposal above serving as its springboard."

The Secretary informed the Council that the Agenda Committee had referred Professor Hanson's proposal to the Policy Committee of the College of Arts and Sciences (Professor Frederick J. Beharriell, Chairman) for the reasons set forth in the letter of referral:

"According to information available to us, departments with autonomous budgets exist only in the College of Arts and Sciences and in the School of Medicine. Other schools or divisions do not have departments at all, or have departments that differ greatly in their set-up from the ones Professor Hanson clearly has in mind. We believe therefore that it would be more logical and useful to refer Professor Hanson's proposal to the Policy Committee of the College of Arts and Sciences rather than the Faculty Council. Recognizing, however, that the problem has university-wide ramifications, we request that the Policy Committee kindly send copies of whatever recommendations it may care to make regarding the matter raised by Professor Hanson to the members of the Agenda Committee. At that time, the Agenda Committee of the Faculty Council will decide whether or when to place this matter on the agenda of the Council."

The Secretary added that Professor Hanson did not object to the referral action, and that word had been received that the Policy Committee was ready to take up the matter. He informed the Council that it could, by a simple majority, override the decision of the Agenda Committee and have this item placed on the agenda of the Council at this time.

Professor Hanson, a member of the Council, confirmed that he was agreeable to the action taken by the Agenda Committee. The Council likewise concurred.

5. The Secretary presented a preview of anticipated Council business for the spring semester. After completion of the current agenda, the following items were in sight:

Report by the Summer Sessions Committee (Professor Burke, Chairman). See Council minutes of October 18, and November 1, 1960.

Annual Report by the Athletics Committee (Professor Mee, Chairman).

Recommendations regarding cheating and plagiarism to be received from the Faculty-Student Relations Committee (Professor Charles H. Taylor, Chairman).

Annual Report by the University Committee on the Improvement of Teaching.

Report by the Committee on Ceremonials (Dean Braden, Chairman). See Council minutes of April 26, 1960.

Report on the Fee Courtesy question by the Administration. (See Faculty Council minutes of May 31, 1960.)

Report by the All-University Committee on Students' Use of Written English (Professor Daghljan, Chairman) on the distribution of a consistent marking system for common use by the faculty (see Faculty Council minutes of September 29, 1959).

Elections to the (new) Board of Review (if approved by the Faculty), the Athletics Committee, and the Faculty Council.

The Secretary asked Council members, and through these minutes, the faculty, on behalf of the Agenda Committee to make known to him their preferences, if any, regarding the relative priority of these items, or the addition of others. There were no immediate suggestions.

6. The President called on Professor Gerking to resume discussion of Part IV of the recommendations of his "Committee on Changes in the Organization of the Faculty," initiated at the Council meeting of January 17, 1961 (see minutes of that date, pages 6 and 7).

Professor Gerking yielded the floor to Dean Collins who said he liked the revised procedure proposed by the Committee much better than the old one but thought some further speed-up could be accomplished. The alternative (outlined by Dean Carter at the Council meeting of January 17) would eliminate the automatic general faculty meeting on the amendment envisaged by the Committee but would not preclude the possibility of such a meeting should a sufficient number of faculty members ask for it.

Professor Gerking commented that the procedure recommended by his Committee was based on the notion that a very significant amendment to the faculty organization deserving of full faculty participation in its enactment or non-enactment might come along even though recent changes in the faculty constitution had not been in this category. He added that he would welcome an informal expression of Council feeling on this matter; if the Council wanted his Committee to propose an alternative along the lines suggested by Dean Collins he would be glad to oblige; if the Council did not see the need for an alternative his Committee would stand on the recommendation as proposed.

Professor Burke asked what the Committee's estimate was on the maximum and minimum time it would take to have an amendment enacted according to the proposed revised procedure? Professor Gerking answered that it would not take too long provided action was started early in the academic year. Dean Collins added that the new procedure suggested by the Committee would be speedier than the old one since only one general faculty meeting (rather than two) was required, but knowing faculty attendance habits he thought the quorum required for such an "extraordinary" meeting better be a small one. Professor Gerking thought that the necessity for a number of faculty members to get together and ask for a faculty meeting, as contemplated in Dean Collins' suggestion, made it rather unlikely that such a meeting would take place. Dean Ashton felt that the safeguards contemplated by Dean Collins were ample. Professor Gerking inclined to the opinion that the request for a special faculty meeting would almost certainly have to originate with some sort of coherent group within the faculty.

Dean Gucker asked how many faculty members it took at present to have a general faculty meeting called? No one on the Council seemed to know but Dean Collins thought that a majority of those present was sufficient for action. In the meantime, President Wells had dug into the Faculty Handbook and had carried his private research into its cobwebbed corners to a triumphant conclusion by discovering that Section 12 of Article III of the Organization of the Faculty states as follows:

Special meetings of the faculty may be called by the President or in his absence by the Vice-President and Dean of the Faculties, or by the Secretary on petition of twenty-five voting members, or on request of the Faculty Council.

Section 14, Article III (Quorum) provides:

Twenty-five voting members shall constitute a quorum for the conferring of degrees and for the receiving of reports; for all other business fifty voting members shall constitute a quorum.

In the straw vote, 13 members of the Council favored drawing up an alternative in line with Dean Collins' suggestions, 10 did not.

The Parliamentarian (Professor Buehrig) ruled that Professor Gerking's M O T I O N (to adopt Part IV of his Committee's recommendations) could be held over for the next Council meeting pending preparation of an alternative procedure.

7. President Wells launched the report on site planning at Indiana University. By agreement with the Secretary and Professors Byrd and Miller, he left the problem of an undergraduate library for the next Council meeting which Professors Byrd and Miller would be able to attend.

President Wells expressed regret that Vice-President Franklin could not be present to help in the presentation of this report.

He said it was a frustrating job to keep facilities ahead of needs, except for housing of students. In spite of the constant campus building activity in the last twenty years, square footage per student in 1959/60 was lower (170.9) than in 1939/40 (185.3). It was only through the most efficient scheduling of classes and the long class day that Indiana University could keep going.

He then showed the Council drawings and models of buildings now going up or contemplated. Among them was the Psychology Building; a completely air-conditioned two-bedroom apartment building for married students and faculty, with units renting for about 90 - 95 dollars a month; a new student dormitory (already under construction at the corner of 7th and Union in which students will do their own cooking -- about six to eight students per kitchen); a three-unit extension of the graduate student residence center; and the addition to the Chemistry building for which money is on hand and bids will go out this spring. There was hope that some day a Molecular Biology building would go up. The general idea was to keep organic units together and to protect open areas. A new open area is to be developed in the direction of Trees Center.

Future building plans of the university call for the acquisition of all properties between 3rd Street and Atwater, except for the fraternity houses. It is possible that Third and Atwater will then become one-way streets. All properties between Indiana and Dunn are ultimately to be acquired by the university and to be used for auxiliary services and parking space. Tenth Street will be closed to traffic. The center of campus will ultimately be a sanctuary in which transportation will be restricted to walking. The present Business School will become an annex to Ballantine Hall, and a new Business School will be constructed north of 10th Street. There will be an extension of Jordan Hall. The beech grove between Jordan and Chemistry will be maintained as long as the handsome but somewhat decrepit trees last.

The President spoke with glowing enthusiasm of the greatly expanded athletic facilities now available to faculty members who wish to exercise, but he confided that he was not likely to lead the way in this endeavor himself.

He said that additional space north and west of the North Jordan area would have to be set aside for fraternities and sororities; buildings in this area had gone up much faster than expected.

In the north-eastern direction there will be room for the new University School and for a golf course; in the northern direction, for an outdoor swimming pool; on the north side of 10th Street, for a new health center.

The University anticipates that a number of special institutes and research centers will seek out this campus for permanent location. Ultimately the architects envisage a handsome Mall leading from the new stadium all the way to Dunn Meadow.

In concluding the report on the Bloomington campus, President Wells remarked that property buying by the university in the early 1940's had had the most fortunate effects, and that Indiana, compared to building plans and problems of other Big Ten schools, was in a favorable position.

Speaking of our Indianapolis facilities, the President mentioned the slum clearance project that has been under way under the joint auspices of the City of Indianapolis and Indiana University. The cleared area will be utilized for the construction of academic building and housing. The City of Indianapolis has a master building plan providing for ultimate clearance of the entire area between the new State Office Building and the Medical Center.

Regarding the state centers of instruction, the new South Bend building will soon be ready, the new Fort Wayne building is in the planning stage. The university is in the process of buying land for a building in Kokomo. The location of new extension facilities in Indianapolis is still in the debating stage.

Returning to Bloomington, the President spoke of plans to restore the historic Wylie House (built in 1835) to its original state. It is in better shape than had been feared. The State of Indiana had purchased it for Indiana University with instructions to restore it. The Wylie family has given this university a good deal of period furniture for the house. Precise plans are as yet indefinite. Should it be restored as a scholar's house of the period, should it be a repository for I. U. memorabilia, or a unit for meetings?

The President also mentioned that the Showers Brothers plant now housing the Indiana University Press was already bursting at the seams, and that a unit for Air Force Language students was to be put up in Mrs. Hanna's cow pasture off Fee Lane.

The floor was now open for discussion. Dean Gucker, making no bones about his yearning to see an early demise of that eye-sore, Alpha Hall, asked hopefully about its prospective fate. The President replied that Alpha was caught in the middle of a conflict between beauty of face vs. need for space. Dean Collins added that the university would dearly love to get along without Alpha, but does not know yet whether it can afford it.

Professor Gerking expressed his paternal concern about the fire hazard constituted by the English Building now used as a university school annex. President Wells said that the space occupied by the old English building was needed for Audio-Visual and would therefore be relinquished by the children when the time came. Dean Collins said the university was well aware of the dangers of the English Building and that special fire rules applied to it.

President Wells said that the Tree-Center buildings were also rapidly deteriorating. He welcomed additional suggestions by Council and faculty members.

Professor Breneman inquired about shuttle bus service between the fraternity and sorority area, and the campus. President Wells answered that this had been tried but had not yet been successful since the housing was apparently not located far enough away to attract clientele.

Professor Breneman said problems would arise about making classes on time as the campus expands. President Wells stated the university's building plans were conceived so as to minimize this problem, but ultimately alterations of schedule or a fifteen-minute interval between classes may be in the cards.

Professor Hanson inquired whether the university had thought of installing small air-strips to accomodate increasing traffic to the institutes and research centers previously mentioned? The President thought this was an idea worth studying. (Professor Gerking was heard to mutter: 'There goes my golf course!').

Professor Breneman asked whether there were any plans for overpasses across streets already crowded with traffic? President Wells said that this question was being studied, with special reference to Third Street.

Professor Byrnes inquired whether the administration could think of a good way to make bicycles fashionable among students and faculty? President Wells felt this was a meritorious idea except for the somewhat hilly terrain in Bloomington. Dean Collins expressed the opinion that special paths would have to be set aside for cyclists, else there would be utter confusion. He added that the Little 500 had had no effect whatsoever on the transportation habits of students in the intervals between these annual events. Students would ride to the race in their cars, bicycle like mad around the track, and return home in their cars.

Perhaps motorcycles would be the solution, said Professor Hanson, making a virtue out of his well-known addiction to this flamboyant version of suicide. There were voices from the floor suggesting that Dean Braden would make an ideal bicycle chief, Professor Hanson was congenitally fitted to be the motorcycle czar, and Dean Ashton would ably lead the walkers' brigade.

To complete this happy note, Professor Gerking seemed to express the feelings of the Council members by voicing his admiration for the overall site planning by the administration.

The Secretary, too, was in a jovial mood since the Council in its great wisdom decided to skip the next meeting (MOET I. O. N. by Professor Buehrig, seconded by Professor Burke) at the suggestion of an understanding President. Reason: quasi-exhausted agenda. The Council adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry H. H. Remak
Secretary.