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## UNIVERSITY SENATE November 2, 1954

The meeting was called to order by Dean Larsen with all members present except President Fairchild, Dr. Hardy, Mr. Lichty, Miss Melrose, and Miss Welch.

The Dean reminded heads of departments to give definite consideration to the offerings of the 1955 summer session. He reported that in the survey made of 1954 summer session students asking concerning the type of summer sessions desirable, there were 608 replies or about 50 per cent of the students. Of these, 373 plan to be in the summer session of 1955. Of them, 310 definitely favor the eight-weeks session. At the next meeting of the University Council consideration will be given to the calendar of the next school year plus the summer session of 1955. It is expected that there will be about 1200 students again next summer. The Dean suggested planning for an eight-weeks summer session to be followed by a post session in which one, two, and three weeks courses might be offered.

Dean Larsen next asked Mr. De Young to introduce his guest. Mr. De Young introduced Mr. B. Perez, a teacher of elementary education from the Philippines, who is spending some time visiting our campus.

The Dean next asked Mr. Gimmestad to explain the request of a committee of the English Department with reference to the requirement of the purchase of an English Handbook by all students taking English 110 and 111. Mr. Gimmest ad explained that it is the thought of the Committee and the Department that if students are required to possess the Handbook as they take Freshman English, they will learn to know its value and continue to use it throughout their college life and after that time. He indicated, too, the desirability of having all faculty members have a copy so that they would know what is being taught to the freshmen as to style, etc. The proposed book would probably cost students about \$2.25. Mr. Kinneman moved that the Senate go on record as approving the request and that Dean Larsen with the English Department work out the details. Dean Linkins seconded the motion, and it was carried. Dean Larsen said he would take the proposal to the Teachers College Board for approval.

The Dean asked Mr. Hoover to report for the Committee which has been appointed to study the selective admission program. Mr. Hoover distributed copies of a report of progress of the Committee, a copy of which is filed with the minutes in the Secretary's Office. He asked that departments give consideration to the different proposals at their staff meetings and react to them. Reactions should be in the order of preference of the suggestions made, or in combinations of suggestions, or in suggesting entirely new possibilities. Departmental reactions should be returned to Mr. Hoover not later than December 13, so that the Committee may make a final report at the January Senate meeting.

The meeting adjourned.

Elsie Brenneman Secretary

#### Agenda:

1. Report at the January meeting of the Committee to study the selective admission program.