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MEMBERS PRESENT

1. Samuel Braden
2. Richard Bond
3. George Drew
4. Scott Eatherly
5. Elwood Egelston
6. Richard Hulet
7. John Ferrell
8. Frederick Fuess
9. Charles Gray
10. Dean Hage
11. Charles Hicklin
12. Frederick Kagy
13. Walter Kohn
14. Thomas Martin
15. Charles Morris
16. Warren Perry
17. Mary Rozum
18. Stanley Shuman
19. Irwin Spector

MEMBERS ABSENT

1. Eric Johnson

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Stanley Shuman, Chairman of the University Council, called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. in the third floor lounge of the University Union.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Hage moved that the minutes of the June 19 meeting be approved as distributed. Mr. Kagy seconded the motion.

Mr. Fuess suggested the following corrections be made. (Additions underlined)

Page 1. (Call to Order) In the absence of the Chairman, Mr. Charles Hicklin, .........

Page 2. (Middle of the page) ...... could result (is) in representation ........

Page 5. (Mr. Shuman's motion)

"The College Councils be asked to prepare procedures for the selection of department heads and submit them to the University Council for approval (the selection--heads) and that the University Council continue .......

Page 6. (Campus Fund-Raising Policy)

The motion was carried by a roll call vote with Mr. Kohn abstaining.
REORGANIZATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

Mr. Shuman called attention to his letter of resignation from the University Council and from the Joint Faculty Policy Committee. Mr. Shuman's appointment as Acting Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences prompted his immediate resignation.

Mr. Drew moved to accept the resignation of Mr. Shuman with deep regret and with appreciation for services rendered as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the University Council. Mr. Gray seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

Mr. Shuman turned the gavel over to Vice-Chairman Hicklin. Mr. Hicklin presented Mr. Shuman with a card signed by the members of the Council and a mounted souvenir of Old Main.

Mr. Hicklin reported that according to the By-Laws, Mr. William Zeller was eligible to fill the vacancy on the council.

Mr. Egleston moved to seat Mr. Zeller on the Council to serve until the regular election in 1969. Mr. Spector seconded the motion.

The motion was carried by a voice vote.

Mr. Hicklin stated that the By-Laws did not provide for the replacement of the Council Chairman and suggested that an election be held.

The floor was opened to nominations for Council Chairman. Five members were nominated by ballot.

Mr. Fuess moved that in light of the fact that Mr. Hicklin received more than a majority of the nominating ballots, that Mr. Hicklin be declared elected Chairman of the University Council. Mr. Eatherly seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

The Chairman then requested nominations for Vice-Chairman of the University Council. Six members were nominated by ballot with no one receiving a majority.

Mr. Ferrell was elected Vice-Chairman by secret ballot.

ELECTION OF MEMBER OF THE JOINT FACULTY POLICY COMMITTEE

Mr. Kohn voiced concern that the individuals nominated by the Executive Committee, were already on many committees. This, he felt was in conflict with the
policy of the University as stated in the "Blue Book" and as recommended by the University Council at the May 15, 1968 meeting.

The floor was opened to nominations and six nominations were made in addition to the two names submitted by the Executive Committee.

Mr. Elwood Egleston was elected to the Joint Faculty Policy Committee to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Shuman. Mr. Egleston will serve until May 1970.

ELECTION OF MEMBER OF THE CAMPUS PLANNING COMMITTEE

The floor was opened to nominations to the Campus Planning Committee to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Dent Rhodes. Four nominations were received in addition to the two names submitted by the Executive Committee.

Mr. Paul Mattingly was elected to serve on the Campus Planning Committee until May of 1970.

DISCUSSION OF THE RECOMMENDED CHANGES IN PARKING REGULATIONS, 1968-69

Mr. Charles Edwards explained that the changes in parking regulations were, in reality, more a clarification than a change. The recommendation is a liberalization of the present fee structure.

Mr. Egleston moved that the University Council receive the recommended changes in parking regulations, 1968-69. Mr. Perry seconded the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously by a roll call vote.

A copy of the recommendations appeared on page 9 of the June 5, 1968 Council minutes.

DISCUSSION OF THE REORGANIZATION OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Dean Bond circulated a memo (July 17, 1968) regarding the reorganization of the College of Arts and Sciences. A copy of the memo is included in the minutes.

Mr. Arthur Bond of the College of Arts and Sciences Council reported on the action of the College Council. He also reviewed the results of the College of Arts and Sciences referendum. The results indicated that the College of Arts and Sciences was fairly evenly divided with respect to any reorganization. It appeared that any decision would not be popular with a large number of the Arts and Sciences faculty.

A question was raised concerning the title, "part-time associate dean". Since Mr. Shuman is an Assistant Dean, as well as Acting Dean, it was felt that there should be some
clarification on this point. Dean Bond stated he was not prepared to discuss this at this time and would like to discuss the titles with Dean Shuman before making a change.

Concern was voiced regarding a speedy selection of a permanent Dean. It was hoped that a new Dean might be obtained before the September 1, 1969 date.

The discussion shifted to the fate of the Unaffiliated Departments. The Council recommendations for a College of Fine Arts and a College of Physical Education have been forwarded to the President for action. In response to a question regarding when the Unaffiliated Departments would be informed as to their reorganization, President Braden stated that he would like to take the recommendations to the Board of Regents in September or October. Mr. Braden also indicated that he was sensitive to the situation but that the University budget must be studied before a decision can be made. Mr. Bond indicated that action by the President has been delayed by discussion on the reorganization of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Mr. Kohn moved to accept the memorandum of July 17 from Dean Bond which stated that the current College of Arts and Sciences be retained for the present time. Mr. Egleston seconded the motion.

The motion was carried by a roll call vote with Mr. Bond and Mr. Braden abstaining.

REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Three recommendations were presented by the Academic Standards Committee. The recommendations dealt with Repetition of Courses, Undergraduate Proficiency Examinations, and a Pass-Fail program.

Miss Rozum moved that the reports be received and that the committee be thanked for their efforts. Mr. Eatherly seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

Miss Kelly, Chairman of the Academic Standards Committee explained the reasons for some of the committee recommendations.

Several questions were raised by Council members with specific recommendations. Since no action was taken and Council members were requested to submit changes in the form of a motion at the next meeting, no discussion of these items are included in the minutes. A copy of the recommendations of the Academic Standards Committee is not included.

Mr. Bond moved that the Council postpone action on the recommendations of the Academic Standard Committee until student opinions can be obtained. Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion.

The motion carried by a voice vote.
PRESIDENT’S REPORT ON BOARD ACTION

President Braden reported the following action of the Board of Regents at its July meeting.

It appears that the whole concept of the Union Building should be reconsidered. The relationship of the residence halls to the Union and to the entire campus plan must be studied. The President also stated that he felt there should be an escalation of the auditorium portion of the Union.

The Board of Regents has authorized the University to purchase a President's home. The I.S. U. Foundation will finance the house which will be repaid out of current operating budget. The architect is presently drawing plans.

The President announced that he would leave next week for Taiwan to investigate the program for the teaching of English as a foreign language. This is a joint program between the YMCA and I.S. U. President Braden will return on August 20.

Finally the President reminded the Council that an open-hearing was scheduled by the Board of Regents for the evening of October 4, and the morning of October 5 if necessary. At this hearing faculty members will have an opportunity to voice their reactions to the Governing Policy for the Regency Universities of the State of Illinois which was circulated to all faculty near the end of the spring semester.

COMMUNICATIONS

Calendar for 1969-70

Mr. Fuess circulated the proposed calendar for 1969-70 and read a memorandum from Dean Belshe in which he requested that action be taken at the August meeting of the Council. Mr. Hicklin stated that this item would appear on the agenda of the next meeting.

Letter From W. L. Quane

A letter from Mr. W. L. Quane, Instructor in Traffic and Safety Education was read. Mr. Quane voiced concern regarding the lack of discussion of the College of Physical Education as compared to the debate concerning the College of Arts and Sciences.

The Chairman instructed the Secretary to write a letter to Mr. Quane pointing out the fact that the University Council had acted on the proposal from the departments of Health and Physical Education.

Resignation of Mr. Spector

Mr. Hicklin read a letter from Mr. Spector in which he presented his resignation from the University Council effective on August 7, 1968. Mr. Spector will be on a leave of absence for the 1968-69 school year.
No action was taken.

Resignation of Mr. Pohlman as Department Head

Mr. Bond reported that Mr. Pohlman had submitted his resignation as Head of the Department of Sociology-Anthropology. Mr. Pohlman will return to full-time teaching.

Mr. Bond requested that the Council nominate three people in accordance with procedure for selection of Department Heads.

Mr. Drew moved to suspend the rules in order to take action at this time. Mr. Eatherly seconded the motion.

The motion carried by a voice vote.

Mr. Poe, Rives and Schapsmeier were nominated by the Council. Dean Bond will select one of these men to serve as Chairman of the Selection Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hulet moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Perry seconded the motion.

Mr. Hicklin adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Hicklin, Chairman
Frederick Fuess, Secretary

CH:FF/ss

7-17-68
MEMORANDUM

TO: UNIVERSITY COUNCIL
FROM: R. R. BOND
SUBJECT: REORGANIZATION OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

As I intended in my memorandum of June 6 to the faculty, there has been considerable discussion about the most effective administration of the College of Arts and Sciences. I think this discussion has been most helpful and creative. I have appreciated the candor and genuine thoughtfulness of the responses, both oral and written, and especially the spirit in which these discussions have been held. It is good for the campus, I think, to have had this dialogue.

Rather than put the Council on the spot by forcing you to react to my proposal by a vote, I should like to indicate to you that it seems to me that we have our answer. The referendum in the College of Arts and Sciences is inconclusive, but leans toward a retention of the current structure or a modification of it. (The temptation to draw a parallel with Normal's referendum on open housing is irresistible.) Departments from all over the University are divided on the issue, with statements pro, con and equivocal. I have not attempted to tabulate them. The reactions of the Curriculum Committee and the Committee on Academic Planning were neither negative nor enthusiastically positive. Less than general consensus does not mandate change. It seems to me simply that there is inadequate support for the proposed change to effect it at this time.

It would seem advisable to me, then, that we continue with the current College of Arts and Sciences, that Dean Shuman be authorized to fill the vacant position created by his moving into the acting deanship with two half-time acting associate deans, and that the Council initiate procedures for the filling of the dean's position for September, 1969.

It would also seem advisable, since several alternatives have arisen during the last six weeks, that the Committee on Academic Planning be asked to include the long-range organization of the University in its deliberations, with the assumption being that the current College of Arts and Sciences be retained for a period of at least three to five years, but with interim attention being given to the internal administrative organization of the college to alleviate some of the problems to which I referred in my original memorandum.

It seems to me, further, that in the spirited championing of the concept or "mystique" of a College of Arts and Sciences, an institutional commitment has been made to the unity of knowledge to which I personally whole-heartedly subscribe. This commitment, I am led to assume, transcends departmental boundaries, and bodes well for a strong
academic core, a strong general education program and viable multi-disciplinary programs. The implications for the University are profound and have made the discussions and activities of the past six weeks very valuable.

It is assumed that with the abandonment of my proposal, the question of a College of Fine Arts will revert to its status prior to June 6.

The Council, of course, is free to continue discussion of my proposal or, indeed, any others, should it so desire.

I am grateful to you and to the entire faculty for the thorough, candid and complete discussion of my proposal—free from personalities. My feelings of potential greatness for this University have been reaffirmed.