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Academic Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes, January 9, 1995

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TO: Members of Academic Council and University Faculty
FROM: James Sayer, Faculty President
SUBJECT: Agenda for Academic Council Meeting on
Monday, January 9, 1995, 3:10 p.m., W169 A, B, C Student Union (formerly 155 A, B,
& C--University Center)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes of November 28, 1994 (Attachment A)
- III. Report of the President: Harley Flack
- IV. Report of the Steering Committee: James Sayer
- V. Reports of Standing Committees
 - A. Buildings & Grounds Utilization & Planning: Mateen Rizki
 - B. Curriculum and Academic Policy: Mark Sirkin
 - C. Faculty Affairs: Rudy Fichtenbaum
 - D. Library: Larry Turyn
 - E. Student Affairs: James Walker
 - F. University Budget Review Committee: Marguerite MacDonald
- VI. Old Business
 - A. Course Modification Request, Gen. Ed. EC 200--Curriculum Committee: Mark Sirkin
 - Present--

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 - Proposed Change--

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- VII. New Business
- VIII. Announcements and Special Reports
 - A. Next Academic Council Meeting--February 6, 1995
- IX. Adjournment

**WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY
ACADEMIC COUNCIL MINUTES
JANUARY 9, 1995**

I. The meeting was called to order by University Faculty President James Sayer at 3:10 p.m. in W169A,B,C Student Union.

Present: C. Barbour, A. Bellisari, B. Campbell, J. Czachor, M. Eddy, R. Fichtenbaum, W. Gayle, K. Goldenberg, A. Islam, C. King, A. Lai, M. Low, T. Macaulay, M. MacDonald, W. McCormick, S. Miller, P. Moore, T. Pinkerton, D. Schlagheck, S. Sietz, M. Sirkin, G. Spalding, T. Sudkamp, J. Vance, W. Hutzler, J. Sayer, W. Rickert, R. Pohlman

Absent: C. Chumlea, D. Courtney, D. Goldstein, N. Hassan, R. Kumar, B. Mann, R. Mercer, S. Morris, D. Petreman, M. Reeder, P. Risner, J. Thomas, D. Wein, H. Flack

II. The minutes of the November 28, 1994, meeting were approved as written.

III. Report of the President: no report

IV. Report of the Steering Committee: James Sayer reporting:

1. Steering received and referred to Faculty Affairs a proposal from Dean Thomas for a "conflict of interest" policy for faculty and staff working under federal grants.
2. Steering discussed the proposed 1996-97 academic calendar (which was tabled by Academic Council until February 1995) and the formation of a "blue ribbon" committee to study the feasibility of changing to a semester system. Steering feels that the Calendar & Elections Committee should provide this function.
3. The next meeting of the Steering Committee is January 23.

V. Reports of the Standing Committees:

A. Buildings & Grounds Utilization & Planning, Mateen Rizki reporting:

We have met once since the last Academic Council meeting. The committee has endorsed a number of changes to the university's revised state funded capital requests. These changes include \$2.25M for Access Circulation (Loop Road) which was originally funded at \$1.5M. Allyn Hall Rehabilitation (Phase 1) has been lowered from \$2.8M to \$2.1M. The Allyn Hall Expansion for campus services has been lowered from \$2.5M to \$1.6M. The university has added requests for \$1M for architectural fees for the FAWC extension and \$2M to cover overruns for the new academic building.

B. Curriculum and Academic Policy, Mark Sirkin reporting:

The committee met on Dec 1 and Jan 9 and approved 19 course inventory requests and 60 course modification requests.

This quarter we will be concentrating on the revised Writing Across the Curriculum proposal and on the General Education Task Force's recommendations.

C. Faculty Affairs, Rudy Fichtenbaum reporting:

The committee met once in December. We approved the second draft regarding our procedures for dealing with the "open document" ruling of the Ohio Supreme Court in promotion and tenure matters. The right of rebuttal issue (which has to do with the use of open documents) is no longer part of the draft. This issue will be dealt with later.

At our next meeting (January 13) we will be discussing the issue of the evaluation of teaching and its use in promotion and tenure. We will also be reviewing the "conflict of interest" proposal referred to us from Steering.

D. Library, Larry Turyn reporting:

A survey of library patrons has been completed by the Center for Urban & Public Affairs. This survey measured satisfaction with collections, conditions of the stacks, help provided by the staff in circulation and reference. Survey conclusions include that a large majority of customers are satisfied.

We continue to discuss the state of the library budget.

E. Student Affairs, James Walker reporting:

We met once in December to discuss open access to academic programs without regard to age, sex, disability or sexual orientation and our role in policy-making for public safety. At our next meeting we will discuss changes in faculty evaluations and the distribution of these evaluations to students and child care on campus.

F. University Budget Review, Marguerite MacDonald reporting:

Our next meeting will be January 13. At that time we will have a workshop on university budgeting. Joyce Carter, Director of Human Resources, attended our November 29 meeting to discuss performance appraisals and compensation policy. We also discussed the Health Benefits Task Force with Joyce Carter and Rich Johnson, Manager of Employee Benefits, clarifying the Task Force's roll in decision-making. UBRC also discussed strategic planning and the budgeting process and reviewed the budgets for the Student Union and the Nutter Center.

VI. Old Business:

A. Course Modification Request, Gen. Ed. EC 200: Curriculum Committee: Mark Sirkin
(see agenda for January 9 Academic Council meeting)

The change was approved unanimously.

VII. New Business: none

VIII. Announcements and Special Reports:

A. Next Academic Council Meeting: February 6, 1995

IX. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 3:45pm.