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MINUTES

Meeting Council of Academic Deans January 30, 1990

Dr. Robert V. Haynes called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Members present included Drs. J. T. Sandefur, Ward Hellstrom, J. Michael Brown, Michael Binder, Ronnie N. Sutton, Elmer Gray and John H. Petersen. Dr. Martin R. Houston represented Dr. Charles E. Kupchella.

The minutes of the January 23, 1990, meeting were reviewed and approved.

Dr. Haynes discussed a schedule recommended by Dr. Sutton for the opening of the Fall Semester. There was concensus among the deans that this new schedule should be adopted.

Dr. Haynes led a discussion of the need to give more attention to evaluation of teaching. President Thomas C. Meredith is very interested in this issue and Dr. Haynes asked the deans to continue to give it attention in working with their department heads and faculty.

The need to adopt a university strategy for outcomes assessment was discussed extensively. Dr. Haynes pointed out the desirability of having each department or discipline develop a plan for measuring outcomes of their students. Others supported the approach of having a general capstone course or general knowledge examination at the university level.

The projected schedule of extended campus courses for the next three years, which has been circulated to deans and department heads, was considered for adoption. Some of the deans suggested that we delay adopting the schedule until the university planning process is complete. On the other hand, it was pointed out that a blueprint of some kind was needed so that department heads and students could anticipate which courses are likely to be offered at extended campus sites. It was agreed that the schedule would be used for general planning purposes, subject to modification when appropriate.

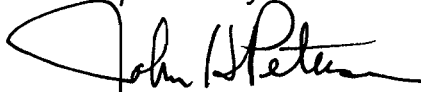
The part-time payroll and budget information was distributed to the deans. 1989-90 expenditures for part-time faculty, both on and off campus, will exceed budgeted funds by a considerable amount. The excess will have to be covered by funds transferred from other areas of the budget.

The dates for annual faculty evaluations and salary recommendations will be moved back two weeks.

Dr. Haynes advised the deans of the university's plan to apply for a Title III grant from the U. S. Department of Education. The proposal will focus on minority student support and the development of a Faculty Resource Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John H. Petersen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "J".

John H. Petersen

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