

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FACULTY SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

Room 101, Law Building, Monday, February 2, 1953

The meeting of the Faculty Senate convened in regular session at 3:40 P.M. on Monday, February 2, 1953, in Room 101 of the Law Building. Thirty-six members were present with President Harvill presiding.

The minutes of January 5, 1953, were approved as previously published and distributed to members of the Senate.

CATALOGUE MATERIAL, CHANGES IN MIMEOGRAPHED MATERIAL: Mr. Leshar reported that the material as originally submitted by the colleges and reported to the Senate was approved with no change for the Colleges of Agriculture, Business and Public Administration, Engineering, Mines, Law, and Pharmacy.

Dean Patrick reviewed the catalogue changes approved for the new Geo-chronology-Dendrochronology division, and emphasized that as the work develops it is hoped to offer more courses with a graduate major in this field. He also mentioned the requirements for the new degree of Master of Business Administration, and the general scholarship requirement for advanced degree which reads: "A high level of performance is expected of students enrolled for graduate credit. A student who does not appear to be making satisfactory progress in his graduate work may be required to withdraw from the University." He added that some minor changes had been made exempting graduate fellows from deposits, in the mechanics of processing admissions to the Graduate College, and in the credit requirement for the degrees of Master of Agricultural Education and Master of Home Economics Education had been increased from 30 to 32 units.

Mr. Leshar pointed out that in the College of Education the junior and senior year program in Music Education was restored (page 115), and that the Advisory Council did not approve the proposed English Bureau. In the College of Fine Arts the major in Drama Education in connection with the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree was withdrawn (page 5-6), and in connection with preparation of teachers in the College of Fine Arts provision made only for completion of requirements for a special certificate in Music. The proposals to adjust group requirements in Fine Arts by reducing the language requirement to one year, and to allow a choice of either literature or humanities were first approved by the Council, but later reconsidered. As finally approved for the Bachelor of Arts degrees given in the College of Fine Arts, including the Bachelor of Arts in Dramatic Art, the Bachelor of Arts in Art, the Bachelor of Arts in Music, and the Bachelor of Arts in Speech, these group requirements are the same as those obtaining for the Bachelor of Arts degree in the College of Liberal Arts. These include, in addition to Freshman English and one year of laboratory science, two years of language, introduction to humanities, and 12 units in social science. A limitation of 40 semester hours of credit for majors in connection with the Bachelor of Arts degree in the College of Fine Arts was established with the exception of the Bachelor of Arts in Speech which was allowed 48. A recommendation for the establishment of a Master of Arts with a major in Speech was not approved. Six new graduate courses proposed in connection with this advanced degree were withdrawn.

President Harvill mentioned that the questions of deleting the sub-collegiate course in Mathematics X *, and of establishing Spanish 3aX * were yet to be taken up. Dr. Solve asked for a clarification of maximum credits allowed in a major in the Fine Arts College. President Harvill explained that the purpose was to make a distinction between the general or more cultural degree and the professional degrees.

Dr. Roberts questioned whether a curriculum which would allow a high degree of specialization, such as 80 hours in voice, was justified. Professor Buchhauser pointed out that the work would not be entirely in voice, but in the broad field of music. In answer to President Harvill's question as to whether the curricula are based upon what other schools are doing, Dean Crowder explained that the Fine Arts requirements are somewhat above that of other schools from the standpoint of academic work. Dr. Carpenter complained that such a closely prescribed program does not allow the student an opportunity for exploring, and Dr. Roberts called attention to the fact that those who are going to teach children should have a background in social sciences, a point emphasized by Dr. Carpenter, and accepted by Dean Crowder as valid. He explained that there are many people in the country somewhat concerned about this problem, and the answer would be found in the adoption of a five-year program, but the only state university which has seen fit to adopt such a program is the University of Texas.

Dr. Carpenter then questioned what appeared to him to be an excessive number of hours taught by some of the professors in the College of Fine Arts and this was explained on the basis of the program of individual instruction.

At Dr. Roberts suggestion it was agreed that in connection with the statement of General Information for the College of Fine Arts the word "unlimited" would be deleted with reference to the opportunities for growth beyond the curricular requirements.

It was understood that since no formal action was taken by the Senate, the catalogue changes and additions as submitted by the Advisory Council and reported by the Secretary were approved.

COMMITTEE TO INTERPRET ACTION OF SENATE, REPORT OF: Dean Lyons reported for the committee appointed to interpret Senate action according certain authority to the Committee on Dishonest Scholastic Work. The policy established was to withhold from the student's record any reference to the authority for disciplinary action upon recommendation by the committee. The committee found that the original practice in the Registrar's Office had been to record both the penalty and some explanation, as "by administrative action", or "by recommendation of the Committee on Dishonest Scholarship Work," and that when the Senate approved the report of the so-called "Cheating Committee", the action of the Senate was to authorize the omission of the explanatory matter upon recommendation of the Committee. There was no suggestion, however, that the penalty should not be recorded, and there has been no action by the Senate authorizing any change in this practice. The report was accepted by the President with no formal action.

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES, COMMITTEE TO STUDY: President Harvill announced that subsequent to the action of the Senate at the last meeting requesting that a committee study the question of rearranging the schedule of classes he had appointed a committee which includes Professor Martin L. Thornburg, Professor A. S. Anderson, and Registrar Leshar as Chairman.

*At the Advisory Council meeting of February 4 Mathematics X was retained and Spanish 3aX withdrawn.

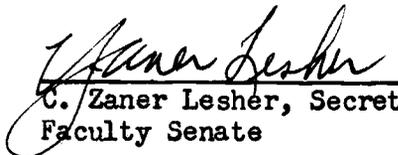
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS, REPORT ON RESTUDY OF: Dean Roy submitted for his committee the following recommendation: "The graduation requirement is 3.2000. Failures in the freshman year and through the last semester in which the student has sophomore standing may be removed by repetition of the course, and in those cases only the credit and grade value of all repetitions will be used in calculating the average."

Professor Thomas questioned whether this would apply to the Law College, and Dean Lyons emphasized that by standards throughout the country the "5"'s must be counted in the requirements for admission and for graduation. Dean Roy explained that a second "5" earned as a freshman or sophomore in repetition of a course would be used in calculating the average. He added that a change to the grade point system was considered but it was decided that there was nothing which could be done under such a system which could not be done under the one recommended. The fact that the public schools of Arizona use the numerical grading system weighed heavily, he said, in favor of the retention of this plan in the University. The Committee felt that the proposed requirement would establish a standard somewhat higher than that of the old 80-20 requirement.

Dean Park moved that the ruling as stated by Dean Roy be accepted. The motion was seconded by Dean Garrettson and passed unanimously. It was understood in this connection that this requirement for graduation applied to all colleges except the College of Law which retained the 3.0000, and further that it did not affect the average required for admission to the College of Law, the College of Education, or the College of Pharmacy, which is retained as a 3.0000.

Dr. Carpenter reported that in making a study of relative standing in the graduating classes he had observed how very few students graduated in the College of Education within the lower brackets of the class. It was agreed that the attainment on the part of students in the College of Education was commendable and reflected the advantage given by a selective admission standard.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 P.M.


C. Zaner Leshner, Secretary
Faculty Senate