

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

Room 101, Law Building, Monday, November 6, 1950

The Faculty Senate met in regular session at 3:40 p.m. on Monday, November 6, in Room 101 of the Law Building. Twenty-four members were present, with President McCormick presiding. Mr. Windsor substituted for Mr. Leshner.

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE, ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEWLY-ELECTED: Mr. Windsor announced the results of the general faculty election for Senate members-at-large, as follows:

Claude H. Brown	Paul Kelso	
* Bartley B. Cardon	* J. L. Picard	
Russell C. Ewing	William J. Pistor	* Reelected
* Frances Gillmor	H. D. Rhodes	
* Laurence R. Gray	* Matthew M. R. Schneck	
George F. Herrick	* Harold C. Schwalen	
R. M. Howard	* Earle H. Warner	
Klonda Lynn		

These senators will assume or resume their duties in January, 1951.

ADVANCED DEGREES, ADJUSTMENT IN RESTRICTION OF AWARD OF: Mr. Windsor read a recommendation from the Advisory Council that the restriction applying to the awarding of advanced degrees to members of the University faculty above the rank of instructor and to members of the administration of higher rank be effective at the close of the second semester, 1950-51, rather than during the current academic year.

Dean Patrick explained that a careful check of his files showed that four faculty members above the rank of instructor were at present working on their master's degrees. It was felt that each of these would be able to complete work for the degree by May, and the Graduate Study Committee does not feel it is necessary to extend the time limit beyond that date. The four members are Professor Fain of the School of Music who has 32 units of credit, Assistant Professor Foster of the Mechanical Engineering department with 25 units of credit, Assistant Professor Ott of Physical Education for Men who has 29 units, and Assistant Professor Schafer of Agricultural Education who has completed 32 units of graduate work. Dean Patrick had talked with each of these men and felt that they would all be able to complete work on their degrees during this school year.

In answer to a suggestion by Dr. Cardon that it might be simpler to rule that no new faculty members above the rank of instructor could commence work at Arizona on an advanced degree, Dean Patrick explained that if no limit were placed, some members would not complete their degrees for several more years. None of the faculty members of advanced rank working for degrees now had begun work after 1942. Some credits outlawed because of lapse of time have had to be re-established. He added that, of course, should an instructor now working towards a degree be advanced in rank, he would have to choose between the degree and the advancement. Dean Patrick moved, with a second by Dr. Gray that the Advisory Council's recommendation be accepted, and the motion was carried.

REMOVAL OF "D" GRADE, CLARIFICATION OF POLICY RE: Mr. Windsor read the recommendations from the Advisory Council concerning removal of the conditional failing grade of "D" and concerning the transfer of credit from another institution earned during the period of disqualification from the University of Arizona as published on page 8

under "Clarification of University Policy by Advisory Council." On motion by Dr. Solve, seconded by Dean Brown, the Senate voted to adopt the following interpretation of the present catalogue statement regarding the removal of a "D" grade: "A conditional failing grade of "D" which is included in the credits constituting fifty per cent failure may not be removed during the period of disqualification."

The Senate also voted to adopt the following statement of policy: "A student disqualified from the University of Arizona may not transfer credit from another institution when such credit has been completed during the period of his disqualification."

RESIGNATION OF N. D. HOUGHTON, ACCEPTANCE OF: The Senate accepted the resignation of Professor N. D. Houghton who is on sabbatical leave. Dr. Houghton's term expires on January 1, 1951.

SUCCESSOR TO DR. HOUGHTON, ELECTION OF: Professor Russell Ewing was elected to fill the unexpired term of Professor N. D. Houghton. He was nominated by Dr. Carpenter, and the nomination was seconded by Dr. Roy.

BY-LAWS, INTERPRETATION OF: In connection with the above election, a question was raised as to the eligibility of Dr. Ewing, who had recently been elected a member-at-large to assume office on January 1, to be nominated for re-election at the expiration of his regular term of office. According to the By-Laws of the General Faculty no elective member of the Senate shall be eligible to serve more than two terms consecutively, and the Senate did not wish to jeopardize Dr. Ewing's chance to serve four years in the Senate.

On motion by Dr. Carpenter, with a second by Dean Harvill, the Senate voted so to interpret the By-Laws that a person who is elected to fill an unexpired term shall not be ineligible to serve two full terms in his own right, if the unexpired term he fills is not more than half of a regular term.

CLASSIFICATION OF STAFF MEMBERS, RECOMMENDATION RE: Mr. Windsor read a recommendation from the Committee of Eleven that the Faculty Senate authorize the appointment by the President of a committee to study the classification of certain categories of University staff members, particularly with respect to their status under the Faculty Constitution. The Committee would be composed of members from the administration and from the faculty. (See page 8)

Dr. Solve explained that when the Constitution was first adopted a rather hastily-put-together list of voting members of the Faculty was submitted by the Administration and numerous questions have since been raised as to how status is defined, etc. There seems to be some dissatisfaction on the part of some people who were not included. He felt that a study could profitably be made, inasmuch as various matters do depend on faculty status (insurance rights, for example).

President McCormick explained that his office was concerned mainly in being able to answer numerous requests as to who are voting members of the University Faculty. He asked whether the requests to the Committee of Eleven had come largely from the Library Staff, and Dr. Solve replied that library staff members had raised some points of dissatisfaction.

Dr. McCormick stated that it was his feeling that faculty status should depend on the responsibility of the individual, not on the fact that he held certain degrees. He pointed out that various stenographers on the campus no

doubt hold degrees and said that he felt that faculty status should be given only to those persons directly responsible for administration, teaching, or research. He added that the present list of voting faculty members probably should be revised, as some positions which are listed have been discontinued.

Dr. Roy moved adoption of the recommendation from the Committee of Eleven. Dr. Cardon seconded the motion.

In further discussion, it was pointed out that under the present retirement act faculty status has no bearing on eligibility, which is determined by the type of appointment, temporary or permanent.

Professor Barnes asked whether or not the study would include consideration of whether or not certain faculty members are eligible to vote in the college elections. There are departments such as those of physical education which are not a part of any college. He pointed out that a committee had studied this matter a year ago.

Dr. McCormick stated that he hoped that the committee appointed would study the entire matter of voting status. He pointed out that the recommendation called for the appointment of committee members by the President and suggested that more study could be given the selection of members if the Committee on Committees would provide him with a list from which appointments would be made.

Dr. McCormick's suggestion was incorporated in Dr. Roy's motion and agreed to by the second, and the motion was carried.

COMMITTEES, REPORTS ON: Dr. Roy reported that the Committee on Probation and Dismissal (formerly the Grading Committee) would be ready to report at the next meeting of the Senate.

Dean Harvill stated that he believed the Committee on Senior Examinations would be ready to report at the next Senate meeting. President McCormick asked Dean Harvill to inform Dr. Desmond Powell, Chairman of the Committee, that he and all other committee members not Senate members would be welcome at the Senate meeting when the report is presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Minutes of the meeting of October 2 were approved as published.

ARIZONA COLLEGE ASSOCIATION, ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING OF: Vice-President Nugent announced that the next meeting of the Arizona College Association will be on Saturday, December 16, at Arizona State College. The Executive Committee met at Phoenix College in October, with Drs. Nugent, Solve, and Roy in attendance. Speaker at the December meeting will be Dr. W. H. Cowley of Stanford University, who spoke on the University of Arizona campus last year.

There was further discussion, in which Dr. Nugent and Dr. Solve stated that they felt the Arizona College Association was proving to be extremely worthwhile. They expressed the hope that as many members of the Faculty as possible would attend this December meeting at Tempe.

The meeting of the Faculty Senate was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.