

MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY, DECEMBER 10, 1962

The University Faculty met in regular session at 4:00 p.m., Monday, December 10, 1962, in the Assembly Room of Lafferty Hall. President Dickey presided.

The Faculty voted to permit John Pfeiffer, a campus reporter, to sit in the meeting.

The minutes of November 12, 1962 were approved as circularized.

Dean White presented a recommendation from the College of Arts and Sciences that the basic ROTC program be made optional effective at the beginning of the Fall Semester, 1963, and that paragraph X of the Rules of the University Faculty be modified accordingly. The Faculty approved the recommendation for presentation to the Board of Trustees.

Dean Shaver requested the Faculty to waive the two-drop rule in the case of Robert H. Pyles. He stated that Mr. Pyles first entered the University in September 1955 and attended two semesters at the end of which he was dropped. He then spent two years in military service, re-entered the University in September 1958 and attended five semesters at the end of which he was dropped a second time. Since that time he has attended Cumberland College for two semesters and completed 28 credit hours with a standing of 2.4. He requested that he be permitted to re-enter the University in the spring semester of 1962-63. The Faculty approved the request for waiver of the two-drop rule for Mr. Pyles.

Dr. Weaver reviewed briefly the interim Report of the Special Committee on the Graduate Program which had been circulated to the faculty under date of November 19, 1962, particularly as it pertained to the following two recommendations of the committee, and requested their approval in principle:

1. That the Dean of the Graduate School, as well as the dean of the college concerned, make recommendations on the appointment of Heads of Departments, Professors and Associate Professors; and on the placing on continuous tenure of a person who has participated in, or may be expected to participate in, the graduate program of the University.
2. That the Dean of the Graduate School have an opportunity to make recommendations on the budget as it may affect the program of the Graduate School.

After discussion motion was made and approved that the report be tabled until such time as the Dean of the Graduate School (who was not present) had the opportunity to give his reactions.

Dr. Weaver, Chairman of the Faculty Council, reported that the changes in the Rules of the University Faculty had been circulated too late to be considered by the Council prior to this meeting; that no comments had been received on the first part but that objection had been raised to the second part, Numbering of Courses, and that the Council would give any objectors an opportunity to report prior to action by the Council.

Dean Elton presented the Proposed 1963-64 University Calendar with the following amendments and requested its approval as amended:

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that the Thanksgiving holiday (November 28th) consist of one day only

that the study-reading period in both the fall and spring semesters be optional with the instructor of the class

that the spring semester begin January 11th and end May 8th, and that Commencement be held on May 18th.

In addition, he stated that the intent of the Faculty Council was that the optional study-reading period was not to be used to give one-hour examinations or to require term papers; that he felt this intent should not be a part of the official calendar and was not a part of his original motion. He indicated that the amendments would increase the number of teaching days for the fall to 86 and for the spring to 87. The recommendation was seconded and Dr. Weaver, as Chairman of the Faculty Council, reported the written and oral consensus of the faculty to the proposed calendar.

After discussion an amendment was offered and approved to omit any reference to the optional study-reading period and that week be considered a class period.

In view of new factors presented, and amendments to the original proposed calendar, motion was made and approved to postpone definitely to the January 14th Faculty meeting the original motion as amended and to refer it back to the Faculty Council for such additional hearings and study as could be made by that date.

Agreement was then restated and approved by the Faculty that any revised calendar would take into consideration the omission of the reading period.

A proposal was presented by Dr. Thompson and approved by the Faculty that the representatives of the University of Kentucky on the Presidential Selection Committee be instructed to advise the Committee that it is the sense of this faculty that place of birth or residence or present employment are not significant elements in the qualifications of candidates for the presidency.

The Faculty adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

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