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Faculty Senate  
December 9, 1985  
1355

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Comments from Vice President and Provost Martin.
2. Comments from Assistant Vice President Geadelmann.
3. Comments from Faculty Chair Amend.
4. Comments from Senate Chair Boots.
5. Correction to numbers assigned for the Senate Minutes of September 23, and October 14.

**CALENDAR**

6. 399 Report from the Committee on Lifelong Learning. Docketed in regular order. Docket 338.
7. 400 Report from the Committee on Curricula. Placed at the head of docket, out of regular order for discussion at today's meeting. Docket 399.

**DOCKET**

8. 400 339 Report from the Committee on Curricula. Approved.

The Senate was called to order at 3:34 p.m., on December 9, 1985, in Room 108 of the Communications and Arts Center by Chairperson Boots.

Present: Baum, Boots, Chadney, Duea, Erickson, Glenn, Goulet, Heller, Intemann, Kelly, Krogmann, McCormick, Peterson, Remington, Scoles, Story, Amend (ex officio).

Alternates: Baughman for Hallberg.

Absent: Elmer, Richter.

Members of the press were requested to identify themselves. Anne Phillips of the Waterloo Courier and Jack Hovelson of the Des Moines Register were in attendance.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Vice President Martin rose to address the Senate.

Dr. Martin stated we expect to request the Board of Regents to approve the concept of an institutional enrollment limit at UNI, at the December Board

meeting. This is obviously related to our fiscal crisis and increasing enrollment pressures. If the Board should approve this request in principle, then we would in turn consult the appropriate campus bodies concerning an explicit plan. The Academic Master Plan Committee has approved a preliminary recommendation endorsing this idea.

Dr. Martin stated that for some time he has pondered the idea of establishing a committee to review academic administrative organization. He said what he had in mind is reporting channels and/or locations within the academic division of such areas as Academic Computing Services and the Educational Media Center. He stated, however, the committee would not necessarily be limited to those areas. He said if there is anyway we can organize more economically and efficiently, I think we should do so, particularly when resources are limited and everybody is under pressure to be more efficient and economical. He expects to ask the Chair of the Faculty Senate to select at least a couple of faculty members for such a committee if we proceed. In the meanwhile, any advice about that idea would also be welcome.

Dr. Martin stated that he thought it was necessary to explain the procedures that will be followed with the forthcoming search committees based on a misconception that may have been conveyed in a Northern Iowan article. He indicated that the searches for the Library Director and the Dean of Social and Behavioral Sciences will proceed while the search for the Director for International Studies will be deferred.

Dr. Martin stated that a duplication analysis has been conducted by UNI and another is being prepared by the Interinstitutional Educational Committee. In comparing Iowa to the states of Missouri and Illinois, we find that Missouri has 12 programs in business, while Illinois had 11. Both states have 11 programs in education, Illinois had three programs in engineering and Missouri has four programs. In looking at agriculture, Illinois had three programs and Missouri has seven. These figures are to be contrasted with the fact that there are three institutions in the state of Iowa offering business and education and only one offering agriculture. He believes there is a myth in this state as to duplication in comparison to that of our neighboring states.

2. Dr. Geadelmann rose to address the Senate.

She stated that the Summer Calendar Committee has tabulated the results of a survey and has had consultation with area superintendents. She hopes to bring a proposal to the Senate at its January meeting.

3. Faculty Chairperson Amend indicated that a meeting of the faculty will be held on February 3 to discuss the revision of the Faculty Constitution. He also indicated that he has appointed Professor David Crownfield to serve as the faculty representative on the Library Search Committee.

4. Senate Chairperson Boots indicated to the Senate that the spring calendar of Senate activities will be quite full particularly since we are expecting several reports from committees that report to the Senate. She had met with Professor Newell, Acting Director of International Studies, who is requesting the formation of a committee. This request will come to the Senate early in the spring semester.

5. The following changes in the numbering of Senate Minutes should be noted. The correct number for the minutes of September 23 is 1352 and the correct number for the minutes of October 14 is 1353.

#### CALENDAR

6. 399 Report from the Committee on Lifelong Learning.

Peterson moved, Dues seconded, to docket in regular order.

Remington inquired if the substance of this report will be sent to the Senate prior to the Senate's next meeting.

Dr. Martin responded in the affirmative. He also indicated that the following individuals will be in attendance to answer any questions that the Senate may have: Vice President Martin, Vice President Follon, Dr. Stinchfield, Dean Hansen and Dr. Geadelmann.

Question on the motion was called. Motion passed.

7. 400 Report of the Committee on Curricula.

Baum moved, Peterson seconded, to place at the head of the docket out of regular order for discussion at today's meeting. Motion passed.

#### DOCKET

8. 400 399 Report from the Committee on Curricula.

Chairperson Boots distributed a worksheet which highlights the changes in curricula. She stated that we will be discussing these proposals in collegiate order.

School of Business--Goulet moved, Intemann seconded, to accept the curricular proposals from the School of Business.

Chairperson Boots pointed out the accounting majors being increased from 57 to 61 hours. She is pointing this out because of a guideline established by the Faculty Senate on October 26, 1970, (Senate Minutes 1003) which states that majors should not exceed 55 semester hours.

Chadney inquired if this was being required because of accreditation standards.

Goulet responded in the affirmative citing the requirements of the CPA Society. He also stated that in reality this reflects what students take to be prepared to sit for the CPA exams.

Question on the motion was called. Motion passed.

College of Education--Erickson moved, Intemann seconded, to accept the curricular proposals from the College of Education.

Vice Chairperson Krogmann inquired about the institution of a course in family counseling which is similar in title to one offered by Home Economics.

Associate Dean Strathe indicated that the course in the College of Education was directed for counselor's skills and summarized that the course in Home Economics has more of a general knowledge foundation.

Vice Chairperson Krogmann inquired as to who would be taking the course in death education and where was this knowledge to be applied.

Professor Doody indicated the course would primarily be taken by health-related professionals and perhaps some education majors.

Question on the motion was called. Motion passed.

College of Humanities and Fine Arts--Kelly moved, Glenn seconded, to accept the curricular proposals from the College of Humanities and Fine Arts.

Assistant Vice President Geadelmann indicated that there were typographical errors on pages 34, 35 and 36 of the report. On each page where the graduate music core is listed, the course 59:113 should be deleted and the course 59:115 should be added.

Chairperson Boots pointed out that the revision to the Humanities minor was listed on Addendum 4.

Vice Chairperson Krogmann asked if the course 82:175, The Nature of Science, has been offered since Dean McCollum retired. The response was in the negative.

Dean Thompson indicated that representatives from Philosophy and Religion and the College of Natural Sciences were in discussion to find personnel to teach this course. He pointed out, however, the course Philosophy of Science, offered by the Philosophy and Religion department, would serve as a substitute for The Nature of Science.

Vice Chairperson Krogmann inquired if new staff were needed for the eleven new courses being offered in Communication and Theatre Arts.

Professor Hall indicated that the cycle has been set up which will allow some courses to be offered every fall, some every spring, and some every third term.

Chairperson Boots pointed out that the majors in Radio and Television and Radio and TV/Business were both being raised to 59 hours.

Senator Goulet pointed out that the Senate has previously received a proposal from Dr. Martin on the number of general education and elective hours. This would result in the number of major hours being set by the department which would then have the responsibility of demonstrating the need of these hours to students.

Chairperson Boots indicated this is fine as long as departments acknowledge to students that their programs will take longer than four years.

Senator Duea indicated she felt it was important for high school students and counselors to know that many of these programs will exceed the traditional four-year period.

Professor Hall indicated that if general education is 40 and a student has suggested 15 hours of electives and a major of 59 this bring their total to 114 allowing for additional elective choice on the students part.

Vice Chairperson Krogmann pointed out at a recent general education meeting representatives from the School of Music had suggested that general education should be 40 semester hours or less. She stated it was to be decided if we are offering professional school majors or liberal arts programs.

Senator Duea suggested that this area be discussed by the Committee on Curricula.

Question on the motion was called. Motion passed.

College of Natural Sciences-- Baum moved, Kelly seconded, to accept the curricular proposals from the College of Natural Sciences.

Chairperson Boots pointed out that the biology major has gone from 59 to 61 hours, the chemistry major has gone to 66 hours, and two physics majors are in the range from 60 to 65. These majors are for the Bachelor of Science degree.

In reviewing the new computer science teaching minor, Senator Story asked if this minor satisfies a DPI approval area.

Professor Duncan indicated that currently DPI does not have a computer science approval area. He pointed out that current UNI students are trying to prepare themselves to teach computer science in the high school. Professor Duncan also indicated that DPI will probably add an approval area in the near future and this minor follows the DPI working proposal document.

Question on the motion was called. Motion passed.

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences-- Chadney moved, Krogmann seconded, acceptance of the curricular proposal from the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Boots pointed out that the Home Economics Dietetics major is increasing to 61 hours.

Senator McCormick asked for an explanation of this increase in the major size.

Senator Story indicated that the Dietetics Association is requiring the addition of a course which results in the major being increased. She pointed out that there is a likelihood that this major may be offered on the Bachelor of Science degree in the next couple of years.

Question on the motion was called. Motion passed.

Interdisciplinary--Duea moved, Peterson seconded, to accept the curricular proposals for the interdisciplinary area.

Motion passed.

Addendum 1--courses seldom or never offered and proposed to be dropped.

Kelly moved, Peterson seconded, to accept Addendum 1 as presented. Motion passed.

Addendum 2--Changes from the Graduate College in prerequisite or g-level status for several 100-level-g courses not previously noted in the curriculum report.

Goulet asked if we would be receiving a report on a systematic basis on the number of freshman and sophomores that are in 100-level-g courses.

Assistant Vice President Geadelmann indicated that she would ask the Registrar's Office to provide this report to the Senate during the spring semester. She also indicated that the Curriculum Committee would be meeting next spring to discuss the length of majors and seldom or never offered courses.

Goulet moved, Glenn seconded, the acceptance of Addendum 2 as presented. Motion passed.

The Chair expressed the Senate's appreciation to Assistant Vice President Geadelmann for her efforts and this report from the Committee on Curricula.

Chadney moved, Goulet seconded, to adjourn. Motion passed. The Senate adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip Patton,  
Secretary

These minutes shall stand approved as published unless corrections or protests are filed with the secretary of the Senate within two weeks of this date Friday, December 20, 1985.