

- (1) To depart from the prescribed General Education program in a manner judged to be of maximum benefit to the student while continuing to meet the objectives of General Education in each of the prescribed areas.
- (2) To designate special faculty counselors to work with a limited number of honors candidates.
- (3) To evaluate each honors students' overall performance, and to recommend a special designation to be entered upon the transcripts of each successful candidate

## FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

### I. Regular Session March 16, 1960

The Faculty Senate met in regular session in the Library Lecture Hall at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 16, 1960. President Strozier presided.

The following members were absent: Thomas Gleeson, Hale Smith, Thomas Wade, Edward Hankin, James Walters, Agnes Gregory, Joseph White, Owen Sellers, Manley Whitcomb, Agnes Salisbury, Douglas Brown, Frank Dame, Henry Becker, Jackson Ice, Robert Plunket, Ruth Connor, Wiley Housewright, Harold Green, Harris Dean, G. E. Tully, Robert Lansdale, and Mildred Swearingen.

The minutes of the February 17, 1960, meeting were approved as recorded, circulated, and corrected. Correction: Page 3, Harry F. Becker should be Henry F. Becker.

### II. Report of the Steering Committee

Dr. Marian Irish, Chairman of the Steering Committee, presented the agenda as circulated and said that Drs. Donald Loucks, Stanton Dietrich, William Randel, and E. Laurance Chalmers had permission to address the Senate.

### III. The Honor System

1. President Strozier said that some Senate members had read Dr. Louck's report on student cheating during the last examination period and that the report is available in the Presidents Office

2. Dr. Donald Loucks, Dean of Men, said that three persons had been referred to the Student Honor Court. The court found two guilty of cheating during the last examination period and had sentenced each to one year Honor Court probation and an "F" in the course. The third man was found guilty of withholding information and was sentenced to one semester of Honor Court probation. (Honor Court probation is defined on page 32 of the 1959-1960 Pow Wow)

3. In the absence of Dr. Killian, Dr. Marian Irish moved that the resolution he submitted for the agenda be adopted. The motion was seconded by Dr. Putney and was passed without dissent. The resolution is as follows:

Be it resolved: That the Steering Committee of the Faculty Senate be authorized to investigate the operation of the Honor System, and that this committee be specifically instructed to:

- a. Confer with the Student Honor Court and the Dean of Students;
- b. Examine all evidence gathered both by teaching faculty and the Division of Students regarding charges of mass cheating during the last examination period;
- c. Present to the Faculty Senate at its April meeting recommendations as to what actions, if any, the Faculty should take in regard to the operation or the continued recognition of the Honor System.

4. Dr. Maurice Vance said that the joint responsibility of Faculty Senate and the students in respect to the Honor System should be made clear, and he hoped the Steering Committee would be specific on this point.

#### IV. Honors Program

1. A resolution was presented by Dr. Laurence Chalmers, its adoption moved by Dr. Marian Irish and seconded by Dr. Hugh Waskom. A substitute motion which called for a revision of the resolution in simpler language was presented by Dr. Paul Stoakes and seconded by Dr. James Prothro. The substitute motion was passed. The adopted form is as follows:

Be it resolved: A. That an Honors Committee be established to develop an Honors Program in the Division of Basic Studies.

b. That members of the Honors Committee and a Director of Honors, who shall serve as its chairman, be appointed by the President upon recommendation of the Director of the Division of Basic Studies.

after consultation with the departments involved

c. That the Honors Committee select candidates for honors work, prescribe their course of study, and evaluate their overall performance.

d. That the Director of Honors put into effect decisions of the Honors Committee and coordinate activities of all participants in the program.

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Be it further resolved:

- a. That the Honors Committee may modify specific requirements of the General Education program to fit the needs of individual honors students.
- b. That the Honors Committee may designate special faculty counselors to work with honors students.
- c. That the Honors Committee may recommend an appropriate designation to be entered on the transcripts of successful honors students.

2. Dr. William Randel presented the following statement to the Senate:

"I have requested permission to speak to the Senate not because I have any quarrel with the resolution before you. I hope you will adopt it. But I also hope you will consider an all-University Honors Program that will be more effective than anything previously tried and will obviate the possible chaos of multiple Honors Programs, one for each major instructional division,

"I would like to see a University Director of Honors housed in the office of the Dean of the Faculties and working directly with the individuals named as directors of honors by the several divisions, or directly with the individuals teaching honors sections whether or not all the divisions establish their own directors of honors. The College of Arts and Sciences has proposed both departmental and divisional Honors; as a long-time advocate of interdisciplinary education I would like to see a further extension to provide interdivisional or all-University Honors, and such an Honors program could only be directed by someone administratively independent of the divisions. The University Director of Honors, as I picture his responsibility, would have the two major functions of integrating and supervising all the Honors work in all the divisions, and directing an all-University type of Honors that could go beyond the normal divisional boundaries. My model for the latter would be the University College of the University of Minnesota, which has been in successful operation for about 20 years.

"I cannot move an amendment to the resolution before you, but I can suggest one and let any Senator move it who may so wish. The motion would be to amend by adding the following:

Be it further resolved that the President appoint a University Director of Honors, to be administratively responsible to the Dean of the Faculties, who will generally supervise and coordinate all Honors work at the University."

3. Dr. William Tait moved the following amendment to the Chalmers-Stoakes resolution: Be it further resolved that the President appoint a University Director of Honors, to be administratively responsible to the Dean of the Faculties, who will generally supervise and coordinate all Honors work at the University. The motion was seconded by Dr. Herman Frick. After a brief discussion, Mr. Randel requested that the motion be withdrawn because the Senate was unprepared for the motion. Drs. Tait and Frick agreed to withdraw the motion.

The following points were covered in the discussion:

- a. The same subject is to be discussed in the Council of Deans meeting.
- b. The Honors Committee of the College of Arts and Sciences has been working for two years on the proposed program.
- c. Mr. Randel's idea is good but premature.
- d. Students from other schools may participate in the Honors Program in the College of Arts and Sciences providing the procedures are properly arranged.
- e. The question whether the appointment of a Director of Honors for the University would mean an additional staff member or additional duties for a presently employed person.
- f. A question as to who would advise the superior students without majors? The Director of Honors for the Division of Basic Studies shall consult with departmental representatives but this will be difficult if a student does not have a departmental representative.
- g. The Honors program for the Division of Basic Studies should be of such a nature that it can be extended to all areas of the University.

h. A student may do Honors Work in one subject only.

Announcements

1. Dr. Homer Black extended an invitation to faculty members to attend the dinner of Newcomen Society of North America at a special meeting honoring the Florida State University and its President.

2. President Strozier complimented the faculty wives on their dinner dance especially on the entertainment provided by the local talent.

3. President Strozier spoke of the grave situations which have developed in the community and in relation to the FSU Flambeau. He said that he hoped the faculty would support him in his position.

4. President Strozier announced that Dr. Lewis Killian is attempting to formulate an advisory committee in the community to study the b~~r~~acial problems.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

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Secretary to the Faculty