

UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

April 28, 1970

TO: Members of the University of Delaware Faculty
FROM: John C. Wriston, Vice-President, University Senate

The next regular meeting of the University Senate will be held on Monday, May 4, at 4:10 p.m. in Room 108, Memorial Hall. There will also be a special meeting on Monday, May 21, same time, same place. The agenda for the first of these two meetings follows.

Regular Meeting, May 4

- I. Adoption of the Agenda
- II. Unfinished Business
 1. Resolution of Mr. Ferd Williams dealing with Student Honors; (see attachment)
- III. Proposals
 1. A recommendation regarding the establishment of a Speakers Board on an ad hoc interim basis (Mr. Kerner, for the Committee on Committees; see attachment)
 2. A preliminary report of the Committee on Committees, dealing mainly with new types of committees such as Educational Policy and Budgetary Review committees (Mr. Kerner)
 3. Annual report of the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (Mr. Wriston)
 4. An amendment to Section IV of the constitution, offered by Mr. Wriston (see attachment)
- IV. New Business

Attachment 1, resolution of Mr. Ferd Williams*(*see next page)

Be it resolved: that the degree with high honors be determined by index alone, the specific level to be established by the Committee on Student Honors.

Attachment 2, Speakers Board recommendation, Mr. Kerner

The Speakers Board, whose purpose is to bring nationally prominent speakers to the campus, should be a subcommittee of the Cultural Activities Committee with membership as follows: (a) chairman chosen by the Cultural Activities Committee; (b) two other faculty members, (c) one representative from the Office of Student Services; (d) four students, three chosen by the Student Government Association and one by the Graduate Student Association.

Attachment 3, proposed amendment of Mr. Wriston

The proposed amendment involves inserting the phrase "the Associate Provost" in Section IV, Article 1, which describes the composition of the Senate. The revised section would then read (with changes underlined):

"The Senate shall consist of the President of the University, the Vice-President for Academic Affairs, the Vice-President for Student Affairs, the Associate Provost, the Deans of the Colleges, the elected faculty senators of the Units, and four student senators of the University. Each member of the Senate (hereinafter called a senator) shall have the right to vote."

Rationale: When the Senate was under discussion last fall, there was no such position in existence. The position in many respects parallels that of the Graduate Dean, who is a member of the Senate. The Associate Provost is charged with care of the instructional program, and it involves acting as chairman of the Committee on the Academic Status of Undergraduates, the University Courses and Curricula Committee, and the Committee on Instruction.

*Note from preceding page: At the April 6 meeting where the Williams proposal was discussed, an amendment was offered by Mr. Halio but was apparently not voted on before the whole proposal was tabled. This amendment is presented here in case it should be reintroduced on May 4.

"That in exceptional circumstances, upon recommendation by the student's Department Chairman or by two (teaching) faculty members, a student with an index below the required minimum may be considered by the Committee for the degree with High Honors. Under no circumstances, however, shall the number of exceptions exceed by 10% the number of students receiving the degree with High Honors by index alone."