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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Faculty Members

FROM: E. Paul Catts, Vice President
University Faculty Senate

SUBJECT: Regular Senate Meeting, March 1, 1976

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In accordance with Section IV, paragraph 6 of the Constitution, the regular meeting of the University Faculty Senate will be held on Monday, March 1, 1976 at 4 PM in room 110 Memorial Hall.

AGENDA

- I. Adoption of the Agenda.
- II. Approval of the Minutes of the last regular Senate meeting on February 2, 1976.
- III. Announcements:
 - A. Senate President T. E. D. Braun.
 - B. Prospectus of the University's Development Program by Daniel W. Wood, Executive Assistant to the President, and University Secretary.
- IV. Old Business - None
- V. New Business
 - A. Recommendation for deadline dates for submitting appeals concerning promotion and tenure decisions from the University Promotion and Tenure Committee (J. Wriston, Chairperson).
 - B. Request for approval of a recommendation to establish a 10-Watt Educational FM Radio Station, from the Committee on Student Life (A. Branca, Chairperson). Attachment.
 - C. Resolution concerning a change in the deadline for changing registrations, from the Coordinating Committee on Education (J. Pikulski, Chairperson), the Undergraduate Studies Committee (U. C. Toensmeyer, Chairperson), the Graduate Studies Committee (R. Callahan, Chairperson) and originating with the Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Standing (R. W. ^{E. Cloud,} ~~Platt,~~ ⁽²⁾ Chairperson).

RESOLVED that the deadline for changing registration (i.e., dropping of courses, changing to or from the pass/fail option, changing to or from listener status) be fixed at the end of the first six weeks of classes in a semester and at a proportional deadline for sessions of less than 14 weeks duration.

- D. Resolution from the Committee on Student and Faculty Honors (V.J. Fisher, Chairperson) concerning changes in the requirements for honors degrees.

RESOLVED that the one percent of any graduating class who attain the highest over-all index at the end of their course of study will receive degrees With Highest Honors; the remaining students in the highest five percent will receive degrees With High Honors; and the remaining students in the highest thirteen percent will receive degrees With Honors. Students graduating in the class of 1976 will receive honor degrees in accordance with the requirements listed in the 1974-76 Catalog. The revised requirements will apply thereafter.

Note: The proposed criteria will change both the percent of a class receiving honors, and the method of selection. Background information which prompted the recommendation to change honors requirements was covered in an article entitled "Grade Inflation--A New Campus Problem?" in University Report, Vol. 2, No. 4, December 31, 1975. This publication was sent to all faculty and staff.

- E. Such items as may come before the Senate. (No motion introduced at this time may be acted upon until the next meeting of the Senate.)

Attachments are in the hands of your Senators. Distribution also includes one copy for each ten faculty members of each department.

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Proposal to Establish
a 10-Watt Educational FM Radio Station
at the University of Delaware

BACKGROUND. The proposal to establish a 10-Watt Educational FM radio station at the University of Delaware is a thoroughly prepared, lengthy document of 30 pages. Because the Committee on Student Life has reviewed the proposal in detail, the Executive Committee of the Senate felt that the attachment of the full report was unnecessary. Several complete copies of the recommended proposal are on file in the Faculty Senate Office for open inspection. This proposal includes consideration of budgetary requirements, programming, equipment and facilities, station organization and structure and delegation of authority and responsibility.

COMMITTEE ON STUDENT LIFE DELIBERATIONS. On December 8, 1975, the Proposal to Establish a 10-Watt Educational FM Radio Station at the University of Delaware was distributed to the Committee on Student Life for study and consideration. On December 15 the proposal was discussed at length with Prof. Douglas A. Boyd, WDRB Faculty Advisor, and Richard W. Sline, Assistant Dean of Students. In this meeting the Committee recommended that the section of the proposal dealing with "Delegation of Authority and Responsibility" be altered and expanded to include representation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Student Life and the student body through the Student Government of College Councils and the University of Delaware Coordinating-Council. On January 19, 1976 the Proposal was resubmitted with the recommended changes.

The amended section of the Proposal, dealing with the "Delegation of Authority and Responsibility" delineates four specific responsibilities of the Committee on Student Life for the radio station. These responsibilities are not new, but rather are already provided for in either the By-Laws of the Faculty Senate or in the Student Rights and Responsibilities statement, approved by the Faculty on January 8, 1970. These responsibilities, and where they have been provided for, are as follows:

1. To provide for a faculty advisor to the radio station who has special knowledge in the field of radio broadcasting.
 - University of Delaware Faculty Handbook, Section III, Standing Committee System of the Faculty and Its Senate, "Committee on Student Life," page I-22, and,
 - University of Delaware 1975-76 Student Guide to Policies, Student Rights and Responsibilities, Section IV. STUDENT AFFAIRS, "Freedom of Association," page 3.
2. To appoint and approve the General Manager of the radio station after nomination from the station staff.
 - University of Delaware 1975-76 Student Guide to Policies, Student Rights and Responsibilities; Section IV, STUDENT AFFAIRS, "Student Publications," page 4.

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3. To remove the General Manager from office for proper and stated causes in a manner outlined in the Student Rights and Responsibilities statement.
--Same as #2 above.
4. To advise the Vice President for Student Affairs on matters of concern regarding the radio station.
--University of Delaware Faculty Handbook, Section III, Standing Committee System of the Faculty and Its Senate, "Committee on Student Life," page I-22.

The Proposal was unanimously approved by the Committee and is hereby recommended to the Faculty Senate for final approval.

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