



Memorandum

TO : Members of the Faculty Senate

DATE: Dec. 17, 1976

FROM : John J. Pikulski
President of Faculty Senate

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SUBJECT: Cancellation of January meeting

After careful consideration, the executive committee has decided to cancel its regular January meeting. The primary reason for the decision is the fact that we have been unable to locate interim secretarial help until now. Preparing for a January 3 meeting has not been practical.

We feel that we will be able to deal with pending agenda items in a provisional way through the executive committee; likewise, we look forward to a heavy agenda for the February 7 meeting.

The Minutes of the December 6 meeting are attached to this memorandum.

Best wishes for a happy holiday season.

JJP/bp

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UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE
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November 19, 1976

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Faculty
FROM: Byron P. Shurtleff, Vice President
University Faculty Senate
SUBJECT: Regular Senate Meeting, December 6, 1976



In accordance with Section IV, paragraph 6 of the Constitution, the regular meeting of the University Faculty Senate will be held on Monday, December 6, 1976 at 4:00 p.m. in room 110 Memorial Hall.

AGENDA

- I. Adoption of the Agenda.
- II. Approval of the Minutes of the special Senate meeting of October 11, 1976 and the regular Senate meeting of November 1, 1976.
- III. Remarks by President Trabant and/or Provost Campbell.
- IV. Announcements - J. Fikulski, President, University Faculty Senate.
- V. Old Business - none.
- VI. New Business

- A. Resolution from the Faculty Senate Executive Committee:

RESOLVED, that the ad hoc Committee on Retrenchment be dissolved, with thanks.

- B. Resolution from the Committee on Student and Faculty Honors to change the requirements for the Panel of Distinguished Seniors (Student Advisement Policies IX,3): (Present reading of the changed wording is added in italics)

RESOLVED, that the requirements for the Panel of Distinguished Seniors be changed to read:

Panel of Distinguished Seniors: This award shall be granted to one graduating Senior from each of the undergraduate colleges who has earned at least 75 percent of his/her total credits at the University, has been enrolled at least six semesters as a full-time student, and has achieved a cumulative index of at least 3.5000. *achieved a cumulative index of at least 3.5000 computed on seven semester's work, and who has averaged a minimum of 15 credit hours per semester.*

In addition to the required scholastic index, evidence of scholarly and outstanding personal achievements shall be taken into account in choosing distinguished seniors.

- C. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (U. Toensmeyer, Chair) and the Coordinating Committee on Education (L. Mosberg, Chair) for approval of the B.S. degree in Geophysics: (Attachment 1)

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate approves the establishment of a Bachelor of Science in Geophysics as a provisional program pending evaluation in the fourth year of the program.

- D. Resolution from the Undergraduate Studies Committee (U. Toensmeyer, Chair) for changes in the definitions of undergraduate course numbers. (Present definitions are given in italics.)

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate approves the following definitions of undergraduate course numbers:

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| 001-049 | Non-degree courses | |
| 011-049 | <i>Associate in Applied Science credit only</i> | |
| 051-089 | Associate in Science | |
| | <i>Associate in Applied Science credit</i> | |
| 100-199 | Introductory level courses | |
| | <i>Freshman level</i> | |
| 200-299 | Introductory and intermediate courses, usually requiring some previous knowledge or experience in the discipline | |
| | <i>Sophomore level</i> | |
| 300-399 | Courses with a more concentrated focus on subject matter in a particular discipline | |
| | <i>Junior level</i> | |
| 400-499 | Advanced courses for majors and other qualified students | |
| | <i>Senior level</i> | |
| 500-549 | Courses for advanced undergraduate and graduate students | |
| | <i>Advanced undergraduate and graduate level courses</i> | |
| X66 | Special problems and independent study | } unchanged |
| X67 | Experimental courses (may be offered on 2X) | |
| 499 | Special Winter Session Projects | |

- E. Recommendation from the Committee on Student Life (M. Greenberg, Chair) to provide for the election of undergraduate senators in the absence of an undergraduate student organization: (The addition is in italics)

RESOLVED, that IV-2 of the Constitution be amended, by the addition of a sentence, to read:

The duly constituted undergraduate student government and the graduate student government will each elect two students from the full-time student body. In the absence of a duly constituted graduate student government the Committee on Graduate Studies shall have the responsibility of arranging the election of the graduate student senators. *In the absence of a duly constituted undergraduate student government the Committee on Student Life shall have the responsibility of arranging the election of the undergraduate student senators.*

- F. Resolution from the Undergraduate Studies Committee (U. Toensmeyer, Chair) and the Coordinating Committee on Education (L. Mosberg, Chair) for the establishment of minors:

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate approve the establishment of minors as options within undergraduate degree programs with the

condition that specific minor programs must be approved by the Undergraduate Studies Committee and must meet the following criteria:

- a. A minimum of 15 credit hour is required for a minor program.
 - b. A department offering a minor must specify all required courses and options.
 - c. The student must obtain permission before declaring a minor from the chairperson or his designee in the department offering the minor.
 - d. Advisement procedures must be specified by the department offering the minor.
- G. Report and recommendations from the Committee on Student Life (M. Greenberg, Chair) on the student use of alcohol on campus:
- RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate approves the adoption of the "Faculty Senate Policy Concerning Use of Alcoholic Beverages by Students."
(Attachment 2)
- RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate establish a standing Committee on the Use of Beverage Alcohol on the Campus of the University of Delaware.
(Attachment 3)
- H. 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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Attachments: Committee Activities Report

1. Proposal for B.S. in Geophysics
2. Faculty Senate Policy Concerning Use of Alcoholic Beverages by Students
3. Proposal to establish a standing Committee on the Use of Beverage Alcohol on the CAMPUS of the University of Delaware.

UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

Committee Activities

This summary reflects items contained in the Monthly Committee Reports for October/November.

Academic Freedom

Consideration of the implications for academic freedom, especially of students, of President Trabant's disclosures concerning sexual harassment.

Adjunct Academic Affairs

Ongoing review of Continuing Education and Freshman Honors Program
Discussions with the Coordinator of Special Services (Upward Bound, College Try)

Committee on Committees

Review of an academic complaint
Revision of the charge to Faculty Welfare and Privileges Committee
Appointment of members and development of charge for Committee on Budget Review
Appointments to committee vacancies

Cultural Activities

Apportionment of budget to subcommittees
Discussion of possible new sources of revenue

Coordinating Committee on Education

Discussion of new guidelines for Continuing Education scheduling

Faculty Welfare and Privileges

Revision of Handbook section III-N-1,2 (Terminations and Nonrenewals)
Preparation for hearings on charges of misconduct against a faculty member
Inquiry into charges of sexual harassment on campus
Revision of Handbook section III-H (outside employment)

Instructional Resources

Establishment of fair use guidelines for off-air videotaping of TV broadcasts
Legal ramifications of general revisions to copyright laws

Library

Discussion of policies for the allocation of Library carrels

Nominating Committee

Review of changes in Senate election procedures

Speakers Board

Review of applications for funding

Student and Faculty Honors

Administration of Degree with Distinction program
Administration of Excellence in Teaching Awards program

Student Life

Preparation of philosophy for Student Judicial System

Undergraduate Admissions & Standing

Review of committee's charge
Discussion of University policy regarding institutional recognition for the transfer of credit
Review of readmission policies

Undergraduate Records and Certification

Review of petitions from students regarding academic records and degree requirements

Note: Because this committee meets only in subcommittee, in response to student petitions, this activity will not be routinely reported on future lists.

Undergraduate Studies

Review of course additions, deletions and changes
Discussion concerning "skills courses"
Review of new course approval forms

Visiting Scholars

Review of funding requests
Decision to request all units receiving funds to advertise the event, with
appropriate acknowledgement of Visiting Scholars Committee funding

The following committees did not meet:

Academic Services
Educational Innovation and Planning
Physical Planning and Utilization
Promotions and Tenure
Research
Rules

The following committees did not file reports:

Academic Ceremonies
Computer Committee
Fine Arts & Exhibitions
Graduate Studies
International Studies
Performing Arts
Winterim

INTRODUCTION

Geophysics is one of the Earth Sciences involved with the application of Physics to the study of the earth and its physical phenomena, including the thermal, magnetic and gravitational fields. Traditionally geophysics has been considered as a separate discipline, more quantitative and abstract than the classical subdisciplines of geology, which in the past had been more descriptive and generally had dealt with actual rock specimens. This distinction is recognized in industry and in government agencies where geologists and geophysicists receive different classifications.

In the past, the education of geophysicists in the United States has been loosely organized. Although employment can readily be found for B.S. geophysicists, the study of this discipline has been confined largely to graduate programs where entering students from physics or geology need to study basic courses in the complementary discipline before embarking on graduate level work. In fact, relatively few graduate programs exist in the United States, despite the increasing demand for geophysicists arising from urgent energy-development programs.

OBJECTIVE

A substantial improvement in the training of geophysicists can be made by offering a specialized undergraduate degree in geophysics, consisting of a well-balanced specialized scientific component, dominated by the disciplines of geology and physics. As a traditional Earth Science of significant scholarly status, it is important that the new degree be truly scholarly and include an effective component of other areas of human concern. At present, few universities offer any geophysics courses, let alone

a complete B.S. program, so that the program we are proposing is highly innovative yet can be effectively initiated within presently available resources. The proposed program is unique in its joint sponsorship by the Departments of Geology and of Physics, and in its flexible interdisciplinary nature.

JUSTIFICATION

The proposed program will provide for entry by its graduates into graduate programs in geophysics with more comprehensive preparation than is possible at present. With this degree, direct employment opportunities will exist in an area where demand is currently high and supply limited. This employment picture is expected to persist for many years, and employment for graduates of a high-quality program such as we are proposing will always exist. Entry will be possible to a variety of specialized fields, in both industry and government service, ranging from applied areas such as petroleum and mineral exploration to more abstract areas such as theoretical studies of the structure of the earth and planets.

In the recent past, there has been significant application of subsurface and airborne geophysical exploration techniques to the study of the earth beneath the sea, which is only now beginning to be understood through seismic, gravitational and especially magnetic studies. The geological knowledge of the oceans is of vital concern for the future of our energy-dependent civilization. Also, the recent exploration of the moon and other planetary bodies routinely employed geophysical techniques to gain definitive evidence of structure both remotely and in situ. In the future, research on these frontier areas ensures that geophysics will certainly thrive both as a serious scientific discipline and as a viable profession.

The B.S. program proposed for the University of Delaware will help to make the educational process more efficient, but, more importantly, it will give the future professionals and scholars both the tools of physics needed for their studies and a knowledge of the earth and the rocks that they will be interpreting.

ANTICIPATED ENROLLMENT

Presently there are approximately 100 geology majors and 80 physics majors at the University. The current enrollment in Elementary Geophysics is 11, which includes 3 graduate students working on geophysics research, 5 graduate students studying geology but interested in geophysics as an ancillary field, and 3 undergraduates who will graduate as geologists but who probably will use geophysics in their careers. In the past, 2 to 3 geology B.S. graduates each year have been employed to do geophysics based on their course work at Delaware, although their B.S. was in Geology.

Based on this past experience and anticipated increases in enrollment in the Departments of Geology and Physics, the numbers seeking a B.S. in Geophysics might be 5/year in 1978 increasing to 10/year by 1980, with perhaps 30 majors registered in both departments in the early 1980's.

ADVISEMENT RESPONSIBILITY

For the small numbers of students which will initially form the program, the direct advisement will be handled jointly by Dr. Robert E. Sheridan in the Department of Geology and Dr. David Onn in the Physics Department, while the two Department Chairmen will formally supervise the program and provide continuity. Enrollment credit for the students in the program will be divided equally between the two departments. The role of the advisors

will be to ensure that the requirements are met, but more importantly to ensure that judicious use is made of the rather ample number of free electives. The program offers great flexibility with 18 free electives. This allows the student interested in pursuing the Ph.D. to prepare with perhaps a foreign language, while a student interested in direct employment with the B.S. might take additional technical courses. Some students interested in the very theoretical aspects of the physics of the earth will be directed to different science electives than those more interested in geophysical exploration techniques of an applied nature. The advisors are thoroughly aware of the many related courses available at the University which would enhance the basic curriculum.

BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS

It must be emphasized that the program described herein will require no budget increases within the Departments of Geology and Physics, since only existing courses are employed and the slight expansion in student numbers anticipated in those courses will not require new experimental or laboratory equipment. Presently \$25,000-\$50,000 of external research funds/year are devoted to research in geophysics in the Department of Geology, including the use of federally equipped and funded geophysical research vessels. Presently, Bachelor Degree students are involved in these projects as a matter of practice, and this will continue for the newly identified Geophysics majors.

(For Publication in the Bulletin)

SPECIAL CURRICULA, COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

Geology and Physics: Bachelor of Science in Geophysics

John C. Kraft and Ferd E. Williams, Faculty Advisers

Requirements for the B.S. in Geophysics include 30 credits in Geology, specified as GEO 105, GEO 106, GEO 201, GEO 302, GEO 401, GEO 402, GEO 453, GEO 454, plus one elective from GEO 432, GEO 311, GEO 202, GEO 407, GEO 431, and GEO 458. Alternatively, an accredited Geology Field Camp course (5 credits) may be substituted for GEO 402 plus the elective in Geology. Also required are 29 credits in Physics, specified as PS 207, PS 208, PS 209, PS 319, PS 320, PS 405, PS 406, and two courses selected from PS 313, PS 316, PS 421, PS 422, and PS 431. MEC 305/6 may be substituted for one of these physics electives. Students who have taken courses other than PS 207, 208, 209, are urged to consult faculty advisers for this program to see if the course they have taken could be substituted for one of the above required courses. Additional requirements include 15 credits of Mathematics, specifically M 241, M 242, M 243, M 302; 3 credits of Computer Science, CS 105, 8 credits of Chemistry, C 103, and C 104; 6 credits of English, E 110 and E 311; 18 credits of electives from Groups I and II; plus 18 credits of free electives. A combined total of 21 credits of Group I and II electives is required, including at least 6 from each group: E 311 counts as a Group I course. The free electives may be chosen under advisement from other relevant science and mathematics courses, such as those in Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Civil and Mechanical Engineering, but the electives might also include courses in foreign languages and other non-scientific areas.

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John C. Kraft and Ferd E. Williams, Faculty Advisors

Suggested Course Sequence

FRESHMAN YEAR

<u>First Term</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Second Term</u>	<u>Credits</u>
General Geology, GEO 105.....	4	General Geology, GEO 106.....	4
Analy. Geom. & Calc., M241.....	4	Analy. Geom. & Calc., M242...	4
Elective.....	3	General Physics, PS 207.....	4
Critical Reading & Writing, E110..	3	Elective (Group I/II).....	3
Elective (Group I/II).....	3		
	<u>17</u>		<u>15</u>

SOPHOMORE YEAR

General Physics, PS 208.....	4	General Physics, PS 209.....	3
Analy. Geom. & Calc., M243.....	4	Diff. Equations, M302.....	3
Elective (Group I/II).....	3	Elective (Group I/II).....	3
General Chemistry, C103.....	4	General Chemistry, C104.....	4
	<u>15</u>	Elective (Group I/II).....	3
			<u>16</u>

JUNIOR YEAR

Physical Min. & Crystallog, GEO 201..	4	Strat. & Sedim. Geol., GEO 302.	4
Structure & Tectonics of Earth,		Field Geology, GEO 402.....	3
GEO 401.....	3	Advanced Comp., E311.....	3
General Computer Sci., CS105.....	3	Analy. Mechanics, PS320.....	3
Analytical Mechanics, PS319.....	3	Elective.....	3
Elective.....	3		
	<u>16</u>		<u>16</u>

SUMMER: Recent Sedimentary Environments, GEO 432 3 credits

or

Geology Field Camp 5 credits (in lieu of GEO 402 & 432)

SENIOR YEAR

Elem. Geophysics I, GEO 453.....	3	Elem. Geophysics II, GEO 454...	3
Electrical Measurements PS405.....	3	Electrical Measurements PS406..	3
Kinetic Theory & Thermo, PS316.....	3	Acoustics, PS431.....	3
Elective.....	3	Elective.....	3
Elective.....	3	Elective.....	3
	<u>15</u>		<u>15</u>

*Students interested in this program are asked to contact Dr. David Onn in Physics or Dr. Robert Sheridan in Geology

INSERT IN GEOLOGY DEPARTMENT DESCRIPTION p. 319

In addition to the B.A. and B.S. Degrees in Geology, the Geology Department, in cooperation with the Physics Department, offers a B.S. degree in Geophysics. Recognizing the specialization of Geophysics as a discipline on its own, and because of the need to better coordinate the completion of many courses in two disciplines, a separate degree program with a special curriculum has been formed. The requirements for the Geophysics degree and the special curriculum are outlined in the description of Special Curricula of the College of Arts and Science, page .

INSERT IN PHYSICS DEPARTMENT DESCRIPTION p.

In addition to the B.A. and B.S. degrees in Physics, and the varied options available within them, the Physics Department, in cooperation with the Geology Department offers a B.S. degree in Geophysics. This degree provides a well-balanced introduction to those areas of physics and geology relevant to the geophysical study of the earth and planets, their structure and behavior. The requirements of the B.S. program in Geophysics are outlined in the description of Special Curricula of the College of Arts and Sciences on page .

UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE
Newark, Delaware

FACULTY SENATE POLICY
CONCERNING USE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BY STUDENTS

November, 1976

The Policy:

"UNAUTHORIZED POSSESSION, USE, MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTION OR SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON OR IN UNIVERSITY PROPERTY IS FORBIDDEN. University policy, consistent with state, county and city laws, restricts on-campus use of alcoholic beverages in specified areas."

The Philosophy:

The University of Delaware strives to offer members of the University Community the same rights and responsibilities as those afforded to members of the larger community.

Explanation:

I. "Unauthorized" use will involve:

- a. possession, use, manufacture or distribution in areas other than those enumerated in Section F of this policy; and/or
- b. illegal possession, use, manufacture or distribution under the provisions of federal, state and city law.

II. The University reminds all members of the University Community that violators of state law regarding the consumption, sale, possession or manufacture of alcoholic beverages are subject to legal action as follows:

4 Delaware Code paragraph 904 makes it unlawful to purchase alcoholic liquor for or give it to a person under 20 years of age, and also makes it unlawful for a person under 20 years of age to consume alcoholic liquor or to have it in his possession. Both offenses are punishable by fine and consequently, by definition, are crimes against the State so that anyone who assists a person committing such a crime in order to hinder or prevent his apprehension, trial or punishment, would be an accessory after the fact.

Violations of 4 Delaware Code paragraph 904:

A fine of not less than \$100.00 nor more than \$500.00 for the first offense and fines of not less than \$500.00 nor more than \$1,000.00 for subsequent offenses.

The punishment for being an accessory after the fact is a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or imprisonment for not more than three years or both.

III. Student violations of this policy shall be referred to the University Student Judicial System and/or civil authorities.

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- IV. Alcoholic beverages may not be possessed, consumed, or distributed in any University facility or property under the jurisdiction of the University unless the area has been designated by the President of the University or his designee as one where alcoholic beverages may be used.
- V. Individual transportation ("brown bagging") of alcoholic beverages is not permitted.
- VI. Alcohol shall not be served at functions connected with academic programs or immediately preceding or during business meetings of any University student organization.

Implementation of the Policy

I. Off-Campus Activities:

The University accepts no responsibility for the use or distribution of alcoholic beverages at off-campus social functions sponsored by University-related organizations or individuals.

All persons planning or attending such an off-campus activity should be aware of the alcoholic beverage laws which apply to the situation. Each person participating in the activity assumes responsibility for his own actions.

Violations of pertinent alcoholic beverage laws will be handled by law enforcement authorities having jurisdiction over the specific location where the event is being held.

II. On-Campus Activities:

The use of alcoholic beverages is prohibited except when and where explicitly permitted by University policy.

A. Student Organizations:

Student Organizations shall have the opportunity to serve alcoholic beverages at social functions held in approved University locations to those of legal age. The procedures listed below must be followed to obtain the use of University facilities for such functions:

1. Functions sponsored by University student organizations and held in University facilities at which alcoholic beverages are to be served must be registered (See below). Such functions must be limited in attendance to members of the organizations and their invited guests.
2. Groups in good standing as sponsoring organizations (i.e., free of censure or restriction that would prohibit that organization from sponsoring said function) who are thereby entitled to use University facilities and desire to serve alcoholic beverages at private events scheduled in University facilities will be permitted to do so upon submitting written guarantee that the proper procedural

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safeguards have been adopted by them so that state and local beverage laws and University regulations will not be violated. At the time any reservation for service and consumption of alcoholic beverage is made, a person authorized to sign for the group making the reservation must complete and sign a notice form which states that the group is using the University facilities for a private party or meeting limited in attendance to members or guests of the named person, group, association or organization as authorized in conformance with federal, state, city ordinances and University regulations.

B. Residence Halls:

1. Individual Actions -

- a. Students of legal age and their guests of legal age may possess and consume alcoholic beverages on an individual basis in the privacy of their residence hall rooms.
- b. The possession and consumption of alcohol shall not infringe upon the privacy and peace of other individuals. Any such infringement shall be considered a violation of the Code of Conduct and shall be dealt with in the manner prescribed in the University Student Judicial System. In all such situations the consumption of alcoholic beverages will be considered as aggravating rather than mitigating the situation.
- c. The Office of Housing and Residence Life shall continue to provide procedures for permitting students to select to live with someone who does not wish to use alcoholic beverages in his or her room.

2. Group Functions -

Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages in any areas other than individual rooms is forbidden; however the Office of Housing and Residence Life may establish procedures, within the limits of the University Policy, for the dispensing of alcoholic beverages for group functions in other areas of the residence halls.

C. Fraternal Organizations:

The principles outlined above apply equally to these living units. The Inter-Fraternity Council under the direction of the Office of Housing and Residence Life shall establish procedures whereby individual fraternity houses shall implement and enforce this policy.

D. General Procedures:

1. Student Organizations holding social functions sponsored or sanctioned by the University have the opportunity of serving alcoholic beverages in certain areas of the following: Christiana Commons

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Buildings, Clayton Hall, Dining Halls, Pencader Dining Commons, Faculty Dining, Blue and Gold Club, Goodstay, Student Center, Wilcastle, and other areas designated by the Vice President for Student Affairs and Administration.

2. Functions at which alcoholic beverages are to be served must be registered with the person in charge of the facility in which the event is to be held. The registration officers are as follows:
 - a. Christiana Commons Building -- Associate Director of Residence Life (5 Courtney Street)
 - b. Clayton Hall, Goodstay, Wilcastle -- Associate Director of Continuing Education for Conferences (John M. Clayton Hall)
 - c. Faculty Dining Room, Pencader Dining Commons, and Dining Halls -- Associate Director of Food Service (503 Academy Street)
 - d. Blue and Gold Club -- Manager, Blue and Gold Club (44 Kent Way)
 - e. Student Center -- Associate Director of the Student Center
3. Events at which alcoholic beverages are served/sold must be sanctioned by the Vice President for Student Affairs and Administration. To be sanctioned, an officer of the organization requesting the privilege to serve alcoholic beverages must submit to the person in charge of the facility in which the event is to be held a written guarantee that the proper procedural safeguards have been adopted, that all local, state and federal laws and regulations will be followed, and that the group using the University facilities intends to limit attendance to members and bona fide guests invited prior to the holding of the event.

MDG/b: Senate Committee on Student Life

A Proposed Faculty Senate Standing Committee
on Use of Beverage Alcohol
On the Campus of the University of Delaware

The recent relaxation of rules governing the storage, transportation, or consumption of beverage alcohol on campus and the availability of beverage alcohol on the campus of the University of Delaware have increased the similarities between life in the University Community and life in the larger community outside.

The availability of beverage alcohol and the freedom to consume alcohol legally on campus provide occasions for important learning and training experiences. The opportunity to use beverage alcohol would appear to generate favorable circumstances for the acquisition of acceptable drinking habits as well as the ability to exercise reasonable control over periods when, in the individual's best interests and in compliance with existing regulations, he or she should abstain from use of beverage alcohol.

But the presence of alcohol on campus is not without serious dangers to the physical and mental health of those few who fail to realize the advantages of the positive opportunities to learn responsible drinking. There is therefore, in the presence of available beverage alcohol, the need to exercise caution and control against irresponsible drinking. In addition to the personal dangers, such misuses of alcohol lead to excessive increases in maintenance costs of University buildings and property as well as occasional but gross and wanton destruction of University property. Another inevitable concomitant of alcohol abuse is the usurpation of rights of other members of the University community to reasonable protection from interference with ongoing scholastic and academic pursuits.

It is with respect to the need for caution and control that: (a) a detailed policy setting forth acceptable and unacceptable conditions for consumption of beverage alcohol on campus has been drawn up; and, (b) a proposal is presented that a standing committee be established to insure consistent implementation of the alcohol policy and continuous surveillance over practices and quantities of beverage alcohol consumption on campus. Further charges to the proposed standing committee should include periodic review of services, facilities and programs aimed at containment of alcohol abuse and mitigation of the undesirable effects of alcohol abuse where it occurs, and insuring that those services, facilities and programs be kept perpetually active, vigorous and up-to-date.

CHARGES AND CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE

Name: The name of the committee shall be The Committee to Regulate the Use of Beverage Alcohol on the University of Delaware Campus.

Composition: The Committee shall consist of nine members drawn from the following campus groups, agencies or organizations.

1. A representative of the Student Health Service
2. A representative of Security
3. A representative of Food Service

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4. A representative of the Office of Housing and Residence Life
5. A representative of the Center for Counseling and Placement
6. Manager or Managers of Campus facilities which sell beverage alcohol
7. A representative of Student Government of College Councils
8. A representative of the University of Delaware Coordinating Council
9. Two representatives from the University faculty.

CHARGES TO THE PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE

1. Conduct a review of the Faculty Senate Policy relating to beverage alcohol at least once a year, and
 - a. recommend additions or changes to existing policies where appropriate;
 - b. evaluate existing programs directed toward education of students about the dangers of alcohol abuse;
 - c. initiate, where appropriate, new educational programs;
 - d. eliminate ineffective programs and practices.
2. Review the over-all University Policy relating to beverage alcohol, and advise the President in this regard.

MDG/b: Senate Committee on Student Life
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