

UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

SUMMARY OF AGENDA

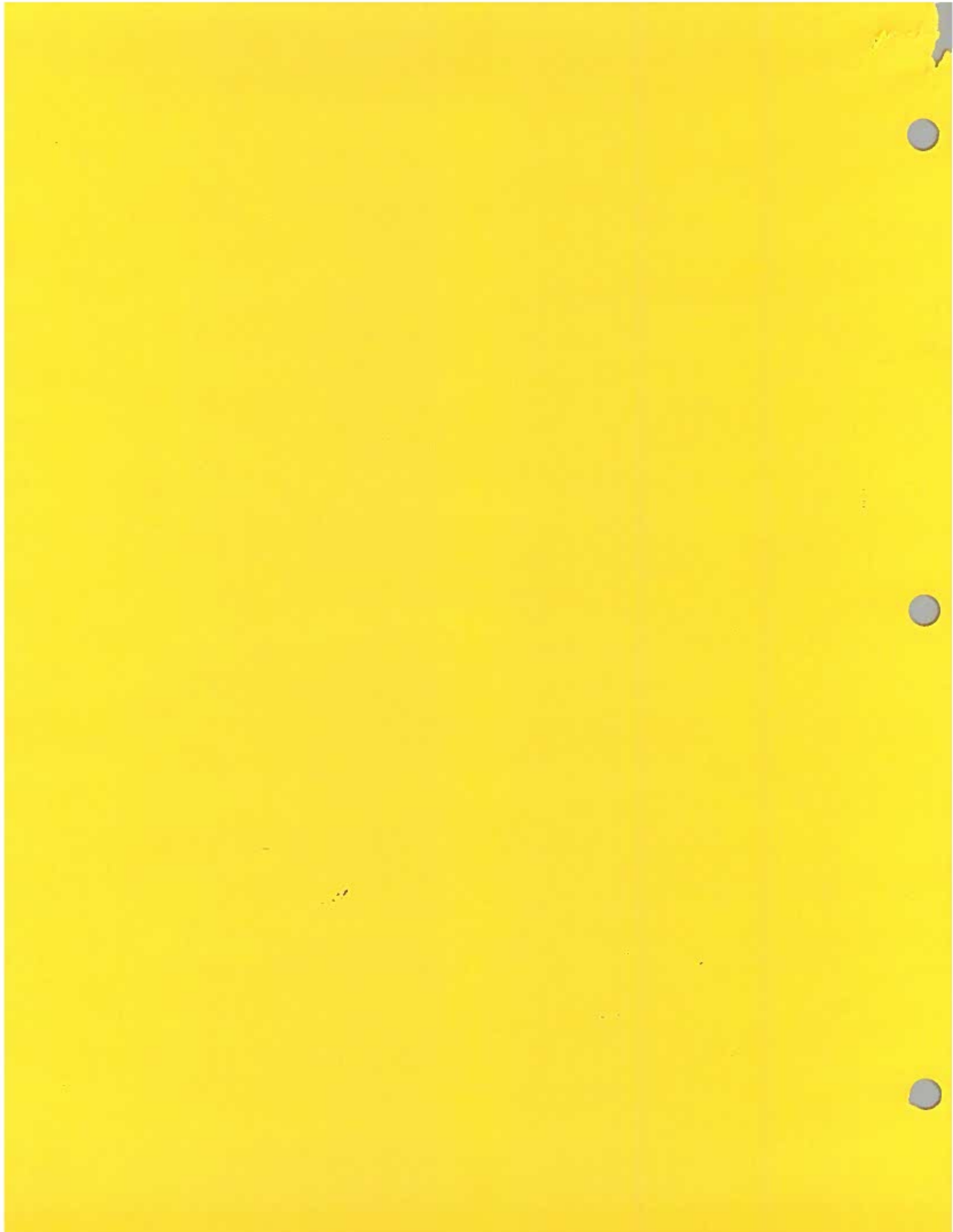
September 14, 1987

- I. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
- II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: May 4, 1987
- III. REMARKS BY PRESIDENT JONES and/or PROVOST CAMPBELL
- IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS
 1. Senate President Toensmeyer

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR CHALLENGE

 1. Suspension of the Council on Program Evaluation (COPE) for a one-year period
- V. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Election of Senate officer
 - B. Confirmation of Committee on Committees' appointments
 - *C. Recommendations altering the charges of various committees
 - D. Resolution, introduced by Senator Nancy Sottos, at the May Senate meeting on the initial implementation of a four-year exploratory study of the plus/minus grading system
- VI. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Election of the chairperson of the Committee on Committees
 - B. Introduction of new business

*Bylaw change; requires a 2/3 vote of those senators present and voting.





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TO: All Faculty Members

FROM: Carol Vukelich, Vice President *Carol Vukelich*
University Faculty Senate

SUBJECT: Regular Faculty Senate Meeting, September 14, 1987

In accordance with Section IV, paragraph 6 of the Constitution, the regular meeting of the University Faculty Senate will be held on Monday, September 14, 1987 at 4:00 p.m. in room 110 Memorial Hall.

AGENDA

- I. Adoption of the Agenda.
- II. Approval of the minutes of the Senate meeting of May 4, 1987.
- III. Remarks by President Jones and/or Provost Campbell.
- IV. Announcements
 1. Senate President ToensmeyerAnnouncement for Challenge
 1. Suspension of COPE for a one-year period during which time it will be evaluated.
- V. Old Business
 - A. Election of Senate Secretary. [Ballot will be available at the meeting.]
 - B. Request from the Committee on Committees (A. DeHaven, Chairperson), for Senate confirmation of committee appointments. (Attachment 1)RESOLVED, that the appointments to Senate committees, as presented in Attachment 1 of this Agenda, are hereby confirmed.

C. Resolutions from the Committee on Committees (A. DeHaven, Chairperson) altering the charges of the Committee on Adjunct Academic Affairs, the Committee on Committees, the Committee on Academic Ceremonies, the Committee on Research, and the Committee on Graduate Studies.

1. RESOLVED, that the charge to the Committee on Adjunct Academic Affairs as it appears in Section III, I-14, paragraphs 2 and 3, of the Faculty Handbook be changed to read:

It shall consist of five faculty members, one of whom shall be **chairperson**¹; an appointee of the President; two undergraduate students; and one graduate student.

It shall meet at least annually with the Assistant Provost for Special Sessions², with the Associate Provost and Director of the Division of Continuing Education³, the Director of the College Bound Program⁴, the Supervisor of the University Awareness Program⁵, and with the Directors of any other like Unit or Program. The committee may call such additional meetings with Directors as it deems appropriate and shall call a meeting at the request of a Director.

2. RESOLVED, that the charge to the Committee on Committees as it appears in Section III, I-16, paragraph 1, of the Faculty Handbook be changed to read:

This committee shall have general oversight of the committee system of the faculty. It shall regularly review the system and may make recommendations to the faculty or its Senate concerning faculty organization at all levels. It is authorized directly to constitute on an interim basis such subcommittees, task forces, or study panels as may be requested by faculty committees to help carry out their work, in each case promptly recording through faculty or Senate minutes the membership and charges of such subgroups. It shall prepare, for action by the faculty or its Senate, slates of nominees for the standing committees of the faculty, except where nominations and elections or appointments are otherwise explicitly provided for, and also for such ad hoc or other committees as the faculty or its Senate may specify. Upon request from the President of the

¹Formerly "chairman."

²Formerly "Director of the Summer Session."

³Formerly "Director of University Extension."

⁴Formerly "Director of the Upward Bound Program."

⁵Formerly "Director of the College Try Program."

University,⁶ it shall propose faculty names for University bodies s/he⁶ is preparing to appoint, in the nature of staff assistance without implying a position of the faculty regarding such bodies.

3. RESOLVED, that the charge to the Committee on Academic Ceremonies as it appears in Section III, I-14, paragraph 2, of the Faculty Handbook be changed to read:

It shall consist of an appointee of the President; four faculty members of whom one shall be appointed by⁷ the President and be designated committee chairperson⁸ and Faculty Marshal; and one undergraduate and one graduate student.

4. RESOLVED, that the charge to the Committee on Research as it appears in Section III, I-23, paragraph 2, of the Faculty Handbook be changed to read:

This committee shall consist of the Associate Provost for Research⁹; and five faculty members of whom one shall be chairperson¹⁰.

5. RESOLVED, that the charge to the Committee on Graduate Studies as it appears in Section III, I-20 and I-21, paragraphs 3 through 8 of the Faculty Handbook be changed to read:

The Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies shall periodically receive from the Associate Provost for Graduate Studies¹¹ a review of the status of each department's program of graduate studies and appropriate recommendations for any action that may be deemed necessary. In addition the affected unit or units shall be afforded an opportunity to review and comment on the Associate Provost's¹² review. Such comments from the unit shall also be transmitted to the Graduate Studies Committee. The Graduate Studies Committee shall prepare its own recommendations pertaining to periodic reviews of individual graduate programs.

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Formerly "he."

⁷Formerly "chairman."

⁸Word added for clarification.

⁹Formerly "Coordinator of Research."

¹⁰Formerly "chairman."

¹¹Formerly "University Officer for Graduate Studies."

¹²Formerly "University Officer's."

On the recommendation of the Associate Provost for Graduate Studies¹¹ this committee shall certify to the President students who have completed the requirements for advanced degrees and upon whom the faculty, with the approbation of the Trustees, is conferring such degrees; such certification shall be entered into the minutes of the faculty or its Senate.

1. The faculty members of the Graduate Studies Committee shall be selected by the Senate Committee on Committees from among experienced scholars of the faculty, who shall possess established reputations in their fields, a strong commitment to the highest graduate standards, and experience with various types of graduate degree programs.
2. The Chairperson of the Committee on Committees shall annually solicit nominations for service on the Committee on Graduate Studies¹¹ from the Associate Provost for Graduate Studies¹¹, the Provost, and other sources.
3. The Committee shall consist of a chairperson and one representative from each college offering a graduate program, serving for three-year terms to be arranged in sequence such that the terms of no more than four members shall expire in any academic year. In addition, there shall be two ex officio members, the Associate Provost for Graduate Studies¹¹ and the Director of the University Library. There shall be two graduate student members appointed. In the absence of a duly constituted graduate student government the Committee on Graduate Studies shall have the responsibility of arranging the election of graduate student senators. Members as they retire from the Committee shall be replaced by members with the new period of tenure.
4. The Chairperson of the Graduate Studies Committee shall be selected by the Committee on Committees, and shall be confirmed by the Senate for a two-year term. Nominations for this position shall be taken from¹³a register maintained by the Faculty Senate Office¹³ of persons who have served at least one previous term of membership on the Graduate Studies Committee.

¹³Formerly "University Officer for Graduate Studies."

- D. Resolution, introduced by Senator Nancy Sottos (Graduate Student) at the May Senate meeting on the initial implementation of a four-year exploratory study of the plus/minus grading system.

WHEREAS: The plus/minus grading system is realistically at least one year away from its initial implementation, and

WHEREAS: It is understood that the computer system does not yet have the capability of recording plus/minus grades, and

WHEREAS: The plus/minus grading system will undergo a mandatory four-year study period to examine its effects on grade point averages, and

WHEREAS: A transition period will be needed for the adoption of the plus/minus grading system by the entire faculty, and

WHEREAS: The plus/minus grading system does not have the entire University faculty support; be it therefore

RESOLVED: That the plus/minus grading system shall be implemented on a departmental basis only beginning with the 1988 Fall Semester final grades and shall be used solely for the purpose of the four-year exploratory study. The standard straight letter grades will continue to be used for official transcript purposes until the new computing system is activated.

VI. New Business

- A. Election of a chairperson of the Committee on Committees from among the committee members elected by the Senate.

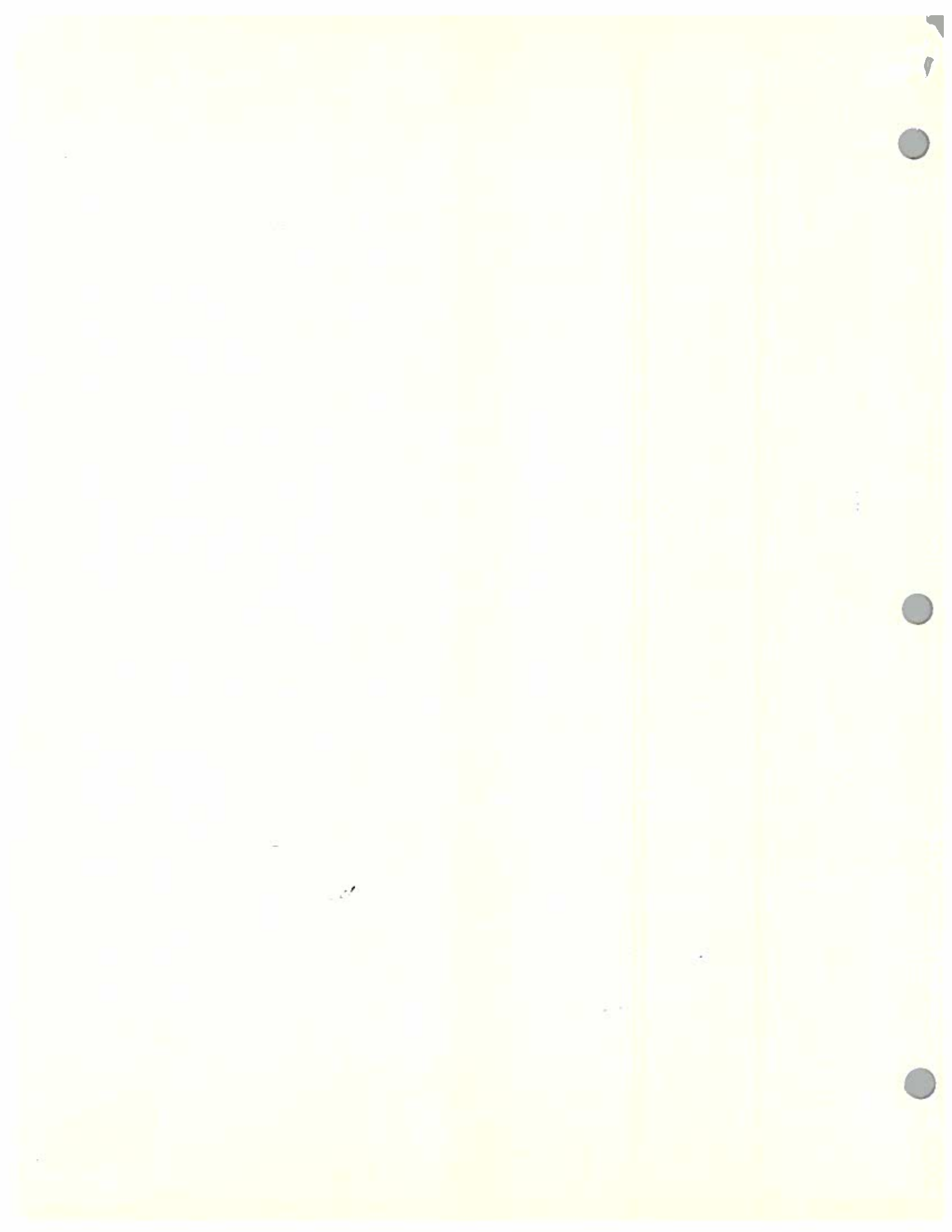
Frank Dilley (Philosophy)

- B. 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.)

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Attachment:

1. Committee appointments



COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR SENATE CONFIRMATION

STUDENT AND FACULTY HONORS, COMMITTEE ON

Member: Dewey Caron

ADJUNCT ACADEMIC AFFAIRS, COMMITTEE ON

Member: Bertram Levin

