Minutes of a Meeting of The Undergraduate Council Wednesday, November 9, 1994 #2

Kenneth Thomas, Chair; Coral Brenneise, Secretary; Keith Clouten, Paul Denton, Mailen Kootsey, Harold Lang, Beverly Matiko, Warren Minder, Richard Orrison, Ray Paden, David Penner, Wesley Shultz, David Steen, Gary Williams, Ed Wines

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dave Penner

PRAYER

Voted to approve minutes from October, 1994

APPROVE MINUTES

Members discussed the convocation at the beginning of school and the inauguration held more recently. The decision had been made to allow faculty to march in any order they preferred for the inauguration, and although it rained and people had to line up in the church basement, there appear to be no complaints about the lack of formal marching order and instead there were a number of pleased people.

CONVOCATION LIMIT OF ONE CLASS PERIOD 94-95, #2

One of the schools has requested that henceforth for the opening convocation, faculty not be in academic garb and seated on the platform and that the convocation last only one hour--one class period.

VOTED to recommend to the president that henceforth convocations be limited to one class period only.

Student Association requested that the graduation distinctions policy be reviewed. Academic Standards subcommittee reviewed the matter and determined that the procedure be simplified and that instead of reviewing both Andrews cumulative and total cumulative which includes transfer work, that only one be reviewed.

GRADUATION DISTINCTION CHANGE 94-95, #3

VOTED that the cumulative GPA used to determine graduation distinctions will be based on all course work which contributes toward a student's degree, including applicable transfer credit.

A replacement needs to be found for Charles Stokes on the Program Review Subcommittee. Jim Hayward has agreed to serve in this capacity.

PROGRAM REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBER

Our affiliates and our professional programs would like very much to see us indicate the major on the diploma given a graduate. Other Michigan schools and other "better" schools don't put anything on a diploma but the degree. The affiliates and professional programs have requested this since many times outside the U.S. students must show a diploma and not a transcript to prove proficiency. Professionals in this country often appreciate a diploma on the wall with the

MAJORS LISTED ON DIPLOMAS 94-95, #4 major listed. Andrews ought to be in the business of serving our students the best we can.

VOTED that we henceforth list the concentration(s) or major(s) as well as the degree received on diplomas. Emphases and options, however, will not be listed on a student's diploma.

Currently Andrews lists approximately 385 majors and/or degrees in the bulletins. The NCA has suggested that we reduce this overly large number. A number of ways in which this could be done were briefly discussed.

VOTED to recommend that the Academic Vice President devise a plan for substantially reducing the number of majors and/or emphases offered at Andrews University.

REDUCE NUMBER OF MAJORS AND EMPHASES 94-95, #5

Kenneth E. Thomas, Chair

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