Minutes of a Meeting of The Undergraduate Council Wednesday, May 10, 1995 #7

Kenneth Thomas, Chair; Coral Brenneise, Secretary; Arthur Coetzee, Char Coy, Paul Denton, MaryAnn Hofmann, Mailen Kootsey, Harold Lang, Beverly Matiko, Warren Minder, Ray Ostrander for Richard Orrison, Ray Paden, David Penner, Derrick Proctor, Wesley Shultz, Jack Stout, Elizabeth Watson, Gary Williams

MEMBERS PRESENT

Laun Reinholtz, David Steen

APOLOGIES

Ken Thomas

PRAYER

May 3 minutes approved

MINUTES

The outlines for a new general education program as attached in the May 3 minutes were further discussed. General Education committee has stated that it is committed to not adding to the total amount of work for individual students so that they must stay additional quarters.

INITIAL STEP GENERAL EDUCATION PACKAGE 94-95, #14

A member questioned why we must vote actual numbers of credits in various blocks of requirements now.

Russell answered for General Education Committee, that they would like to develop the contents of the various content blocks during the summer and don't want to return to start after a great deal of work. This is just a step. It is not an irrevocable step if it is determined that there is reason to change the area credit totals at a later date. The real question currently being brought to Undergraduate Council is if this is a reasonable distribution of credits over the sum total of the areas to be covered. G.E. Committee sees this as a target to start with to attempt to develop the whole parcel.

Several members reiterated the fact that changing general education is only one part of the curriculum changes needed throughout, as majors and minors, cognates, and certification requirements will need to be adjusted as general education course offerings are made. Many classes will be redesigned, and adjustments will be made in existing classes to fulfill other needs.

VOTED, ten yes to four no, to accept the recommendation of the General Education committee with regard to the categories and credits they have proposed. It is understood that this approval is for the tentative framework for individual courses yet to be designed.

Several members requested that Andrews determine now to change to the semester system so that all the disruption and distress of changing majors, minors,

RENEW DEBATE ON SEMESTER NOW and general education can be done at once so that we don't have to repeat it all a short time later. Courses would certainly need to be refigured in the case of a change to a semester system.

It was brought to Council's attention that the whole Quarter/Semester debate was merely to have been shelved until the last accreditation was over and was to have been brought up for discussion this past year. We now have completed the accreditation and have a new administration. It is time to discuss it again.

New Undergraduate Council members chosen with terms ending in 1998 are as follows:

1995-96 MEMBER REPLACEMENTS AND OFFICERS

College of Arts and Sciences:

Morris Brown

School of Business:

MaryAnn Hofmann, re-elected

College of Technology:

Thomas Chittick

Presidential Appointee:

Harold Lang

The Presidential appointee from the General Education Committee was never replaced when Bill Richardson retired from that post. Mailen Kootsey promised to see about that.

Undergraduate Council Officers for the 1995-96 school year will be:

Chair:

Harold Lang

Vice Chair:

MaryAnn Hofmann

Secretary:

Coral Brenneise

Council reviewed the rules on subcommittee membership and found that they are to have seven members, four of whom must be members of Undergraduate Council.

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS

Academic Policies Subcommittee will stay the same as this year with the replacement of Harold Lang (who will become ex-officio) by Morris Brown.

Chair

Ray Paden

Membership

Morris Brown, Gerald Coy, Paul Denton, Loretta Johns,

Beverly Matiko, and Gary Williams

Program Review Subcommittee has now completed their Program Development and Review policy, and but further consultation is needed before determining who should be on that subcommittee. One suggestion to take into account is that the Division of Architecture isn't represented and probably should replace one of the members currently serving from the College of Arts and Sciences. For this committee, especially, broad representation is essential. This group will need to be determined and voted at a later date after consultation with the current subcommittee chair.

The Student Senate has responded to Undergraduate Council's request for input on whether to maintain our connection with Who's Who or drop it. They request:

WHO'S WHO

- 1. Maintain the National Dean's List
- 2. Create an Adventist Intercollegiate Award
- 3. Create an Andrews award which takes into consideration something other than grades

4. Improve the departmental and overall input and involvement in the process of choosing nominations.

The Academic Policies subcommittee will attempt to deal with this next year.

Kenneth E. Thomas, Chair

Coral Brenneise, Secretary