

Minutes of a Meeting of the Undergraduate Council
10:30, Wednesday, May 12, 1998
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Harold Lang, Chair, Gordon Atkins, Acting Secretary, Thomas Chittick, Delmer Davis, Annetta Gibson, Patricia Mutch, Malcolm Russell, Douglas Singh, Curtis VanderWaal, Robert Wilkins, Jeannie Wolfer (for Paul Denton)

**VOTING
MEMBERS
PRESENT**

Charlotte Coy, Linda Closser, Dean Hunt, Loretta Johns, Emilio Garcia-Marenko, Rhonda Root, and Ed Wines.

**NON-VOTING
MEMBERS
PRESENT**

C. William Habenicht, Mary Jane Resnic

INVITEES

Emilio Garcia-Marenko

PRAYER

Voted to approve the minutes of the April 8 meeting of the Undergraduate Council. Since there was not a quorum at that meeting this vote also validates the actions taken at that meeting.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Delmer Davis gave a report (copy attached) of the faculty ballot with regard to the proposed change to the semester system. The discussion that followed centered on obtaining more accurate estimates of the cost and effort required to make a change. More work needs to be done in this area and in determining a time line for implementation before it is presented to the Board of Trustees.

**REPORT AND
DISCUSSION OF
CHANGE TO
SEMESTER
SYSTEM**

VOTED (10 to 1) to recommend to the administration that a proposal for a change to the semester system be presented to the Board of Trustees. (No time line was implied by the action.)

**SUPPORT FOR
SEMESTER
SYSTEM**

Malcolm Russell presented a recommendation from the Program Development and Review Subcommittee that approval be given to proposal for a new Physical Therapy Assistant Program with the stipulation that the approximately \$1,000,000 in building costs and \$300,000 in startup costs must be secured from external sources before the program starts.

**DISCUSSION OF
PROPOSED
PHYSICAL
THERAPY
ASSISTANT
PROGRAM**

William Habenicht gave a description of the program covering the needs, student interest, student placement prospects, competition from programs in other schools, and the availability of clinical facilities. The program consists of one year pre-PTA and 56 week 52 semester credit para-professional program leading to an associate degree. A discussion followed.

Action on the PTA proposal and the other agenda items (a report from the Academic Policies Subcommittee on the Undergraduate Policies Manual, Part IV, and the election of officers for the 1998-99 school year) take place at a special meeting of the Undergraduate Council at 10:30 May 27.

NEXT MEETING



Harold Lang, Chair

Gordon Atkins, Acting Secretary