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MEMORANDUM TO: Dr. Albert Petersen
FROM: Dr. Ronald Seeger *RS*
DATE: February 12, 1979
SUBJECT: Resolution for the Faculty Senate

Here is my draft of a resolution such as we discussed. I request you present it to the Faculty Senate. Of course, the actual wording is subject to amendment:

Whereas the Ohio Valley Conference has recently raised the number of football scholarships to 60 per member (an increase of five per school), and

Since each scholarship costs Western Kentucky about \$3,000 per year, and

Since the football program falls many thousands of dollars short of balancing receipts with expenditures, and

In view of projected drops in student enrollments and funds in the future, and

In view of possible losses in faculty positions due to loss of enrollment and funds, and

Because of the necessity of increasing faculty salaries to at least counter the cost of living rise (which has not been done in the past), and

Because no increase in number of academic scholarships or amounts involved per scholarship is contemplated, and

Because of the important positive rewards of membership in the Ohio Valley Conference to the Basketball Program (namely participation in the NCAA tournament)

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Faculty Senate of Western Kentucky University asks the Administration and Board of Regents of the University to support the Ohio Valley Conference limit of 60 scholarships for football and that no further increases in numbers of football scholarships be contemplated until economically justified, and further that any savings of funds over amounts allocated for additional football scholarships be transferred to faculty salary increases as previously suggested by the Faculty Senate.