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COUNCIL OF ACADEMIC DEANS

The Council of Academic Deans met in Dr. Cravens' office at 1:15 p. m., Monday, June 28, 1971. All deans were present except Drs. Hatcher and Page who were represented by Drs. Mounce and Brenner respectively.

Dr. Cravens opened the meeting noting that President Downing would represent the regional universities at Tom Emberton's hearing on higher education. He said the president would welcome suggestions from the deans.

The deans then discussed some problems of grading. Dr. Cravens noted the need for more coordination of standards and grades where several faculty teach the same courses. He asked the deans to put this on their agenda to discuss with their department heads. He also indicated that grade changes should be placed on the agenda of the next deans meeting and Mr. Lazarus asked to attend.

Academic Council membership revisions were discussed with attention focusing around the proposed Committee on Curriculum Review. Several alternative roles were mentioned. Further alternatives will be presented at the next meeting. Dr. Hardin is to confer with Dr. Cravens on representation for personnel in Academic Services.

Dr. Cravens asked for reactions on Art Buckwald as a possible lecturer. No opposition expressed, so he indicated he would check on Buckwald's fee.

The calendar for academic year 1972-73 was considered. Deans felt it was o.k. as presented.

Copies of the teaching load guidelines were distributed and discussed. Dr. Cravens indicated he would like to meet with the department heads in each college to explain these guidelines. Dr. Russell questioned whether the 3.5% ceiling was to be applied department by department. Dr. Cravens explained that this applied to the total semester hours taught by college rather than department. Dr. Cravens expressed the need to review formulae for assigning load credit in laboratories and other special types of instruction. He said we would use the existing formular this fall but would like a review before the next term.

Remaining items on the agenda held for next meeting week after next. Meeting adjourned.