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COUNCIL OF ACADEMIC DEANS

The Council of Academic Deans met on Monday, November 8, at 11:30 a.m. in Dr. Hourigan's conference room. All deans were present except Dr. Jenkins, who was represented by Mr. Oppitz; Dr. Page, who was represented by Dr. Brenner; Dr. Russell, who was represented by Dr. Stroube; and Dr. Davis.

Dr. Cravens opened the meeting by briefly discussing items to be taken to the Board of Regents. The Office of Occupational Education will be changed to the Center for Career and Vocational Education. This change could result in access to more funds.

Authorization for a University Health Programs Committee was discussed. The appointment of faculty members to committees will be placed on the agenda of the next Deans' meeting.

The General Education requirements will be submitted to the Board of Regents for endorsement rather than for approval.

Dr. Hatcher reported briefly on the Summer in Mexico program. The question of whether the University desires to continue this program in the light of limited participation was discussed. The application deadline is June 1. Someone is needed to promote this on campus. The deans were asked to take this up with their department heads to try to determine the interest in this program. The recommendation was made that we not send a group in the future unless accompanied by a faculty advisor.

The possibility of a four-day week for summer school was examined. This will be discussed in more detail at a later time.

Dr. Cravens stated that a decision would need to be reached soon on a "May term". Eastern pays its faculty a one-half summer stipend, while Morehead pays on a stipend basis. Several questions were raised - - - How do we decide what we will offer? Can people teach both this term and summer school? How long should the term be? If a student signs up for short term courses, how does this count on his residency requirements? A committee composed of Dr. Cravens, Dr. Chelf, Mr. Lazarus and Dr. Sutton was named to prepare guidelines and alternatives for the mid-May through mid-August period.

Dr. Sandefur said that the Graduate Council feel that they should approve all courses which can be counted for graduate credit. Dr. Stroube asked if this should go to the Academic Council. This item will be kept on the agenda.

The Deans were asked to review tenure considerations for faculty members where there are questions concerning re-employment.

After lunch the Deans reconvened in Dr. Hardin's office. Dr. Hardin reviewed each of the Southern Association Self Study Standards and pointed up questions to which we need to address our attention.

Meeting adjourned.