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MINUTES

COUNCIL OF ACADEMIC DEANS

June 25, 1973

The Council of Academic Deans met on Monday, June 25, at 1:00 p.m., in the Office of Academic Affairs. Those present were Deans Cravens, Jenkins, Stroube, Hourigan, Gray, Brenner, Mounce, Sutton, Hardin, and Davis. Mrs. Mary Nell Smith, Regional Director of the Kentucky Historical Events Celebration Commission, was a visitor at the meeting.

Mrs. Smith commented on plans for the 1974 Kentucky Bicentennial and asked the deans for suggestions for special contributions by Western Kentucky University to the Bicentennial celebration. The Kentucky Building will give special emphasis to the Bicentennial and will have a number of displays throughout 1974. A number of courses focusing on Kentucky will be taught at Western during the fall semester of 1974. Among other possibilities to be considered are a drama and a Kentucky lecture series.

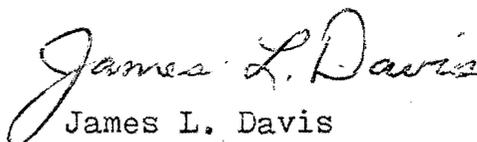
The deans discussed at some length the "hold" on approved replacement and new faculty positions. Dr. Cravens said that he would inform President Downing of the deans' desire to have greater input into academic decision making in budgetary matters.

Dr. Cravens commented on special or regular courses which Western's faculty members might wish to take for credit or audit during the 1973 fall semester.

Dean Jenkins discussed courses which Western will soon be offering at public libraries in many communities in Kentucky. Dr. Jenkins also requested ideas from the deans on "Weekend College" courses.

Dr. Cravens asked the deans to consider a proposal that "all freshmen entering Western in the 1973-74 academic year take the one-hour course Library Science 101, Use of the Library, as a requirement." This proposal was passed unanimously by the deans and will be submitted to the Academic Council for consideration at its June 27 meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.


James L. Davis