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MINUTES

Council of Academic Deans

April 26, 1983

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Davis at 8:30 a.m. Members present included Drs. Sandefur, Nelson, Hellstrom, Gray, Chelf, Lloyd, Robinson, Hardin and Petersen.

Dr. Davis announced that the meeting times for the April Board of Regents meeting were being changed because of the death of Board member Julius Price. The deans will be advised of the revised meeting schedule.

Dr. Davis invited the deans to attend the installation of Western's chapter of the honorary society Phi Kappa Phi. The ceremony will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 1 in the Regents Room.

Dr. Hardin then reviewed in some detail the proposed changes in accreditation standards of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. These changes would go into effect next year. He particularly called attention to a new section on institutional effectiveness including an outcomes assessment of the overall role and impact of the institution.

Dr. Davis distributed agenda materials for the April 30th Board of Regents meeting. The major items on the agenda and the proposed 1983-84 Operating Budget were discussed.

Dr. Davis distributed information from the Council on Higher Education in which a report is requested on Strategic Planning and Program Analysis for the 1984-86 period. He requested that the deans provide ideas, orally or in writing, regarding new programs or program growth anticipated in 1984-86. This information should be submitted by Thursday, April 28. Also, projections for major capital expenditures for the period 1985 through 1989 have been requested; this is to include new construction and large equipment purchases (but exclude computer equipment).

Information from the Council on Higher Education on the review of existing degree programs was distributed. Western's programs that were submitted this year were all recommended for approval, but the Foreign Languages programs were put on notice that a further review of them would be coming within the next year.

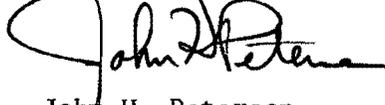
Dr. Petersen distributed copies of the report submitted by the President's adhoc International Education Committee which was chaired by Dr. Kenneth Cann. This report will be considered at the April Board of Regents meeting. The deans were invited to provide reactions to the report.

Dr. Davis requested the deans' reactions to three recent Faculty Senate resolutions, two regarding the sabbatical leave program and one regarding the role of the Senate. The consensus of the deans was that faculty members should be able to count service as a Fulbright Fellow (or similar grant) as credit toward sabbatical leave eligibility and that arrangements should be made to give faculty members on year-long sabbaticals full credit in the Kentucky Teacher Retirement System. The deans agreed that any matter relating to academic policy which has been referred to the Academic Requirements and Regulations Committee of the Academic Council could be provided to the Faculty Senate for information purposes.

Dr. Sandefur distributed information on summer workshops and master's degree programs of the College of Education.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John H. Petersen".

John H. Petersen