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Meeting
Council of Academic Deans
October 13, 1992

Members present included Drs. Charles E. Kupchella, Michael B. Binder, Ronnie N. Sutton, J. Michael Brown, Carl R. Martray, David D. Lee, John H. Petersen, and Livingston Alexander.

The minutes of the September 29, 1992, meeting were approved as presented.

Dr. Haynes began the meeting by announcing that an interest amount of \$10,974 will be available from the Academic Enhancement Fund to be awarded to departments for enhancement of academic programs. He then informed council members that a press conference would be held on Wednesday, October 14 to announce a major gift from the family of Robert Penn Warren to Western Kentucky University.

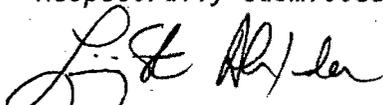
Next, the council discussed the associate degree programs at Western and the need to define their position in the institutional program priorities detailed in the strategic plan. Some members suggested that a subcommittee of the Dean's Council review all associate degree programs and make recommendations about the level of priority that should be assigned to each program. Dr. Haynes indicated that he would prepare a recommendation on the issue and bring it to the council for consideration.

The council then focused attention on an item which had been placed on the agenda of a previous meeting: WKU's Policies on Faculty Disability/Long-Term Illness. Following a lengthy discussion of the issue the council agreed that a workshop on faculty disability/long-term illness would be a good mechanism to develop discourse among department heads about the issue.

Finally, Dr. Haynes introduced two items which will be reserved for discussion in future Council of Deans Meetings: Promoting Faculty Leadership and Program Reviews--Implementation and Follow-up.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Livingston Alexander