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AGENDA
COUNCIL OF ACADEMIC DEANS
June 21, 1977
9 A.M.

I. Disposition of Minutes of the June 13 Meeting

II. Discussion Items:
   A. Council of Academic Dean's Request for Information on
      60 Credit Hour Upper Division Courses Requirement
   B. Academic Program and Course Activity Report for 1976-77
      (Including Summer of 1976)

III. Information Items:
   A. Form for Utilization of Proposals Sent to the Council on Public
      Higher Education Requesting Approval for New Graduate or
      Professional Programs

IV. Other Business
MINUTES
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Dr. Davis called the meeting to order at 9 a.m., in the Office of Academic Affairs with the following members present: Davis, Sandefur, Russell, Oakes, Stroube, Sutton, Clarke, Hardin, Hourigan, Jenkins, and Corts.

Dr. Davis commented briefly on the tragic accident of Dr. Mounce's son, Doug, in Mexico. The deans requested that Dr. Corts prepare a cable to be sent to Dr. Mounce on behalf of the deans.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as distributed.

Dr. Davis opened discussion on the 60-hour upper division course requirement for all baccalaureate candidates and requested that each dean comment briefly on their individual reports which were distributed at the meeting. Following brief comments by each of the deans, considerable discussion ensued concerning the proposal. Dr. Jenkins moved and Dr. Hourigan seconded a motion requesting the Committee of Staff Deans to review the proposal and to report back to the Council of Academic Deans in a few weeks with the specific alternative recommendations in the form of options which the deans can consider. In making a review of the proposal, the staff deans are requested to identify the specific questions and problems which need to be dealt with to consider the possibility of some type of phase-in plan, to develop a rationale for what constitutes an upper division and lower division course or a philosophy of course numbering, to consider the possibility of breaking down the 60-hour requirement into categories that exist on a degree program form, and to consider other possible combinations which might be alternatives. After considerable discussion, the deans approved the motion.

Dr. Davis asked Dr. Corts to comment briefly on the academic program report for 1976-77. Dr. Corts indicated that this was a preliminary draft report and that each dean is requested to review the report and notify him of any changes which they feel should be made. Following a several week period to permit changes to be made, the report will be circulated as the official academic program report for 1976-77.

Dr. Davis discussed the biennial budget request forms which had been previously delivered to the deans and which had been requested to be returned June 21. Dr. Davis indicated that the deans should work with Dr. Corts in submitting these proposals. Dr. Davis also mentioned the changes which were being implemented by the Council on Public Higher Education concerning new program proposals in the professional and graduate areas.

Dr. Sutton commented briefly on the summer school enrollment.

The meeting adjourned at 10:39 a.m. with the deans agreeing not to meet on June 28 but to have the next meeting on Tuesday, July 5 at 10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Paul R. Corts, Secretary