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# A G E N D A

## Council of Academic Deans

June 21, 1971

- I. Academic Council Membership Pattern
- II. 1971-72 Calendar
- III. Discussion of Teaching Load Guidelines
- IV. Cross Listing of Courses
- V. Departmental Self Studies
- VI. Discussion of Grants Information System
- VII. Proposal for Western Kentucky in France Program
- VIII. Position of National Commission on Accrediting Relative to Specialized and Professional Accreditation
- IX. Items Held Over From Previous Meetings of the Council of Deans:
  1. Maternity Leaves
  2. Class Scheduling Including Length of Break Between Classes and List of Classes by Periods
  3. Field Trip Policies
  4. Fullbright Scholarship Program
  5. Revision of Summer School Schedule
  6. Reorganization of Library Committee
  7. Uniform Meeting Times for Committees
  8. Review of Faculty Rank Guidelines
  9. Review of Agreement with the University of the Americas (To be held for discussion until the return of Dr. Hatcher from Mexico)
- X. Other Business
  1. Graduate Assistant Assignments

## COUNCIL OF ACADEMIC DEANS

The Council of Academic Deans met in Dr. Cravens' office at 1:30 p. m., Monday, July 21. All deans were present except Drs. Hatcher, Hourigan and Page who were represented by Drs. Mounce, Godby and Brenner respectively.

The session was opened with consideration of a proposal on modification of the Academic Council membership. Dr. Cravens indicated this proposal was simply to elicit responses and suggestions from the deans. Dr. Hardin suggested that the area of academic services should be represented in the elective membership. Dr. Jenkins recommended that the Rules Committee draw up guidelines governing the procedures for standing committees of the Academic Council. Dr. Sutton suggested that Academic Council members be notified of standing committee meetings and their agenda prior to the meetings.

Dr. Cravens indicated that President Downing had approved the Faculty Workload Guidelines and as soon as some refinements were made these would be sent to the deans.

Next attention was called to the question of accreditation. Dr. Cravens urged that the University and departments not consider accreditation by any agencies not recognized by the National Commission on Accrediting.

Dr. Cravens ask that the deans be thinking about a trip to Owensboro to meet with Graduate Consortium representatives from Wesleyan and Brescia. He suggested sometime in July.

Dr. Brenner commented on problems of crosslisting of courses. Held for next agenda.

Assignments of graduate assistants was discussed briefly. Held for next agenda.

Dr. Sandefur commented on items to be considered by the Graduate Council at its meeting Wednesday, June 23. He said too many 300 level courses were being taken for graduate credit and he would recommend that courses used frequently for graduate credit be renumbered or taken on a deficiency basis. He said he would recommend that after a certain date 300 level courses no longer be accepted for graduate credit.

Dr. Sandefur next noted that our present graduate admission requirements were unrealistic and were not being enforced. He indicated that for this reason he would recommend that students be admitted on these bases:

1. GPA of 2.5 or above in the last 60 hours completed, or
2. A minimum of 700 on the GRE

3. Those not meeting one of the above requirements be admitted conditionally for one semester and if they attain a GPA of above 3.0 for nine hours works they be admitted in good standing. Otherwise they could be admitted for graduate work but not for work on a degree program.

Any program where higher admission requirements are desired could still establish such.

Other items were deferred until the next meeting and the Council adjourned.