



OAKLAND UNIVERSITY  
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**Oakland University Senate**

March 15, 1966

***Agenda***

MEMORANDUM

March 9, 1966

TO: All Members of the Senate

FROM: Donald D. O'Dowd, for the Steering Committee

RE: Agenda for Meeting of March 15, 1966.

The next meeting of the Senate will be on Tuesday, March 15, 1966, at 3:30 p.m. in Rooms 129-130 of the Oakland Center,

A. Old Business

1. Recommendation from the Committee on Instruction (Mr. Lowy)

a. The Committee recommends the adoption of the following revised statement on Course Proficiency:

**COURSE PROFICIENCY**

Any student giving evidence of proficiency in a course in which he is not registered may be granted permission to demonstrate this proficiency upon petition to the appropriate department chairman or program director. If the results are satisfactory, he may receive exemption from this course but will receive no academic credit or grade for the course. (The failure to grant credit does not apply to courses completed in the Advanced Placement Program of the College Entrance Examination Board.)

In exceptional cases and upon recommendation from the chairman or program director, the Committee on Instruction may award credit, provided that such credit does not exceed 20 percent of the credits earned for a degree at Oakland. The credit will be entered in the "transfer credit" column on the student's record.

Comments: (on Course Proficiency)

The first paragraph is a slightly revised version of the Senate ruling of November 17, 1960, with account taken of the changes in administrative structure. The second paragraph is essentially

the Senate ruling of February 25, 1963.

2. Recommendations from the Steering Committee (Mr. O'Dowd)

a. The Steering Committee urges the Senate to approve the following changes in the membership of the Committee on Instruction.

Mr. Lowy as chairman to replace Mr. Tomboulion currently on sabbatical leave, Mr. Davis to replace Mr. Tomboulion as a member of the committee, and Mr. DuBruck to replace Mr. Moeller who is unable to be active in the committee because of his teaching schedule.

b. The Steering Committee proposes that the following amended version of the Chancellor's memo of January 7 on a means for reorganizing the governance of the University be adopted by the Senate.

Committee on University Government

1. A ten-member committee will be established for the purpose of recommending a new organization for the governance of the University.

2. The committee will be chaired by the Chancellor.

3. The membership of the committee will consist of the Chancellor, five members of the faculty nominated by the Steering Committee and approved by the Senate, and four members appointed by the Chancellor.

4. Before the new organizational document or constitution is presented for action of the Board of Trustees it must be:

a. Reviewed by all faculty and staff at an open hearing, and

b. ratified by the majority of all members present and voting at a meeting of a body consisting of the Academic Senate, tenured faculty members who are not senators, and department chairmen who are neither senators nor tenured members of the faculty. This body will have the authority to accept or reject the document; it may not amend the organizational document.

c. The Steering Committee nominates the following five members to serve on the Committee on University Government subject to Senate approval:

Professor Richard Brace  
Professor James Haden  
Professor William Hammerle  
Professor Edward Heubel  
Professor Reuben Torch

d. The Steering Committee recommends that the Senate adopt the following motion to guide

the Committee on University Governance.

It is the sense of the Senate that some student representation in the making of decisions affecting the welfare of the University is desirable. Consequently, the Committee on Faculty Government is requested to give sympathetic consideration to the possibility of including some student representation in the new University Senate.

## B. New Business

### 1. Recommendations from the Steering Committee (Mr. O'Dowd)

a. The Steering Committee recommends the following changes in the membership of the Committee on Cultural Programs and Commencements.

Mr. J. C. Hill will replace Mr. Donald Malm and Mr. Abraham Davidson will replace Mr. John Beardman as members of the Committee on Cultural Programs and Commencements.

b. The Steering Committee recommends the adoption of the attached report to the Senate of the Committee on Academic Standing and Honors setting forth the principles and procedures that are now guiding the activities of the Committee.

Adoption of this report represents an endorsement of its contents by the Senate and the faculty.

### 2. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Study (Mr. Hoopes)

a. The Committee on Graduate Study recommends that the Senate approve two departmental proposals to offer Master's degrees as set forth in the accompanying documents.

The Senate approves the establishment of a Master's Degree program in Physics and a Master's Degree program in Psychology and requests that the Board of Trustees authorize the establishment of these new degree programs by the University.

### 3. Report of Steering Committee Actions (Mr. O'Dowd)

a. The Steering Committee has accepted the resignation of Mr. Haden from the *ad hoc* Committee on Honors Programs. Mr. Hough has agreed to serve as chairman of the committee and Mrs. White will join the committee as a new member.

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