



Oakland University Senate

January 12, 1967

MINUTES

<u>PRESENT</u>: Messrs. Auld, Brace, M. Brown, Burke, Cameron, Collins, DiChiera, Dutton, Gibson, Haden, Harding, Hetenyi, Heubel, Johnson, Lowy, Malm, Marz, Matthews, O'Dowd, Stoutenburg, Stubblefield, Tomboulian, Torch, Vann, Varner, R. Williamson <u>ABSENT</u>: Messrs. Booth, G. Brown, H. Burdick, Hahn, Hill, Hough, Lessing, Mobley, Sargent, Simmons, Susskind, Swanson, Tipler <u>GUESTS:</u> Messrs. Atkinson, Beardslee, Crowder, Fernald, Kent, S. Miller, Obear, F. Smith

Chancellor Varner called the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m.

In answer to questions. Chancellor Varner reviewed the pending lawsuit against the Meadow Brook Theatre and explained that the funds being used in the development of the theatre are from gifts, not appropriations.

Mr. Heubel moved to accept the minutes of the November 10 meeting of the Senate. Seconded by Mr. Stubblefield. Approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. O'Dowd moved that the recommendations of the Committee on Academic Standing and Baccalaureate Honors regarding the graduation of the December 1966 class be authorized by the Senate for a final vote today. Seconded by Mr. Stubblefield. Approved.

Mr. Marz moved the recommendation of the Committee on Academic Standing and Baccalaureate Honors, that the Faculty of Oakland University nominate the undergraduate students named in the list distributed by the Registrar for the Bachelor's degree (see attached list). Seconded by Mr. Matthews. Approved.

Mr. Marz moved the recommendation of the Committee on Academic Standing and Baccalaureate Honors, that the Faculty of Oakland University nominate the graduate students named in the list distributed by the Registrar for the Master's degree (see attached list). Seconded by Mr. Matthews. Approved.

Mr. Marz moved the recommendation of the Committee on Academic Standing and Baccalaureate Honors, that University Honors be awarded to the graduating students named in the list distributed by the Registrar (see attached list). Seconded by Mr. Matthews. Approved. Mr. Marz moved the recommendation of the Committee on Academic Standing and Baccalaureate Honors, that Departmental Honors be awarded to the graduating students named in the list distributed by the Registrar (see attached list). Seconded by Mr. Matthews. Approved.

Following a discussion regarding the calculation of University Honors, Mr. Tomboulian recommended that the Committee on Academic Standing and Baccalaureate Honors study the number of earned Oakland University credits required for a student to be eligible for University Honors. Mr. Tomboulian believes that transfer students have an advantage over the eight semester Oakland students and would like to see the number of credits required for this calculation increased.

Mr. Matthews moved that the Senate approve Mr. Tomboulian's recommendation and send it to the Committee on Academic Standing and Baccalaureate Honors. Seconded by Mr. Stubblefield. (Procedure motion) Approved.

Mr. O'Dowd moved that the Senate authorize a final vote today on item 2a of the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Brace. Approved.

Mr. O'Dowd then moved the resolution of the Steering Committee that:

"The Senate approves the general form of the program requirements, course of instruction, and administrative arrangements of the Oakland University Academy of Dramatic Art."

Seconded by Mr. Heubel. Approved.

Mr. Burke moved the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee to amend the current University grading system:

"The numerical grading system adopted on April 15, 1963, will include grades ranging in tenths of a point from 0.0 to 4.0, with the exception of the grades 0.1 to 0.4 inclusive. The grades 4.1, 4.2, and 4.3 will no longer be considered part of the grading system. This amended grading system will take effect in the winter semester of 1967."

Seconded by Mr. Tomboulian. Final action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.

Mr. Hetenyi moved to amend the amendment by substituting the following statement for the second sentence:

"The transcript will have printed on its face, 'Grades above 4.0 are honors grades.'"

Seconded by Mr. Stubblefield. Final action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

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