



OAKLAND UNIVERSITY
SENATE

Oakland University Senate

SEVENTH MEETING
Thursday, March 29, 1979
3; 15p.m.
128, 129, 130 Oakland Center

AGENDA

Submitted by George T. Matthews for the Steering Committee.

A. Old Business:

1. From the Agenda of March 15, 1979, unamended motion from the University Committee on Undergraduate Instruction concerning changes in Withdrawal date (Kleckner/Tower).

Second Reading: Debatable, amendable and eligible for final vote at this meeting.

Comments: Kindly refer to the Agenda of March 15, 1979 for full motion.

2. From the Agenda of March 15, 1979, unamended motion from the Faculty Council for the School of Performing Arts concerning primary appointment in Dance (Cherno/Obear).

Second Reading: Debatable, amendable and eligible for final vote at this meeting.

Comments: Kindly refer to the Agenda of March 15, 1979 (New Business, Item 3) for the full motion.

3. From the Agenda of March 15, 1979, unamended motion from the Graduate Council concerning establishment of the degree of Education Specialist (Johnson/Coon).

Second Reading: Debatable, amendable and eligible for final vote at this meeting.

Comments. Kindly refer to the Agenda of March 15, 1979 (New Business, Item 4) for the full motion.

B. New Business

1. Motion from the University Committee on Undergraduate Instruction and the Center for Health Sciences (Mr. Kleckner).

MOVED THAT THE SENATE RECOMMEND TO THE PRESIDENT AND THE

BOARD THAT THE CREDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY BE RAISED FROM 128 to 136.

First Reading: Debatable, amendable but not eligible for final vote at this meeting.

Comments:

1. The Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology degree program has been functioning since 1973 with a credit limit of 128. In practice, virtually no students graduate from this program with less than 136 credits, due to the tight, structured character of the program with a heavy off-campus clinical component and strict licensure requirements. With the appointment of a fully qualified professional in this field the program has been reviewed and restructured in such a way as to require the 136 credit limit. The 24 credit general education component (approved by Arts and Sciences in 1973), learning skills and free electives are unaffected by this change; 136 credits are consistent with the Physical Therapy program approved last year and with the pattern of credits required by other universities in the state for Medical Technology programs. Professor Lynn Williams will be present to answer questions.

2. The proposal was reviewed and approved by the University Committee on Undergraduate Instruction on March 13, 1979.

2. Motion from the Academic Policy and Planning Committee and the Provost (Mr. Obear).

MOVED THAT THE SENATE RECOMMEND TO THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD THAT THE INSTITUTE OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES BE AUTHORIZED TO RECOMMEND PRIMARY APPOINTMENTS OF FACULTY USING THE TITLE (PROF., ASSOC. PROF., ASST. PROF.) OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES, FACULTY SO APPOINTED TO BE ASSIGNED PRIMARILY TO RESEARCH RESPONSIBILITIES.

First Reading: Debatable, amendable but not eligible for final vote at this meeting.

Comments:

1. The Institute of Biological Sciences is a distinguished scientific agency employing several research scientists. In the past, those qualified for faculty appointments have held primary appointments in academic units such as the Department of Biological Sciences and the Center for Health Sciences rather than in that unit (the Institute) with which they are most closely identified professionally. Increasingly these joint appointments have become less and less appropriate in part because the specialties involved no longer reasonably fit the specifications of existing academic units and in part because the appointment criteria of the Institute place heavier emphasis on research than is typical of traditional academic units in which teaching, program development and other service contributions receive proportionally greater weight. Yet, academic appointments are vital to the Institute, particularly in reference to the recognition they carry for federal and private support for its activities. Moreover, highly qualified scientists want such appointments and can obtain them at competing Institutions. The Institute needs the power of primary appointment if it is to continue to attract the quality of scientists on which perpetuation of its enviable reputation depends.

2. Granting power to recommend primary appointment of faculty under the biomedical title implies that the Institute be regarded as an academic unit. For appointment review purposes,

the established CAP of the Center for Health Sciences, which has provision for membership for the Institute, will be used.

3. This proposal has been reviewed and endorsed by the Academic Policy and Planning Committee which jointly sponsors this motion with the Provost. Mr. Obear will be prepared to reply to questions.

C. Good and Welfare: Private Resolutions

D. Informational Items:

1. There will be meetings of the Senate Thursday, April 12 and Thursday, April 19, 1979 at 3:15 p.m., 128-130 Oakland Center.

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