

Minutes of the University Faculty, May 6, 1959

The University Faculty met in special session in the Assembly Room of Lafferty Hall, Wednesday, May 6, 1959 at 3:00 p.m. In the absence of President Dickey, Vice President Leo M. Chamberlain presided. Members absent were: A. D. Albright, R. S. Allen\*, John C. Ball, D. K. Blythe, R. W. Boughton, L. L. Boyarsky, A. C. Brauer, Robert J. Buck, C. C. Carpenter\*, John M. Carpenter, Virgil Christian, Morris Cierley, Bernard Fitzgerald, William E. Grubbs, W. A. Heinz, Sidney J. Kaplan, L. L. Martin, L. E. Meece, Arthur K. Moore, Sallie E. Pence, L. Niel Plummer, O. L. Press\*, Edward W. Rannells, Thomas G. Roberts, Morris Scherago, G. W. Schneider\*, Alberta W. Server, Doris M. Seward, Roy E. Sigafus, Jonah W. E. Skiles, Earl P. Slone, Lawrence Thompson, Warren W. Walton, Frank J. Welch, Paul K. Whitaker, William R. Willard\*, C. B. Wooldridge, and Kenneth R. Wright.

The minutes of April 13 were read and approved.

The meeting had been called expressly for the purpose of considering the report of the Committee on Composition and Role of the University Faculty. Dean W. L. Matthews, Chairman of the Committee, in presenting the report called attention to certain points in each of the three parts of the report and offered to answer questions concerning them.

Part I names the functions of the University Faculty as authorized by the Governing Regulations. It also gives the results of a study of Faculty action during three two-year periods, 1936-38, 1946-48 and 1956-58 which indicate that much of the action has been administrative rather than declarations of policy. In addition to this study, the Committee interviewed a sampling of the teaching staff and incorporated a resume of their findings in this part of the report.

Part II consists of the Committee's recommendations concerning the role of the University Faculty.

Part III concerns the composition of the University Faculty and recommends some revisions in the present distribution.

Some questions were asked of the Chairman by various members of the University Faculty, mainly with a view to clarification of some of the recommendations.

The Chairman did not move approval of the report, but stated that it would be presented at the next regular meeting, May 11, at which time he would move "that the report of the Committee be received and approved, and that it serve as the University Faculty's statement of what its composition and role should be."

\* Absence explained

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Dean White asked that the University Faculty take note of the fact that the Committee had worked hard and had made a fine report.

The Faculty adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

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Minutes of the University Faculty, May 11, 1959

The University Faculty met in the Assembly Room of Lafferty Hall Monday, May 11, 1959, at 4:00 p.m. President Dickey presided. The President was greeted with applause to welcome him to his first Faculty meeting since his trip to Indonesia. Members absent were: Jacob H. Adler, L. L. Boyarsky, Morris Cierley, Carl Cone, Bernard Fitzgerald, Arthur C. Glasser, Wilbur A. Heinz, Sidney J. Kaplan, L. L. Martin, R. S. Mateer\*, L. E. Meece, Sallie E. Pence, Pete Perlman, Morris Scherago, Doris M. Seward, R. E. Shaver\*, Jonah W. D. Skiles, Earl P. Slone\*, Harry A. Smith, Dewey G. Steele, Lawrence S. Thompson and William E. Willard\*.

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The Faculty heard resolutions on the deaths of two professors, Ernest T. Wightman, read by Prof. W. M. Insko, and Frank J. Cheek, read by Prof. David K. Blythe. These resolutions were ordered spread upon the minutes of the University Faculty and copies sent to their respective families.

Ernest Thomas Wightman was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, August 26, 1893 and died in Lexington, Kentucky April 22, 1959. He received the degree of B.S. in Agriculture from Pennsylvania State College in 1917 and the degree of M.S. in Agriculture from West Virginia University in 1926. He had done graduate work at the University of Wisconsin.

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