

JOURNAL OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE  
Regular Session, April 26, 1954, 4:10 P. M.  
Monnet Hall, Room 101

The University Senate, meeting in regular session, was called to order by the Chairman, Dr. Joseph C. Pray.

Present

Bavinger, E. A.  
Bell, R. E.  
Bernhart, Arthur  
Bruce, J. B.  
Comp, L. A.  
David, Paul R.  
Farrar, Clyde L.  
Fraser, George  
Goodman, G. J.  
Hall, Rufus G.  
Harvey, Harriet  
Kerr, Harrison  
Leek, J. H.  
Monnett, V. E.

Present

Moorhead, M. L.  
Morris, Virginia  
Olson, Ralph E.  
Poston, Lawrence, Jr.  
Pray, J. C.  
Raines, J. M.  
J. E. Reese  
Ruggiers, Paul G.  
Scatori, Stephen  
Sears, A. B.  
Stanley, A. J.  
Wardell, M. L.  
Westfall, O. D.  
Wilson, M. O.

Absent

Cross, George L.  
Duncan, J. P.  
Ewing, Cortez  
James, R. V.  
Kelly, Florene C.  
Lane, Willard R.  
Livezey, W. E.  
McFarland, Dora  
Mertex, J. E.  
Peach, W. N.  
Ragan, W. B.  
Self, J. T.  
Tuma, Gerald  
White, R. R.  
Wiley, J. B.  
Winfrey, Lewis E.

## APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Correction

Dr. Porter called attention to an error in the listing of Nominations for University Committees and Councils, Pages 2 through 8, of the Journal of the Senate for March 29, 1954. Professors A. O. Weese, Harriet Harvey, Teague Self, and Harley Brown were listed as representative of the Department of Plant Science, although they are members of the faculty of the Department of Zoology.

With attention called to this error, the Journal of the University Senate for the meeting held on March 29, 1954 was approved.

## ATHLETIC COUNCIL

In accordance with arrangements made by the Chairman of the University Senate, Earl Sneed, Chairman of the Athletic Council, and Charles B. Wilkinson, Director of Athletics, were present to discuss elements in the athletic program of the University.

Dean Sneed presented information relative to the development of the reconstituted Athletic Council. He also discussed the functions of the Council and indicated a number of policy problems which have been considered in recent months. Bud Wilkinson and Dean Sneed answered a number of questions asked specifically of them by members of the University Senate.

## NOMINATIONS FOR UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS

Explanatory Comment

At the March meeting of the University Senate the Committee on Committees made recommendations of persons to be voted upon as nominees for appointment to fourteen committees and councils. Additional nominations were made from the floor of the Senate and the entire list of nominees was presented in the Journal of the Senate for March 29, 1954.

When the list of nominations was considered on April 26, Dr. Ruggiers made additional nominations as follows:

Council on Instruction -- Ernest Ross -- English  
 Council on Planning and Development -- Stewart Wilcox -- English  
 Student Conduct Committee -- Lydia Haag -- English

Dean Kerr stated that Frank Hughes, nominated for the Council on Instruction, would be away from the campus in 1954-55. Dean Kerr moved that the name of Frank Hughes be stricken from the list and nominated Carlos Mosley, Director of the School of Music.

Following the above nominations from the floor, a vote was taken to determine the list of nominations to be submitted to President Cross. The complete list is reproduced here. It should be noted that the list of nominations for each council and committee contains the names of twice the number of persons that President Cross will appoint to the council or committee.

## 1. ATHLETIC COUNCIL

Maurine Bowling -- Physical Education  
 Lowell Dunham -- Modern Language  
 Frank Melton -- Geology  
 Ralph Olson -- Geography  
 John Raines -- English  
 Joe Taylor -- Art

## 2. COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS AND ADVANCED STANDING

Jeanette Alesandri -- Modern Language  
 Victor Elconin -- English  
 Ellen Kelly -- Physical Education  
 George Reid -- Engineering

## 3. BUDGET COUNCIL

Dewey Barnes -- Accounting  
 Oliver Benson -- Government  
 Kenneth Crook -- Chemistry  
 George Fraser -- Law  
 Sam C. Holland -- Engineering  
 Jim E. Reese -- Economics

Nominations for University Committees and Councils -- continued

## 4. CLASS SCHEDULE COMMITTEE

Stanley Coffman -- English  
 Gail de Stowlinski -- Music  
 Jack Douglas -- Speech  
 Erich Eichholz -- Modern Language  
 Stuart Faunce -- Engineering  
 John Fellows -- Admissions and Records  
 William Huff -- Mathematics  
 John Leibenderfer -- Finance  
 Ray Matlock -- Engineering  
 Edwin McReynolds -- History  
 Clifford Merritt -- Geology  
 Susan Millier -- Home Economics  
 John Morris -- Geography  
 Laurence Mortensen -- Drama  
 Gerald Porter -- Education  
 Dorothy Preston -- Home Economics  
 Elroy Rice -- Plant Science  
 H. H. Rowley -- Chemistry  
 Boyce Timmons -- Admissions and Records  
 Herbert Wrinkle -- Education

## 5. COUNCIL ON INSTRUCTION

John Casey -- Journalism  
 Maurice Merrill -- Law  
 Carlos Mosley -- Music  
 Ernest Ross -- English

## 6. COUNCIL ON PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Gene Bavinger -- Art  
 Gerald Tuma -- Engineering

## 7. ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

Secretary of the University Senate  
 W. R. Bandy -- Law  
 Gene Bavinger -- Art  
 Howard Benischek -- Engineering  
 John Bruce -- Pharmacy  
 Daniel Cardenas -- Modern Language, Arts and Sciences  
 Dennis Crites -- Marketing, Business Administration  
 Gail de Stwolinski -- Music, Fine Arts  
 Frank Elkouri -- Law  
 John Ezell -- History, Graduate  
 Cecil Headlee -- Pharmacy  
 George Hoke -- Business Law, Graduate  
 Helen Kyle -- Education  
 Myron Leiberman -- Education  
 William McGrew -- Accounting, Business Administration  
 William Oglesby -- Engineering  
 Reed Powell -- Sociology, Arts and Sciences  
 Lawrence Scott -- Medicine  
 James Smith -- Medicine

Nominations for University Committees and Councils -- continued

## 8. COMMITTEE ON LIBRARIES

Willis Bowen -- Modern Language  
 Paul Brinker -- Economics  
 George Huffman -- Geology  
 Henry Robinson -- Classical Language  
 Alexander Saunders -- English  
 L. F. Smith

## 9. PAN AMERICAN COMMITTEE

Lyle Albright -- Engineering  
 Robert Bell -- Anthropology  
 Milton Hahn -- Modern Language  
 Rufus Hall -- Government  
 Harry Hoy -- Geography  
 Gaston Litton -- History  
 Max Moorhead -- History  
 Reed Powell -- Sociology  
 Stephen Scatori -- Modern Language  
 Lucy Tandy -- Extension

## 10. STUDENT CONDUCT COMMITTEE

Lowry A. Duncan -- Government  
 William Tongue -- Classical Language

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## 11. COMMITTEE ON RETIREMENT AND TENURE

Bessee A. Clement -- Modern Language  
 John Leek -- Government

## 12. PUBLIC LECTURES AND COLLOQUIA COMMITTEE

Joe Benton -- Music  
 Oliver Benson -- Government  
 Helen Burton -- Home Economics  
 W. H. Carson -- Engineering  
 Ralph Clark -- Pharmacy  
 J. P. Duncan -- Government  
 Cortez Ewing -- Government  
 Bruce Goff -- Architecture  
 Harriet Harvey -- Zoology  
 Arthur Heilman -- Education  
 H. H. Herbert -- Journalism  
 William Keown -- Business Management  
 William Livezey -- Arts and Science  
 J. H. Marshburn -- English  
 J. Rud Nielsen -- Physics  
 Spenser Norton -- Music

Ernst Noth -- Books Abroad  
 Muzafer Sherif -- Psychology  
 Leslie Smith -- History  
 Lloyd Swearingen -- Science  
 Dale Vliet -- Law  
 Morris Wardell -- History  
 John Whitaker -- Journalism  
 Thurman White -- Extension

Nominations for University Committees and Councils -- continued

13. SERIAL PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

Walter Campbell -- Journalism  
Alfred Chatenever -- Engineering  
Pearce Kelley -- Marketing  
Harrison Kerr -- Fine Arts  
Savoie Lottinville -- University Press  
Harold Mathis -- Engineering  
Victor Monnett -- Geology  
J. Rud Nielsen -- Physics  
Lawrence Poston, Jr. -- Modern Language  
Lawrence Rohrbaugh -- Plant Science  
Ernest Ross -- English  
Alfred Sears -- History  
Teague Self -- Zoology  
Kester Svendsen -- English

14. UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE

Carl Almquist -- Engineering  
Henry Angelino -- Education  
Rudolph Barbab -- English  
Guy Brown -- Alumni Association  
Harley Brown -- Zoology  
Bennett Clark -- Plant Science  
Glenn Couch -- University College  
Lawrence Freeman -- Business College  
George Huffman -- Geology  
John Keltner -- Speech  
J. E. LaFon -- Mathematics  
Paul MacMinn -- Student Affairs  
Max Moorhead -- History  
Carlos Mosley -- Music  
Joseph Rarick -- Law  
Stephen Scatori -- Modern Language  
Iva Schmitt -- Anthropology  
Blanche Sommers -- Pharmacy  
Boyce Timmons -- Admissions and Records  
Alvin Van den Bark -- English

NOMINATIONS FOR THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO DIRECT A SELF-EVALUATION STUDY

Report of the Committee on Committees

At the March meeting the Senate approved a committee report recommending the appointment of a special committee to direct a self-evaluation study of the University. This special committee is to be appointed by the President from a list of fourteen nominations by the University Senate.

The Committee on Committees, therefore, is submitting a list of fourteen names for the consideration of the University Senate.

Arthur Bernhart -- Mathematics	William H. Keown -- Bus. Mgmt.
William S. Burgett -- Architecture	Frank C. Morris -- Engineering
Carl B. Cass -- Drama	Lawrence Poston, Jr. -- Mod. Lang.
Leon S. Ciereszko -- Chemistry	Joseph C. Pray -- Government
Cortez A. M. Ewing -- Government	John P. Pritchard -- English
Harriet Harvey -- Zoology	D. Ross Pugmire -- Education
H. H. Herbert -- Journalism	George W. Reid -- Engineering

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

J. B. Bruce	J. B. Wiley
G. J. Goodman	L. E. Winfrey
J. E. Reese, Chairman	

Senate Action

Dr. Reese called attention to the fact that President Cross had not indicated approval of the recommendation made by the University Senate that a self-evaluation study be conducted. He suggested that it would be well to follow a uniform procedure in making nominations and moved that the report of the Committee on Committees be considered only in terms of additional nominations from the floor. The motion was seconded and passed.

Dr. Hall nominated Vice President Pete Kyle McCarter to the Special Committee. Dr. Poston requested the withdrawal of his name from the list of nominations to the Special Committee.

This matter will appear on the Agenda of the May meeting. At that time the University Senate will undoubtedly approve a complete list of nominations for the Special Committee to direct a self-evaluation study of the University.

## FACULTY TENURE

Report of the Committee on Faculty Personnel

April 12, 1954

To: University Senate  
 From: Committee on Faculty Personnel

In a letter to Dr. Browder, dated May 20, 1953, Dr. H. H. Bliss, Secretary of the University of Oklahoma Chapter of the American Association of University Professors submitted to the Senate a resolution concerning matters of tenure.

The Committee on Faculty Personnel submits the following recommendation:

The University Senate recommends that the Board of Regents authorize the President to refer any case involving possible revocation of tenure to the Faculty Committee on Retirement and Tenure for preliminary investigation and recommendation before any such case is heard by the Board of Regents.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE ON FACULTY PERSONNEL

George J. Goodman	J. C. Pray
Dora McFarland	O. D. Westfall
M. L. Moorhead	L. E. Winfrey
R. E. Olson	C. L. Farrar, Chairman

Senate Action

Professor Farrar presented the report of the Committee on Faculty Personnel. He commented briefly concerning its development and moved that the recommendation in the report be approved by the University Senate. His motion was seconded and passed.

## REPORTING ACADEMIC STATUS OF STUDENTS

Report of the Committee on Academic Standards

At the March 29, 1954 meeting the University Senate approved the "Regulations Governing the Enrolment and Continuance in Advanced ROTC and the Reporting of Academic Status to Selective Service and the Veterans Administration" which were submitted by the Committee on Academic Standards. Since that time, Mr. Wadsack has received a new interpretation of Selective Service rules which allows considerable latitude in the definition of a "full-time" graduate student. In the light of this new interpretation, your chairman took it upon himself to request Dr. Cross to hold up his approval of the regulations until after the committee and the Senate had acted on a more liberal modification.

Reporting Academic Status of Students -- continued

Committee Recommendation

It is recommended that point 4 of the regulations be amended to include the underlined portion so as to read as follows:

4. A graduate student will be considered full-time provided that in any semester he is enrolled in not less than 12 semester hours of course work or its equivalent in thesis research and/or such other activities as are generally regarded as an integral part of his graduate program.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC STANDARDS

Cortez Ewing	
Lawrence Poston, Jr.	M. L. Wardell
V. E. Monnet	J. T. Self
W. N. Peach	John B. Bruce, Chairman

Senate Action

Dr. Bruce presented the report of his committee relative to the matter of reporting the academic status of students. He moved that the committee recommendation be approved by the Senate. His motion was seconded and passed.

EXAMINATION TECHNIQUES

Report of the Committee on Academic Standards

On February 17, 1954 President Cross requested that a "Resolution Relating to More Efficient Examination Techniques" from the Student Senate be placed on the Agenda of the University Senate. The complete resolution appears on pages 9 and 10 of the Journal of the University Senate for March 29, 1954. At the March 29 meeting this matter was referred to the Committee on Academic Standards.

Committee Recommendation

It is recommended that the University Senate express its thanks to the Student Senate for the suggestions in regard to "Examination Techniques" and, further, that these suggestions be transmitted to each member of the teaching faculty.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC STANDARDS

Cortez Ewing	M. L. Wardell
Lawrence Poston, Jr.	J. T. Self
V. E. Monnet	John B. Bruce, Chairman
W. N. Peach	



Examination Techniques -- continuedSenate Action

Dr. Bruce presented the report of the Committee on Academic Standards relative to the matter of examination techniques. He moved that the committee recommendation be approved. The motion was seconded and approved by the Senate.

## DISPOSAL OF EXAMINATIONS

Report of the Committee on Academic Standards

At the March 29, 1954 meeting of the University Senate a letter from Professor Leslie F. Smith dated February 23, 1954 was referred to the Committee on Academic Standards. The letter concerned the installation of incinerators in various departments so that secretaries and professors could personally see to the destruction of stencils of examinations and other important documents.

Committee Recommendation

It is recommended that incinerators not be purchased or installed. The disposal of examinations and important documents is considered to be an individual matter and should not be legislated.

Respectfully submitted,

## COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC STANDARDS

Cortez Ewing	M. L. Wardell
Lawrence Poston, Jr.	J. T. Self
V. E. Monnett	John B. Bruce, Chairman
W. N. Peach	

Senate Action

Dr. Bruce presented the report concerning disposal of examinations and moved that the committee recommendation be adopted by the Senate. His motion was seconded.

Dr. Hall moved to amend the above motion by deleting from the committee recommendation the words "an individual" and inserting the words "a matter for individual instructors". His motion to amend was seconded.

Dr. Westfall moved to amend the amendment by deleting from the committee recommendation the words "is considered to be an individual matter" and inserting the words "should be left to the discretion of the individual instructors." His motion to amend the amendment was seconded.

Dr. Reese offered a substitute motion that the University Senate take no action on the original motion by Dr. Bruce. The substitute motion was seconded and passed by the Senate.

FINAL EXAMINATIONS AND COMMENCEMENT

Report of the Committee on Academic Standards

At the March 29, 1954 meeting of the University Senate a Resolution from the Student Senate, "An Act to Establish Commencement Exercises of the University of Oklahoma on the Last Day of Classes and Exempt Graduating Seniors from Finals," was referred to the Committee on Academic Standards. The complete resolution was reproduced on Pages 11 and 12 of the Journal of the Senate for March 29.

Committee Recommendation

It is recommended that there be no change in the existing procedures for Commencement and for the exemption of seniors from final examinations.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC STANDARDS

Cortez Ewing	M. L. Wardell
Lawrence Poston, Jr.	J. T. Self
V. E. Monnett	John B. Bruce, Chairman
W. N. Peach	

Senate Action

Dr. Bruce presented the Report of the Committee on Academic Standards and moved the adoption of the Committee Recommendation. His motion was seconded and passed by the Senate.

EIGHT WEEKS GRADES

Report of the Committee on Student and Public Relations

April 15, 1954

To: Gerald A. Porter, Secretary of the University Senate  
From: L. A. Comp, Chairman of the Committee on Student and Public Relations  
Subject: Problem of Obtaining Eight-Weeks' Grade Reports

The Committee on Student and Public Relations had a meeting on April 12, 1954 to study subject problem. The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m. with the following members present: Virginia Morris, Harrison Kerr, J. P. Duncan, A. J. Stanley, and L. A. Comp. Dr. J. E. Fellows, Dean of the Office of Admissions and Records, was present on the request of the Chairman, and presented the mechanics of grade reporting as followed under his direction.

Eight Weeks Grades -- continued

The Committee wishes to make two recommendations:

- I. In order to obtain eight week's grade reports on prospective pledges that the procedure devised by the Interfraternity Council be adopted. This plan is as follows:

The pledge submits his full name, classification, name of Fraternity and lists all courses, course number, section numbers, time of classes and instructor's name.

These lists will be compiled by I. F. C. Scholarship Committee and submitted to each professor by mail. Each professor contacted will be asked to indicate the grade of the student and return the form to the I. F. C. Scholarship Committee.

- II. That the present system used in reporting eight week's grades be continued. This system reports all grades of D, E and F, together with absences and reasons indicated as to the instructor's belief on why such grades were made by the student.

Facts pertinent to recommendation Number II. Approximately 4000 grades which probably represented 3000 students were reported for the eight week's grades for the second semester of 1953-54. These reports were in the hands of the Advisers, Deans and Parents during the 9th week of the semester. If all grades had been reported it would have required the processing of 50,000 grades. With the present staff in the Office of Admissions and Records and the IBM Office this would have required at least three weeks. To serve its purpose a report on unsatisfactory work should be available not later than the 9th week. Public relations with parents of University students dictates rapid transmission of unsatisfactory performance on the part of their children.

The exact letter grade of a student doing satisfactory work does not warrant the additional expenditure of reporting all grades, at the eight weeks period.

Each faculty member, as a member of the Public Relations Staff, should consider every student's request for a grade report during the semester with diligence and understanding.

COMMITTEE ON STUDENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

L. A. Comp, Chairman	Virginia Morris
J. P. Duncan	A. J. Stanley
Harrison Kerr	

Senate Action

Professor Comp presented the report of the Committee on Student and Public Relations. He moved that Recommendation I in the report be adopted by the Senate. His motion was seconded and passed.

Eight Weeks Grades -- continued

Professor Comp made a motion that Recommendation II (first paragraph of the second part of the preceding report) be approved by the Senate. His motion was seconded and passed.

BUDGET COUNCIL

As new business not indicated in the Agenda, Dr. Hall requested that the University Senate consider the matter of whether chairmen of departments and directors of schools should serve on the University Budget Council.

Dr. Hall moved that the problem involved in the Senate nominating chairmen of departments and directors of schools to the Budget Council be considered by the proper committee of the Senate. His motion was seconded and passed by the Senate. The Chairman of the University Senate immediately referred this matter to the Committee on University Organization, Budget, and Publications.

ELECTION OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Professor Bavinger, Chairman of the Committee on University Organization, Budget, and Publications, reported informally on the progress that his committee is making in considering the procedures in selecting the Secretary of the Senate.

ADJOURNMENT

The University Senate adjourned at 6:00 p.m. The next regular meeting will be Monday, May 31, 1954, at 4:10 p.m. Material for the Agenda should be in the Office of the Secretary by Monday, May 24.

Gerald A. Porter, Secretary

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