

## JOURNAL OF UNIVERSITY SENATE

Regular Session, May 25, 1959, 4:10 P. M.  
Monnet Hall, Room 101

The University Senate, meeting in regular session, was called to order by Dr. Rufus G. Hall, Jr., Chairman.

Present

Almquist C. T. (1)  
Artman, Jim (1)  
Bandy, William (1)  
Bell, Robert E. (1)  
Bowen, Willis H.  
Brinker, Paul A. (3)  
Brixey, John C. (1)  
Cass, Carl B. (3)  
Coffman, Stanley K. (2)  
Cross, George L. (2)  
Ewing, Cortez A. M.  
Ezell, John S.  
Fell, Ruth D. (1)  
Fite, Gilbert (1)  
Hall, Rufus G., Jr. (1)  
Heilman, Arthur  
Hoy, Harry E. (1)

Present

Livezey, William E. (2)  
Love, Tom J. (3)  
Morris, John W. (2)  
Peterson, Robert A. (4)  
Poston, Lawrence, Jr.  
Raines, John W. (4)  
Rice, Leslie H. (2)  
Roller, Duane H. D. (2)  
Rupiper, Omer (2)  
Smith, William H. (2)  
Schultz, E. J. (3)  
Sommers, E. Blanche (2)  
Steanson, Edith (2)  
Tongue, William R. (3)  
Upchurch, Vernon (3)  
Warren, Mary A. (2)  
Wilcox, Stewart (1)

Absent

Colmore, John P. (6)  
Crites, Dennis M. (2)  
Croft, Albert J. (1)  
Elconin, Victor (3)  
Hale, John M. (2)  
Howard, Robert A. (3)  
Keown, William H. (1)  
Larsen, Earl G. (3)  
Mouck, Fred A. (2)  
Pool, Richard B. (1)

NOTE: During this year there were eight regular meetings of the University Senate and one special session. The numbers in the parentheses above indicate meetings missed. In each case where there is no number, the Senator has a record of perfect attendance for the year.

## APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The Journal of the University Senate for the regular meeting held on April 27, 1959, was approved.

## SENATORS ELECTED RECENTLY

During the past few weeks, elections have been held in all cases where necessary to provide proper representation in the University Senate for the year 1959-60. New senators, elected to three-year terms (1959-62), are:

College of Arts and Sciences.....	John G. Eriksen -- Joe C. Holland --Lowell Dunham -- Arthur H. Doerr-- Nelson Peach -- Hans A. Schmitt -- William N. Huff
College of Business Administration.....	Tannell Shadid
College of Education.....	Edith Steanson
College of Engineering.....	W. R. Upthegrove
College of Fine Arts.....	Eugene Bavinger
Graduate College.....	Orin K. Crosser
General Faculty.....	J. Clayton Feaver -- C. E. Springer

## UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS FOR 1959-60

Explanatory comment

At the regular meeting of the University Senate in April, 1959, nominations for various University Committees for 1959-60 were presented by the Committee on Committees. Additional nominations were made from the floor of the Senate at that meeting.

Senate Action

At the meeting on May 25, 1959, the University Senate acted on the nominations. Additional nominations were made from the floor and voting on all nominations was accomplished. The nominations submitted to President Cross, from which he will make appointments to the specific committees for 1959-60, are as follows:

Committee on Academic Standards

Carl Moore -- Geology  
Lawrence Rohrbaugh -- Plant Sciences

Kennon Shank -- Speech  
T. P. Herrick -- Accounting

Athletic Council

Erich Eichholz -- Mod. Languages  
Stanley Coffman -- English  
Carl Riggs -- Zoology

James Murphy -- Finance  
Howard Larsh -- Plant Sciences  
Stewart Wilcox -- English

Budget Council

C. T. Almquist -- Elec. Engr.  
Albert Croft -- Speech  
Harriet Harvey -- Zoology

Bernard O. Heston -- Chemistry  
George Huffman -- Geology  
Joseph R. Taylor -- Art

Council on Instruction

Henry Angelino -- Education  
Cortez A. M. Ewing -- Government  
Donnell Owings -- History

Robert St. John -- Physics  
Elroy Rice -- Plant Sciences  
John Whitaker -- Journalism

Committee on Libraries

William Burgett -- Architecture  
Orin Crosser -- Chem. Engr.  
Richard Fowler -- Physics

George Fraser -- Law  
Gene Levy -- Mathematics  
Charles Suggs -- Drama

Committee on Retirement and Tenure

Nelson Peach -- Economics

Donald Clark -- Drama

Council on Planning and Development

Ray Matlock -- Civil Engr.

William Bandy -- Law

Student Conduct Committee

Besse Clement -- Modern Languages

Harold Bone -- Mech. Engr.

University Committee Nominations for 1959-60 -- continuedClass Schedule Committee

Paul Brinker -- Economics	Omer Rupiper -- Education
Brandon Griffith -- Mechanics	Digby Bell -- Music
Jack Dodson -- Sociology	Stanley Coffman -- English
Rudolph Bambas -- English	R. W. Harris -- Geology
Sam Krislov -- Government	Sam Holland -- Engr. Drawing
Harold Affspring -- Chemistry	George Noah -- Finance
Laurence Mortensen -- Drama	Sara R. Richards -- Home Econ.
Carole Hass -- Phy. Ed. Women	Raymond R. White -- Sec. Sci.

Extension Council

W. R. Upthegrove -- Metal. Engr.	Sherril Christian -- Chemistry
Seymour Feiler -- Modern Languages	Gail de Stwolinski -- Music
Herbert Ellison -- History	Ansel Resler -- Speech

Elections Committee

Norman Chance -- Anthropology	Jean Brown -- Pharmacy
Ruth Elder -- Education	Benjamin Cartwright -- Education
Preston Moore -- Petr. Engr.	Homer Brown -- Accounting
Norman Fogel -- Chemistry	James Melton -- Engineering
Earl LaFon -- Mathematics	Carl Moore -- Geology
Sara R. Richards -- Home Econ.	Maurice Merrill -- Law
John Whitaker -- Journalism	Roger Nebergall -- Speech
W. T. Penfound -- Plant Sciences	James Smith -- Medicine
C. G. Thayer -- English	R. W. Tomberlin -- Fine Arts

University Scholarships Committee

Glenn Snider -- Education	Guy H. Brown -- Alumni Assoc.
W. C. McGrew -- Accounting	Ernest Byrn -- Chemistry
James Abbott -- Mod. Languages	Frank Cole -- Petr. Engr.
Paul Ruggiors -- English	Glenn C. Couch -- Univer. College
Jean Brown -- Pharmacy	Chester Francis -- Music
Ray Daniels -- Metal. Engr.	R. Boyd Gunning -- Okla. Found.
Beal Hyde -- Plant Sciences	Lydia Haag -- English
Ruth Fell -- Education	Mary Petty -- Education
Horace Bliss -- Chemistry	Grace Ray -- Journalism
Joseph Rarick -- Law	Mary Warren -- Home Econ.
Walter Scheffer -- Government	John E. Mertes -- Marketing

University Organization Study Committee

Cortez A. M. Ewing -- Government	Kenneth Crook -- Chemistry
J. Rud Nielsen -- Physics	Jim E. Reese -- Economics
Dewey Barnes -- Accounting	Paul David -- Zoology
Clyde Farrar -- Elec. Engr.	John Powers -- Chem. Engr.
Arthur Heilman -- Education	Joseph Rarick -- Law

## UNIVERSITY CALENDAR FOR 1960-61

Explanatory Comment

Presented here are two calendars prepared for the year, 1960-61. The first was prepared by the Dr. John E. Fellows, Dean of Admissions and Records, and Dr. Jim P. Artman, Editor of University Publications. The second calendar was prepared by Dr. Cortez A. M. Ewing and presented to the University Senate on May 25.

1960-61 Calendar No. 1 (Prepared in complete conformity with the Policies Governing the Formulation of the University of Oklahoma Calendar, Journal of the University Senate, December 8, 1958)

1960First Semester

Sept. 19-24

Freshman period, registration, consultation of students with advisers, enrollment.

Sept. 26

Classwork begins -- 8:00 a.m.

Nov. 23

Thanksgiving recess begins -- 10:00 p.m.

Nov. 28

Classwork resumed -- 8:00 a.m.

Dec. 17

Christmas recess begins -- 12:00 noon.

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Jan 3.

Classwork resumed -- 8:00 a.m.

Jan. 30 - Feb. 4

Semester Examinations

Second Semester

Feb. 3 - 4

Orientation for new students

Feb. 6 - 9

Registration, consultation of students with advisers, enrollment.

Feb. 10

Classwork begins -- 8:00 a.m.

April 8

Spring vacation begins -- 12:00 noon.

April 17

Classwork resumed -- 8:00 a.m.

June 5 - 10

Semester examinations.

June 11

Commencement exercises (Sunday)

Summer Session

June 9 10

Orientation for new students.

June 13 - 14

Summer session enrollment.

June 15

Classwork begins -- 7:00 a.m.

August 10 - 11

Summer session examinations

August 13

Summer session commencement exercises (Sunday)

- NOTE:
1. Classwork would begin on Monday, September 26, 1960.
  2. Allowing for 46 MWF classes for each of the two semester, and beginning classes on the 26th of September, the commencement exercises will fall on Sunday, June 11, 1961, instead of June 4.
  3. The spring vacation, according to this plan, will not include Easter Sunday, since according to the calendar principles adopted by the University Senate, the spring vacation begins on the Saturday of the 8th week of classes, which in this instance will be April 8.
  4. Commencements, in order to fall on Sundays, will be June 11, 1961 and August 13, 1961.



University Calendar for 1960-61 -- continued

Our unfortunate experiences with the calendar in the last year or two have convinced me that any calendar should provide for the following:

1. Commencement not later than June 6 in any year.
2. Commencement always on a Sunday.
3. A real graduation and not a mock ceremony such as we are planning for this year's Commencement. There are at least two ways in which this can be achieved: (a) by scheduling Commencement after final examinations and providing for a 48-hour interim between the last examination day and Commencement to permit the proper processing of grades; (b) by scheduling Commencement before final examinations and providing for preliminary grades for graduating seniors to be considered as final grades for purposes of computing degree requirements.

These changes should not require any reduction in the number of class days per semester. The tentative calendar calls for classes to begin on the extraordinarily late date of September 26.

I hope that you will bring these observations to the attention of the Senate when the calendar comes up for consideration.

Pete Kyle McCarter

Senate Action

Preliminary to discussion of the calendar, the Chairman of the University Senate read the foregoing letter from Vice President McCarter. The Chairman then requested Dr. Ewing to distribute copies of the calendar which he had prepared and to comment concerning it. Dr. Ewing did so.

Dr. Artman raised for discussion the problem of getting grades rapidly at the end of the year. This lead into further discussion of the overall problem and consideration of the advisability of having the mock type of commencement exercises. It was the consensus of the Senate members that the plans for the commencement exercises utilized this year should be continued for another year before a final decision is reached to continue or discontinue the mock ceremony arrangement.

Dr. Ewing moved that the calendar No. 2, as presented on Page 5 of this Journal be approved. His motion was seconded and passed by the Senate.

## EVALUATION OF CERTAIN UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

Report of Committee on University Organization, Budget and Publications

The University Senate at its meeting on April 28, 1958 approved several recommendations by this committee in regard to the elimination, continuation, or modification of certain University committees. Among the recommendations were ones that suggested the re-study at the end of the 1958 calendar year of the three committees listed below. The chairmen and members of the committees listed have been asked to give their viewpoints upon the work of the committees. As a result of the replies received, our committee hereby submits the following recommendations.

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
1. Committee on Student Conduct	That the committee be continued but that the committee be asked to study its functions and its composition during the next school year, and that it recommend directly to the Office of the President such changes as the committee deems desirable.
2. DeGolyer Library Purchases Committee	That this committee also be asked to discuss and to study its functions and to recommend directly to the President whether the committee should be continued, modified, or eliminated. (The feeling expressed by most members of this committee was that there was little or no reason for continuing this committee. However, concern was expressed by a limited number of members about the presently dormant but important potential function of the committee in finding money to keep the collection from becoming stagnant.)
3. Serial Publications Committee	That this committee be abolished, but that it be recommended to the President's Office that if and when funds become available for the provision of serial publications that an appropriate committee be reconstituted at that time.

Committee on University Organization,  
Budget and Publications

C. T. Almquist                      Robert E. Bell  
John M. Hale                        William E. Livezey  
Lawrence S. Poston                Edith Steanson  
Dennis M. Crites, Chairman

Evaluation of Certain University Committees -- continuedSenate Action

In the absence of Dr. Crites, Chairman of the Committee on University Organization, Budget and Publications, Dean Livezey commented relative to the foregoing report of that Committee.

Dean Livezey moved that the report be adopted by the University Senate and submitted to President Cross. His motion was seconded and approved.

UNIFORM SYSTEM OF NUMERICAL DESIGNATION OF COURSES Report of the Committee on Courses and Curricula

The Committee has met twice to consider the Student Senate resolution regarding a uniform numbering system for courses. It discussed the matter with Mr. Robert Berry, representing Mr. Roy Adams, the student who sponsored the resolution, and with Miss Ruth Arnold, Director of Admissions.

It believes, as a result of these discussions and its own, that such a system could not be both uniform and informative. Though it could be made to show number of hours credit, this is about the only information it could give that can be uniformly expressed for schools and departments throughout the University. As soon as variations are introduced by schools and departments then the point of the system is lost, and the student does not gain enough by the change to make it worth while.

The Office of Admissions and Records, which has, administratively, most to do with course numbers, transfer credits, etc., does not feel that the kind of number used is of any particular significance. None of the various numbering systems with which it has to deal, and this includes those of other state schools, gives enough information to permit the number alone to be used as a basis for evaluation. In evaluating transcripts, course descriptions and prerequisites have to be studied anyway.

Admitting that our own system is somewhat chaotic, the Committee nevertheless feels that because of the very slight result expected, it cannot recommend the study proposed in the Student Senate resolution referred to it. This hardly appears the time for changes or even studies whose results seem certain to be uneconomical because to the disproportion of effort expended to advantages gained. It recommends that the Faculty Senate advise the Student Senate that it considers the proposal impractical at the present time.

## Committee on Courses and Curricula

F. A. Mouck	A. J. Croft
G. C. Fite	R. H. Hall, Jr.
E. B. Sommers	R. A. Howard
E. J. Schultz	
S. K. Coffman, Jr. Chairman	



Uniform System of Numerical Designation of Courses -- continued

Senate Action

In the absence of Dr. Coffman, Chairman of the Committee on Courses and Curricula, Dr. Fite commented relative to the development of the foregoing report. He then moved that the report be approved by the University Senate. His motion was seconded and passed.

ADJOURNMENT

The University Senate adjourned at 5:05 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, September 28, 1959. Materials for the Agenda should be in the Office of the Secretary by Wednesday, September 16.

Gerald A. Porter, Secretary

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William Lyman of Historical Photographs in America - continued

General Notes

In the absence of Mr. Lyman, Director of the Library of Congress, during the 1950s, the 1750s material relating to the 1850s report of the Lyman family was reviewed by the Librarian, Mr. Lyman, and the records were printed.

The Lyman family's collection of 1750s material was first reported in 1950. The report was published in the Library of Congress Bulletin, September 1950, page 10. The report was published in the Bulletin of the Department of the Interior, September 1950, page 10.

William Lyman, Secretary