

Minutes
Educational Affairs Committee Meeting
January 27, 1994

Present: Professors Carol Meeks (Chair), Peter Dress, Dwight Coulter, Frances Teague, Spencer Tinkham, Betty Whitten, and Mr. Kevin Baer (Student Representative).

Dr. Meeks called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. on January 27, 1994. The first item of business was an update on the Proposed Policy on Course Substitution and Modification for Students with Learning Disabilities at the University. The Committee was reminded that this policy has been in operation for more than three years, but that it has not been approved by the Council. Dr. Meeks reported that minor changes were made in proposed policy by the Executive Committee and that the Standards Committee of the College of Arts and Sciences is currently updating the lists of courses which are acceptable substitutes for the foreign language requirement.

A letter from Mr. Len Davis, Director of the Office of EEO, was distributed and reviewed. In his letter, Mr. Davis proposed that a comprehensive academic program accommodation policy for students with disabilities be developed. After a brief discussion the Committee agreed to work on a comprehensive policy.

A list of University baccalaureate degrees with required academic quarter credit hours for each was distributed and reviewed. (Attachment A). It was noted that the required number of hours ranged from 180 to 231 (in Pharmacy). Currently, faculties in a number of schools/colleges are considering reducing the credit hours for their degrees.

As a point of information Dr. Whitten reviewed the status on Internal Transfer Requirements for various majors. (See Attachment B). She reported that the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences Senate had recently adopted a proposal which required that no departmental program have a higher grade point average for transfers than that of the college. This item of business was of particular interest to the members since a number of petitions considered by the Petitions Subcommittee request that Internal Transfer Requirements be waived.

Dr. Whitten reported that a large majority of students in all colleges and schools comply with the 90 Hour Rule. For Winter Quarter, the most frequent request to waive the rule was to permit registration without MAT 102 so that the student could enroll in its equivalent at another college or school (most often, Truett McConnell). The second most frequent request was to delay taking a basic physical education course (PEB). Dr. Whitten reported that access to PEB courses were ameliorated by the College of Education increasing the number of seats by approximately 1000. The same increase will be reflected in the course offerings in PEB courses for Spring Quarter. With the increase in offerings for Winter and Spring Quarters, all juniors and most sophomores will have the opportunity to comply with the 90 Hour Rule.

Dr. Meeks asked the following members to serve on a Subcommittee to Review the Night School demographics: Professors Teague, Coulter, and Manning. She asked Professors Dress, Tinkham, and Whitten to develop a