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The University of Minnesota

THE SENATE

ORDER OF BUSINESS

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND RULES

TO THE UNIVERSITY SENATE:

Your Committee on Business and Rules respectfully presents the following matters for consideration at the meeting of the Senate, February 20, 1919.

- I. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of December 23, 1918.
- II. Report of the Committee on Education.
- III. Report of the Administrative Committee.
- IV. Report of the Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics.

II. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

The committee is of the opinion that a bulletin giving the courses of instruction for the entire year is necessary and should be available at the beginning of the school year.

The committee recommends for the adjustment of the courses in the quarter system that such general groups as have been organized in the University, as for example the Biological and Social Science groups, should confer at the correlation of courses and the arrangement of the schedule.

The committee is of the opinion that courses of less than three credits per quarter should not be offered save in the case of specialized courses in the graduate and professional schools.

In order to promote a coordination of the schedule the committee recommends that the courses in the first and second years be arranged on a three and a five credit hour basis.

W. H. KIRCHNER, *Secretary*

III. REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

1. *Summer Session of 1919.*—Inasmuch as legislative action could not very well affect the coming Summer Session, it was voted that the Administrative Committee recommend to the Regents that immediate plans be made for the Summer Session.

2. *Comparative standings of high schools as regards delinquent students.*—Regrets have been expressed that publicity was given to the comparative showings of the respective high schools as regards the dropping of entrants. Voted that the publication of such data be discontinued.

3. *Dates for condition examinations.*—Voted that all examinations for the removal of conditions, shall be held during either the week preceding or the first week of each quarter. The period selected and the examinations given at each period shall be determined by the respective colleges.

4. *Time for removal of incompletes.*—Voted that no change be made in the present plan.

5. *Marking system.*—It was understood that the University returns automatically to the letter system of grading. Voted that the numerical equivalent of the passing grade be fixed at 75 per cent.

6. *Dates for reporting grades to the Registrar's office.*—Voted that all grades be reported to the Registrar's office within sixty hours following the last official examination period.

E. B. PIERCE, *Secretary*

IV. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

The Senate Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics begs leave to report as follows:

The intercollegiate conference of faculty representatives at its meeting on September 26, 1918, adopted the following resolutions:

Whereas virtually all of the student body of each of the Conference institutions is to be under military jurisdiction and,

Whereas the rules and regulations of the Conference are therefore superseded by the rules of the War Department,

Now be it resolved that the Western Intercollegiate Conference suspend its activities as a controlling body for the period of the emergency, the same as now existent, to be resumed at the end of that time.

Be it further resolved that the Conference tender to the War Department its services in carrying on Athletic Activities, both intramural and intercollegiate, in and among its members.

Be it further resolved that representatives of the Conference and the Committee of Graduate Managers be delegated to confer with the War Department to tender the services of the Conference and to obtain a clearer understanding of how the wishes and purposes of the Department may be carried out.

The senate committee at a meeting held September 30, 1918, voted with the Athletic Board of Control to accept and adopt the above resolutions and took the following action:

Inasmuch as the War Department has established at the University of Minnesota a unit of the Students' Army Training Corps, and

Inasmuch as the above resolution was adopted by the Western Intercollegiate Conference at its meeting in Chicago on September 26, 1918,

Be it resolved that we approve and adopt the same as the position of the University relative to athletics during the existence of the Students' Army Training Corps, and recommended to the Senate that the Athletic Board of Control suspend its activities as a controlling body during the life of the unit at the University of Minnesota; and that intercollegiate athletics as conducted formerly by the University be suspended and superseded during the life of this unit by intercollegiate athletics as conducted within the Students' Army Training Corps unit under the control and supervision of the War Department, provided financial arrangements satisfactory to the Athletic Board of Control can be made with the War Department. We recommend further that the Athletic Board of Control tender to the War Department its services as an agent in rendering such assistance and service to the War Department as it may indicate it desires.

This action not proving satisfactory to the military authorities at a joint meeting, a conference was held attended by the President of the University, the executive committee of the Board of Regents, chairman of the Senate Committee on Athletics, and Dr. H. L. Williams. The meeting adopted a memorandum containing the following main points:

1. That athletics be regarded as part of the educational opportunities of the University.

2. That in athletics as in other academic activities the policy of cooperation between the military and University authorities be approved and adopted. That in pursuance of this policy all committees of the Senate and the Athletic Board of Control act as usual in the care of the physical properties and in the management of athletics subject to the commander's orders.

3. That the schedule as prescribed by the Committee on Education and Special Training be followed.

4. That all equipment used by the athletic teams be paid for out of the unit funds.

5. That all surplus accruing from athletic contests should be used for the maintenance of the athletic field and grandstand as well as to cover a nominal charge for rental.

6. That it will be the policy of the Board of Regents in accordance with these recommendations to include in its charges against the fund accruing from the per diem charge of \$1.45 for each soldier any deficit on August 31, 1919, arising from these activities and to reimburse the Athletic Association in lieu of the fees of which it is deprived because of the organization of the S. A. T. C.

The Athletic Board of Control and the Senate Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics at a meeting held October 16 adopted the above recommendations as passed by the Executive Committee of the Board of Regents, September 30.

The athletics this fall have been conducted over this agreement. The intercollegiate conference of faculty representatives at its meeting December 7, 1918, adopted the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That in the judgment of the conference the emergency during which by the resolution of September 26 its activities were suspended has now passed; and be it further

2. Resolved, That in accordance with the provisions of the said resolution the regulations of the conference are now in effect.

3. Resolved, That in determining further questions of eligibility under conference rules no account shall be taken of athletic or scholastic records during or by reason of military service.

4. Resolved, That absence from the universities on account of military service shall not render students ineligible under rule 12.

The Committee recommends the approval of above actions and the adoption of the above resolutions.

JAMES PAIGE, *Chairman*