

SENATE MEETING

Thursday
December 9, 1954
3:30 P.M.

MURPHY HALL AUDITORIUM

Faculty members entitled to vote for Senate members may be present at Senate meetings but shall not be entitled to vote or make motions. Such faculty may, at their request and with the approval of the Senate, be given the privilege to speak on matters under consideration in which they have an interest.

Members of Standing Committees who are not members of the Senate, including student members, may be present at a meeting of the Senate during such time as a report of their committee is under discussion and may participate in such discussion, but shall not have the privilege of making motions or of voting.

A special section will be provided for the seating of such faculty and such members of standing committees.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA SENATE DOCKET

Your Committee on Business and Rules respectfully presents the following matters for your consideration at the meeting of the Senate, December 9, 1954, Murphy Auditorium, 3:30 p.m.

- I. Minutes of November 10, 1954
- II. Non-Senate Committees and Boards for 1954-55
- III. University Calendar 1955-56
- IV. Report of the Faculty Consultative Committee
- V. Report of the Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics
- VI. Report of the Committee on Student Affairs
- VII. Report of the Committee on Necrology

I. MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 10, 1954

Reported for Action

II. NON-SENATE COMMITTEES AND BOARDS FOR 1954-55

Reported for Information

The President reports additional appointments as follows:

Disciplinary Committee, All-University: Shirley Young, A'57, student.
Selection Committee for Salaried Leaves, All-University: John C. Weaver (chairman), Theodore C. Blegen, Paul D. Boyer, Bryce Crawford, Jr., Marcia Edwards, Robert B. Howard, Malcolm M. Willey, Tracy F. Tyler, secretary (without vote).

III. UNIVERSITY CALENDAR, 1955-56

The following calendar has been recommended by the University Schedule Committee and is on the docket of the Administrative Committee for its December 1 meeting. Administrative Committee action on the calendar will be reported at the Senate meeting. If action is taken, request for Senate action will be made.

ACADEMIC YEAR

Fall Quarter

1955			
August 1-September 23			Fall registration. ¹ Orientation program for new students. Dates for the various colleges will be announced in mailed instructions. Students are urged to register early. It is expected that all students who can do so will register in August
September 5	Monday		Labor Day; holiday
September 15	Thursday		Fall quarter fees due for students registered through September 9
September 16-24			New Students' Camps, September 16-18; New Students' Parents' Day, September 18; New Students' Week, September 18-24. Details announced in instructions issued at orientation
September 23	Friday		Last day for registration ¹ and payment of fees for the undergraduate colleges
September 26	Monday		Fall quarter classes begin 8:30 a.m. ²
September 29	Thursday		Opening convocation, 11:30 a.m.; IV hour classes excused
September 30	Friday		Last day for registration and payment of fees for the Graduate School, and for teachers in service
October 12	Wednesday		Columbus Day; holiday
October 29	Saturday		Homecoming Day
November 11	Friday		Veterans' Day; holiday
November 17	Thursday		Senate meeting, 3:30 p.m.
November 19	Saturday		Dads' Football Game
November 24	Thursday		Thanksgiving Day; holiday
November 25, 26	Friday, Saturday		Classes excused (except Medical School)
December 8	Thursday		Senate Meeting, 3:30 p.m.
December 9, 10 and 12-15			Final examination
December 15	Thursday		Commencement 8:00 p.m.
December 17	Saturday		Fall quarter closes

Winter Quarter

December 22	Thursday		Winter quarter fees due for students in residence fall quarter in undergraduate colleges
December 26	Monday		(Sunday, December 25, Christmas Day); holiday
December 29, 30	Thursday, Friday		Orientation and registration for new students in undergraduate colleges
1956			
January 2	Monday		(Sunday, January 1, New Year's Day); holiday
January 3	Tuesday		Registration resumes; winter classes begin 8:30 a.m. ²
January 4	Wednesday		Last day for registration and payment of fees for new students in undergraduate colleges
January 6	Friday		Last day for registration and payment of fees for the Graduate School, and for teachers in service
February 2	Thursday		Senate meeting, 3:30 p.m.
February 13	Monday		(Sunday, February 12, Lincoln's Birthday); holiday
February 20-26			University of Minnesota Week
February 22	Wednesday		Washington's Birthday; holiday
February 23	Thursday		Charter Day convocation, 11:30 a.m.; IV hour classes excused.
March 8	Thursday		Senate meeting, 3:30 p.m.
March 9, 10 and 12-15			Final examination period
March 15	Thursday		Spring quarter fees due for students in residence winter quarter in undergraduate colleges. Commencement, 8:00 p.m.
March 17	Saturday		Winter quarter closes

Spring Quarter

March 22, 23	Thursday, Friday		Orientation program; registration ¹ and payment of fees for new students in all undergraduate colleges
March 26	Monday		Spring quarter classes begin 8:30 a.m. ²
March 30	Friday		Good Friday; holiday
April 2	Monday		Last day for registration and payment of fees for the Graduate School, and for teachers in service
April 26	Thursday		Senate meeting, 3:30 p.m.
May 17	Thursday		Cap and Gown Day Convocation, 11:30 a.m. IV hour classes excused
May 30	Wednesday		Memorial Day; holiday
May 31	Thursday		Senate meeting, 3:30 p.m.
June 2 and 4-8			Final examination period
June 3	Sunday		Baccalaureate service, 3:00 p.m.
June 9	Saturday		Spring quarter closes, Commencement, 8:00 p.m.

SUMMER SESSION

First Term

1956			
June 11	Monday		Orientation and registration for first term
June 12	Tuesday		First term classes begin 8:00 a.m. ² ; fees due for students in all colleges
July 4	Wednesday		Independence Day; holiday
July 12	Thursday		Commencement, 8:00 p.m.
July 14	Saturday		First term closes

Second Term

July 16	Monday		Registration and payment of fees for second term
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July	17	Tuesday	Second term classes begin 8:00 a.m. ²
August	16	Thursday	Commencement, 8:00 p.m.
August	18	Saturday	Second term closes

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Fall Semester

1955			
September	12	Monday	Registration, fall semester, ⁴ begins
September	24	Saturday	Last day for registration, fall semester
September	26	Monday	Fall semester classes begin ³
November	27	Thursday	Thanksgiving Day; holiday
December	17	Saturday	Christmas recess begins
1956			
January	3	Tuesday	Classes resume ⁴
January	23	Monday	Spring semester registration begins
February	3	Friday	Fall semester classes close
			Spring Semester
February	4	Saturday	Spring semester registration closes
February	6	Monday	Spring semester classes begin ³
June	1	Friday	Spring semester classes close

¹ Registration subsequent to the date specified will necessitate the approval of the college concerned. See privilege fees for late registration or late payment of fees, General Information Bulletin and Summer Session Bulletin.

² First hour classes on the St. Paul Campus begin at 8:00 a.m. fall, winter, and spring quarter and at 7:30 a.m. during the Summer Session.

³ This date does not refer to correspondence study courses, which may be started at any time during the year.

⁴ A few Extension classes are offered on the quarter basis on same schedule as day school with registration beginning two weeks preceding the opening of classes.

IV. REPORT OF THE FACULTY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

Reported for Information

Since it last reported to the Senate in the spring of 1954, the Committee has met five times with President Morrill in addition to holding various conferences among the members. In its meetings with the President the committee has taken up principally the following questions:

The annual budget for 1954-55.

The plans for the biennial budget for 1955-57.

The survey of University needs for the next ten years, and how it might best be conducted.

The creation of an all-University advisory committee on research policy—a step that the committee members have favored.

The problem of bringing the University staff under Social Security, to provide a supplement to the University's retirement system for both academic and civil service staffs.

The problem of University policy toward staff members who may be charged with disloyalty or who may become involved in Congressional or other investigations into alleged subversive activities.

On the last-mentioned subject Professor Henry Ehlers, the Duluth Branch representative on the Consultative Committee, prepared for the Committee at its request an excellent general background statement concerning the protection of academic freedom. This statement was submitted to President Morrill without the specific endorsement of the committee, but with its approval in principle. Everyone recognizes, of course, the great importance of the subject, and many see the implicit threats to academic freedom and tenure that are latent in such investigations as have recently taken place. At the same time it is difficult to formulate any specific statement that is likely to cover all important situations, and the committee members feel that it would be unwise to attempt to bind the administrators of this or any other university to anything more definite than the essentials of due process and the exercise of sincerity and good judgment when cases arise. After all, general principles do not decide cases. The manner in which certain charges affecting some teaching assistants were handled earlier in 1954 illustrates what is meant by due process applied in a sincere effort to get at the truth.

On the subject of Social Security the members of the Consultative Committee believe that they represent the feeling of the faculty in urging that it would be in the interest of the University to bring the academic and civil service staffs of the University under the Social Security system in 1955, to provide a supplement to the existing provisions for retirement. A recent act of Congress has made this possible, but local action is required to take advantage of the new law.

The proposed survey of the needs of the University for the next decade has already been set in motion. Each department, college, and other administrative unit has formulated its statement of prospective needs, and a survey committee to review and digest this material is being formed. The Consultative Committee has been favorable to this undertaking from the beginning, as being in the best interests of the University.

The practice of consultation between the President and the Consultative Committee has become accepted and is being followed up with sincerity and frankness on both sides. As this fact has become more widely appreciated throughout the University it has undoubtedly done much to improve the morale of the faculty.

Since the Consultative Committee was established a few years ago as a representative faculty group elected at large for consultations with the President about University policies, the Senate itself has been changed into an elective representative body to represent the faculty and staff in legislating on University policies. The members of the Consultative Committee are ex officio members of the reorganized Senate, but the committee continues to have also a separate status as a small representative faculty group for frequent consultations with the administration about policies but without any powers to take action.

There is nothing necessarily incompatible between the functions of the Consultative Committee and those of the reorganized Senate, but it will take time to work out their respective roles and their relationships. In the meantime there is a possible danger that the consultative mechanism and relationships that have been developed will be taken too much for granted, and that faculty members will rely too much upon the members of the Consultative Committee alone to sense the needs and the desires of the faculty with respect to University problems and policies. If the Consultative Committee is to be of maximum usefulness as a channel through which faculty members' ideas as to the best policies for the University can be communicated to the administration it is important that faculty members of every rank, individually and in groups, make it a regular practice to communicate their views on University policies and practices to the members of the committee. The members do not want instructions, because such instructions would destroy the consultative relationship, but they do solicit faculty ideas and views. They feel the need to be better informed so as to be on firmer ground when suggesting to the administration policies that they believe would be in the best interests of the University.

WILLIAM ANDERSON, Chairman

V. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

(There will be a pause in the proceedings to permit the seating of the non-Senate members of the committee during the discussion of the report.)

Reported for Information

Your Senate Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics respectfully reports on designated events to feature the at-home football schedule for Fall, 1955:

- September 24, University of Washington, here, Editors' and Legislators' Day; High School Bands' Day
- October 1, Purdue University, here, Alumni Band Day
- October 8, Northwestern University, at Evanston
- October 15, University of Illinois, at Urbana
- October 22, University of Michigan, here
- October 29, University of Southern California, here, Homecoming Day
- November 5, State University of Iowa, at Iowa City
- November 12, Michigan State College, at East Lansing
- November 19, University of Wisconsin, here, Dads Day

THOMAS F. BARNHART, Chairman

VI. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STUDENT AFFAIRS

(There will be a pause in the proceedings to permit the seating of the non-Senate members of the committee during the discussion of the report.)

Reported for Information

The Committee on Student Affairs has been concerned for some time with the problem posed by the existence of discriminatory clauses in the constitutions of some fraternities on this campus. In the spring of 1953 there were still thirteen fraternities and one sorority at Minnesota which retained membership provisions contrary to University policy on membership selection. On November 19, 1953 the Committee reported to the Senate that it had passed, in the preceding spring, a resolution which called for written reports from each of these fourteen organizations. These reports were to be presented annually as an indication of the local chapter's progress toward clause removal and of their organization's program for promoting better human relations. Failure to submit this report or to show satisfactory progress (as judged by the Committee) could lead to a denial of University recognition to that group.

Events subsequent to this resolution have been encouraging to the Committee. In the summer of 1953, one fraternity and one sorority removed restrictive membership clauses by action of their national conventions. This past summer two more fraternities took final action to eliminate the offending clauses. A third national fraternity passed a constitutional amendment which must be confirmed by its 1955 convention before the change goes into effect.

During the spring of 1954 the Senate Committee on Student Affairs heard appeals for exception from the 1949 policy by Phi Kappa, a Catholic fraternity, and Acacia, a fraternal group with a Masonic heritage. Both organizations were found by the Committee to be in conformance with the spirit of its policy on membership selection because membership was based upon present belief, not upon race, color or religious background.

Seven fraternities still retain membership clauses which are clearly contrary to University policy. The constitutional change effected this summer by an eighth fraternity is still being considered by the Committee. In all cases the active members of the Minnesota chapters are in favor of clause removal and are taking the initiative to secure national action on the problem through the legal channels open to them.

The Committee on Student Affairs is thus pleased to report that the list of student organizations with membership clauses aimed to exclude individuals on the basis of race, color or religious heritage has been cut in half during the past eighteen months. At the same time the Committee recognizes that removal of written barriers to membership is only a small part of the battle against racial and religious bigotry. For this reason the Committee intends to continue its efforts toward encouraging programs within all student organizations aimed at promoting in their memberships a better understanding and appreciation of all peoples.

KENNETH E. CLARK, Chairman

VII. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NECROLOGY

DANIEL C. DVORACEK

1887-1954

Daniel C. Dvoracek, associate professor and extension economist, passed away Thursday, October 21, 1954, at the University Variety Heart Hospital after a long illness.

Dvoracek was well known throughout the state for his work in agricultural marketing and with cooperatives. He was a pioneer in developing county cooperative councils in both the state and the nation. Recently he has been active in developing group discussion projects in rural areas and has gained national recognition for this work.

Dvoracek was born August 29, 1887, at Glencoe, Minnesota. He was graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1913 and later received his M.S. degree from the same institution. On June 30, 1913, he married Ella M. Stansfield, who survives him.

Following graduation he taught high school at Montgomery from 1913-18; was Douglas County agent at Alexandria from 1918-19; and taught agriculture at Dassel, Minnesota, from 1919-20.

In 1920 Dvoracek returned to county agent work as agent in Beltrami County (Bemidji) and remained there until 1926 when he joined the University of Minnesota state staff as extension economist. He has served with the University continuously since then except for a year and a half leave of absence for service with the U.S.D.A. in Washington, D. C., from October 1943 to January 1945.

He was a member of the American Farm Economics Association, Rural Sociology Society, Minnesota Academy of Science, American Country Life Association, the Masons, Scottish Rite, and Shrine. He was a member of the First Congregational Church, Minneapolis.

Dvoracek is survived by his wife Ella M., one son Frank, Great Falls, Montana, two daughters, Mrs. Clyde B. Roe (Katherine), Minneapolis, and Mrs. William E. Deason (Marion), Savannah, Georgia; two brothers, A. J. Dvoracek, Bellingham, Washington, and H. E. Dvoracek, Fayetteville, Arkansas, and a sister, Mrs. Mary Damrow, Glencoe.

PAUL E. MILLER
1888-1954

Paul E Miller, former director of the University of Minnesota Agricultural Extension Service, passed away Thursday, October 21, 1954 at his Washington home. Miller had assumed his new duties as a Governor of the Federal Reserve Board only a few weeks before his death.

Miller was born near Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on October 30, 1888. He attended Iowa State College, Ames, earning his B.S. degree in 1911 and returning there for graduate work as time permitted until he received his M.S. degree in 1920.

Upon graduation he accepted a position as agronomist at the newly organized Morris sub-station of the University of Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station. A year later he married his fellow teacher Margaret Jones. In 1917, he became superintendent of the West Central School and Station at Morris and continued in that capacity until his appointment as Extension Director on the St. Paul Campus of the University of Minnesota in 1938. He served as director until September 15, 1954 when he was named by President Eisenhower as a Governor of the Federal Reserve System.

At Morris he built up a rich variety of experience as community leader, public relations man, schoolmaster, manager of experimental projects, promoter of special farm events and adviser to hundreds of Minnesota boys and girls and their parents.

In 1931, Director Miller traveled widely throughout the British Isles and continental Europe, serving as a collaborator for the office of the secretary of the U. S. Department of Agriculture in a study of agricultural practices.

When drouth hit western Minnesota in 1934, he was named director of the state's drouth relief and cattle purchase program.

During World War II, while extension director, he was made state director of the farm labor and food production programs to co-ordinate the efforts of all federal and state agencies in coping with the problems of bringing about a record food output from Minnesota farms.

Again, in 1949, Director Miller was called upon to go abroad, as a member of an international agricultural committee to make a four-months survey of farming conditions in the Marshall Plan countries of Europe.

In July, 1950, he went to Dublin, Ireland to spend a year as chief of the Irish ECA mission. Before returning to Minnesota in July, 1951, Director Miller received the degree of Doctor of Economic Science, honoris causa, from the National University of Ireland.

In 1952 he was a member of a team of agricultural experts chosen by President Eisenhower to visit Europe and evaluate MSA programs.

Miller served as a member and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Minneapolis Federal Reserve Bank; a member of the Board of Directors of the Farm Credit Administration of St. Paul; Chairman, Minnesota Soil Conservation Commission; Chairman, Sub-committee on Agricultural Employment, Governor's Post; War Planning Committee; Director, Land Grant College Association; and Chairman, Extension Organization and Policy of the Land Grant College Association.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret, and one son, Paul K. Miller, St. Paul.

J. O. CHRISTIANSON, Chairman