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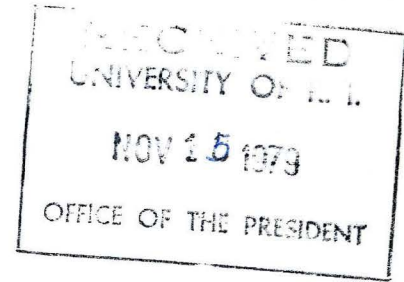
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UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE
BILL

Adopted by the Faculty Senate



TO: President Frank Newman
FROM: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL, titled University College and General Education Committee Report #1979-80-1

is forwarded for your consideration.

- 2. The original and two copies for your use are included.
- 3. This BILL was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on November 8, 1979 (date).
- 4. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Regents, completing the appropriate endorsement below.
- 5. In accordance with Section 8, paragraph 2 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective on November 29, 1979 (date), three weeks after Senate approval, unless: (1) specific dates for implementation are written into the bill; (2) you return it disapproved; (3) you forward it to the Board of Regents for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Regents, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

November 9, 1979
(date)

Alvin K. Swonger
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Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate
FROM: President of the University

- 1. Returned.
- 2. a. Approved _____.
- b. Approved subject to final approval by Board of Regents _____.
- c. Disapproved _____.

11/20/79
(date)

F. Newman
President

UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE AND GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT #79-80-1

October 19, 1979

On October 12, 1979, the UCGE Committee considered the following matters:

I. Recommendations regarding divisional assignment of courses:

- A. That at the request of the College of Arts and Sciences courses be assigned to general education divisions as follows:

Division A

- 1) Delete Languages POR 311 and 312
- 2) Add Speech 333, 433

Division B

- 1) Add Psychology 382
- 2) Add History 373

Division C

- 1) Add Linguistics 330
- 2) Delete Psychology 382
- 3) Add Speech 315
- 4) Delete History 373
- 5) Add POR 311 and 312

Division D

Add ~~Language~~ Languages 191 and 192

- B. That the following Marine Affairs courses be assigned to Division C:

MAF 210
MAF 312
MAF 410

- C. That EDC 350X be assigned to Division C.

- D. That FRN 105X, 106X be assigned to No Division.

II. To clarify Recommendation #II in UCGE Report #78-79-5 which was passed by the Faculty Senate last May, the UCGE Committee unanimously passed the following:

"A student shall be continued in University College if a student has 75 or more credits with less than a 2.00 QPA. Requests for resolution of individual cases shall be brought before the University College Scholastic Standing and Honors Board."

It was the UCGE Committee's view that this resolution clarifies but does not change the intent of Recommendation #II noted above.

The Simon and Schuster account, June 1978 - February 1979, illustrates the delay by the publisher in returning credit to the U.R.I. Bookstore which resulted in a delay of the shipment of text.

Solution:

1. New accounting procedure with increased computer time.
2. Credit Notification Form will be sent to the Credit Manager of the publishing firm (a) when the text are returned and (b) when a payment is made with the credit owed deducted.

Recommendations:

1. Carry out an evaluation of this new accounting system and use of Credit Notification Form at the end of Fall Semester, 1979.

Item #2: Reduction of Textbook Orders, Especially Extension Courses

This was an item that the Bookstores Committee was currently investigating along with a request from the Faculty Senate Executive Committee (11-8-78) which read: "Consider changing the Bookstore's policy of not stocking books which are "recommended" rather than "required."

A request was made by John Wilson to Bill McKenna, Manager, Providence Branch and Ray Hetherington, Assistant Manager, Campus, regarding the procedure used for final number of textbooks ordered. These memorandums are included on pages 18-21 of this report.

In summary, the procedure for arriving at estimated enrollments is never easy. The primary basis of the estimate for number of texts to order on campus and in extension are the past records of enrollments for each course (sometimes for five years), past sales, and costs to students. There is professional management of the bookstore. The manager has the total picture, and that is what is used to make final decisions.

Solution:

1. The Bookstore has adopted a policy of notifying professors whose book orders are being reduced by 10% or more (e.g.: 200 - 20).
2. The Bookstores Committee is recommending that all faculty, or their designee, check on their textbook orders 10 to 14 days prior to the first day of class. This time span will allow for the solution of most problems.