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UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE
BILL

Adopted by the Faculty Senate

TO: President Frank Newman

FROM: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL, titled Curricular Report No. 1977-78-8 from the Graduate Council to the Faculty Senate

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 March 30, 1978 (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 April 20, 1978 (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.

March 31, 1978 (date)
Robert M. Gutchen
Chairman of the Faculty Senate

ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

1. Returned.

2. Approved ☑ Disapproved 

3. (If approved) In my opinion, transmittal to the Board of Regents is not/is necessary.

((date)

President

Form revised 6/77

(UNDER)
ALTERNATE ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Board of Regents

FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded.
2. Approved.

(date) President

ENDORSEMENT 2.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: Chairman of the Board of Regents, via the University President.

1. Forwarded.

(date) (Office)

ENDORSEMENT 3.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded from the Chairman of the Board of Regents.

(date) President

Original received and forwarded to the Secretary of the Senate and Registrar for filing in the Archives of the University.

(date) Chairman of the Faculty Senate
UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
The Graduate School

CURRICULAR REPORT FROM THE GRADUATE COUNCIL TO THE FACULTY SENATE - Report No. 1977-78-8

At its Meeting No. 172 held March 10, 1978 the Graduate Council considered and approved the following curricular matters which are now submitted to the Faculty Senate for confirmation as indicated.

I. Matters Requiring Confirmation by the Faculty Senate

A. Graduate School of Oceanography

1. Add (New)

OCG 650 The Micropaleontology of Radiolaria II,3
Advanced course in the biostratigraphy of Radiolaria and their use in paleoecologic studies. Emphasis is placed on the development of skill in radiolarian biostratigraphy of the Mesozoic and Cenozoic. (Lec 1, Lab 4) In alternate years, offered Spring of 1979. Pre: Permission of instructor. Moore

B. College of Resource Development

1. Department of Food Science, Technology, Nutrition and Dietetics

a. Deletion

FST 501, 502: Seminar
FNS 506: Marine Foods Seminar
FNS 599: Master's Thesis Research

b. Change

FNS 505: Marine Foods Seminar - code and description changed to-

FST 505: Marine Foods Seminar

Presentations specifically related to marine foods such as processing, preservation, nutritive value and consumer acceptability. (Lec 1) Pre: Graduate standing or permission of department. Staff

Changes in existing FST and FNS course codes to FSN with no change in number for-

FNS 502, 503, 505, 511, 512, 599
FST 521, 526, 691, 692, 699

C. College of Arts and Sciences

1. Master of Arts in Marine Affairs Program

a. Change in Core Requirements

The Master of Arts in Marine Affairs Program requests the substitution of a graduate level Resource Economics course related to the individual's program concentration (not to include REN 514) for the present requirement of REN 514 in the core requirements for the M.A. in Marine Affairs.
Library Committee Report 1977-78

Part I

The Library Committee's Report this year has been divided into two parts. The first part, to be presented following this introduction, consists of informational items. The second part, to be submitted later, comprises recommendations for action.

At the beginning of the academic year the members of the Committee agreed upon ten general topics which they wished to consider. These topics were divided, for purposes of convenience, into three categories, as follows:

1. Items about which there appeared general consensus (following discussion during Spring Semester, 1976-77) and on which, accordingly, action could be taken.
   a. Computerized Circulation System
   b. Faculty Status for Librarians
   c. Recommendations from the Commission on Undergraduate Education

2. Items about which we appeared reasonably well informed and concerning which we could conceivably reach consensus following further discussion.
   a. Budgetary Support for the Library
   b. Acquisitions Policy
   c. Personnel Policy

3. Items which had to be researched further before we could obtain enough information to facilitate discussion and, possibly, move to action.
   a. The Library's Role as Perceived by the University's Chief Administrative Officers
   b. Library Services at the Extension Division
   c. Space Options for the Library for the Next Decade
   d. User Satisfaction/Dissatisfaction with the Library

It was agreed that we would try to treat items included within the first two categories during our meetings for the Autumn Semester. In addition, four subcommittees were created to study the topics included within the third category with the expectation that these subcommittees would be able to acquire the information needed by the beginning of the Spring Semester.

As the year went on we directed our attention to three further items which related to our charge: (1) the adoption of a Library policy concerning the acquisition of serials in microfilm format, (2) the revision of the Library's policies with respect to placing books on reserve, and (3) a draft statement from Brown University proposing revisions in its library access policies. We acted mainly in an advisory capacity with regard to these topics, conveying to the Library faculty our sentiments about the proposed revisions or, in the case of the last, examining the implications for the University.

Last year the Library Committee did not function until mid-March. At that time, its members, most of whom would hold over until this year, decided to spend their time structuring the agenda for this year. In other words, these topics were discussed at length by Committee members who resumed their consideration when school began in September.

Informational Report

The remainder of this part of our report summarizes matters of information which we believe should be conveyed to the Faculty Senate and, in most cases, to the University community at large. In each instance, we provide a general statement about the topic and the results of our deliberations. In addition, we have used a series of appendices as a means to publicize relevant policy statements and documents. We hope that this effort, and other efforts which have already been made by the faculty of the Library or which they now plan, will make known to the full faculty and to students the substance of numerous policy directives and decisions recently formulated and put into effect.

1. Computerized Circulation System

Both the Budget Task Force and the Commission on Undergraduate Education recommended that the Library install a computerized circulation system in order to improve the effectiveness of the Library's circulation system and to increase the information available to the Library faculty for managing and developing the Library's collections. We discussed the Library faculty's specific "Proposal for the Installation of the LIBS 100 Circulation Control System" and unanimously endorsed this proposal in a resolution sent to the Vice President for Academic Affairs. In November, Vice President Ferrante approved purchase of this system; the contracts have been signed and the first hardware will soon be installed in the Library. Full implementation is expected by January, 1979. Appendix A contains a copy of the Committee's resolution as well as the text of the Library's rationale for acquiring the LIBS 100 system.

2. Faculty Status for Librarians

The Library Committee's deliberations last spring as well as our's this year have led us to the conclusion that nothing presented since 1970 has called into question the justifications which were found compelling when the Faculty Senate voted to extend faculty status to professional members of the Library staff.

3. Recommendations from the Commission on Undergraduate Education

We considered and acted upon most of the recommendations pertaining to the University Library which were included within the report of the Commission on Undergraduate Education. These recommendations were treated, in most instances, in conjunction with our deliberations on the general topics identified in the introduction to this report.

To illustrate, the CUE recommendation which called for installation of a computerized circulation system was reinforced, and that endorsement helped to produce action in this end. To illustrate further, the CUE recommendations with respect to budget and personnel support were incorporated within our general examination of these topics. Our recommendations pertaining to them will appear in the second part of this report and they speak directly to the subjects singled out in the CUE report.

The authority to deal with certain other CUE proposals, we concluded, rests with existing agencies. It was felt that proposals which fall within this category did not need further discussion or reinforcing recommendations. Still other proposals, we decided, require for initiation the cooperative efforts of many agencies within the University and will take years to implement. In the case of such proposals, it was felt that an administrative officer who could provide the necessary attention and continuity of effort should be designated...