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FACULTY SENATE HONORS PROGRAM COMMITTEE REPORT, 4 May 1972

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TO: President Werner A. Baum  
FROM: Chairman of the Faculty Senate  
1. The Attached BILL, titled FACULTY SENATE HONORS PROGRAM COMMITTEE REPORT, 4 May 1972 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 72-9-21.  
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 72-10-12, 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 Trustees for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Trustees, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

September 26, 1972 (date)  
Stephen B. Wood /s/  
Chairman of the Faculty Senate

ENDORSEMENT 1.

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 necessary.  

9/26/72 (date)  
Werner A. Baum /s/  
President

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ALTERNATE ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Board of Regents.
FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded.
2. Approved.

_________________________ /s/  
(date)                      President

ENDORSEMENT 2.

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

1. Forwarded.

_________________________ /s/  
(date)                      (Office)

ENDORSEMENT 3.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate
FROM: The University President

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

_________________________ /s/  
(date)                      President

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

_________________________ /s/  
(date)                      Chairman of the Faculty Senate
REPORT - FACULTY SENATE HONORS PROGRAM COMMITTEE

1. The Committee is pleased to report the selection of Dr. J. Morton Briggs, Jr. as Coordinator of the Honors Colloquium for the 1972-73 Academic Year. The general theme of the Honors Colloquium for 1972-73 is THE FUTURE. Approximately seventy-five students are already preregistered in the Honors Colloquium (HCL 401) for the Autumn Semester.

2. The Committee recommends a merger of the Faculty Senate Honors Program Committee and the University Visiting Scholars Committee. It is also recommended that the merged Committee be a Faculty Senate Committee known as the Honors Program and Distinguished Lectures Committee. It is further recommended that Professors Milton Salomon and Stephen Wood be included in the 1972-73 appointments to the merged Committee in order to provide the services of at least two individuals who have been associated with the operations of the Visiting Scholars Committee.

3. The Committee recommends that the present cumulative point/hour ratio requirements (3.0 or better for Juniors, 3.2 or better for Seniors) be changed to a single requirement of 3.0 or better for both Juniors and Seniors. It should be noted that under our present rules students graduate in the Honors Program as long as they maintain a 3.0 or better.

4. Discussions are continuing on the possibility of admitting a limited number of lower point/hour ratio students to the program on the basis of very strong departmental recommendations.

Sue F. Beckman
Walter F. Barker
Kevin F. Dwyer*
Edward C. Higbee
Hillary E. Kimmel*
Ruth H. Kossoff
Charles D. Nash, Jr., Chairman
Milton Salomon

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#To be determined at a later date.
September 26, 1972

President Werner A. Baum
Administration Building
Campus

Dear Werner:

As you undoubtedly know, the Honors Program Committee submitted its report too late last spring to come to the floor. In addition, the recommendations were not drawn in precise form for presentation on the floor or insertion in the University Manual. However, the committee was not willing during the summer to redraft these recommendations in response to a request from the Executive Committee. We felt that, in order to effect the merger, we should bring the recommendations forward and leave the drafting task to the Manual Committee. I intend to submit to that committee an appropriate draft which will include the explicit changes in the title of the new committee and its charge (incorporating the responsibilities of the Visiting Scholars Committee) that we agreed upon last autumn. Charlie Nash and the other members of last year's committee agreed to these changes but felt it was the responsibility of the Manual Committee to do the drafting.

Sincerely,

Stephen B. Wood
Chairman, Faculty Senate