Resolution #17

TO: President John E. Van de Watering
FROM: The Faculty Senate
RE: Revision of the General Education Coordinating Committee

Meeting on March 23, 1987

Signed: (For the Senate) Date Sent: 3/26/87

TO: The Faculty Senate
FROM: President John E. Van de Watering
RE: Decision and Action Taken on Formal Resolution

I. Accepted. Effective Date: 3/30/87
II. Deferred for discussion with the Faculty Senate on
III. Unacceptable for the reasons contained in the attached explanation

II., III. a. Received and acknowledged
b. Comment:

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Signed: (President of the College)

Date Received by the Senate:
SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

REVISION OF GENERAL EDUCATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Introduction: The present General Education Coordinating Committee consists of fifteen members—a number so large that the entire committee is rarely able to meet as a unit. Its composition is also outdated, two members drawn from each of five academic divisions that no longer exist (Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences, Social Professions and Physical Education, and Natural Sciences and Mathematics). Further, the original legislation creating the committee failed to specify a method for selecting a committee chair.

The following proposal reduces the committee to a more manageable number of nine members, recognizes the current organization of academic departments into three schools, and specifies the method for selecting a chair. Specifically, it replaces item #3 of Faculty Senate Resolution #17, dated 2/26/79, signed into effect on 3/13/79 by then-President Albert W. Brown.

Proposal:

It is proposed that Senate Resolution #17, dated 2/26/79, entitled "General Education Program Administration", be revised as follows:

Item #1 - Remain same
Item #2 - Remain same
Item #3 - Delete and replace with the following four items:

3. The Coordinating Committee will be comprised of nine members of the voting faculty, appointed by the Faculty Senate in consultation with appropriate administrative officers. Committee members will be appointed during the spring semester, and will commence their term of appointment during the succeeding fall semester. Members will serve staggered three-year terms.

4. The Coordinating Committee will consist of the following:
   A. Three members to be selected from the School of Letters and Sciences.
   B. Two members to be selected from the School of Arts and Performance.
   C. Two members to be selected from the School of Professions.
   D. Two members to be selected from the Voting Faculty at Large, at least one of whom should be a non-teaching professional.

5. The chair of the Coordinating Committee shall be appointed annually by the Faculty Senate from members of the Committee who have served a minimum of one year on the committee immediately preceding their appointment as chair. The chair will be appointed in the spring semester and will assume the chair during the succeeding fall semester.

6. The Dean of General Education shall serve as an ex officio member of the Committee.
Faculty Senate
Resolution #17, 1978-79

Meeting on: 2/26/79

General Education Program Administration

1. General education is a unique undertaking within the university, for it encompasses almost the entire faculty in a common and coherent educational mission. Thus there arises a need for a college-wide faculty body to oversee and coordinate the general education program and to embody its identity and integrity. This body shall be known as the General Education Coordinating Committee.

2. The Coordinating Committee should be a broadly representative, free standing, faculty-wide body which will exercise faculty responsibility for the general education program. It will review and recommend to the appropriate administrative authorities all courses for inclusion in the general education program. It will review and monitor the program as a whole and make recommendations, as necessary, for its modification to the Faculty Senate. It is analogous to a departmental curriculum committee in its responsibilities and in the channels it utilizes for reporting its recommendations.

3. The Coordinating Committee will be composed of 15 faculty members appointed by the Faculty Senate in consultation with the appropriate administrative officers. Committee members will serve staggered three year terms.

   At least two members of the committee shall be appointed from each of the following areas:

   a. Arts
   b. Humanities
   c. Social Sciences
   d. Social Professions and Physical Education
   e. Natural Sciences and Mathematics