

MINUTES OF FACULTY MEETING

Tuesday, Nov. 11, 1969

Msgr. Driscoll called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM and suggested a 5:00 adjournment if there were no objections. An objection was registered and no time of adjournment was agreed upon.

The Chair then suggested that the meeting be restricted to a discussion of a faculty statement only if there were no objections. No objections were registered.

An objection to Msgr. Driscoll chairing the meeting was then registered. The Chair then explained his reasons for serving as the Chairman. It was moved to appeal the decision of the Chair. The motion carried by a vote of 48 to 22. The Chair then appointed Fr. Ferring as Acting Chairman.

A motion was then made to adopt the position paper section by section, including a vote on each paragraph and then a vote on the entire document. The motion carried.

It was then moved that the assembly move into committee of the whole. Motion carried.

(No minutes are taken in committee of the whole--the Chair asked the assembly to reconvene Wednesday, Nov. 12 at 4:15 p.m.)

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The Committee of the Whole reconvened at 4:15 p.m. in 14 CB. Msgr. Driscoll made an opening statement saying that he intended to work with the Faculty Council concerning whatever resolutions the faculty should adopt at its meeting. Msgr. Driscoll then left the meeting.

The assembly moved from a Committee of the Whole and spent the remainder of the meeting discussing, amending, and approving the faculty statement dated November 12.

The meeting was recessed at 5:30 p.m. until Thursday, Nov. 13 at 4:15 pm.

The Loras College faculty meeting was called to order by acting-chairman, Father Robert Ferring, at 4:15 P. M., Thursday, November 13, 1969, in Hoffmann Auditorium. Acting as parliamentarian was Mr. Thomas Feid.

The first order of business was the approval of the edited copy of the faculty statement of November 12 concerning the black student program and the recent crisis on the Loras campus. Unanimously passed was a motion to include a copy of the statement from the Student Handbook referred to in the text of the faculty statement as a footnote to that statement. The edited statement, as then amended, was passed with only one vote of opposition.

It was then moved that an addendum, to the effect that the Loras College faculty will continue deliberations on other issues crucial to the future of the college, be added to the faculty statement. The motion passed; there were eight opposition votes.

After some discussion as to the time of publication of the statement, a motion was passed to direct Mr. David Weis to release the faculty statement to all proper channels at the termination of the meeting in session.

The chairman suggested that at this time the meeting proceed under parliamentary procedure, but that the faculty bind themselves to secrecy until President Msgr. Driscoll has been fully informed of majority and minority opinions. A motion that the requirement of secrecy cease twenty-four hours after the President has been informed of the faculty's deliberations, amended to additionally say that the Chair and the parliamentarian be directed to inform the President, was defeated by four votes. Passed was a motion directing the Faculty Council to inform the President of faculty proposals and allowing three calendar days before the faculty is released from their commitment to secrecy.

Father Barta, representing the Committee of Four, was recognized by the Chair to present additional proposals representing the concern of the group. It was moved and seconded that the following two proposals be accepted:

"The Faculty of Loras College believes that in the best interests of Loras College, of the morale of its faculty, students and staff, and of the unity of its members it is imperative that: 1) in the future, out of respect for the competency and zealous interest of his faculty, students and staff, the President utilize more extensively their insights and opinions; 2) the President review with a wide spectrum of advisers his communications with all members of the Loras community and evaluate his ability to perceive and respond to their ideas, suggestions and personal needs. Therefore, the Faculty so recommends to the President."

An amendment to the proposal was offered stating that the faculty further believes that if it is found to be impossible for the President to implement the provisions of the above two proposals in the near future, the President consider his resignation. After discussion, the amendment was passed in secret ballot with 60 votes in favor and 41 opposed. The main motion as amended was passed in secret ballot, 72 voted in favor and 29 opposed.

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There was no second to a motion that a Faculty Senate, to be proposed by the Faculty Senate Committee, be accepted by the faculty immediately.

It was moved and unanimously passed that the time and place of the next session of the Faculty Meeting was to be decided by the acting chairman after consulting with the Faculty Council, and the first order of business shall be the report of the Faculty Council on the Council's discussion with the President.

The meeting recessed at 5:55 P. M.

Jean Patterson and Lawrence Hart
Acting Secretaries