Authority and Membership. This Committee was authorized by the Faculty on October 4, 1956. The Provost, after consultation with the Committee on Nominations and Elections, appointed the undersigned members on October 19, 1956. The Dean of Women and Dean of Men were asked by the Committee to serve as ex-officio members.

Functions. The recommendation by the Interim Committee was that the Committee on Residence Halls "act as a fact finding and advisory body concerned with the operation and maintenance of the UW-M dormitories."

Actions of the Committee during 1956-57:

1. Survey of conditions at the dormitories. A tour of each dormitory, guided by the housemothers, was made by the Committee, with special attention given to lighting and study conditions. The Committee then submitted a list of repairs, furniture, remodeling and redecorating needed at the dormitories. Follow-up meetings were held with the Manager of Auxilliary Enterprises to determine the possibility of obtaining these improvements, and the procedures necessary.

2. Establishment of a policy regarding use of the dormitories by alumni or related groups. This use is to be dependent upon the permission of residents of the respective dormitories, with the accompanying fee to go to the dormitory that is used.

3. Recommendation of an admissions policy for Women's Residence Halls to the appropriate administrators. This is a selective policy based upon academic grade average and class quotes.

4. Preparation of a comprehensive report for the Faculty, including the background and description of the dormitories, their functions and administrative organization, and financial statements. Copies of the full report will be on file with the Secretary of the Faculty and in the libraries on both campuses.

Recommendations. The Committee on Residence Halls recommends that the Faculty adopt the following resolutions urging action by appropriate administrative officials of the University:

1. Any residence halls, newly built or remodeled, be located near the University; and that each student room accommodate not more than two students.

2. Five and six girl rooms in the present residence halls be remodeled into smaller units.

3. To the extent that the revenue permits, expenditures be made to repair and replace those furnishings in the present residence halls which have become shabby.

4. Lighting facilities for study purposes be improved in Kenwood and Mariette Residence Halls.

5. Self-sustaining cooperative houses, similar to Boe Bayliss House in Madison, be considered by the University for use of students who need to live cheaply and are interested in this type of arrangement.
6. Emergency services for the Residence Halls be made more readily accessible, so that needed services will be more quickly obtained.

7. Provision be made in all Residence Halls for isolating students who are ill.

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