Annual Report of the Student Counseling and Guidance Committee, 1962-63

Last year's Committee report indicated that two subcommittees had been appointed. One, chaired by Dean Hayes, submitted a report to the Committee on May 25, 1962, on the reorganization of advising procedures for the College of Letters and Science. The sub-committee recommended, among other things, that advising should be a continuous process throughout the year and should be divorced from program making. It also suggested that advisors be selected from volunteers who would have a reduction in teaching load based on their advisee load. Advisors should be available during the orientation period. The Chairman of the Committee and members of the subcommittee conferred with Dean Baier on the substance of this report in December, 1962. It was felt at this time that funds would not be available to implement the advising program.

The second subcommittee, chaired by Dean Stamatakos, held a number of meetings, and made its report to the Committee on January 10, 1963. Since it was agreed that the Committee should confine itself to policy only, the subcommittee did not make a specific proposal, but contrasted the status quo in orientation with a first-class orientation program that would call for genuine recognition and support from Faculty and Administration. A motion was passed to accept this report and to request the subcommittee to develop two or three outline plans for freshman orientation programs.

During the academic year, various administrative officers and the Junior Administrative Committee considered various plans for improving and integrating all programs related to advising, registration, and orientation. The Chairman of the Committee was advised of these developments and invited to attend meetings of the Junior Administrative Committee.

A second Committee meeting was held on April 10, 1963, at which time Dean Norris reviewed the plan of the Junior Administrative Committee to initiate a new freshman advisory program to begin in the summer of 1963 if funds are made available. Details will be presented to the Faculty when they become available.

Dean Norris also announced to the Committee the creation of a high school relations office at UW-M. In addition to his duties as a high school relations specialist, the person in this position will also be responsible for the development of a more comprehensive freshman orientation program.

The Committee was impressed with these proposals and eagerly awaits their implementation.

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