Memorial Resolution for Professor Frank Martin Himmelmann

Frank Martin Himmelmann, Associate Dean of the School of Education, The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, died in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on February 17, 1968, at the age of 56.

When Dean Himmelmann joined the faculty at Wisconsin State College, Milwaukee, in 1953, he did so as Director of the Campus Elementary School. His excellence as an educator of children and teachers led to his appointment as Associate Dean in the newly established School of Education at The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in 1956. He remained in this office until September, 1967, when he became its Acting Dean. His recurrent illness made it necessary to relinquish this position on January 1, 1968. His administrative leadership and the many contributions he made to The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee will be sorely missed.

Frank Himmelmann received his elementary and secondary education in Wisconsin schools and earned his Bachelor's degree at Milwaukee State Teachers College. He received his Master's and Doctor's degrees at Northwestern University. His work as a student and a teacher was distinguished by its high quality and was recognized by his election to the honor societies Kappa Delta Pi, Phi Kappa Phi, and Phi Delta Kappa.

The professional career of Dean Himmelmann encompassed many areas of education. He taught in the elementary schools of Wisconsin and Michigan for ten years before becoming Director of Teacher Education at Minnesota State College at Bemidji. Following this, he accepted the position of Curriculum Coordinator in the Fond du Lac Public Schools, and then became Superintendent of the Northbrook, Illinois, Public Schools. Thus he brought a rich background and varied experience to this work at The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Since 1955, other appointments included lecturing on the Madison campus, at the University of Indiana, New York University, Northwestern University, and the University of Puerto Rico. He spent a two-year leave of absence at the University of Punjab, Pakistan, from 1963 to 1965 where his guidance and wide knowledge helped build a stronger teacher-education program.

Frank Himmelmann's dynamic presence was felt in professional and community organizations. He participated actively in the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, the Association for Student Teaching, and the Lakeshore Curriculum Study Council. He accepted membership on committees for the United Community Services, Family Service Agency, The Milwaukee County Association for Mental Health, and he served for ten years as editor of the Junior Crusader published by the Wisconsin Anti-Tuberculosis Association. In this capacity, he brought to the publication its highest level of professional quality in the thirty years of its existence. He was greatly interested in and participated actively in the foreign student program of the American Friends' Service Committee. Students of many nations felt the warmth of his friendship and the hospitality of his home.

In all the many aspects of his career, Frank Himmelmann demonstrated complete devotion to his duties and responsibilities. He was tenacious in his adherence to high standards both for himself and for those with whom he worked.
He was constantly seeking ways of improving human relationships and the welfare of all people through the improvement of teaching and teacher education. The essence of his personality and character is epitomized by the courage, dignity, and serenity with which he carried on his usual duties and activities through the many months of illness which led to his untimely death.

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