

DOCUMENTS AND MINUTES OF THE GENERAL FACULTY  
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SIXTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY COUNCIL FOR 1982-1983

The University of Texas at Austin  
Main Building Room 212

Monday, February 21, 1983  
2:15 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. Approval of Minutes.
  1. Minutes of the Meeting of January 24, 1983 (D&P 9076-9101; D&M 14997-15022).
- II. Secretary's Report (D&P 9067-9070).
- III. Discussion of Secretary's Report.
- IV. Questions to the President. (Limited to 30 minutes unless extended by vote of the University Council.)
  1. James H. Sledd, Department of English, has submitted the following questions to the President:

Please consult the question which was addressed to you for the meeting of January 24.

In your absence, Mr. Fonken's attempted answer did not touch the question.

Mr. Kinneavy's attempted answer in part evaded and in part confused the question and in any case had no authority. According to the report by Mr. Paul Kelley, Secretary of the Council (On Campus, January 31--February 6), Mr. Kinneavy said "that the change had been made in an attempt to adjust the intent of the English Department proposal to President Flawn's action in approving the legislation, which had seemed to rule out E. 307 as a substitute for E. 346K." Mr. Kinneavy did not say when and by whom the change was made, to whom it seemed that your statement applied to transfers, or when the change was discussed by any legislative body; and by limiting the question to E. 307, he obscured the status of the original provision, which specified that transfer students could satisfy the requirement of E. 346K by any "composition course beyond E. 306," not just by a second course at the freshman level.

Your statement in approving the legislation reads: "The legislation ... is hereby approved except for the section that authorizes the University Council to approve substitutes for English 346K" (D&P 8849). The disapproved section reads: "The University Council is authorized to approve equivalent courses in writing, offered by individual departments, as a substitute for English 346K" (D&M of the General Faculty, 14190). Clearly your statement had nothing to do with the provision which the question for January 24 documented throughout the legislative process: "Transfer credit for a composition course beyond E. 306 satisfies this requirement [the requirement of E. 346K]."

Hence the question for January 24 must be repeated if the legislative history of a provision affecting many thousands of students is to be clear: If transfer students will indeed

have to take E. 346K, when and by whom was that decision made? If the decision was made by anyone other than the President, by what authority did that person or persons act? When was the University Council informed of this reversal of its legislation?

V. Special Orders - none.

VI. Petitions - none.

VII. Old Business.

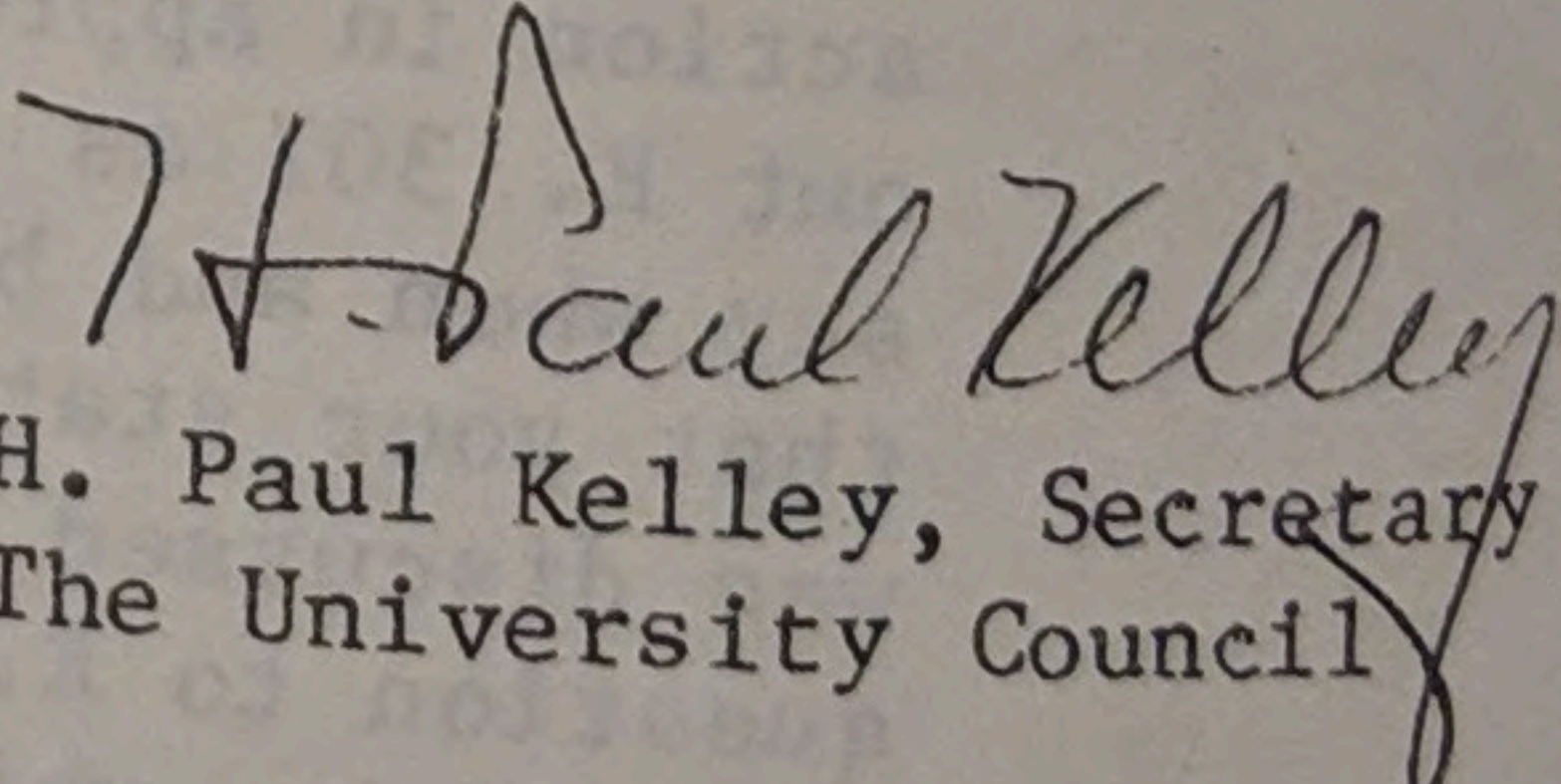
1. Proposed Changes to the College of Liberal Arts Part of the U.T. Austin Catalogue, 1981-1983, to Bring Undergraduate Degree Programs Within the Spirit of the Report of the Committee on Basic Education Requirements (D&P 9045-9060) - Robert D. King

VIII. New Business.

1. Amendment to the Proposed Changes to the College of Liberal Arts Part of the U.T. Austin Catalogue, 1981-1983, to Bring Undergraduate Degree Programs Within the Spirit of the Report of the Committee on Basic Education Requirements (D&P 9071) - Robert D. King
2. Amendments to the Major in Latin American Studies Requirements for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts, Plan I, Section of the 1981-1983 College of Liberal Arts Part of the U.T. Austin Catalogue (D&P 9072-9073) - Robert D. King
3. Protest to Proposed Amendment to the Requirements for the Minor that Accompanies the Major in Anthropology for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts, Plan I, Section of the 1981-1983 College of Liberal Arts Part of the U.T. Austin Catalogue, D&P 8912 (D&P 9074-9075) - H. Paul Kelley

IX. Remaining Questions to the President.

X. Adjournment.

  
H. Paul Kelley, Secretary  
The University Council