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May 21, 1979

The Assembly began with a ruling from the Chairperson, Provost Imholte, that the action item before the Assembly be voted on as a single unit, i.e., both the policy statement and the amendment to the By-Laws of the Constitution from the Honors Case Commission be treated as one motion.

Roland Guyotte spoke against the motion and in Fred Peterson's absence read a series of resolutions that the latter offered to strengthen the present Honors System at UMM. These resolutions could be discussed if the Honors Case Commission report were defeated.

The Provost reminded the Assembly of the MCSA report and the Melom amendment that were also distributed before today's meeting.

John Melom moved to amend the report by deleting lines 1-4 on page 7 arguing that a listing of responses from the instructor toward cheating might limit possible responses. The motion to amend was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Peter French offered an amendment from the floor that records of repeated violations of academic integrity be kept in the Office of the Assistant Provost and access to those records be controlled by the Assistant Provost or a designee of the Assistant Provost. The amendment was supported by members of the Honors Case Commission because members of the proposed Committee on Academic Integrity should have no knowledge of repeated violations committed by an individual when that person's individual case was being heard. It was argued that the Assistant Provost keep such records as part of that office's responsibilities for student services. It was noted that lines 12-14 on page 7 of the proposal must be changed to designate responsibilities as stated above to the Assistant Provost. Peter French stated such a change was the intent of his amendment. The records of violations of academic integrity, it was clarified, would be protected by confidentiality regulations. Added to the amendment was the following statement to clarify procedures as given on page 12, lines 12-14: "Such actions shall be sent to the Assistant Provost who will review them in order to identify repeated offenders for the Committee on Academic Integrity. The amendment as modified passed by voice vote.

Before the motion, as twice amended, was voted upon, Roland Guyotte requested a tallied vote by show of hands. The vote was taken and tallied by the Provost who declared the motion passed. The tally itself was requested and given as 33 for, 17 against, with one abstention. A point of order was made that an amendment to the By-Laws of the Constitution requires 68-9 votes to pass. The Provost ruled, therefore, that the motion did not pass. A mail ballot was suggested as a means of achieving the necessary number voting on the motion. The Provost ruled to return the motion to the Executive Committee to determine a reasonable course of action. The decision of the Executive Committee would be reported to the Assembly.

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The second item of business, Curriculum Committee proposals for Evening and Summer School courses, was passed by voice vote.

The Minutes of the May 7 and 14, 1979, Assembly were accepted.

A list of students graduating 'With Distinction' were presented to the Assembly from the Functions and Awards Committee for approval. The names Connie Hegna, Kenneth Haug, and Suzanne Denzene were added to the list and the entire list was approved.

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