



Minutes of the Committee on Financial Assistance, February 14, 1952: CU-9.21

FACULTY COMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE Minutes, February 14, 1952

A luncheon meeting was held by the Faculty Committee on Financial Assistance at the Faculty Club at 12:00. Those present were Deans Chernin and Dennes and Professors Newman and Oliver.

The meeting was called for the purpose of acting on a letter to the Trustees from Professor Charles B. Morrey, Jr., regarding "setting up a permanent organization whose chief aim would be to provide economic and moral support for individuals whose livelihood is cut off in disputes involving academic freedom."

Before discussion took place policies of the Faculty Fund were reviewed, and it was decided that there were no policies which would prevent responding to the letter.

Discussion of content of the letter brought out the following points to be considered:

1. The request that the Trustees of the Faculty Fund act as temporary trustees of the new organization.
2. That the Trustees of the Faculty Fund assume the burden of a questionnaire to all members of the Faculty Fund, drafted in such a way as to indicate whether or not the contributors would be interested in forming such a permanent organization, and whether or not they would be willing to leave some part of their contribution (if returned) in the temporary custody of the Trustees of the Faculty Fund.

At the end of the discussion, it was moved and seconded, that a letter to Professor Morrey be drafted to the effect that the Trustees of the Faculty Fund should not proceed in accordance with his letter, should not become involved in either the formation or administration of a new organization, and should not act as temporary trustees of any new fund. (Copy of letter and reply attached)

Dr. Chernin read a letter received from Professor Hubert Coffey indicating his desire to apply for assistance. The Committee agreed to put Professor Coffey back on the assistance role for February 1952.

The secretary was instructed to begin preparation of a final financial report.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30