University Enrichment Committee Meeting, Wednesday March 6, 1996

1. The minutes from the last meeting of the UEC contained an error: they incorrectly stated that Professor Ebert is no longer a member of the committee. In fact, he remains a member of the committee. The amended minutes were then approved.

2. The committee took up the nomination of the Regester lecturer. After extended discussion the committee selected Professor William Breitenbach (History) to be the next Regester Lecturer for 1997. The committee also voted to shift the Regester Lectureship from a biennial to an annual award.

3. The committee received word from Raney Ellis that he would purchase additional laptop computers for faculty use. Seven laptop computers will soon be available for faculty use. (Professor Elliott requested that all machines have mathematical software and standard spreadsheets installed.) The committee responded to the announcement of additional laptops with glee, and proceeded to discuss two related questions. First, where should the laptop computers now be kept? It was decided that they should be located with Information Services. Second, how should lending policies for laptops be revised in light of the increased supply? The committee discussed the creation of a two track policy: short term users would be accommodated on a first-come, first-serve basis (as they are now); long-term users (e.g. semester-length) would apply in advance for the laptops, as they do for other UEC resources (e.g. travel funds). John Finney agreed to submit a written policy proposal for the next meeting of the UEC.

4. The committee adjourned.

Sincerely,

Thomas Weko Recording Secretary