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Wilkes College President Francis J. Michelini today notified the Board of Trustees at its year-end quarterly meeting that he is resigning to accept the position of president of the Commission for Independent Colleges and Universities (CICU).

The announcement of his new post, which he will assume on September 1, was being made at the same time at the Harrisburg-based offices of CICU by Dr. Theodore Eddy, CICU chairman and president of Chatham College, and Dr. Charles Watts, president of Bucknell University and chairman-elect of CICU.

The 49-year-old Wilkes president's announcement that he is leaving the post he has held for five years came as a surprise to faculty, administration and student leaders, who were informed at a special meeting following his announcement to the Board.

Dr. Michelini said he was making the move with mixed emotions because of his more than 20 years at Wilkes and the strong ties he and his family have with the institution.

"The association with Wilkes College has been most satisfying, both personally and professionally, and now brings me to this point of personal decision in evaluation of my future potential in higher education administration," he said.

"The invitation to become president of the Commission for Independent Colleges and Universities not only is a special honor, but it also presents a challenge to provide the input and leadership that is so vitally needed today in calling the public's attention

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In a separate statement concerning his departure from Wilkes College, Dr. Michelini said: "The challenges of bringing the college through the transition period from its founding president; the experience of coping with construction of our major campus facility -- the \$6.7-million Stark Learning Center; the massive and what sometimes seemed to be impossible problems of flood reconstruction; and the unexpected requirements of the Department of Labor and Industry of the Commonwealth for safety upgrading of our many older buildings, have indeed provided me with a unique experience in educational administration.

"At the same time, we have been forced to function during a period of intense reexamination of private higher education in our social and political environment with the attendant problems of student enrollment and new patterns of curricular interests, each with its own financing requirements and pressures.

"I wish to thank the Board, the faculty, the administration and above all else the students for the support they have given me over the years of my association with the college and our community. I truly believe we have the quality faculty, administrative staff and the physical facilities necessary to meet the challenges of the future.

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News Release Schedule

Monday May 5	Order 20 prints of Dr. Mike for use with "commencement" and other news articles. Ten of these to be delivered to Harrisburg on Wednesday with draft of news release that will come out of Harrisburg.
Tuesday May 6	Approval of final drafts of releases from Wilkes-Barre and Harrisburg by Dr. Mike
Wednesday May 7	Final draft of Harrisburg story submitted for approval with emphasis that it will be for a simultaneous release: <u>6-P. M., FRIDAY, MAY 9</u> This will be obtained by Dr. Mike with story left in Harrisburg for release to be made from CICU office at the same time story is being released (with local angle) in Wilkes-Barre.
Thursday May 8	PR office at Wilkes to prepare finalized copies of Wilkes-Barre story for use in newspapers, radio, television and UPI and AP wire sources.
Friday May 9	11 a. m. to Noon -- Dr. Mike meets with any select Board members or others for purpose of discussion and information prior to noon meeting. Noon to 1:30 -- While Board meeting is in progress, telephone calls or hand-carried messages should be sent to members of the President's Council, Chairmen of Departments, members of the Faculty Policy Committee, and heads of Student governmental groups requesting them to attend a meeting at 4 p. m. at the Stark Learning Center. 5 p. m. -- Release story to Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Regional news media <u>"FOR USE AT 6 P. M., FRIDAY, MAY 9 OR THEREAFTER."</u>
Friday May 9	Evening -- Prepare Sunday story using CICU mission and objectives to be sought by new president as new "lede" and then recap earlier story.
Monday May 12	Arrange for television/radio news conference at mid-morning in Parlor Conference Room of Weckesser Hall. This will be first time this media will have to move into the story live.

REMINDERS:

1. Letter to Board...possibly updating letter used in last October's release.
2. Letter to go out to alumni to let them know what is going on and ask their cooperation during this period of transition. Also to thank them for support and friendship over the years.
3. Letter to "friends (donors) of the college to reassure them on change as it affects college and to insure no lack of confidence in college that could undermine pledges made during the recent campaign
4. A post-mortem at an appropriate time soon after initial shock has hit to double check any spots we might have missed.

Release ~~statement~~

1. from CICU - Chairman, Dr. Theodore Eddy, Pres. of Chatham and chairman-elect Dr. Charles Watter, President, Bucknell Univ.

2. Contents

- a) CICU mission
- b) importance of independent sector of higher education in Pa. & nation
- c) growing concern for public understanding of mission and financing at state & fed. levels.

3. Umbelini comes from Wilkes College where he served for 20 years beginning as asst prof. of biol. to asst as Pres in 1970 succeeding the late Earl Farley. He has served on the exec comm. of PACU - chair of A.R.C. and is a member of Gov. Sci Adv Comm.

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The 49-year-old native of Clifton, N. J., ~~came~~ came to Wilkes in 1955 as an assistant professor of biology and moved to the position of dean of academic affairs before assuming the presidency. Two years after he took office the disastrous flood of 1972 inflicted an estimated \$14-million on Wilkes College. ~~The~~ almost impossible task of rebuilding the institution was accomplished under his leadership.

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✓ WBAX Radio	288-7575
✓ WARM Radio	822-6161 or <u>654-7955</u>
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✓ WGBI	655-1429
✓ WYZZ	<u>823-1166</u> or 693-2888
✓ WCLH	825-7663
✓ WEJL	346-6555
✓ WNAK	735-0730
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Wyoming Valley Observer	693-1325
✓ WBRE TV '28'	823-3101
✓ WDAU TV '23'	342-7634 or <u>655-1429</u>
✓ WNEP TV '16'	655-2821
WVIA TV '44'	655-4561

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NOTICE TO ACCOMPANY NEWS TAPE

A NEWS CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, MAY 12, AT 10 A.M.
IN THE BOARD ROOM OF WECKESSER HALL AT 170 SOUTH FRANKLIN STREET.
DR. MICHELINI WILL MEET WITH MEMBERS OF THE NEWS MEDIA AND
RESPOND TO QUESTIONS OR REQUESTS FOR STATEMENTS AT THAT TIME.

FAX SHEET -- NEWS CONFERENCE

Subject: Dr. Francis J. Micheline

Date: May 12, 1975

President, Wilkes College

1. Dr. Francis J. Micheline, who has served since 1970 as president of Wilkes College, submitted his resignation on Friday (May 9) to the institution's Board of Trustees.

2. Dr. Micheline will assume his new duties on September 1, 1975 as president of the Commission for Independent Colleges and Universities in Harrisburg.

3. As the new president of CICU, Dr. Micheline's major function will be to carry out one of the most vital CICU missions -- focusing attention on the importance of the independent sector of higher education in Pennsylvania and throughout the nation. The 49-year-old president also will be responsible for addressing the problems relating to the need for public understanding and support of new options for providing financial assistance to higher education at both state and federal levels.

4. The announcement made on Friday was in the form of a joint release from the Wilkes Board Chairman Thomas Kiley and Chairman-elect Joseph Savitz; and from CICU by Dr. Edward D. Eddy, CICU chairman and president of Chatham College, and Dr. Charles Watts, president of Bucknell University and chairman-elect of CICU.

5. The Commission for Independent Colleges and Universities has 80 member institutions throughout Pennsylvania. The CICU offices are in the building housing the Pennsylvania Association of Colleges and Universities, 800 North Third Street, Harrisburg, Pa. 17102

6. Dr. Micheline expects to remain in the key leadership role as administrative head until approximately August 31. He and his wife and three daughters will take up residence on September 1 at 533 Appalachian Avenue, Mechanicsburg.

6. A successor HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED. Normally, it takes up to a year to follow the traditional processes in selecting a college president and the responsibility rests with the College Board of Trustees and those to whom they assign search and selection assignments.

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FOR RELEASE: 6 P.M., FRIDAY, MAY 9

Wilkes College President Francis J. Micheline today notified the Board of Trustees at its year-end quarterly meeting that he is resigning to accept the position of president of the Commission for Independent Colleges and Universities (CICU).

The announcement of his new post, which he will assume on September 1, was being made at the same time at the Harrisburg-based offices of CICU by Dr. Theodore Eddy, CICU chairman and president of Chatham College, and Dr. Charles Watts, president of Bucknell University and chairman-elect of CICU.

The 49-year-old Wilkes president's announcement that he is leaving the post he has held for five years came as a surprise to faculty, administration and student leaders, who were informed at a special meeting following his announcement to the Board.

Dr. Micheline said he was making the move with mixed emotions because of his more than 20 years at Wilkes and the strong ties he and his family have with the institution and the Wyoming Valley community.

"The association with Wilkes College has been most satisfying, both personally and professionally, and now brings me to this point of personal decision in evaluation of my future potential in higher education administration," he said. "The invitation to become president of the Commission for Independent Colleges and Universities not only is a special honor, but it also presents a challenge to provide the input and leadership that is so vitally needed today in calling the public's attention to the critical problems and issues which face the private sector of higher education in the state

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and the country."

Dr. Micheline became the second president of Wilkes College in July, 1970, upon the retirement of the late Dr. Eugene S. Farley, who had served as the head of the institution when it was founded as Bucknell Junior College and later become president of Wilkes College when it was chartered as a four-year independent liberal arts institution in 1947.

From his CICU office in Harrisburg, Dr. Micheline will be directing efforts toward the growing concern for public understanding and support of the vital need to provide financial assistance to higher education at the state and federal levels.

Both Dr. Eddy and Dr. Watts emphasized in announcing the appointment of Dr. Micheline that the selection committee charged with finding a person for the newly created presidency had carefully screened a list of "exceptionally qualified" candidates. They stated that in the selection of Dr. Micheline the committee felt CICU and all of higher education had named a president who is extremely well qualified to carry out the mission of the office.

Dr. Micheline is no newcomer to education at governmental levels. He is recognized as one of the leading spokesmen for higher education in Pennsylvania. Currently, he is serving his third term as chairman of the Government Relations Committee of the Pennsylvania Association of Colleges and Universities (PACU). He has served on the Executive Committee of PACU as secretary-treasurer of that body, and also is a member of the Governor's Science Advisory Committee.

The president-designate of CICU, his wife and three daughters will reside in the Harrisburg area at 533 Appalachian Avenue, Mechanicsburg.

In a separate statement concerning his departure from Wilkes College,

Dr. Micheline said:

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Dr. Michelini said: "The challenges of bringing the college through the transition period from its founding president; the experience of coping with construction of our major campus academic facility -- the \$6.7- million Stark Learning Center; the massive and what sometimes seemed to be impossible problems of flood reconstruction; and the unexpected requirements of the Department of Labor and Industry of the Commonwealth for safety upgrading of our many older buildings, have indeed provided me with a unique experience in educational administration. Only the dedicated efforts of an outstanding administrative team made our recovery possible.

"At the same time we faced these problems, we have also been called upon to function during a period of intense reexamination of private higher education in our social and political environment with the attendant problems of student enrollment and new patterns of curricular interests, each with its own financing requirements and pressures.

"I wish to thank the Board, the faculty, the administration and above all else the students for the support they have given me over the years of my association with the college and the community. I truly believe we have the quality faculty, administrative staff and the physical facilities necessary to meet the challenges of the future.

"These experiences all combine to make Wilkes College a unique part of me that will always be cherished, and I hope and trust that my efforts will always reflect well on me as part of the history of Wilkes College."

When he moved into the presidency at Wilkes, Dr. Michelini was a popular choice among faculty, students and people in the community. He continued to be known affectionately as "Dr. Mike" -- an accepted and respected carryover from his days as a faculty member.

A native of Clifton, N.J., Dr. Michelini received his bachelor's degree from Seton Hall and his master's degree from the University of Delaware before going on

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to the University of Pennsylvania where he was awarded his doctorate.

He came to Wilkes in 1955 as an assistant professor in biology. Dr. Michelini rapidly gained stature and popularity as a teacher and researcher, publishing a number of reports of his research activity in the journals of "Cancer Research," the "American Journal of Botany" and other scientific publications.

In 1962, he was granted a leave of absence from Wilkes to become associate program director of the Institutes Section, National Science Foundation, Washington, D.C., where he was responsible for review, evaluation, and administration of programs in science education. He also organized programs and tours for visiting foreign scientists, who lectured at major American universities under National Science Foundation auspices.

A veteran of World War II, he served with the U.S. Army Air Corps, attached as a member of an air service unit to General Patton's Third Army, and earned a combat service star during the Rhine Campaign in the European Theater.

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funding of all grants made under that program in the Greater Delaware Valley Region.

His open door policy toward faculty, administration and students carried over into the concern he had for making himself available to the news media so that he might minimize the possibility of misunderstandings that might affect Wilkes College. His concern for the problems faced by the news media many times brought expressions of appreciation from news people and enabled him to hold their respect during his years as president of Wilkes.

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A tireless worker and an ardent believer in maintaining the college's responsibility to the community, President Michelini has never turned down a request to assist an organization or an individual.

Dr. Michelini serves on the boards of the Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Family Service Association, The United Way, Wilkes-Barre, Philharmonic Society,

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NEW PRESIDENT NAMED

P.M. RELEASE FRIDAY, APRIL 17

Dr. Eugene S. Farley

Dr. Francis J. Michelini

The 14 month search for a new president of Wilkes College to succeed Dr. Eugene S. Farley, who has served in the post since the college was founded in 1933, has ended. Attorney Louis Shaffer, chairman of the board of trustees of the college, announced at noon today the man selected to head the 37 year old, independent, liberal arts college is from the Wilkes academic family -- Dr. Francis J. Michelini, present dean of academic affairs.

The board chairman also invited Dr. Farley to consider remaining in the administrative echelon as chancellor.

Announcement was made following a special board meeting in Weckesser Hall, administrative headquarters of the college, and Michelini was immediately notified. He was one of 63 distinguished educators and leaders in their respective fields who were considered and thoroughly researched. The final choice was made today.

In February, 1969, when Dr. Farley announced his intention to retire, a Presidential Search Committee was appointed and the entire Wilkes family was invited to suggest candidates. Among the 63, five of them visited the campus or were visited by representatives of the search committee.

Dr. Michelini knows Wilkes College and Wilkes College knows him; he is widely acquainted with and knows well both the educational and business worlds. The forty four year old successor to Dr. Farley, a native of Clifton, N.J., joined the Wilkes faculty in 1955 as assistant professor in biology. In 1962, he was elevated to dean of academic affairs, and since then, he has worked closely with Dr. Farley as the latter continued his "forward thrust",

watching and helping Wilkes College develop from a college, housed in one rented building with little more than 100 students, to one that today boasts of a campus of 23 acres and only last week dedicated its 54th building. Its undergraduates number almost 2,500; evening school and part time students bring the college population to twice that number.

The newly-elected Wilkes president who takes over the reins of the college July 1, 1970, earned his B.S. degree in chemistry at Seton Hall University. At the University of Delaware he was awarded his M.A. degree in biological science in 1950; his Ph.D. degree following in 1955 from University of Pennsylvania.

It was in 1962 that Dr. Michelini was granted a leave of absence from Wilkes to become associate program director of the Institute Section, National Science Foundation, Washington, D.C.

During World War II, he served with the U.S. Army Air Force from March, 1944 to June, 1946, earning a Combat Service Star during the Rhine Campaign in the European Theater of War.

His community activities are many. Currently, he is chairman, Wilkes-Barre Model Cities Policy Board. He is also a member of the board of directors of the following: Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Family Service Association, Welfare Planning Council, Wyoming Valley United Fund, Greater Delaware Valley Regional Medical Program, Northeastern Pennsylvania Heart Association. At one time he held the office of president of both Welfare Planning Council and Family Service Association.

He served on the Governor's Committee on Vocational Rehabilitation and was a member of the Charter Study Commission, city of Wilkes-Barre.

He is listed in Who's Who in America and is a member of American Men of Science and the Society of Sigma Xi; also Kiwanis Club of Wilkes-Barre, Westmoreland Club and Torch Club. Dr. Michelini has published papers extensively in publications in the field of developmental biology.

He is married to the former Anne Marie Sterner of Lansford. The Michelinis are parents of three daughters and reside at 148 Dana Street.

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW PRESIDENT

The search for Wilkes College's second president, conducted extensively for fourteen months, came to full circle this morning when Attorney Louis Shaffer, chairman of the Wilkes Board of Trustees made public that Dr. Francis J. Micheline, the present Dean of Academic Affairs, had been selected to succeed Dr. Eugene S. Farley, who has served the college in this capacity since it was founded in nineteen thirty three. Attorney Shaffer also disclosed that Dr. Farley had been asked to consider the post of Chancellor of Wilkes.

.Forty-four year old Dr. Micheline was born in Clifton, New Jersey, and joined the Wilkes faculty as an assistant professor of biology in nineteen fifty five, was elevated to his present post as Dean in nineteen sixty two.He is married to the former Anne Marie Sterner of Lansford.The Michelines are parents of three children.

The new Wilkes president is a veteran of World War Two, having seen active combat service with the U.S. Army Air Force during the Rhine Campaign in the European Theater of War.He was graduated from Seton Hall University with a Bachelor of Science degree; received his Master's Degree in Biological Science from the University

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MEMORANDUM

TO: FACULTY

FROM: Robert S. Capin

DATE: October 30, 1975

A meeting of the Faculty will be held Thursday, November 6, 1975, at 11 a.m., in Stark Learning Center, Room 1.

A G E N D A

1. Approval of minutes of previous meeting
This is faculty information only -- not for
distribution to outsiders
2. Announcements
3. Report of faculty representatives on
Presidential Search Committee
4. Faculty Committee Reports
Curriculum Report
Faculty Policy Committee
5. Old Business
6. New Business

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Minutes of the Faculty Meeting

October 2, 1975

Acting President Capin opened the meeting of the Faculty at 11 a. m. on October 2, 1975, in Room 1, Stark Learning Center.

The minutes of the September 2, 1975 meeting were approved as distributed by a voice vote.

The President extended his thanks to all those who assisted during the flood emergency and outlined the emergency plan that was activated as the situation developed.

Committee Reports

I. Curriculum Committee - Dr. Howard Swain

A. Bachelor of Arts program in Environmental Science

This program is being returned to the Faculty from the Curriculum Committee after being sent back to Committee by the Faculty at its meeting of April 22, 1975.

Dr. Labows questioned the removal of the Statistics requirement. It was indicated that Statistics is now an elective under "Science electives," and may include either the Science or Economics course.

Dr. Faut moved (Mr. Salley seconded) to table the proposal because he received it only two days ago. The motion failed to carry by a 41 for, 45 against, hand vote.

Dr. Rozelle moved (Dr. Wong seconded) to defer action. The motion was passed on a voice vote.

II. Faculty Announcements

A. Faculty Policies Committee - Mr. Frank Salley

The next meeting of the Committee will be held to discuss Academic Freedom. The meeting is limited to Committee members only.

After a discussion of the reasons for limiting the meetings of the Faculty Policy Committee to Committee members only, it was suggested that this topic be placed on the agenda for further discussion at the next Faculty meeting.

B. Bicentennial - Dr. David Leach

Dr. Leach is coordinating the campus involvement in the Bicentennial celebration. Individual or departmental activities should be sent to Dr. Leach for inclusion on the community Bicentennial calendar.

C. Convocation (ad hoc) - Dr. Charles Reif

The Faculty was instructed to gather at 9:15 a.m. on Saturday, October 11 in SLC Room 1, to don academic regalia for the Convocation and Dedication of Stark Learning Center and Schaeffer Lecture Hall.

D. Pre-legal - Mr. Welton Farrar

Two meetings will be held for pre-legal students on the last two Wednesdays of October, at 7:30 p.m. in the foyer of the Center for the Performing Arts. Each meeting will have five sessions, under the sponsorship of the Department of Commerce and Finance and the Luzerne County Bar Association.

III. President's Announcements

A. Changes in Committee assignments

1. Dr. Howard Williams (C&F) replaces Dr. Ben Fiester (English) as Chairman of the Individualized Studies Committee.

2. Dr. Jean Driscoll (Political Science) replaces Dr. Franck Darte (Education) on the Individualized Studies Committee.

3. Mr. Henry Casilli (Fine Arts) replaces Dr. Mohamed El-Ashry (Environmental Science) on the Graduate Studies Committee.

4. Mr. Robert DeYoung (Commerce and Finance) replaces Dr. Mohamed El-Ashry (Environmental Science) on the Academic Standing Committee.

B. Scheduled Meetings

1. The Executive Committee of the Board meets tomorrow.

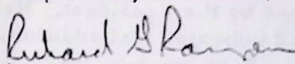
2. The Presidential Search, Finance, and Development Committees and the Board of Trustees will meet on October 10.

B. Dr. Wong recommended that an open meeting be held with the Faculty representatives to the Presidential Search Committee of the Board, so that the representatives would know the views of the Faculty and more adequately represent the group. Mr. Farrar agreed, but because of the time involved before the Comm.tee meets next Friday, requested individuals interested in passing along information to do so directly.

V. Adjournment

There being no further business brought forth, President Capin adjourned the meeting at 12:15 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Richard G. Raspen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Richard" being more prominent than the last name "Raspen".

Richard G. Raspen

C. Student Life

1. The President called on Mrs. Lorna Darte, who brought a concern of the Student Life Committee about the lack of Faculty cooperation with students involved in extra-curricular activities. In view of the College policy of cultivating student activities, the Committee urged the Faculty to give students the option of making up any work missed. In response, Dr. Reif and Dr. Bohning spoke of the difficulty of scheduling students into laboratory periods. Mr. Capin asked the Faculty to accommodate these students where possible.

2. The Faculty's advice was sought on the difficulties caused by the scheduling of classes on Good Friday.

D. Enrollment Data

The information identified as Tables I-V and attached to these minutes was discussed by the President. He discussed significant relationships within the data, and indicated that additional statistics would be presented at future meetings.

E. Political Concerns

1. A new organization known as "Region III" has been formed comprising all post-secondary institutions within the area. The purpose of the group is to work together to avoid duplication of academic programs.

2. At a recent meeting of the Pennsylvania Association of Colleges and Universities (PACU), emphasis was given to the significance of maintaining a balance between a "liberal education" and job-oriented curricula.

3. State Institutional Assistance Grants are again under examination with a possibility of some other form of help emerging.

4. Some members of the House Ways and Means Committee are talking about doing away with the currently allowed deduction for gifts to educational institutions. The Internal Revenue Service is considering the possibility of requiring a donor of property to pay a capital gains tax on the appreciation of an asset based on its fair market value at the time of donation.

IV. New Business

A. Dr. Darte requested the Faculty Policy Committee to prepare a document relating to the functions as well as policies of the Committee. Mr. Salley (chairman) indicated he could better respond to questions and concerns of the Faculty if they were sent to him in a written form.

TABLE I

NEW STUDENTS ENROLLED

	September 1974	September 1975
FRESHMEN		
Men.	303	332
Women.	<u>259</u>	<u>246</u>
TOTAL FRESHMEN.	562	578
TRANSFERS		
Men.	65	58
Women.	<u>46</u>	<u>56</u>
TOTAL TRANSFERS	<u>111</u>	<u>114</u>
GRAND TOTAL--FRESHMEN AND TRANSFERS	673	692

TABLE II

EVENING SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

	Students		Credits	
	1974	1975	1974	1975
Undergraduate	422	436	2057	2302
High School	51	77	270	246
Graduate	276	302	1101	1204

TABLE III

STUDENTS ENROLLED FOR 12 OR MORE CREDITS

Number of Students		Number of Credits		FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT					
				Based on 12 Credits		Based on 14 Credits		Based on 15 Credits	
<u>1974</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1974</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1974</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1974</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1974</u>	<u>1975</u>
2065	2055	33,228	33,205	2769	2767	2373	2372	2215	2214

TABLE IV

ANALYSIS OF ENROLLMENT BY CREDIT HOURS

Credits Taken	Number of Students		Total Credit Hours		Number of Students Paying \$1,150	
	1974	1975	1974	1975	1974	1975
12 - 13.5	126	123	1554	1529	102	99
14 - 23.0	1939	1932	--	--	1939	1932
Credits taken in excess of 18	--	--	99	116	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>
TOTAL PAYING \$1,150					2048	2039

Number of students paying full tuition (\$1,150) computed by dividing total credits taken by a conversion factor of 15.3 credits = 1 student paying \$1,150. Total credits not shown for students taking 14 - 23 credits because they automatically pay full tuition.

TABLE V

FACULTY

	1974-75	1975-76	Tenured 1975-76	Tenure Rate ¹ 1975-76
Full-Time	163	147	83	54.2%
Part-Time ²	—	<u>6</u>	—	
TOTALS	163	153	83	

¹Individual departmental tenure rates range from 0% (Sociology) to 100% (Engineering, History, and Physics).

²Either part-time or on-leave; included in computation of Tenure Rate.

Fall Enrollment - 1975-76 - Day College

Credit Hours Taken	Number of Students		Total Credit Hours		Total Credit Hours		F. T. E. Students	
	(1974)	(1975)	(1974)	(1975)	(1974)	(1975)	(1974)	(1975)
12	84	70	1008	840	33228	33204.5	→ 12 =	2769 2767
12.5		1		12.5				
13	42	51	546	663	33228	33204.5	→ 14 =	2373 2372
13.5		1		13.5				
14	89	83	1246	1162	33228	33204.5	→ 15 =	2215 2214
14.5		5		72.5				
15	609	521	9135	7815				
15.5		18		279				
16	347	435	5552	6960				
16.5		15		247.5				
17	450	367	7650	6239				
17.5		25		437.5				
18	379	362	6822	6516				
18.5		26		481				
19	44	38	836	722				
19.5		17		331.5				
20	14	10	280	200				
20.5		1		20.5				
21	4	7	84	147				
22	1	1	22	22				
23	1	1	23	23				
24	1		24					
Total	2065*	2055*	33228*	33204.5*				

*Does not include part-time day college or high school students.

Doris E. Barker, Registrar
September 12, 1975

WILKES COLLEGE

FULL-TIME FACULTY, TENURED FACULTY, AND PERCENTAGE ON TENURE
1975-76 ACADEMIC YEAR

<u>Department</u>	<u>Number of Full-Time Faculty 1974-75</u>	<u>Termination, Retirement, Resignation</u>	<u>Number of Full-Time Faculty 1975-76</u>	<u>Tenured Faculty</u>	<u>Percent Tenured</u>
Biology ¹	8	1	8	3	37.5%
Chemistry ²	8	-	8 (inc. 1 p. t. Rozelle)	7	87.5%
Commerce & Finance ³	14	2	14 (inc. 1 p. t. Capin)	10	71.4
Education ⁴	12	4	8	6	75%
Engineering ⁵	5	2	3	3	100%
English ⁶	13	5	8	6	75%
Environmental Science ⁷	4	0	4 (inc. 1 on lv. 1 El Ashry)	1	25%
Fine Arts ⁸	7	1	6	4	66.6%
Foreign Languages ⁹	11	5	9	2	22.2%
History ¹⁰	9	2	7 (inc. 1 p. t. Berg)	7	100%
Library ¹¹	7	0	7	2	28.5%
Mathematics	11	2	10	7	70%
Music ¹²	11	1	10	6	60%
Nursing ¹³	9	2	16	1	.06%
Philosophy & Rel. Studies ¹⁴	5	2	4	3	75%
Physical Education ¹⁵	8	0	10 (inc. 2 on lv. 3 S. Bloombergs)	3	30%
Physics	6	0	6	6	100%
Political Science ¹⁶	3	0	3	2	66.6%
Psychology ¹⁷	5	2	5	2	40%
Sociology ¹⁸	4	1	4	0	0%
Theater Arts	3	0	3	2	66.6%
TOTALS	163	32	153 (147)*	83	54.2%

TO: Curriculum Committee
FROM: Department of Environmental Sciences
RE: B.A. degree in Environmental Sciences
DATE: 12 August 1975

Enclosed is the revised curriculum for the proposed B.A. degree in Env. Sci. The original proposal was submitted to your committee last March and presented to the faculty at their April, 1975 meeting. The faculty moved to refer the proposal back to the committee. This motion was prompted by the realization that the proposal failed to fulfill the Philosophy requirement of the college B.A. core program. The curriculum for the proposed B.A. degree in Env. Sci. has been rewritten to eliminate this deficiency.

B.A. Degree in Env. Sci.

I		II	
E.S. 101	3	E.S. 102	3
Eng. 101	3	Eng. 102	3
For. Lang. 101	3	For. Lang. 102	3
Hist. 101	3	Hist. 102	3
P.S., Psy., Soc. 101	3	P.S., Psy., Soc. 102	3
P.E. 101	0	P.E. 102	0
P.E. 105	1	P.E. 106	1
16		16	
III		IV	
E.S. 211	3	E.S. 251	3
Math. 105 or 111	4	Math. 106 or 112	4
Eng. 151	3	Eng. 152	3
For. Lang. 203	3	For. Lang. 204	3
P.S., Psy., Soc. 101	3	P.S., Psy., Soc. 102	3
P.E. 103	0	P.E. 104	0
16		16	
V		VI	
E.S. 282	3	E.S. 232	3
Phil. 101	3	Phil. 102	3
Chem. 105	4	Soc. 230	3
P.S. 207	3	P.S. 214	3
Sci. Electives ¹	3	Sci. Electives ¹	3
16		15	
VII		VIII	
E.S. 397	3	E.S. 382	3
Soc. 215	3	Electives ¹	12
Electives ¹	6		
F.A. 101 or Mus. 101	3		
15		15	

Total: 125 credits

¹ Students wishing to prepare for secondary school teaching must elect Ed. 201, 202 and 330. (Note that Psy. 101 and 102 are prerequisites.) Students wishing to elect Elementary Education as a double major, please refer to Page 91 of this Bulletin.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Faculty

FROM: Francis J. Salley, Chairman
Faculty Policy Committee

DATE: November 6, 1975

SUBJECT: Report to the Faculty

FACULTY POLICY COMMITTEE
REPORT TO THE FACULTY.

October 19, 1975

This report covers the period from July 24, 1974 when F. Salley was elected chairman until the present.

At the meeting of July 24 there was discussion of the Wilkes-Hahnemann Program, with the suggestion that the Individualized Studies Committee take over the responsibilities of the W-H "Ad hoc" Committee.

In September of 1974 there were two letters from members of the faculty. In one a concern was expressed about disproportionate representation on faculty committees. The other letter expressed concern about the economic status of the faculty and the help that a credit union, dental and group life insurance might be.

In the meeting at the end of September 1974, the first discussions started about the possibility of scheduling all faculty committee meetings on a regular basis. In this meeting there was discussion of the W-H Program and also faculty responsibility for Continuing Education Non-Credit Courses.

In early October 1974, a letter was received from a faculty member expressing concern about faculty salaries. As a result a discussion was held by the president at the next faculty meeting.

At an October meeting there was discussion of Adjunct Professor and voting rights in faculty meetings. A report was also given about the high cost of dental insurance.

In the early November meeting there was discussion of the Faculty Evaluation Form. The FPC indicated that the administration may set up any evaluation it chooses. It was emphasized at this meeting that approved minutes of the FPC are open for inspection by any member of the faculty.

In the middle of November a letter from a faculty member was received which contained a proposal for summer and overtime salary for all full time faculty.

Two documents were prepared at about this time. One had to do with Adjunct Professors while the other concerned itself with Professor Emeritus.

In the middle of November 1974, a letter was received from the Individualized Studies Committee asking that their status be changed from "Ad hoc" to a standing committee of the faculty.

At the mid-November meeting there was discussion of the King's College and Bloomfield College situations in regard to termination of tenured faculty members.

At the meeting early in December the draft proposals on emeritus status and adjunct status and intermediate forms developed.

At the mid-December meeting the final proposal for Adjunct Professor status was discussed and adopted.

At the meeting early in January 1975, final approval was given to the Adjunct Professor proposal. Discussion was held on the Professor Emeritus proposal. The final draft was adopted for presentation to the faculty along with the Adjunct Professor proposal.

In the early January meeting it was stated that the college should be specific about the fact that the Academic Standing Committee must give approval of all degrees conferred by the school, including honorary degrees.

There was a general discussion of the request by the Individualized Studies Committee that they be granted standing status.

After the meeting a letter was sent by F. Salley to B. Fiester requesting a meeting to discuss the status of the Individualized Studies Committee.

In mid-January there was a meeting to which all former members of the FPC were invited. At this meeting R. Rozelle discussed the report to the faculty of the first year and a half of committee operation. A number of matters in the report were clarified for newer members of the committee. A number of suggestions were put forth about the future activities of the FPC.

At the meeting early in February 1975, reports were presented from the chairmen of the Academic Standing Committee and the Curriculum Committee indicating that the "status quo" of the elective process be maintained for those committees. The problem of balance was recognized by both committees.

The FPC reiterated its opinion that the Individualized Studies Committee remain an "Ad hoc" committee for at least one more year.

With regard to faculty supervision of Continuing Education course offerings it was noted that both the Graduate Committee and the Curriculum Committee were

not interested in accepting this responsibility. It was suggested that an "Ad hoc" committee be appointed for this purpose.

At the Faculty Meeting on February 13, 1975, R. Rozelle reported on the first year and a half of the FPC.

F. Salley presented the report on the proposals for Adjunct Professor and Professor Emeritus. All reports were approved by the Faculty.

At the meeting at the end of February several memoranda from faculty members were discussed including the question of whether a higher rate of payment could be employed for summer and overtime salaries for full time faculty. The answer was that present economics do not allow for a change.

The meeting early in March was devoted to making nominations of faculty members for faculty committees. The results of the Preference Questionnaire which had been circulated earlier to the faculty were used where possible.

At the meeting of March 20, 1975, a report was presented to the Faculty on nominations to faculty committees, in preparation for the coming election.

During April 1975, there were two letters from faculty members, one having to do with the time allotted for faculty meetings and the other with reference to loading for graduate courses which are required by students in order to graduate.

During April a letter was also received from an administration member acting for a faculty committee asking for answers on some rules of procedure concerning committee operation.

At the mid-April meeting there was discussion of some nomination matters in preparation for the election to be held at the end of April. It was decided that for ballots to be valid they would have to be postmarked by midnight, May 2, 1975.

At the meeting later in April a number of items were discussed which had come to the committee at earlier times.

- (a) The administration took up the matter of loading for graduate courses required for the graduation of a student. The faculty member will receive "full" loading for any such course.
- (b) Concerning the time for faculty meetings the Registrar was to be instructed that no classes are to be held 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. on any Tuesday or Thursday. The faculty is to be informed that no office hours are to be held during these time periods. All faculty members should be available to meet from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the designated Faculty Meeting day.

At the meeting at the end of April 1975, it was reported that the Adjunct Professor proposal had been approved by the Board as submitted. Concerning the Emeritus Professor proposal it was reported the Board felt that distinguished service as such was not sufficient to designate Professor Emeritus. This should be a unique and distinctive honor. The Board suggested that the title be limited to no more than three designations per year (with five the first year.) The FPC decided that precipitous application of the Professor Emeritus policy was not in the best interests of the faculty or the college. It was decided that operational criteria should be developed for use at the October 1975 Convocation.

On May 5, 1975 a memorandum was sent by F. Salley as FPC chairman giving a formal reply to a committee chairman on the topic of "Suggested procedures for maintaining committee order in the matter of attendance."

At the next meeting early in May the results of the faculty election to faculty committees were certified.

The following was also adopted as suggested formal procedure to be followed by faculty committees:

1. It is suggested that a record be kept as part of the minutes of meetings listing the names of members who are present, absent and excused for good reason.
2. In cases of non-attendance by a member and after informal consultation with other committee members the chairman can ask the member the reason for his absences and suggest, if appropriate, that the member may care to resign his membership.
3. If the non-attending member is not affected in his attitude by informal discussion the chairman of the committee can proceed to formal action. A motion can be entertained for committee action requesting the member to submit his resignation from the committee.
4. If the preceding measures on the part of the committee do not result in a satisfactory solution to the problem the chairman of the committee shall inform the Faculty Policy Committee supplying all pertinent facts in the case.

It was toward the end of May that the series of events and meetings occurred concerning presidential selection which were reported at the first Faculty

Meeting on September 2, 1975.

Another report was given to the faculty at the Faculty Meeting on October 2, 1975. That report had to do with the beginning discussions on the Academic Freedom Committees.

Our basic tenets are -

- (1) The Faculty Policy Committee exists to serve the faculty.
- (2) It can best perform this function when it has -
 - (a) the confidence of the faculty
 - (b) input from the faculty.
- (3) The Faculty Policy Committee's charge is defined by the Faculty Handbook, page 14 -

Faculty Policy Committee - This committee will deal with a broad range of faculty concerns. It will review and initiate policy in all areas regarding conditions of employment, and will concern itself with faculty policy matters not specifically delegated to any other faculty committee.

- (4)
 - (a) Meetings of the Faculty Policy Committee are open to faculty members as observers.
 - (b) Under exceptional circumstances the Faculty Policy Committee may meet in closed session.