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Addition of three students and a like number of faculty to the newly-named President's Advisory Council, the creation of the Planning Council and the renaming of the Administrative Council to the President's Advisory Council and of the Student Welfare Council to Student Life Council are among the principal governance changes at the University of Dayton, Rev. Raymond A. Roesch, S.M., President, announced today.

The student and faculty appointments to the President's Advisory Council completes the placement of the three elements of the campus -- student, faculty and administration -- on all eight University councils. Five of the councils -- Services, Public Relations, Finance, Development and Student Life -- have contained students and faculty for four years while the Research Council has been composed of faculty and administrators and has added a student this fall. The new Planning Council will contain all three groups.

The President's Advisory Council is the top advisory group on campus while the other seven boards make recommendations concerning specific phases of campus life. Twenty-five students, twenty-nine faculty, and twenty-nine administrators comprise the membership on the eight councils. The faculty and student appointments were based upon recommendations submitted by the Academic Senate, Executive Committee and Student Government.

In announcing the additions to his Council, Father Roesch said the purpose was to provide insights and advice from all three elements of the campus community prior to his rendering decisions incumbent upon him. He stressed that new members were appointed on an ad personam basis and not as representative of a single group. He said the appointees must speak and render advice to the president for the good of the entire community.

The Planning Council's main function will be to advise the Vice President, Rev. George B. Barrett, S.M., in the performance of his over-all planning responsibilities and to ensure continuity in planning from year to year.

The Planning Council's first task, Planning for the Seventies, is already in its initial stages. Created last winter by Father Roesch and put into operation by Father Barrett, May 1, the project is designed to develop a remote aspect looking ten years into the future, an explicit aspect looking five years ahead, and a detailed aspect looking to the next school year. The Planning Coordinating Committee of the Planning for the Seventies, which also has all three campus segments in its membership, recently released a booklet, Guide for University Planning, as the first step in the plan for the coming decade.

The coordinating group, in the report, recommended the establishment of seven task forces as follows: curricular and non-curricular in the academic area; student life, faculty functions and administrative functions in the university environment.
area; and organization and governance in the university organization and governance area. Membership is now being completed for these task forces so that detailed planning in all areas of the University can begin this month.

Students appointed to the President's Advisory Council are Jewell Daniels, a 1968 Dunbar high school graduate who is the son of Mrs. Eva C. Boykins, 21 Benning Place, Dayton; Miss Christine Mitchell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Mitchell, 1530 Basswood Circle, Glenview, Illinois; and Paul Hartz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hartz, of 1840 Younger Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Daniels, who is administrative council for the Black Student Union on campus, was among the first 10 students to enter the University under the three-year-old Project Echo. A biology major, he carries a 2.9 overall accumulative academic average and a 3.0 in his major. He was named the outstanding co-op student for the past two summers in the Frigidaire Division of General Motors internship program. He expects to enter the School of Dentistry at Ohio State University upon his graduation in 1972.

Miss Mitchell, a junior, is a mathematics major and carries an academic average of 3.5, which has placed her on the Dean's List throughout her UD career. She is chairman of the Academic Senate's pass-fail subcommittee, a member of Student Government's Education Department and a student representative on the Mathematics Department's advisory board.

Mr. Hartz, a senior, is Executive Vice President of Student Government. He is a political science major and has served on several Student Government and University administrative-appointed committees during the past two years. He is currently on the Planning for the Seventies Planning Coordinating Committee. He also has served as chairman or a member of the Student Rights Commission, Elections Board, Judicial Appeals Board, New Student Introduction and a delegate to the National Student Association convention.

Faculty members are Dr. John Lucier, S.M., Chairman, Department of Chemistry; Dr. Esther R. Walden, Associate Professor of Business Management; and Dr. James MacMahon, Associate Professor of Biology. Dr. Lucier, a member of the Society of Mary since 1934, has been on the U.D. faculty since 1945, and has degrees from the University and Western Reserve University.

Dr. Walden, who has three degrees from Ohio State University, has served on the faculty since 1964 while Dr. MacMahon has been with the Biology Department since 1963. He also is Associate Director of the Institute of Desert Biology at Arizona State University and chairman of the Ohio Biological Society.