FACULTY SENATE Northern Michigan University Marquette, Michigan

The Faculty Senate met with President Johnson in the Superior Room Friday, September 29, 1967, at 1:00 p.m. All members and Mr. Dickson, Vice President for Academic Affairs, were present.

We departed from the prepared agenda to discuss the case of terminal notice to a Northern faculty member. Members of the Senate and Vice President Dickson expressed the concern of the faculty, and the dangers to faculty and student morale of continuing failure either to give reasons for the notice or to reconsider it. The presentation was passionate and at times eloquent. President Johnson stated that no charge regarding morals was involved in the notice; that he sees no chance at the moment of changing the decision; that he respects and sympathizes with the faculty, and that he hopes that he can, during his period in the presidency, show that he does believe in academic freedom.

The Senate instructed Mr. Farrell to request through President Johnson a meeting with the Board of Control or its Executive Committee as soon as possible. The Senate also instructed Mr. Farrell to ask for a reply before the next Senate meeting.

No action was taken on other items.

Respectfully submitted.

Earl Hilton, Secretary

September 29, 1967

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