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MEMORANDUM

To: English Department Teaching Staff

From: Joseph J. Moldenhauer

Subject: Actions of the Senate

At its meeting of 28 January 1983, the departmental Senate:

- 1. Approved the minutes of the 19 November 1982 meeting;
- 2. Heard an interim report from the subcommittee on Lecturers, and passed a motion as follows:

that after the subcommittee circulates to the Department a general document on Lecturers (now being drafted), the Chair be asked to schedule a meeting of the full Department for the airing of reactions to that draft document.

(The subcommittee would then refine its draft for consideration by the Senate.)

- 3. Received reports on Associate Professor recruitment needs from the departmental interest groups and passed two motions:
 - a. That Associate Professor recruitment not be undertaken in three fields whose interest-group members had expressed no need for additional faculty at that level: American literature, Modern British literature, and Renaissance;
 - b. That the interest groups concerned with the following areas be asked to refine their requests with respect to research and teaching interests and accomplishments of prospective candidates and with respect

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to the foreseeable role of such a candidate in course offering:
Creative Writing, Bibliography,
Popular Culture, History and
Theory of Rhetoric, Language and
Literature (with emphasis on the medieval period and the 18th century), and Criticism and
Intellectual History (with emphasis on the eighteenth and the nineteenth century).

The interest groups will be asked to give special attention to needs created by upcoming retirements, etc., and will report again to the Senate before the Senate refines recruitment policy.

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