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For Council, October 26th 1927.Committee for the Organisation of Courses for  
International Students.

At a meeting of the committee for the Organisation of Courses for International Students held on Friday the 7th October 1927 at 2.30 p.m

P r e s e n t           The Principal in the Chair  
                           Dr. Brincker  
                           Mrs. Carter  
                           Miss Darbyshire  
                           Miss Dorsey  
                           Professor Edgell  
                           Miss Lloyd Still  
                           Mrs. Reid  
                           Mrs. Williams  
                           Miss Bowes by invitation  
                           The Secretary.

Apologies for Absence.

The Chairman reported that apologies for absence had been received from Miss Cowlin and that Miss Rundle had asked that Miss Bowes, Tutor to the International Students, might be allowed to attend the Committee in her place.

RESOLVED           that Miss Bowes be invited to attend the present meeting.

At this point Miss Bowes joined the Committee.

1. Minutes.

The Minutes of the last meeting had been circulated and were confirmed and signed as correct with the following amendment:-

'That item 6 under "Required Subjects" on page 4 be deleted and inserted on page 5 under "Recommended Subjects."

2. Business referred from the last meeting.Sub Committees for different sections of the practical work.

The Committee were reminded that this business had been originally brought up by Mrs. Reid at the Committee meeting on the 17th June when it had been deferred to the next meeting on the 11th July and

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again deferred to the present meeting.

Mrs. Reid spoke to the matter and expressed the opinion that such sub Committees could better be formed later.

Recommended that the question be deferred for the present and that it be left to Mrs. Reid to ask for it to be put on the agenda at such time as she deems fit.

3. Curricula for International Students - Revised syllabus appended.

Mrs. Carter reported to the Committee that the curricula which had been before them at the last meeting had now been revised in accordance with the findings of the last Committee on July 11th as laid down in the minutes. She pointed out that besides various verbal alterations still to be made, one important alteration in the revised curricula was essential, namely to delete near the bottom of page 8 the two lines dealing with Physiology and substitute on page 6 at the beginning of the section headed 'The International Course on Public Health for Nurses' a note emphasising the importance of Physiology in the curricula.

Professor Edgell asked for an explanation of the term 'professional ethics' which occurred at the end of page 6 of the circulated minutes. Mrs. Carter pointed out that the word had now been left out of the syllabus and the three lectures originally referred to under "professional ethics" were included in the course of lectures on the 'Psychology of the Moral Life.'

RESOLVED that the syllabus of courses for International Students for 1927-29 revised in accordance with the minutes of the meeting on the 11th July, together with amendments proposed above concerning Physiology on pages 6 and 8, be approved for the Press.

4. Applications for admission.

Details of two further applicants for admission had been circulated to the Committee and are appended.

(a) Public Health Course.

Applicant for admission ANNE ELIZABETH VOGEL - Switzerland.

A member of the Committee reported in favour of this student being accepted.

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(b) Course for Nurse Administrators and Teachers of Schools of Nursing

Applicant for admission JOHANNA ADRIANA EDIE - Netherlands.

Reported that this student who was beyond the age usually accepted for the course, proposed to come and pay her own fees; that it was doubtful whether she would be able to profit by the Course; that she was already in the country and was anxious to be admitted. The Committee discussed the case of Miss Edie at some length and agreed that she should be given an opportunity to try whether she could follow the course.

RESOLVED that the following two students be admitted to the International Course:

1. Anne Elizabeth Vogel      Public Health Course.  
    (Switzerland)
2. Johanna Adriana Edie      Course for Nurse  
    (Netherlands)              Administrators.

5. Report of the Sub Committee appointed to draw up an outline of 30 lectures on Public Health Nursing to be given by specialists.

Mrs. Reid spoke on behalf of the Committee and reported that it had been agreed to recommend that the 35 lectures on Public Health Nursing including the organisation of Public Health Nursing should be divided up among the following lecturers all of whom had been doing the work in the previous year:-

1. Miss O. Baggallay
2. Miss Donsey
3. Miss Smith, B.A. Toronto.
4. Miss Viney.

The Committee approved the suggestions of the Sub Committee.

Recommended that the following appointments be made in connection with the course of lectures on Public Health Nursing:-

1. Miss O. Baggallay, (Tutor to Public Health Workers and Examiner for Public Health Certificate under the Ministry of Health) 15 lectures, Public Health Nursing.

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2. Miss Viney, (educational staff of the College of Nursing) 10 lectures, Public Health Nursing.
3. Miss Smith, B.A. Toronto, (Headquarters Staff, League of Red Cross Societies) 5 lectures, Public Health Nursing.
4. Miss Dorsey, (Warden of 15 Manchester Square, formerly Chief Organiser Public Health Nursing Services, Pittsburg) 5 lectures on the 'Organisation of Public Health Services.'

6. Other business.

a. Special Lectures.

I Lectures on the International aspect of Public Health Nursing.

Mrs. Carter put before the Committee a suggestion that Dr. René Sand, Technical Councillor to the League, be invited to give two or three lectures to the International group in the Lent Term, 1928 on 'The International Aspect of Public Health Nursing!'; that no fee would be required for such lectures.

Recommended that Dr. René Sand be invited to give 2 or 3 lectures to the International Group in the Lent Term 1928.

II Special Lectures on Child Guidance.

Mrs. Reid put before the Committee a proposal that Miss Clement Brown, B.A. past student of the College, who had had considerable experience in America in Child Guidance Clinics should be appointed to give a short course on this subject to the International Group in the Easter Term 1928, the lectures to be fitted in with the existing curricula. The Committee approved the suggestion.

Recommended that Miss Clement Brown, B.A. be appointed to give a short course of lectures in the Easter Term 1928 on Child Guidance Clinics.

III Lectures in Elementary Chemistry in connection with the Lectures on Nutrition.

Mrs. Reid pointed out that the students failed to get the best

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advantage from Professor Plimmer's lectures owing to an insufficient knowledge of elementary Chemistry; that Professor Plimmer gave a short course of Elementary Chemistry to the Nurses of St. Thomas's Hospital and that Miss Lloyd Still was willing that the International Students should attend these lectures if it was so desired. The question was discussed in some detail and the Committee were of the opinion that it would be a great advantage for the International Students to have a short course of 5 or 6 lectures on Elementary Chemistry preparatory to their lectures on Nutrition. Miss Lloyd Still pointed out that the whole matter was one for arrangement between Professor Plimmer and Mrs. Reid and that the Bedford College Students could attend the lectures at St. Thomas's Hospital without an additional fee if Professor Plimmer was willing; that an objection however might arise that the class was too large a one and so necessitate the arrangement of a supplementary class. Mrs. Reid further informed the Committee that owing to the enlargement of the Department of Dietetics which was under the supervision of Professor Plimmer at St. Thomas's Hospital, it would be a great advantage to the Bedford College Students if the lectures on Nutrition could be given at the Hospital rather than at the College and that Miss Lloyd Still and Professor Plimmer were willing for this to be arranged. The Committee expressed their gratification to Miss Lloyd Still for making such an arrangement possible.

RESOLVED

that if possible, arrangements be made with Professor Plimmer for the International Students to attend at St. Thomas's Hospital a short course of 5 or 6 lectures on Elementary Chemistry during the Michaelmas Term preparatory to their lectures on Nutrition in the Lent Term.

that this addition to the lecture hours be included in the syllabus under Nutrition, with 13 lecture hours in place of 8.

that the Committee approve of the Lectures on Nutrition being given at St. Thomas's Hospital rather than at Bedford College and tender their thanks to the authorities of St. Thomas's Hospital for offering such facilities.

b. Summer Schools.

Mrs. Carter informed the Committee that the League of Red Cross Societies was very anxious that a reunion of old International Students should be arranged for the coming summer at Bedford College;

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that the American Red Cross and the British Red Cross Society were financing the venture but it was hoped that Lecturers fees might come out of the fund of £1,122 placed at the disposal of the Council of Bedford College by the League of Red Cross Societies for the advancement of the International Courses generally; that it was hoped that the present Committee would undertake to draw up a syllabus of lectures for a three weeks' Summer School from approximately the 14th July to the 5th or 6th August 1928, while the Old Students Society of the International group would make arrangements for the Summer School on the social side; that the students would be in the College Residence by permission of the Council. She added that it was hoped that as many as 60 to 70 students would attend the Summer School. The Committee proceeded to discuss the question of the syllabus of lectures and agreed that such a syllabus would be best drawn up by a small sub Committee of persons who knew the needs of the students. In this connection Mrs. Carter informed the Committee that questionnaires had been distributed to the students asking them to return them filled in showing what their needs were. It was further suggested that the syllabus should include, besides lectures, time for conferences and discussion about mutual experiences.

Recommended

that this Committee approve of the suggestion that part of the fund supplied by the League of Red Cross Societies for the advancement of the International Course should be allocated for the payment of fees to Lecturers for the Summer School provided that the Council of Bedford College feel themselves at liberty to spend the money in this way.

that the drawing up of a syllabus of lectures for the Summer School be referred to a sub Committee for report to the main Committee and that the constitution of this Committee be left in the hands of Mrs. Reid.

Date of next meeting.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for Friday, January 13th 1928.