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ANNUAL REPORT
OF
ACADEMIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Academic Planning Committee met monthly throughout the year. Our 1987-1988 experience indicates that the system-wide planning effort, insofar as it might appropriately involve faculty participation through this committee, is in serious need of attention.

At present the agenda of the committee depends wholly upon concerns expressed by its members. Our discussion over the last two years suggest this is an inefficient means of operation. It is our recommendation that: (A) The in-coming Provost be requested to establish procedures whereby the committee is routinely notified of pending academic issues. (B) The committee further requests that individual faculty members and governance agencies throughout the system notify the Academic Planning Committee (c/o Faculty Senate Office, USC Columbia) of concerns relevant to academic planning.

Issues remaining unresolved at the close of the 1987-1988 academic year include:

- a compilation and definition of residence requirements for all degrees on all campuses (the aim being to focus attention upon potentially divergent policies).
- a study of the possibility of integrating summer school into the academic year in order to improve the quality of summer courses, make more efficient use of physical plant and provide a continuity of employment for faculty.