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COMMENCEMENT COMMITTEE
Minutes of October 7, 1986



MEETING DATES FOR 1986-87

November 11	February 24
December 2	March 10
January 6	April 7
January 27	May 12
February 10	June 2

Members present: Mason, Pusey, Coale, Sgro, Axelson, Johnston, Parson, Davison, Cordes, LaBerge (for Johnson), Beame, Lane, McBride (for O'Neill), Powell, Huffman, Chiang, Kennedy.

Chair Mason called the meeting to order. New members were introduced. The Director of Ushers for the 1987 commencement will be Charles Coale.

Commencement date - June 13, 1987.

Reception for honor students hosted by Dr. Lavery - June 5, 1987. (chaired by Driscoll).

Evaluation 1986 Commencement - Report by Gary Minish indicated that at least one parent was upset by poor behavior of a minority of students. Otherwise, the commencement was excellent. Other comments included providing additional security for the major speaker and better photography access for persons who were receiving degrees. Comments received from the 22 surveys, which were returned, indicated a need for increased seating for ambulatory and handicapped persons and their families. Approximately 30,000 persons attended this largest commencement. The major speaker was well received by a quiet crowd. One problem which should be resolved before the next commencement was the opening of the gate on the west side of the stadium. Ushers should be present at all gates when they are open to distribute programs.

Recommendation--Physical Plant trucks should be parked away from the south gate and access to vehicles on the field should be limited.

Space Requirements for Colleges--Mason requested that college representatives notify him by **November 10** who in their college will plan and manage the graduation program(s) in their respective colleges. He will contact the colleges soon after the above date to determine space needs.

Standing Committees:

Speaker--Padis (chair), Johnston, Reynolds

Honors Reception--Driscoll (chair), Beams, Novascone.

Graduation Evaluation--Minish (chair), other persons to be named

Mace: Axelson (chair), Johnston, Kennedy

**NEXT MEETING: NOVEMBER 11, 1986, at 12 NOON; CARDINAL ROOM SQUIRES
STUDENT CENTER.**

The meeting adjourned at 12:55 P.M.