

Poor health causes resignation of Dean Walls

By Sally Wagner

"If you don't have health, you don't have anything," Dean Wesley Walls commented in explaining his resignation as Dean of Academic Development.

On the advice of his doctor, Dean Walls will end his term as Dean on August 31 and return to teaching in the Political Science department, of which he is the chairman. Dean of Academic Affairs William Rearick will assume the curriculum development responsibilities after Dean Wall's resignation.

Last year, Dean Walls held the title of Dean of Liberal Studies. During the summer, he began to focus his activities on curriculum reform, and was named Dean of Academic Development.

Dean Walls observed that a dynamic society demands a dynamic curriculum. His efforts at reform were therefore designed to bring the curriculum up to date and develop a system for continual renewal.

The Curriculum Reform Committee, headed by Dean Walls, presented Phase I of their proposal during Winter Quarter. They are now



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preparing a tentative outline of the proposal to be ready for faculty discussion and revision before the end of Spring Quarter. The faculty will work on the proposed programs during the summer, in preparation for testing the plan in a pilot project next year. Throughout the year, 1972-73, elements of the new program will be tested and refined, so that, hopefully, the plan can be instituted Fall Quarter of 1973.

Dean Walls admitted that he has some regrets that he can't see the proposal through to completion. However, at the end of this year, the main lines of the program will be clear. Dean Walls will continue to be involved as curriculum consultant, while gradually assuming a full teaching load.

"Working on this project has been an enjoyable experience," Dean Walls reflected, "and there are great educational opportunities ahead." In spite of his regrets concerning his resignation as Dean, he is eager to return to teaching, and observed that, "I am looking forward to another enjoyable year."

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