

A Brief History of Administrative Council

This short document details the official history of Administrative Council and the recognition of its authority by the officers and the articles of Antioch College.

1926: College President Arthur Morgan appoints an "Executive Council" of faculty to advise him on a variety of personnel, business, and curricular decisions.

1929:

- 8 February - The faculty votes to set the membership of "Excil" at nine members; The College President, the Dean of the College, and the Business Manager (all ex-officio), 3 faculty members elected by the Faculty, and 3 faculty appointed by the president.
- 18 April - The Board of Trustees changes the name to Administrative Council to alleviate confusion with the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees.

1930: In May the College Charter is amended. A new Article XV establishes that "There shall be an Administrative Council..." The article stipulates Council membership and charges it to "advise with the president relative to the general management of the educational and other functions of the college." Council was conferred the authority to elect Trustees, to adopt its own by-laws (which it apparently has never done), and to "have other such powers as may be vested in it by the Board of Trustees."

1930-1965: Excepting changes in Adcil's composition reflected in a succession of amendments, Article XV remains intact as part of the Antioch College Articles of Incorporation. Of note is the added power of Adcil in 1943 to elect the College President along with the Board of Trustees.

1965: Article XV becomes Article VII, but otherwise remains the same.

1972: In an attempt to form a governing body for the disparate campuses of the Antioch Network, the Antioch College Council (ACCIL) is formed. Article V, which lays out the details campus governance, stipulates that each campus have its own governing body, of which Adcil is an example.

1976: ACCIL and the Article that established it is abolished from the Articles of Incorporation.

1976-present: The Articles of Incorporation do not mention Administrative Council nor do they stipulate any other form of campus governance.

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