Faculty Offers Opinions On Cumulative Rating System

Advantages and disadvantages of cumulative rating system have been voiced by students through the point system was by the faculty in a recent meeting. Due to a diversity of opinion among the faculty members, however, the meeting was adjourned without any definite action being taken. It was felt that the opinions of student body and faculty are as yet too unclarified to warrant action on the proposed changes.

Uses for Cum

The point system is primarily as a means of establishing a minimum passing grade and secondarily as a standard by which applicants may evaluate candidates for the ROTC. Some feel that the cumula- tive rating system is a fairer test of an officer's potential in his field. It is felt by some that the cumulative rating penalizes severely the student who, for one reason or another, has done poorly in some term, but whose work is usually at a satisfactory level.

Diesly Suggested

To remedy these objections it has been suggested that the cumulative rating be eliminated and that evaluations be made on the basis of term rank and individual subject grades rather than on a cumulative basis. With respect to the use of these ratings as a means of establishing a minimum passing grade, the proposal has been made that students be consid- ered for dismissal if 28 units of C grade are not maintained in a term. This plan would emphasize a much greater emphasis of good rather than poor performance.

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