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Meeting of the Faculty Library Building Committee and Mr. Fels. Jan. 22, '58

Mr. Holt and Mr. Welter were absent.

Mr. Fels reported that the Trustees had approved the design of the building in general. The Committee looked at the plans and thought that they were OK.

The South Entrance was discussed. Mr. Fels ^{brought} that the advantages of the south entrance compensated for the disadvantages. The Faculty felt that the approach from the west and the walk to the south entrance resulted in an indirect approach to the Library. The question of an entrance directly from the west was raised and it was pointed out that this would be a compromise between the entrance from the campus side of the Library and the entrance from the Barn side. After some discussion it was decided to ask Mr. Metcalf for his advice. If he thinks that an entrance on the west side would make it possible to have an interior arrangement as satisfactory and pleasant as the current one we might ask the architects to consider a west entrance in planning the new building.

Mr. Fels said that these were very preliminary plans and that throughout the stage of preliminary plans there would be a great many things which would need to be looked into very carefully, and probably many changes and adjustments would need to be made. It might even involve plans for switching different rooms from one floor to another, e.g. the staff room and the audio-visual room.

It seemed to Mr. Nowak and other members of the Committee that the audio-visual room was pretty big and took up a great deal of space which might be more flexibly ^{used} ~~used~~.

The question of using the seminar room as part of the typing room was raised and Miss Hopkins pointed out that a dual purpose room led to confusion. It was asked whether the typing room was large enough, and there was also the question of whether there should be a bathroom for the

typing room. The Faculty thought it was a good idea.

It was also suggested that possibly the typing room might open into the seminar room which could provide extra space for night study should it be needed. Miss Hopkins said that it had occurred to her that it might be useful for some typing to be done on the ground floor, if this was possible.

There was some sentiment expressed for having the night study room and the entrance to it on the basement floor. It was also suggested that it might be possible to have the audio-visual room in the basement, with the staff room and seminar room on the third floor, in the light.

At the end of the meeting it was decided that Miss Hopkins should call Mr. Metcalf to find out what his plans were and when he would be available. Miss Hopkins is to see Mr. Fels on Monday to discuss whether she, Mrs. Brown or Mr. Fels should call Mr. Metcalf about the
Entrance.