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Division 6 - Lincoln Laboratory
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Subject: Group Leaders' Meeting - 10 March 1958
To: Group Leaders and Associate Group Leaders
From: C. W. Farr
Date: 17 March 1958

Present: R. R. Everett, D. R. Brown, N. L. Daggett,
A. M. Falcione, R. S. Fallows, C. W. Farr,
J. B. Goodenough, D. R. Israel, K. E. McVicar,
B. E. Morriss, J. A. O'Brien, W. N. Papian,
J. C. Proctor, E. S. Rich, P. Youtz, and
C. A. Zraket.

Agenda: 1. Communication With Air Force Contractors
2. Q-7 Improvements
3. XD-1 Computer Time
4. IBM Meeting
5. Non-Staff Ceiling
6. Accessions List
7. New Personnel
8. Building F Security Check List

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1. Communication With Air Force Contractors

Morriss outlined a procedural problem of obtaining from aircraft contractors the necessary parameters for simulation.

Everett requested Morriss to draft a letter addressed to ADSID For Everett's signature, formally requesting the desired information.

2. Q-7 Improvements

Morriss requested clarification of Lincoln's position in connection with the loan of a staff member (Thompson was mentioned) to IBM for their Advance Development Program for an improved computer. Fallows stated that IBM had asked for a Lincoln staff member to work in Beebe's office.

Everett reviewed a recent IBM visit in which the ECPX Program was discussed; he indicated we should regard the computer improvement program as one piece in the over-all picture of upgrading air defense (radar improvement and project crossover represent other pieces); Everett emphasized the need for preparation of a definite proposal to provide additional data processing capacity for an upgraded air defense system.

3. XD-1 Computer Time

Zraket commented favorably on recent Group 67 experience on XD-1; he indicated reliability in excess of 90% and availability of all machine time requested; he labeled the current XD-1 situation as greatly improved and satisfactory from the Group 67 standpoint.

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4. IBM Meeting

Fallows reported on a forthcoming visitation to observe and discuss IBM advance development activities; about 30 will be going from Lexington including Bennett and possibly Smith from LPO, Dodd from Division 2, and a half dozen Division 6 representatives.

5. Non-Staff Ceiling

Everett reviewed recent Steering Committee discussion of non-staff ceilings triggered by Division 2's request for 6 additional non-staff slots needed in manning the 704 computer four shifts. The Steering Committee has requested a review of non-staff ceilings throughout the Laboratory; the Divisional report is needed by the end of the month; a quick review of Group 60, 62, and 63 indicated a satisfactory number of non-staff people currently on hand, (counting adjustments currently in process with respect to MTC non-staff people). Proctor and Everett agreed that Division 6 non-staff people exceed the ceiling only if McGuire temporary personnel are counted.

Everett requested Proctor to prepare a Divisional report of non-staff personnel.

Everett has agreed to yield three slots to Division 2 (corresponding to three MTC operators).

6. Accessions List

Falcione suggested exclusion of "Internal Distribution Only" items (primarily biweekly reports, ESS Mission reports, trip reports, and other reports containing proprietary information) from the Accessions Lists.

Suggestion accepted.

7. New Personnel

Everett commented on the absence, recently, of new personnel

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folders for approval. Zraket and Israel indicated numerous folders are being presented for candidates to be interviewed.

Everett emphasized the need for continued active recruiting, including the College Recruiting Program, however, a high clip level needs to be maintained.

8. Building F Security Check List

O'Brien reported on a recent meeting concerning the Building F Security Check List.

O'Brien has the responsibility for writing a proposed revision.

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