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MINUTES

A called meeting of the Executive council of the Student Association was held at 4:30 P.M. in the Seminar Room of the Library. The purpose of the meeting was for Dr. Benson to meet with us. The meeting was called to order by President Hughes and was turned over to Dr. Benson.

Points in Dr. Benson's discussion were as follows:

- 1. He expressed appreciation of the job being done by the Student Council and assured us of the Administration's desire to cooperate with the council. He said, "If we fail to get your thinking, we're missing the boat."
- 2. He said that the Administration needs the thinking and suggestions of the council on planning for the present and future needs of Harding. The council was asked for comments about things that they think will make Harding better. Suggestions made were:
 - a. Buddy Myer expressed the discontent of some students with the chapel programs. There seem to be very few speeches on things of a spiritual nature. Dr. Benson explained that it was hard to get a balance that pleased everyone. He said that we are scheduled to have three speeches each week.
 - b. Some discontentment was expressed with the academic work in the field of Christian education.
- 3. He explained to the council that he had been unaware of its action in regard to the request made before Thanksgiving holidays. The request was that we be allowed to go to school on Monday and get out the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. Dr. Benson being out of town the request was taken to the Dean, and when Dr. Benson heard of it he was unaware that the request had come through the council.
- 4. Dr. Benson again expressed his appreciation to the council and suggested that we pursue the same type of discussion in a meeting where he wasn't present. He turned the meeting back to President Hughes and excused himself.

The president said that the Petit Jean Staff wants the council to make nominations for Best All Round Student. The suggestion was made that an announcement to that effect be made in chapel so that students might hand their suggestions for nominations to the council members.

The meeting was dismissed.

Respectfully Submitted

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