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The first part of this meeting was held during short chapel. Joel made preliminary remarks with regard to the events leading to the former decision of the student body about a memorial for Mrs. Stapleton. He explained why the collection was not taken when it was scheduled, outlining the circumstances which necessitated a general meeting of the student body at this time. He added that the meeting would be carried on until the bell and continued that evening at 6:00.

Four letters expressing opinions on the memorial from Mrs. Stapleton's relatives—her daughter, two of her sisters, and a niece—were read to the student body by Bob Adams, Richard Abshire, Terry Smith, and Phil Sturm.

Discussion from the floor then began and was continued until the bell signifying the end of the chapel period sounded.

At 6:00 that evening the meeting was resumed. Joel briefly reviewed the events of the morning meeting. He pointed out that some sort of decision had to be made first about the prayer chapel. If it should be decided that there should be no prayer chapel, then an alternative must be decided upon.

After lengthy discussion, Bob Adams moved that a vote be taken. He stipulated in his motion that if a prayer chapel should be adopted and the funds collected should be insufficient, the Council would be authorized to choose an alternative project. Charles Babb seconded this motion.

Members of the student body signified their votes by standing. Jim Miller, Kyle Smock, and Dr. Gilliam counted votes; the prayer chapel was defeated by 146 to 57.

There followed more discussion about a possible alternate memorial. Since time was running short, Joel suggested that the student body give the Executive Council authority to choose several alternatives subject to approval by the student body.

John Belasco so moved; Charles Babb seconded the motion; and it was carried.

The meeting was adjourned.