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S.A. LEADERSHIP FORUM

MINUTES

Sept. 21, 1964

The forum was opened with a devotional.

Dave heartily welcomed the group, and then introduced the speaker, Jimmy Allen, who was formerly a S.A. president. The following are the main points of his speech on leadership qualifications:

Dedication "Can't jump a chasm in two jumps!"

Willing to work

Vision

Optimistic "Remember the tea kettle, it whistles even when it's up to its neck in hot water!"

Ability to motivate others

Wisdom, patience, fairness, friendliness, and sacrifice of time

Mr. Allen said that a good leader must have his feet on the ground and his head in the clouds.

Dave thanked Mr. Allen for his very inspiring speech. He then quickly discussed the completed and proposed plans of the S.A. as written on the forum schedule (included at the end of the minutes).

Following a break, a symposium and group discussion was begun:

Academic improvement - led by Mike Waters

Harding offers a high academic standing but it is up to us to take advantage of our academic opportunities. The S.A. cannot change the school's academic program, but it can focus attention on the areas that need improvement.

Ideas for academic improvement:

Encourage scholarship by offering larger academic scholarships

Clubs could set up academic entrance requirements

Club brothers could help those who are academically weak

Have a dead week during tests

Leave the reading rooms of the library open on weekends

Homecoming - discussed by Charlotte Burkett

Last year, the planning of Homecoming was worked through the classes (Freshmen: bonfire, Sophomore: ~~platform~~, caravan, Junior: platform, Senior: program.) This would be a good plan to follow again; Jimmy Miller will decide.

Ideas for improvement:

- Each club have an official car in the caravan
- Club queens ride in the cars
- Have the caravan on Saturday morning
- Have no classes at all on Homecoming day
- Need something exciting after the game, maybe a hootenanny
- Have club participation in a variety act program
- Invite the Belles & Beaux to perform that evening
- Connect the chapel program Saturday with Homecoming
- Play up the cross country meet on Friday
- Fireworks
- Popcorn callers
- Present skit about past year's alumni

Christmas Project - Discussion led by Sandy Calcote

The Dolly Drive last year was very good, and the idea of developing a competitive spirit is also very good. Sandy suggested two main areas for effective improvement this year: (1) Something different and (2) Something for the teenage children. Other ideas:

- Ask the girls to make personal items for the teenagers
- Give baskets but add personal touch with baked goods and homemade items
- Each club think up his own project, such as, taking cookies to the people in jail
- Help those in our community
- Have a toy drive

Club Participation - Ken O'Neal led discussion

Many areas clubs can work together to make a better Harding:

- Chapel programs
  - skits, singing, drama, choral reading
- Emphasize academics
  - stress importance in club
  - recognize club scholarship
- Campus improvement projects

School spirit

Clubs sit together at games

Clubs make posters to arouse enthusiasm for games

Clubs participate in pep rally skits

Innerclub sing-song

Speech Arts Tournament

Dave thanked the group and summarized the activities. The forum was adjourned with the singing of the alma mater.

(A questionnaire was passed<sup>out</sup> to all those in attendance.)

