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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: caravans, 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 to all those in attendance.)
LEADERSHIP FORUM

Monday, September 21, 1968  9:30 a.m. A.S. Auditorium

PROGRAM

Devotional—Ken O’Neal
Welcome and Introduction of Speaker—David Burks
Speaker—Mr. Jimmy Allen
Break—5 minutes
Presentation of SA plans for 63-65—David Burks
Panel Discussion—Charlotte Burkett—Homecoming
Sandra Calcote—Christmas projects
Mike Waters—Academic discussion
Leroy Peacock—Club participation
General discussion—Entire group—“How the S.A. Can Improve This School Year”
Adjournment—11:30 a.m.

POSSIBLE EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED AND ASSISTED BY THE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

COMPLETED:

1. Pre-school conference
2. Meet incoming students
3. The information booth
4. Refreshments in Registration line
5. New student mixers
6. Faculty reception type mixer
7. All-school Watermelon party & pep rally
8. Special SA-Bison edition
9. Bulletin board information
10. Yes Sir! I will help.
11. New students pictures are to be posted
12. Baby Bison Contest
13. See “Hamlet” in Little Rock
14. Stapleton plaque and frame
15. Lost and found cabinet
16. Tabs for cafeteria
17. Class elections
18. Handbook constitution
19. Cabinet has been selected

PROPOSED:

1. Homecoming
2. Academic excellence
3. Club participation
4. Christmas projects
5. Reception for foreign students
6. Line-cut problem
7. Chili supper at Bee Rock or College Park
8. Club Officers workshop
9. General S.A. Meetings
10. Summary of activities to Faculty
11. Record
12. Saturday night movies
13. Second Semester Mixer for New Students
14. Printed programs for basketball game
15. Election of New officers and represent.
16. Assist with Senior Day activities
17. Entertainment and perhaps food for track and field day
18. Nominate list of students for Who’s Who

COUNCIL

David Burks, President
Holli Black, Vice President
Doris Bush, Secretary
Jim Wilson, Treasurer
Ken O’Neal, Senior Men’s Rep.
Kathy McVicker, Senior Women’s Rep.
Dwayne Van Rheenen, Junior Men’s Rep.
Eileen Mazuran, Junior Women’s Rep.
Dr. Gilliam, Sponsor

CABINET

Leah Gentry
Mary Ethel Bales
Terry Smith
Ann Griffin
Richard Abshire
Kyle Smock
Merlin Prior
Jim Miller
Ron French
Idly Rants
Mary Beth Hicks
Paul Gardner