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S.A. MINUTES

January 5, 1965

A short devotional opened the first meeting of the new year.

Mike, Eileen, and Darwin were absent.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by Doris and approved.

Linda reported that the layout for the spring semester calendar of events was almost completed.

Kathy said that the judges for the Dolly Drive had made certain suggestions for judging criteria in the future. Dave ask her to write them down and place them in her folder so they will be available for consideration by next year's council.

Dr. Gilliam asked David about the sale of the Student Directories. Dave said he had not yet checked with Richard concerning the final outcome. The success of the project was not as well received as the council had hoped for.

Dave explained that the services of the Lost and Found cabinet were not very effective at present. He said he would talk to Richard about making the services more beneficial and available.

Dave asked the council if they would like to have a mixer for new students of the spring semester. The suggestion was well favored; the time will be set later.

Dave said the council would meet with NCATE coordinators on January 13, at 1:45 to answer and ask questions pertinent to Harding's academic life.

Dave said that several students had suggested the S.A. sponsor a means of emphasizing basketball before the season ends. The council

talked this over and discussed the ideas of half time entertainment and a basketball queen. They decided that the queen idea was not possible now and that entertainment at an exciting game would be almost anticlimatic. Linda suggested that the clubs wit together for one of the games and have a contest to see which could yell the loudest. She also suggested the idea of a varsity-faculty game. The council liked this idea, so Ken and Linda were appointed to talk to Coach Groover about it. A Parent's Day with recognition at a basketball game was also discussed but dismissed.

This led to another discussion on the recognition of graduates' parents. Minature diplomas and a Parents' Tea were suggested. Dave asked Jim to investigate the possibilities.

Doris said that many students had approached her concerning our lyceum series. These students have said that they would prefer fewer, better quality lyceums rather than several uninteresting programs. None of the council knew the means of selecting the lyceum series, so David said he would talk to Dr. Moore about this. Dwayne suggested a student representative be on the selection committee. This will be recommended. Hollis mentioned that it would also be nice if we had exchange entertainment from other Arkansas colleges.

Some students have said that they would like to have fruit machines in the dorms and/or fruit sold in the student center. This suggestion will be discussed with Lott Tucker.

Kathy mentioned the problem of overcrowdedmess in the girls' Dorms. This is a persistant problem and there seems to be nothing that the council can do about it.

Jim said that it had been mentioned to him that many of the clubs were displeased by the approach made asking them to pledge \$500.00 to furnish a room in the alumni building. (The money would be raised among the club's alumni.) The students were objecting to the manner in which it was done. Other council members also expressed a dislike of other pressure techniques that have been used in the past to raise money.

Following the gripes, the council had a very serious discussion on loyalty to our alma mater. Many times we do not stop to think how much we are indebted to others. The council recognized that many private schools had a tremendous alumni endowment. For some reason the ^{money} alumni of Harding do not feel any obligation. Hollis suggested that perhaps student speeches on "What Harding Has Done for Me" and BISON editorials might be effective ways of instilling a feeling of loyalty into students. Another suggestion was to ask Brother Black to present a lesson which would be influential in creating positive attitudes. While on this discussion, Dwayne said he had often thought about the possibilities of presenting a chapel program in honor of Dr. Benson. The council was very enthusiastic about this suggestion. Plans will be made for it during the second semester.

Dave set Feb. 2 as the date for the final discussion and decision on the Rule Clarification project.

The council agreed on Feb. 15 as a deadline date for the opening of the new game room (Emerald Room project). We will have to work hard!

The council will not meet the week of finals.

The meeting was adjourned.