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STUDENT ASSOCIATION MINUTES

Tuesday, January 30, 1968, the Student Association met in the SA office at 6:00 p.m., for its weekly meeting. All the Council was present. Sam opened the meeting with a prayer.

OLD BUSINESS

Class Schedules

Mike reminded the Council members to turn in to him a copy of their new spring schedule.

Confirmation

It was announced that the tentative date of the supper at Dr. Gilliam's for February 13, had been confirmed with Mrs. Gilliam. There is to be a combination of a meal and SA meeting that evening.

Borrowing

Mike made a request for the Council to remember to return items they borrow from the SA. Items are becoming lost due to some of the Council members' irresponsibility.

Lecture Series

President O'Neal told the Council that Tom Landry had sent SA a letter stating that he could not come to campus to speak. Since all those speakers invited to speak in the series have refused, with the exception of Governor Rockefeller, Mike asked the Council if it wished to invite others on campus for this year.

It was mentioned to ask more politicians who are usually anxious to speak to young people. Special notice was made about inviting some of the more liberal politicians to Harding. Some of the possibilities to invite are as follows:

Faubus
Fulbright
Wallace
Kennedy
Mike stated he would write some of the liberal politicians and Wallace to invite on campus to speak on the lecture series.

**Lyceum**

The Council was informed that Pat Boone has written that he is unable to sing on campus this year. Also, the "Up with People," informed the SA that they would be unable to visit Harding for a performance. Mike reported that the chapel response to the LETTERMEN singing on campus was favorable to about 50% in first chapel and to about 80% in second chapel. It would take $1300 to pay the expenses for the singers selling tickets for $2.50 a piece. Most of the Council expressed optimism in being able to meet the expenses if the program were well advertised in Searcy and the small communities around Searcy. Dave reported that the SA could subsidize the expenses to about $500 if it became necessary.

Lynn moved that the SA ask the LETTERMEN to appear on campus on May 15, and Dave seconded the proposal. The motion carried.

**Lyceum Committee**

Mike revealed to the Council a need to be unified in our plea to the Lyceum Committee about more student representation. He questioned the members as to whether or not all of them wanted to ask for more student representation. More representation would allow for two students to the three faculty members. Since the purpose of the lyceums are for entertainment and education, it has been expressed in past meetings that more students should have a say in lyceum program choices. Students have complained in the past about the cultural but non-entertaining lyceums due to their financial support paid each semester. Following are some of the main points discussed.
Richard—If the committee would function as an organization, the present one representative should be enough representation for the students.

Gailyn—If students get the entertainment they really want, there would have to be some disagreement in the committee.

Dave—The philosophy of Dr. Ulrey and Dr. Moore is that the lyceums' main purpose is to educate. Since funds are limited, the committee members also feel it best to have a number of programs than just a couple of real expensive popular groups.

Richard—Another representative on the committee might cause resentment and conflict with the administration.

Judy—"What do we as students want other than the guarantee of at least one popular group a year on the lyceum schedule?"

Dave—There would be definite value to having two students on the committee.

Helen—Perhaps what we want is another voice on the committee to more broadly represent the views and tastes of the students. We must realize that another member from the SA Council would not voice a "way out," in conflict necessarily with the school and it ideals in all it offers to its students. For better student-administration relations, there is a definite need that the students feel confident in their fair representation when money of theirs is being used. And this money is taken no matter if their is no entertainment provided with it that fits the students' taste.

Mike—The other representative is not to be used to remove cultural entertainment from the programs but to add more of the entertainment students' favor.

Ron—Suggested just talking to the committee informally about the topic as we have discussed the matter this evening with no pushing for another representative.

Dave—Suggested that this other member be a voice for the students but have no actual vote. His presence would be for influence.

Richard—Summarized in his word what he felt the Council wanted as 1) that the committee function as an organization in meeting, 2) that at least one popular group be provided in the programs each year, and 3) that this committee have one more student representative who would only voice his opinion for the students and have no vote.

Helen—Moved that the Council act as Richard had formally stated in their request to the Lyceum Committee, adding that 4) the votes for lyceum choices be taken at the meetings while in session. Richard seconded the proposal, and the Council passed it unanimously.

It was agreed for the Council to meet with the Lyceum Committee on Friday night, February 2, at 6:00 p.m., in the SA office to discuss
the proposal passed at this meeting tonight. Mike requested the group to all participate in the meeting so the committee will realize we all back this proposal as a representative group of the student body. Carl Markham is the only member excused from this meeting due to her plans to go home.

**Christian College Conference**

Only news heard from ACC about the conference of February 16-17 is that more information will be sent at a later date. The Council agreed to wait until next week's meeting to determine the travel of the trip. David Young and Helen Howell expressed that they would be unable to take the trip.

**Dormitory Council**

Council was reminded of the Dorm Council election of reps in each wing of the dormitories. Mike distributed notices to varied members to have placed in dorms on bulletin boards.

Carol Markham volunteered to take over the task of keeping the bulletin board in the Student Center, American Heritage Cafeteria, and Patti Cobb Cafeteria cleared off.

**Friendly Week**

A reminder was made of the next week's Friendly Week. Mary K Walker and Rick Harris are in charge of the activities.

**Letter to Elders**

Ronnie read the second letter comprised for SA to mail to the College Church about the present preaching situation in relation to the student body. Ronnie and Judy composed this letter which was considerably more to the point than our last letter which had almost no reaction. Council made some suggestive improvements in the wording the letter and then approved the mailing of it.

Mike said he would put a notice up as to when the Council members could come up to the SA office to sign the final draft.
Project

Dave reported on the proposed project plan of a three-cornered sign for the Student Center lawn. Mr. Tucker estimated the cost of such a sign to be around $3500.

Richard made a suggestion for SA to assist in the payment of fire equipment if the school did not have the funds. Such an action would have to be a last resort since it would imply that the students were attempting to fulfill a need the administration was incapable of doing. Sam suggested that a more tangible project would have better success. Students would be more willing to pay for something they, themselves, would use or see daily. The Council expressed the desire to have a small tangible project rather than the car project. Two suggestions made were for a new fountain for the lily pool and a canopy for the walk to Patti Cobb Cafeteria.

Mike requested that each Council member have a list of five possible small project suggestions ready for discussion at next week's meeting. The project will be determined at the next SA Council meeting.

Chapel

Judy suggested as a topic in our next meeting the possibility of having chapel as a complete devotional period with a few exceptional programs in the secular realm.

SA Meeting

Since next Tuesday is the night of the Conway game, the Council voted to meet next Monday night instead of the usual Tuesday, at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment

President O'Neal adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

[Name]
SA Sec.