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Tuesday, April 9, 1968, the Student Association met for its weekly meeting in the SA office at 6:00 p.m. Rick Harris was absent due to a track meet. Richard Davis and Dr. Gilliam were to arrive at the meeting late because of earlier engagements. Ron Reeves led the Council in the opening prayer.

BUSINESS

Announcements

The sidewalk by Grad Dorm is now being repaired. A door is being knocked out between the wings of Grad Dorm. Dr. Ganus like the idea presented by SA to him in letter form of having a full-time counselor employed on campus. However, Dr. Ganus revealed to be somewhat skeptical about being able to obtain a full-time counselor.

Mike reported that the Prayer Breakfast of this past Saturday in Hot Springs, was a great success. Five attended from Harding.

Dorm Council

The Girls' Dorm Council passed the recommendation that the dorms change its visiting hours to 10:00 a.m. until 9:55 p.m. This would mean boys could visit in the reception rooms in the morning, which they are not allowed to do presently. A major point against the recommendation is the feeling of dorm mothers that a girl has to be at the desk during all visiting hours. The purpose of this girl is to call the girls to the reception room and to supervise the couples visiting in the lobbies. Since the Dorm Council has not yet formally present the Council the reasons for this proposal, the SA decided to delay action until these reasons were presented for evaluation, next week.

EARBOOK

The final recording of the EARBOOK has been completed and will be sent for processing in tomorrow's mail. Roy Terry is to finish the artwork on the record cover this weekend. Public thanks go to Dean Balcom, Roy Terry, and Rick Venable for the long, sacrificing hours they gave in making this record possible. Mike is to talk to Rust Simmons to get an estimate of cost for the tapes used in the recording studio to make the record. He will pay up to $50, but if go is asked it will first pass through the Council.
Suggestions were made by various Council members on possible revision areas of the new 1968-69 STUDENT HANDBOOK. Following are some of the suggestions rendered:

Rewrite the section on testing—Dr. Gilliam.
Clarify rules.
Reveal the service of campus mail.
Rewrite section on religion to include current religious activities.
Tell students what to do with articles found on campus.
Reveal the new Emerald Room policy.
Have pictures and cartoons placed in the book.
Give accurate information on Pledge Week.
Tell of Dorm Council.
Define Armstrong rules of curfew.
Give current cheerleader policy.
Tell about the Dact Club and other interest clubs presently not discussed.
Give current library statistics.

Clarification of Rules

The committee appointed this past meeting to investigate the valid dating rules on campus reported their investigation of the rules from talking with two dorm mothers. On this committee are Lynn Rolen, Carol Markham, and Gailyn Van Rheenan. Tomorrow, Lynn is to meet with Dean Lawyer to discuss the rules for dating as to what they are. Next week, the listing of rules will be united for evaluation. These rules are to be written positively into the "cans," of Harding dating. The purpose of this investigation is for a codification and recommendation of revision of the present dating rules.

It was agreed that initial action on these rules would best be done first with Dr. Ganus and Dean Lawyer. Determination of SA recommendations will be in a later meeting when the investigations are completed.

Pilot Program

Mike revealed to the Council of the Governors' Youth Council to be formed this summer in Little Rock from June 17 until August 13. Students are to fill student internships for the government receiving pay for their efforts. It was suggested to make an announcement in chapel for those students interested in this endeavor to contact Mike. However, Mike is to first find out the pay, food, and housing provided. A long distance call is to be made for the immediate reception of the information.
Chapel Songbooks

It was discussed for the SA Council to have the song, "The Lord Bless You and Keep You," placed in the chapel hymnals since it is a song Harding expects its alumni to sing with the a capella chorus when it visits a congregation. Helen moved that SA investigate placing "The Lord Bless You and Keep You," in the chapel hymnals and Carol seconded the motion. After the Council's approval, Helen volunteered to take charge of the investigation as to cost and legality of such an endeavor.

Project Discussion

A meeting was held of the class officers about the forthcoming student project for Harding. The officers were very excited about participation in such a project for the school. In charge of the Monday chapel program and the activities of the project are Patty Bowman, Marsha Murphy, Dee Gregory, Hank McDaniel, and John Freeman.

Mike revealed to the Council that no slides could be made in time for the chapel program. Suggested was the use of artistically colored transparencies. Other suggestions made for the success of this outstanding student endeavor were:

- Envelope Pledge Cards.
- Graph record of progress - "Let the water rise."
- Write student teachers.

President O'Neal is to contact Dr. Ganus for the authorization of this project in a chapel.

Library Recommendation

Council approved the final wording of the recommendation written by Richard Davis to leave the library open on Sundays until 10:00 p.m. The recommendation will be mailed this week.

New Cabinet Member

Richard Davis suggested to the Council the idea of another Cabinet position for an "Ombudsman," who would take the part of answering students directly and have contact with all parts of student government organizations. Council reacted negatively to such a position for his job would be that of the elected SA Council. Such a position would undermine the work of the Council. Each Council member is to be a type of lobbyist and there is no need for another one.

Suggestions

Sam moved that door signs be made for next year's Council members so students will know who they are and more easily contact SA for suggestions.
GVR seconded the proposal and it passed.

Upon Richard's suggestion to have the various offices more clearly defined to the students, Council requested Richard and Judy to write a BISON article on their duties as representatives of the sophomore class.

Adjournment

Since there was no further business, Mike adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Howell, SA Secretary