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The November 26, 1968 meeting of the S.A. Executive council was held in the SA office at 5:30 p.m., due to the lectureships this week. Phil Johnson opened the meeting with prayer. Mr. Bailey was present to discuss the first item of business:

Cheerleader Grade Point Averages Mr. Bailey pointed out that the present grade point requirement for cheerleaders was 2.25. He pointed out also that athletic grade point requirement was considerably lower than this. He questioned why all the organizations did not have the same grade point average requirements and why did the requirements for cheerleaders have to be so high. Members of the council had the following comments to make:

Phil said he felt a little hostile to GPA as a requirement for extra-curricular activities. He felt a 1.65(scholastic probation level) requirement should be sufficient qualification.

Bruce thought the requirement should be kept as such because time should be devoted to studies.

Peggy questioned why the GPA could not be lowered to 2.0.

Ronnie set up a committee (Gloria and Peggy) to check with Dean Pryor to see why the requirement is 2.25 and what the GPA requirements for other activities are.

Gloria suggested other regulations need to be looked into, such as wearing uniform and cheering from the side lines when the GPA is not high enough to cheer.

Peggy suggested that since cheerleaders were elected for 2 years, some rules need to be set up concerning the length of scholastic probation.

Mr. Bailey said the number of cheerleaders has changed so much in the last 10 years, but it has been as arbitrary as the grade point requirement. He did not think that the GPA should be cut down to the scholastic probation requirement, or even any lower than 2.0

I. Reports and Old Business

Ronnie reported that he presented a short speech to the Board, as is traditional for the S.A. President to do each year at this time.

Inn Open Earlier - Sheri had written a proposal to this effect, and had received a letter from Mr. Tucker. The letter said that the grill will remain open until 9:45 and the Inn until 10:00. The folding doors will be closed at 9:45. These procedures are now in effect.

Personal Evaluations of CCC - Ronnie reminded the council that these evaluations should be in this week.

General Evaluation on CCC - Peggy reported on these. Sixty-three had been turned in. She gave a tally of answers and summary of opinions from the evaluations.

Fountain - Ronnie reported that Mohicans have agreed to pay the $92 replacement fee for the fountain.

Radio - Phil is to talk to Mrs. Baker about music for the Inn from our FM Radio.

Board - Mr. Indermill checked with Little Rock school supply store about a
map, but they did not have one. It was suggested that we use two large highway
maps put together until we hear from National Geographic.

Dorm Council Meetings - both councils met November 19th. Ronnie reported on
the subjects they covered, particularly an ice machine, change machine, room check
in the girls' dorms, phone calls after 10:00 in girls' dorms, lighting on stair-
ways in American Studies Building, redecorated reception room in Cathcart.

In the boy's council, the following was discussed:
- carpeting for dorms
- higher sidewalks next to Armstrong to avoid water shed
- candy machines in Armstrong
- bottle drinks in Grad Hall
- phone extensions in grad, new dorm
- Tues. night devotions signs
- heating in Armstrong
- fire extinguishers in Berryhill house
- name for new dorm

The council made the following suggestions: Benson, Stapleton, Summit, Montgomery,
Sears, L.E. Pryor, Berryhill.

Phil mentioned that bottle drinks were being put in the trash cans in the boy's dorms,
maintenance men complained. Fire extinguishers in Armstrong have been tampered with.
Hall monitors have been no avail in Armstrong to keep down the noise.
Rod mentioned that representatives should be reporting back to their wings con-
cerning the meetings.

Pledge Week Committee Report - Gloria said all results have not been tallied, but
on the basis of general trends found, the following 6 recommendations have been
formulated:

1. Pledge Week should be the 7th week. reasons:
   a. 4 weeks tests have been known to carry over to the 6th week.
   b. 5th week voting is hard on pledge masters.
2. Pledging hours should be 7:00 a.m. - 10:45 p.m. (10:45 due to 11:00 curfew for
   Armstrong)
3. Each club should be required to have 1 1/2 hour study hall each night of Pledge
   Week, giving the pledges the benefit of choosing the time they will take this.
4. Let the Student Affairs Committee be in charge of punishing clubs violating
   pledge regulations, using their own discretion as to the type of punishment -
either through club athletics or functions.
5. Teachers should be requested not to give tests during pledge week.
6. Bids should go out Monday night and pledging activities take place Tues. night
   through Friday night.

Phil said what concerned the faculty was seductive tendencies and Unchristian
attitudes of pledge masters. The recommendations offered do not directly take care
of this.

Gloria said this item should be emphasized in club officer's meeting, workshop, etc.
Dr. Gilliam did not think it wise to assume it was possible to abstain from testing
during pledge week, but could possibly avoid major tests.

Gloria clarified that pledging activities would be expected to terminate 2:00 a.m.
Saturday morning.

After considerable discussion, the council approved 1st, 2nd, and 3rd of the
recommendations, with the following alteration:
3. Each pledge should be allowed at least 1 1/2 hours of study time each
day of pledge week, either in organized study hall or individually.

Due to lack of time, discussion or recommendations will be terminated next week.

Thank you cards for Dorm Council - Dr. Ganus thought it was a good idea to send
thank you notes to furnishers of the dorm rooms, and it would be a good project
to be handled through the students. The thank you notes would cost about $19.
The dorm council would take care of the rest of the project. The general consensus
was that it was a good idea. Chris moved the council purchase thank you notes
for the dorm council to distribute. The motion was seconded and carried
unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Rolen
SA Secretary