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Miller Comments On 'What Has Happened To Our Proposals?'



PRESIDENT MILLER

What happened to our proposals? This was the question that was asked of our President, Issac Miller, directly after his meeting with the Board of Trustees. These proposals were those presented by the students to the administration last spring

and this fall. The Banner would like to present a check list on the proposals and the reactions of the Trustees as answered by the President.

Proposal: A new disciplinary system, where the Inter-dorm Council will be replaced.

Answer: "A student Court and Judiciary Council has been approved."

Proposal: A Student Affairs Committee

Answer: Approved. This committee will constitute elected officials of the student body and directors of the various student personnel areas.

Proposal: Student representation on all committees.

Answer: Approved.

Proposal: Extension of Library hours to 12:00 on weekdays and to 10:00 on weekends.

Answer: "The Trustees did not discuss matters such as these, however, their general feelings is that the library be opened as long as necessary to meet the needs of the students."

Proposal: Non Compulsory chapel attendance and a credit system. Answer: "The compulsory aspect of chapel was lifted and a study is being made into the developing of some type of credit given for attending chapel."

Proposal: More contemporary

speakers in chapel.

Answer: "As far as I know we've always had contemporary speakers, however, I realize that we both may have different concepts of what's contemporary."

Proposal: Use the college station wagon by student government officers.

Answer: "The business manager is in charge of the station wagon. However, students are allowed to use the station wagon with preference given to college administrators".

Proposal: A work study program, where student government officers would be paid for their work.

Answer: "Something can be worked out with the financial aid office."

Proposal: An improved heating system.

Answer: "All will be done that we can."

Proposal: The restructure of the various academic departments.

Answer: "I can't speak to that at all. You would need to get responses from the

dean. Proposal: Outside telephone lines for dormitories and student government offices.

Answer: "There is a proposal being worked on with the telephone company and Mr. Scarlette"

Proposal: First aid kits that are available to all students in the dormitories.

Answer: "The resident director can requisition these".

Proposal: Improvement of dining hall services.

Answer: "Talk to persons in charge."

Proposal: Opening of book store and snack bar to later hours.

Answer: "We are exploring several possibilities."

Question: Is tuition being raised next year?

Answer: "This had been recommended, but I am not authorized to announce the actual amount."

Trustees - Students Parley Sets Precedence

This year when the trustees made their annual visit to the campus, students were given an opportunity to meet with them and discuss grievances freely. These meetings were the direct result of the spring leadership conference. Various committee meetings were held with small groups of the trustees, staff administration and students. Each committee was assigned one particular topic of interest. These topics were student affairs, academic affairs, building and grounds and budget. The meetings were chiefly a re-hashing of the proposals presented by students in the leadership conference. The trustees in various meetings stated that the majority of the proposals are legitimate, and that the presentation of them was orderly and rational. Some of the proposals were surprising to the trustees because they were not aware of some of the deficiencies pointed out. One of the trustees, Dr. Dorothy Brown, who is a former Bennett student at Bennett, sited examples that showed some of the proposals were common practices when she attended Bennett. For instance, the snack bar was opened at night and the student senate in her day dealt with the disciplinary problems. Although many of the proposals that do not involve a great deal of money be met immediately. After meeting with students in

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Members of the Board of Trustees, administrators, and students discuss "Student Affairs."