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Discussion: assemblies

RECOMMENDATION: That the chairman appt. a committee of three Senate members to submit to the Senate a plan¹⁰, which would incorporate the suggestions and discussion of this group regarding assemblies.

Committee apptd: Dr. Garwood, Chr., Dr. Coder and Dr. Ray.

Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Wednesday, March 13, 1957, at 4:00 p.m. in the Dean's Office.

Members present: Dr. Coder, Mr. Dalton, Mr. D. Brooks, Dr. Garwood, Dr. Nutt, Dr. Ray, Mr. Rematore, Dr. Tomanek, and Dr. McCartney, Chairman

Members absent: Dr. Adee, Dr. Kuhn

Others present: Mr. R. Burnett, Mr. C. Evans, Dr. Herren

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, E. R. McCartney, who presented the question regarding the number and type of assemblies which was discussed at the last meeting. In review, he said the following points were brought up for discussion:

1. Were there too many assemblies?
2. The possibilities of shifting some of the assemblies to late afternoon and night.
3. Are the student assemblies necessary.

How many assemblies would be the right number and which programs should be scheduled for presentation in an assembly? It was asked if two or three would be sufficient. It would be difficult to set a definite limit on the number. Some of the Artists and Lectures programs are scheduled for night presentation. The attendance is not as high for these programs at night as for the assemblies. Students may go to the morning assemblies and not miss class and study time but if the programs are at night this would not be the case. Students who work, in the library, etc., do not get to attend the assemblies.

A poll of the Senate members was taken in an effort to reach a decision regarding the assemblies. Seven members were of the opinion that the college has outgrown the practice of taking time out of the school day for assemblies. Three of those present did not give an opinion. Charles Evans, President of the Student Council, said that he believes that the students like the present schedule of assemblies.

It was agreed that the assemblies for student nominations, pep, and student participation, i.e., band, choir, etc., should not be held at a time when it is necessary to give class time for them; that the Honors program is a suitable assembly program; and that perhaps not more than two Artists and Lectures programs each semester should be arranged.

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the chairman appoint a committee of three members of the Senate to submit to the Senate at the next meeting a plan which would incorporate the suggestions and discussion of this group. Seconded and carried.

Committee appointed: Dr. Garwood, Chairman, Dr. Coder, and Dr. Ray.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

E. R. McCartney, Chairman

S. V. Dalton, Secretary