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The tenth meeting of the ninth session of the Student Senate of the University of Houston Student Association was called to order at 7:35, p.m. in the World Affairs Room of the University Center by Vice-President ROGERS. The minutes were accepted as written.

The following Senators were absent: Senators CLAIBORN, FINE, VETEK, DELMORE, WHITE, STUART, WILSON, and IKRAMULLAH.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Vice President ROGERS announced that President COLLINS could not attend the meeting because of personal reasons. Vice President ROGERS then read a letter from Dr. FIELDS concerning the composition of the Search Committee to find a replacement for Dr. Nudd. He also read a letter from the City of Houston's Director of Traffic sent to Pete Willismson; the letter informed SA that the city will do a survey in the fall to determine the necessity of a traffic light across Calhoun.

The following appointments were announced:

Greg Salazar	Dept. of International & National Affairs sent to Rules & Judiciary
George Forsythe	Dept. of Research--sent To Rules & Judiciary
Eruce Brogdon	UC Policy Board--sent to Student Life

The following were appointments to the SA President's Ad Hoc Committee to Plan the 1972-73 World Issues Conference and to propose Changes in the Structure of the World Council: Paul Rogers, Greg Salazar, Arun Bidani, Gary Freeman, Yezdi Rustonji, Richard Guidry.

Walt Sivas, a representative from Pacifica Radio then addressed the Senate. He was asking SA to co-sponsor Pete Seeger at Hoffeinz Pavillion. The sponsorship would not cost SA anything but would allow Pacifica to get the Pavillion at a reduced rate. SILVAS said that it would be similar to the Joan Baez concert that he had produced. They have budgeted \$550 for sound and tickets would be \$3. Copies of the budget were available for the Senators. He added that there was a possibility of getting Seeger to perform out at Herman Park while he was here. Senator DANBURG suggested that the show could also be used

to aid the First Vote Program. SILVA said that there was a possibility of working that out, that definitely tables could be set up.

Vice President ROGERS then announced that Maria Jimenez was in St. Joseph Hospital, room 573, and that he would be taking her place on the Student Services Fee Allocation and Planning Committee, as an observer, until she was able to attend.

Vice President Rogers then read an opinion from Richard Dawson, SA Attorney General, on the question of the Vice President serving as Chairperson of the Senate, and the Executives power to vote in the event of a tie. Copies of the report are available in the SA office. Based on the opinion of the Attorney General, the Executive Branch made the following announcements: Beginning Sept 1, 1972, the Vice President will chair all senate meetings. The Executive asked the Rules & Judiciary Committee to work out necessary changes in the Constitution to formalize the procedure. The Vice President may pass the gavel, following the regular line of succession, and the Vice President may vote, only in the case of a tie, including in the case of a tie on Sense of the Senate Resolutions.

Vice President ROGERS then announced that the full-time secretarial position for SA had been approved.

Reggy HIRSCH then issued the oath of office to Ken Tripp, Senator from the downtown school. Vice President ROGERS then announced that Senator HOWE is now Senator McFARLAND. He then read a letter from President Hoffman to Senator Chet Brooks concerning the Student Services Fee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

RULES & JUDICIARY--announced that they were holding a UH Bill to change the UC Policy Board and a Senate Bill to take SA out of the insurance business. They are still considering the possibility of using voting machines.

FISCAL & GOVERNMENTAL--announced that Senate Bill 18020 was being reported out, and that they are in the process of studying budget requests.

STUDENT LIFE--no meeting

NEW BUSINESS

Senator SELIG moved that the Senate accept Senate Bill 18020, A BILL TO PROVIDE \$217 FOR INFORMATION BOOTHS DURING REGISTRATION ON AUGUST 24 & 25, 1972. She then read the rationale for the bill from Orientation. She said that the committee did not change the budget, but did have some questions. Senator DANBURG said that she could see the value of the project, but she questions the budget items, such as \$4 for cokes.

Representatives from Orientation said that they were unfamiliar with budgetary procedures, but had tried to stay within reasonable guidelines. SA would only be funding a part of the total projects; funds would also be coming from other offices. Vice President ROGERS said that SA would be paying 1/3 of the total cost. Senator GARRETT said that it was his understanding that Orientation wanted to become autonomous, and disassociate itself from SA. He felt that this would not be accomplished if Orientation kept running to SA for funding. The orientation representatives said that their primary interest was the student need for such a project and that Orientation simply did not have the funds. Senator DANBURG said that she had heard suggestions that Orientation on a year-round basis, but she questioned whether SA would be continually funding their projects. Senator KINGSBURY said that the bill would be a real benefit to the students and was really researched. Senator SELIG said that the project would be good PR for SA. Senator DANBURG then announced that she would abstain from the vote, since she would be one of the people working if the project is funded. She added that she felt the budget was inflated.

Senator GARRETT said that he did not question the merits of the project but felt that SA should not fund the Student Life Division. Senator McFARLAND said that Student Life would not be getting the credit. The advertising would read "sponsored by Orientation, funded by SA". Senator DANBURG then moved that the bill be amended so that the budget read \$5 for signs, \$5 for supplies, \$20 for advertising, \$10 for pencils, \$2 for cokes, and \$0 for petty cash. The motion passed 13-0. The motion to accept the bill then carried 11-1, with Senator DANBURG abstaining.

Senator McFARLAND then moved that the Senate co-sponsor Pete Seeger with Pacifica. Senator GARRETT asked Larry Markley if he would advise Program Council to co-sponsor the event. Markley said that Pacifica had come to PC and the entertainment committee turned them down, because they did not think it would draw a big enough crowd, and they would not have the level of involvement with the production that they usually request. Senator DANBURG said that she felt there would be no problem in drawing a large crowd. Senator GARRETT questioned why PC could not have their level of involvement. Wade Roberts said that the Pacifica people simply did not need it. He added that another factor was that PC would be putting on a big show the night before. He also said that Pacifica only needed to sell 1800 tickets to break even. The motion passed 10-0.

COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator DANBURG expressed her disgust that no one has been coming to Student Life Committee meetings. Senator MC FARLAND told the Senate that a fire at Camp Warner, which is associated with the Biology Dept.

had destroyed the caretakers home and all his possessions. In addition he had been constantly called in for questioning, with no one offering him legal aid. She was not sure wheter he is a student, but he is a university employee, and one of her constituents had asked if SA could help. Vice President ROGERS told her to meet with him, and they would get Pete Williamson to look into it.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00, p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Senate Secretary