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The Senate met at 7:20 in Oberholtzer Hall in Dining Room 2, and the meeting was called to order by the President.

The Secretary called the roll and there were twenty-two Senators present with the Vice President and the following Senators absent: LARRY EDMONSON, RON BLACKARD, JIM CULPEPPER, BUTCH GREENE, DAN PENICK, and JERRY WOOD.

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## REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

President GAGHAGEN began his report by making the following nominations:

- Beverly Riedel - Director of Academic Affairs (referred to the Committee On Education Affairs and Policy)
- Ira Greenblatt - Director of Campus Entertainment (referred to the Committee On Student Life)
- David Kohler - Election Commission (referred to the Committee On Rules and Judiciary)
- Bridgett Habenicht - Election Commission (referred to the Committee On Rules and Judiciary)
- Larry Hawke - Sergeant-at-Arms (referred to the Committee On Rules and Judiciary)

The President urged the approval of these people by next week so they could begin their duties as soon as possible. He also recommended adoption of the Who's Who In American Colleges' bill (S.20) with the amendments presented tonight. The amendments include a change in the rating system which would allow more flexibility.

The Undergraduate Research bill (S.19) will be reported out of committee favorably tonight. This proposal was submitted to President Hoffman in August and he has offered \$1000 to finance the program. The Senate should not delay in passing the bill.

President GAGHAGEN recommended the Constitutional Amendment (C.A. 1) to the Senate. This amendment would extend the term office of Senators through the last week in March and would give the newly elected Senators a change to view the Senate in action.

He also recommended the Architect Resolution (S.R.5) which does not condemn the Administration, but rather urges them to take action on particular matters

and commends the students of Architecture. The President requested that the Senate permit Mr. TANNER to read the report made by the Accrediting Board on the subject, and also the two letters concerning the matter, one from Dr. Philip G. Hoffman.

President GAGHAGEN reported that Mr. BAKER has been placed in charge of the Student Discount Commission for this university. If anyone is interested and would like to work on this program, they are to contact Mr. BAKER.

The President reported that on October 19, the Faculty Senate is to consider the Dead Week bill. The Faculty Senate invited President GAGHAGEN to attend the meeting only to give a speech in favor of the bill and then expected him to leave. Since the bill has already been recommended by committee and on the advice of Dr. Tinsley, the President declined the invitation.

President GAGHAGEN reported that there are still many positions available in Student Government. A clerk-typist is needed for the Student Association office who can type well and can work from 8 to 1:00 every day.

The President reported that the T.I.S.A. Higher Education Conference will be hosted by the University of Houston. A planning committee will be appointed to plan the convention, and students are invited to apply.

President GAGHAGEN thanked the *Daily Cougar* for allowing the Student Association to have a column in the paper every Thursday. If any Senator would like to submit an article for this column, give the article to the President before a Wednesday.

The President announced the resignation of Miss POKULDA. She had the misconception that because of her low grade average and because she was only taking nine hours this semester that she was ineligible to be a Senator. Since she has already missed so many meetings, she felt that she should resign. This means that there is a position open for Senator from College of Education which will be filled during the coming election.

Student Association is starting a radio program every Tuesday from 8:30 to 9:00 on KUHF. The name of the program will be "Student Association Forum," and the President asked Senators to volunteer to participate on this program with him.

President Hoffman will address the Senate next week. President GAGHAGEN said that if agreeable with Dr. Hoffman an informal session will be held after the Senate meeting to enable Senators to talk with Dr. Hoffman personally.

The President recommended the Election Code bill to the Senate, and said that if the bill was approved tonight the \$5 filing fee would be included for this election. The fee is not to pay the people who work the polls, but for the purpose of financing new polling places by buying boxes, locks, stamps, paper and other supplies needed.

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#### COMMITTEE ON RULES & JUDICIARY

Mr. DRISCOLL, Chairman, reported that the Committee met on October 14, 1966. The first order of business was the consideration of the election code amendments. They are reported favorably with the following amendment (add a new Section 9 to the bill):

Section VII, Part B, be amended to read: Each student may cast only one vote. Students must mark their ballots within 25 feet of the Polls.

By a unanimous decision the Committee recommends that the proposals submitted by Dale Bronstein and Luis Zaffirini at the ~~spring~~ General Assembly not be adopted. The Committee reports favorably the Constitutional Amendment sponsored by Mr. O'QUINN (C.A.1) to change the term of office of Senators.

The following Senators were absent and one had an excuse: Mr. BLACKARD (excuse was to study), Mr. CLFMENTS, Mr. PENICK, and Miss POKLUDA. The Committee recommends that these absences be recorded as non excused.

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#### COMMITTEE ON STUDENT LIFE

Miss TRUEHEART, Chairman, reported that the Committee met on October 12, 1966. The Committee recommends the confirmation of each of the following Presidential nominations by the Senate:

Sheila Frazier - University Calendar Board  
Ann Culpepper - Director of Cougar Christmasland  
Carol Maxwell - Director of University Festival  
Bobby Trevathan - Lecture Artists Series Board  
Dick Hancock - Lecture Artists Series Board

Mr. HANCOCK requested that he be allowed another week to continue his research on S.21 so he could present a full report to the Senate next week, and the Committee agreed to this.

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#### COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS & POLICY

Mr. HANCOCK, Chairman, reported that the Committee met on October 14, 1966, at 9:00 a.m. The first order of business was to consider S.R.5, introduced by Mr. TANNER. He was present and read his resolution to the Committee and stated that he and the President of the Student Association agreed with the contents. The resolution was in perfect form and no changes were needed. The resolution is reported out of Committee favorably.

The Committee considered S.19, sponsored by Mr. O'QUINN. The purpose of the bill was to establish a program for undergraduate research at the University of Houston. Mr. O'QUINN read his bill to the Committee and said that the Student Association President had talked with the President of the University and had received his approval as to the contents of the bill. Mr. O'QUINN provided a supplement along with the bill which gave a background of the purpose and function of said bill. The only change in the bill suggested by the Committee is that the following be inserted: that the Senate ratify all appointments. The bill is reported out of Committee favorably.

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COMMITTEE ON STATE, NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Mr. GREENE of Arts & Sciences, Chairman, reported that the Committee met on October 10, 1966. The recommends S.20 to the Senate favorably, with the following additional amendments:

Section 4: Delete listings under "Honor Societies" and "Professional Societies."

Section 2: Add the phrase "...subject to Senate approval." at the end of the section.

Section 12: Add new section as follows:  
"That the inclusion of unlisted categories under the Rating System will be left to the good judgement of the Who's Who Commission, as long as the ratings assigned such categories is consistent with the rating system outlined in Section 4."

Section 13: Add new section as follows: "That classification of organizations will be in accordance with the classification of the Organizations Board.

Section 10: Add the clause "...and candidates must be in good standing with the university."

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The first order of business was the consideration of S.22. The President asked the sponsor of the bill, Mr. DRISCOLL, to read the bill, plus amendments, to the Senate.

Mr. DRISCOLL said the revisions were needed on the Election Code because many areas were lacking. The major change occurs in Section VII which increases the number of ballot boxes on the campus. A ballot box has been placed in almost every major area of traffic on campus. In Section VIII candidates are limited to \$100 instead of \$50 for campaign expenses. The change is for the purpose of making campaigning easier. Section II eliminates any question on the legality of elections by providing a single, large area or room, open to all candidates, for the counting of ballots.

Mr. ADAMS said, in reference to Section IX of the bill, that an individual would have a disadvantage if the limited expense was increase to \$100 because it would be difficult for a person not belonging to a Greek society to raise the money.

Mr. DRISCOLL replied that fraternities would not be willing to give \$100 to its members and that to run a good campaign individually more money is needed.

Mr. ADAMS said that to raise the expense limits for campaigns gives advantages to organizations.

Miss LOGAN moved to amend S.22 by adding a new Section (II) to the bill, to read: "The Election Commission shall preserve the ballots for two (2) months following the counting of such ballots." The motion was seconded.

Mr. POSTON said that such a amendment was useless due to the fact that any complaint would have to be filed within 72 hours of an election.

Mr. GREENE of Arts & Sciences moved the previous question, the motion carried, and debate was ended. The amendment passed.

Mr. ADAMS moved to delete Section 8 of the proposed bill. The motion was seconded.

Mr. COX said an independent candidate would not have \$100 to run a campaign.

Mr. POSTON replied that a slate would not spend \$50 on a candidate only \$10 or \$15 at most.

Mr. O'QUINN suggested that Mr. ADAMS'S amendment be amended to allow anyone who runs for a campus wide election to spend \$100 because this much money is needed to be able to get your name before the public.

Mr. DRISCOLL moved to amend Mr. ADAMS' amendment by substituting: "Senatorial candidates shall not incur expenses totaling more than fifty dollars, and candidates for campus wide positions shall not incur expenses totaling more than one hundred dollars. Such expenses shall include the value of any donated material, but shall not include the cost of the Election Filing Fee." This amendment passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. DRISCOLL moved the previous question. The motion was seconded and agreed to. Senate Bill 22 was then passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Senate.

President GAGHAGEN asked Mr. O'QUINN, sponsor of C.A. 1, to read the amendment of the Senate. After reading the Constitutional Amendment, Mr. O'QUINN said that he thought the amendment was a very good one because it provided an opportunity for newly elected Senators to view the Senate in action before taking part in it themselves. A motion to move the previous question was made and agreed to. The amendment passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Miss TRUEHEART moved that the Senate accept the Committee On Rules & Judiciary report to not excuse Senators BLACKARD, CLEMENTS, PENICK and POKLUDA. The motion was seconded, and the report was accepted by a majority voice vote of the Senate.

After discussing each Presidential nomination recommended by the Committee On Rules & Judiciary, the following were confirmed by a unanimous voice vote of the Senate:

Sheila Fraser - University Calendar Board  
Ann Culpepper - Director of Cougar Christmasland  
Carol Maxwell - Director of University Festival  
Bob Trevathan - Lecture Artist Series Board  
Dick Hancock - Lecture Artist Series Board

The President asked Mr. TANNER to read S.R. 5 to the Senate and, also, if the Senate approves to read the Architectural Accrediting Boards' report. Mr. SAXE of Education moved to allow Mr. TANNER seven minutes to read his report. The motion was seconded and passed. After Mr. TANNER read the report, the Senate passed S.R.5 by a majority vote.

Next, S. 19 was considered by the Senate. Mr. O'QUINN moved to suspend the Rules requiring a bill to be read in full. The motion was seconded and passed. The bill was put to an immediate vote, and S.19 passed unanimously.

Miss TRUEHEART moved adoption of her printed amendments to S.20, and her motion was seconded. Miss TRUEHEART said that S.20 should be amended to allow for superior achievements to be recognized by the use of a new and more flexible rating system.

Mr. POSTON said that he did not think that the Panhellenic President rated more points than the Dormitory President, but that to amend the bill would be to quibble over points so the amendments should be rejected.

Mr. HANCOCK moved to amend the printed amendments to make Panhellenic President four points, Officers three points and excluding Committee Chairman altogether. The motion was seconded. Miss LOGAN replied that Committee Chairman have a lot of work and should be given at least one point. The motion was put to a vote and was defeated, 9 in favor and 11 against. Miss LOGAN moved to amend by giving Panhellenic, Dormitory Government and IFC Presidents 4 points, Officers 3 points, and Committee Chairman 1. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mr. HANCOCK moved to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded. The motion was defeated on a voice vote. Division of the body was called for but the President ruled that he had announced the vote before it was called. Mr. DRISCOLL moved to appeal the decision of the chair. Mr. O'QUINN said that it was a dangerous precedent to allow a decision of the Chair to decide a motion. The President said that the reason the chair made the decision was to expedite action of the Senate in order to complete the important business at hand. After further debate, a vote was taken on the appeal, and the decision of the Chair was overruled. So a division of the body was taken on the motion to adjourn, the motion failing by a vote of 4 to 18.

Mr. GONZALES moved to amend S. 20 to allow ROTC Commanders 3 points and Officers 3 points. The motion was seconded but failed.

Mr. ADAMS moved to amend Section I of S.20 by adding: "...and for the purpose of selecting the Top Ten Students at the University of Houston." The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Mr. DRISCOLL moved to amend S.20 to allow the Editor of the Houston Law Review 8 points instead of 6. The motion was seconded, and was passed, 11 in favor and 8 opposed. Mr. O'QUINN abstained from voting on the motion.

Miss TRUEHEART moved to amend the title of S.20 by adding: "...AND THE SELECTION OF THE TOP TEN STUDENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON." The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Mr. EWELL moved to amend the S.20 by allowing 8 points for All American instead of the designated 4 points, and to allow Team Captains 4 points. Mr. PICKLE said that he did not believe that All American rated as many points as the Student Body President. Miss COLLISTER said that because of the large amount of time spent learning their sport, All-Americans deserve all the honors they receive. Mr. GREENE of Arts & Sciences moved previous question. The motion was seconded and passed. The amendment was passed by a majority vote.

Miss LOGAN moved to amend S.20 to allow cheerleaders 6 points instead of 3. The motion was seconded and passed.

There being no further debate on the bill, the Chair ordered the Question on S.20. The bill passed, as amended, by a majority voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. DRISCOLL introduced S.R. 6 (A RESOLUTION PROPOSING THE ADOPTION OF THE HOUSTON COUNCIL OF COLLEGES' CONSTITUTION), which was referred to the Committee On State, National, and International Affairs.

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ADJOURNMENT

Mr. O'QUINN moved that the meeting adjourn. The motion was agreed to; and (at 10:50 p.m.) the Senate adjourned.

APPROVED BY:

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Richard B. Gaghagen  
President, Student Association

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