Central Board Minutes
Special Meeting
March 11, 1954

The meeting was called to order by Norm Anderson.

Anderson described the present student activity set up. He explained how the ASWSU and Student Union activities overlap. He outlined the following revision:

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/ President/  Dean of Students
ASWSU       Director of Student Affairs
Policy
Publications Brd
Publicity-Travel
Budget & Finance
Activities
Outside Entertainment
Finance
Athletic Board
Art
Dances
Convos
Games
Handcrafts
Traditions
Personnel
Music
All School Show
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Anderson explained that the Director of Student Affairs would be a person hired by the students who primarily is Student Union Director but also can branch out on campus wide activities. He said approximately 3/4 of his salary would come from the Student Union. He said that this director will give continuity to the student activities and break in new ASWSU officers because he will be paid to advise on student activities and because he will know all about past student activities.

Anderson said that the Student Activities Council will serve a dual purpose: 1) Direct all student activities and coordinate them, and 2) allocate money to the various student activities. He said the Director of Student Affairs would be the faculty advisor for this group.

Anderson said that this change would make Central Board strictly a policy making group. It will eliminate red tape by coordinating the activities. He said that Budget and Finance committee will allocate money to the various groups. A certain amount will be given to the Activities Council and they will distribute it among the various activities.

Anderson said that the Personell committee would maintain campus wide records for the use of all student groups.

Anderson said that the biggest problem in the change of systems is the financing. He said that he will present a more concrete plan that is approved by the president at the Central Board meeting on March 24. He said if Central Board approves the plan, the constitution will have to be revised and voted on by the students on Aber Day.

Anderson reported that Tex Beneke will play at the Elks instead of at the University. He said that we can have Harry James and his orchestra on April 29 or 30 for $1,800. Eyer so moved, it was seconded and passed.
D. Anderson asked for money to send representatives to the Pacific Northwest Conference on Higher Education that will be in Moscow, Idaho, on March 18 and 19. He said that it's a conference between the administrative heads and the student leaders from many of the northwest schools. He Dr. Freeman and his wife will go and will take their car. He said the students may find good topics for the use of discussion groups here. Briggs said that there's the possibility of something concrete coming out of the conference and that we should have student contact with it. Briggs moved that Central Board select two delegates and appropriate $25 for the expenses of their trip. It was seconded and passed. Anderson announced that there will be a special meeting of Central Board at 12:45 on March 12 to select the two delegates.

Eyer said that he does not believe that athletics represent 48 per cent of student life and that they do not deserve almost half of the student budget. He said that athletics do not promote school spirit and unity, are not good publicity for the university, and do not build character. He said the athletes are here to entertain and do not live up to academic standards. He said that since they are here to entertain the public, they should be put under the Public Service Division and they should be paid for by the sports loving public. He proposed that the Athletic budget be cut and more money given to the more educational activities.

VanMeter said that although they entertain they also practise their profession because many of them become coaches. Gaughan said that he feels that the $14.40 a year he paid to athletics is a cheap admission fee. Briggs said that originally the student fee was set up to pay for athletics. He said if we approve athletics in policy, we must support them financially. He said if the athletics weren't included on the activity card, students wouldn't buy the card. He said that before the budget could be cut, students would have to be educated.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Kind
ASMSU Secretary


Absent: Burnell, Lambros, Hudson, Wunderlich