CENTRAL BOARD MINUTES
April 3, 1951

The meeting was called to order by Yvonne Kind and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Kind read for Central Board's consideration letters from the U.S.N.S.A. and the Model United Nations asking us to send representatives to their conventions, and letters from the American Cancer Society and the United Negro College Fund, Inc. asking us to sponsor and support their financial drives respectively. Matter tabled.

Kind announced that the Forum Committee is having a meeting next Wed. April in the Student Union Auditorium concerning budget matters. The meeting is open to all interested.

Jim Murphy, on behalf of the Budget and Finance Committee recommended that Central Board approve the combination of duties of the Outside Entertainment Committee with the Social Committee for the year of 1951-52, because they feel that ASMSU cannot adequately support the Community Concert Program for the students on the present budget. It was further recommended that the profit resulting from the 1950-51 Outside Entertainment program and the profit resulting from the appearance of Louis Armstrong be combined and set aside to accomplish the many aims of the combined committee. There would be no budget allocation for the Outside Ent. Committee under next year's budget and, in essence, the recommendations mean dropping the Community Concert Program. These recommendations and further details of them are hereby included in the minutes.

A lengthy discussion followed and these points were brought out:
1) DeJarnette said that if we give up the Community Concert program this year we probably will never get it back because of the difficulty in getting a contract again with the downtown Association.
2) It was agreed by all that an increase in the student activity fees was the only way in which we could maintain our present program, including publications, athletics and entertainment. Some felt that the proposed increase was defeated last time because many students felt that all or part of the money would go to athletics.
3) The possibilities for curtailment, rather than cutting of activities were brought up. Wohlgenant said that Men's Athletics is the only activity on the campus that has not curtailed any of its activities. Although their budget is down $10,000, they are hoping to make that money up on next year's football schedule. Wohlgenant said that all other activities are actually being curtailed or even cut. He also said that cutting of one minor sport would enable us to keep our outside entertainment.
4) Murphy said that curtailment of larger activities especially, did not seem plausible because all activities had cut down their budgets as far as possible and, in many cases, further curtailment would mean the ruin of their programs. Those activities mentioned for complete cutting-Mountaineer, Publicity Travel Fund, and Outside Entertainment--were selected on the basis of student participation, audience participation, and prestige gained for the University. Continuation of the Community Concerts will cost $1000 more than the Outside Ent. Comm has been allotted. The matter was tabled until a special meeting which will be held Monday, April 9. The meeting was adjourned.

Present: Anderson, Murphy, Kind, Perry, McKown, Chaffin, Kugler, Briggs, Wohlgenant, McMasters, DeJarnette, Graff, Hanson, Taylor, Hoffman, Herbig, Noe, Young, Swingley, Spielman, Cole, Lentz, Vick.

Jackie Perry
Secretary