

MINUTES

Mid-year Exec. Meeting-US JCI Senate-13176
Des Moines, Iowa

The business meeting was called to order by President Watts at 9:50 a.m. at the Downtown Ramada Inn. Chaplin Ken Brookbank gave invocation, followed by a welcome and comments by President Watts. This was followed by introductions of officers and members of the Exec. committee and additional guests. Present were:

Daryl Watts
Bill Miller
Gary Hogue
Gene Bishop
Larry Olson
John Frew
Leo Briere
James O'Connell
Ken Brookbank
George Michuda
Roger Hildebrandt
Chic Lantz
Myrl Nofziger

GUESTS

Phil Thompson
Larry Edwards
Fred Hale
Norm Baptista
Charlie Schadle
Troy Wood
Jerry Holbach

OLD BUSINESS

Minutes of the annual meeting at Miami were read by Gary Hogue, and additions to the minutes included comments by Schadle and Baptista covering a report from the constitution and by laws committee at the Miami meeting.

Under Vice-president's reports, Jack Frew reported on progress in his institute and presented a dues check of \$118.00 from the New Jersey senators.

Larry Olson reported on his institute and also indicated progress was being made there.

Gene Bishop reported that he currently only had records that two of his states had paid their dues, but that more of them would be sending their dues money. He advised there was a lot of interest from his states at their New Orleans meeting and that he would be going to some of his state's meetings.

The secretary read a written report from Vice-president Jim Jevins, who was not present at the meeting, and Phil Thompson advised he had correspondence from one of the Nebraska senators regarding the activities in Nebraska.

President Watts commented on his correspondence and communications with the remaining Vice-presidents and activities in their assigned states.

Under other executive committee reports, Chic Lantz reported on the Indianapolis convention meeting arrangements and at that time also presented a dues check of \$100.00 from the Indiana senate. Chic also reported for Bernie Landry regarding inquiries to airlines for some free transportation, and advised that Bernie Landry had received negative response on his inquiries.

Chick Lantz also reported on his activities as International Director, and voiced concern over the attitude of several foreign countries, that many of them feared the US Senate would become too powerful and control the JC's, and Chick pointed out the need for us to continue explaining our purpose to the foreign senate groups. He stressed the need for our ambassadors to continue promoting understanding with the foreign groups. He also said that Venezuela was planning to bid for world congress at the upcoming St. Louis Meeting. General discussion followed concerning the comments on ambassadors.

In addition to Chick Lantz's report on the Indianapolis Convention, Myrl Nofziger went through the scheduled agenda. He outlined the activities for the period from June 24 through June 26 and informed us the Atkinson would be the senate headquarters hotel and they have 50 rooms reserved there. There is a \$35.00 room deposit with an absolute deadline of March 1. The average room cost there will be \$30.00. Hospitality room will be open at all times when there are no formal activities in progress. The registration fees for the senators were given as \$30.00 for men and \$25.00 for women, and \$39.00 for children, and the registrations will include admittance to all JC events, and the only extra fee will be for the inauguration banquet.

Leo Briere gave a brief treasurer's report for John Powell. There is a current deficit of \$719.61 not including the expense from the current issue of Mentors. The report was past.

Leo Briere reported on the Mentors and advised he had a lot of help from Mel Routt in obtaining material. He advised that funding was desperately needed to continue publication. Costs sheets for advertising were distributed. Senator Briere also reported that the 1975-76 National Officer Directory was completed and copies of it were distributed. The cost of this directory was taken care of by Crown Publications. Additional copies of this directory will be available from the secretary for \$3.00 each. It was noted there were already some address changes to this directory, and they are as follows:

Phil Thompson, 2509 South Pattie, Wichita, Kansas, and Chick Lantz, 807 West Plymouth Avenue, Goshen, Indiana.

Under further old business, Jim O'Connell offered senate patches for sale and turned over a list of names of those picking up patches in Miami, with the notation that he did not have records from the treasurer on which ones had been paid for, so follow up is needed on the collection. He also has senate pins available. Pins and patches are \$2.00 each.

Jim O'Connell also reported that the complete insurance program has been canceled for lack of participation and a financial loss was sustained by himself and the insurance company on the insurance program.

The meeting was temporarily adjourned at this time by President Watts for lunch, and reconvened at 1:25 p.m. At this time Larry Olson presented a check of \$200.00 for the Illinois senate dues.

The next item was reading of correspondence by President Darrel from Dick Robinson, the US JC President; a letter from Senator Bob Krane, a letter from Senator Murray Luther.

A motion was passed to purchase a senate medallion from our treasury for National JC President Dick Robinson, and present it to him at the March JC executive meeting. At this time there was a general discussion regarding the new senate medallions and a sample was passed around.

President Watts called on Bill Miller, Chairman of the Board, to present plaques which had been temporarily lost at our Miami meeting, and they were given to George Michuda, Leo Brere, and Ken Brookbank, and one for Bernie Landry was to be delivered by Charley Schade. Senator Miller advised us that treasurer George Powell has been ill recently and was unable to attend this meeting.

President Watts called Secretary Hogue for a report, and he requested that all the VP's have written reports turned in to him, and also have written reports available at the annual meeting in Indianapolis.

NEW BUSINESS

Fred Hale and Larry Edwards, the St. Louis representatives for the World Congress, were called on for a report. Larry Edwards presented a tentative agenda and the schedules were discussed. Fred Hale followed up on the financial aspect of the World Congress meeting and asked the US Senate group to commit ourselves to sponsorship of all or part of the senator's program at the congress and there was a considerable amount of general discussion on the matter. The registration for the World Congress will be \$150.00 per person, or \$110.00 per person for advanced registration prior to September 15. It was moved by Miller and seconded by Bishop that the US JCI Senate accept sponsorship of the Senate activities of the 1976 World Congress in St. Louis with no financial liability to be incurred by the US JCI Senate, and the motion carried.

After a 5-minute coffee break, the business re-convened at 3:20 pm with a discussion of the Senators program at the Indianapolis annual meeting, and President Watts suggested that we cut the time schedule to allow more social activities. Motion was passed to have the Senate Presidential Election on Monday immediately following the business meeting, and an additional motion was passed to keep the balance of the original schedule as planned by the committee, that being a Tuesday party and a Wednesday innaguration banquet.

As the next item of business, Leo Brere reported on progress of the Senate directory, and that he currently has money on deposit in the savings and loan and is attempting to find a corporate sponsor to fund the directory. It was also brought up that no report has been submitted by the financial committee concerning copy writing the Senate logo, and President Watts is to check with the committee and have reports at our annual meeting.

At this time, George Michuda requested the floor for a special presentation to President Watts, and President Watts was very pleased in accepting from George.

The next item was a report by Roger Hildebrandt on recommendations for the by-laws and constitution. He recommended that no changes be necessary at this time, but suggested that it would be wise to add some standing rules and policy items. No further action was taken at this time.

The next item was a report from Charley Schadle on the fall meeting in Philadelphia. Recommendations coming out of that meeting were to have our senate officer elections at "mid-year" rather than at the annual meeting as currently provided, and also that a centennial travel emergency program be established, and a motion to establish this program was passed. Details of this program were set out in Vice-president Frew's report in this issue of the MENTORS.

President Watts pointed out there have been complaints from some of the state senate groups that they have not received charters, and the VP's assigned are to check this and follow up on it.

President Daryl announced that Phil Thompson was accepting a position as coordinator of the US JCI Senate Congress activities, and various other senators volunteered to help Phil serve on this committee. Bill Miller stated he was going to ask each State Senate group to contribute \$100 for the program.

President Watts commented about the arrangements for the social hour and evening dinner to follow the business meeting. The Iowa JCI Senator's Club furnished the refreshments for the hospitality room. World JCI President Sonny Belmonte was to arrive and be with us for the social hour and dinner. Wives present were also invited to the evening meal. The business meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:00pm. This was followed by a social hour and the dinner, with World President Sonny speaking to us after the dinner.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Hogue

Gary Hogue, Treasurer