COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID TO STUDENTS

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON OCTOBER 14, 1965

Present: Dr. Rachel D. Wilkinson - Chairman
Dr. Nabel Chang
Mrs. Anne Jackson
Mrs. Jeane Walsh
Mr. Frank Wong

Guest: Mrs. Meryl Zaretsky

A. The Chairman opened the meeting at 11 a.m. The Minutes of the previous meeting (Sept. 22) were approved without change.

B. As per the recommendation in the last meeting, a rotating system of Committee members acting as secretary was followed.

C. The problem of finding suitable Committee meeting dates during which most members are free was briefly discussed. However, no date was set for the next meeting as the schedules of all the Committee members have not yet reached Dr. Wilkinson.

Work Program

1) On the Work Study Program the Chairman reported that the Department of Student Personnel has employed Mr. Murray Beer to implement the Work Study Program in the community.

2) One of the problems of the Campus Work Program is that some students have been assigned to work without authorization from the Committee. Another difficulty is that besides Department Heads, technicians, secretaries and individual instructors have also been requesting student aides. After discussion, the Committee recommended that a letter be sent to Department Heads stating that in view of the expanding faculty, the Committee on Scholarship and Financial Aid would like to review the application procedures that function best for the students, before any individual starts assigning the students to work.

3) The question of whether the allotment of working hours for a Department be divided into the two semesters or whether a Department may use up the annual allotment all in one semester was discussed.
4) Request by a non-matriculant taking 7 credits to be considered for a campus job was discussed. The Committee felt that the policy should remain the same as in the past i.e. non-matriculants with fewer than 12 credits should be referred to the Placement Office for jobs outside the campus.

5) On the subject of the draft of a letter to be sent to Department Heads telling them about the allotment of hours of student-aide work, the Committee recommended that such a letter in the future be sent out under Dean Silverman's signature.

6) Next, Mrs. Walsh reported on the number of student work applications classified by categories.

As of October 14, 1965 there were 178 applications:
- 69 students were placed
- 4 were in correspondence for placing on jobs
- 5 were assigned but could not work
- 2 were refused by departments

The 178 applicants fell into:
- Category I: 69
- Category II: 97
- Scholarship Program: 2
- Unknown: 10

(not interviewed)

The jobs assigned and still open represent 41% of applicants.

E. Nursing Grants
The Chairman reported on the Helen Sugar Fund administered by the Lucy Stone League. They have contributed $2,700 for practical nurses, and the students have been designated. These grants range up to a maximum of $500 per student. The name of the student to receive the Soroptimist grant of $150 was approved for the second year nursing student, screened by Mrs. Jackson.

F. Correspondence:

1) Dr. Wilkinson reported on her attendance at the Lesser Memorial Scholarship Fund Dinner on October 11. The Lesser Memorial Scholarship Committee expects to raise $6000 from which an annual grant will be made to the Bronx Community College.
2) A memorandum from Mr. Berman (9/30/65) and copy of a letter from President Meister (10/4/65) were read by Dr. Wilkinson. These items of correspondence referred to matching Federal Loan Funds with Scholarship Funds as suggested by Mr. Berman and approved by President Meister. Decision on Committee policy was tabled since there was an insufficient number of Committee members present at this meeting.

3) Dr. Wilkinson reported that $1,000 was received from the Wilson Foundation for the Scholarship Program, and that President Meister had written a letter of thanks and acknowledgement.

4) The Free Sons of Israel have made a scholarship grant to a student.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mabel L. Chang

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