

ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY  
Student Council Meeting Minutes  
December 16, 1957

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m.  
by President Richard Nally.

Roll call was taken and the following members  
were absent.

ART & DESIGN  
Jennifer Brennan

MECHANICAL  
William Hall  
~~Tom O'Brien~~

COMMERCE  
Feggy Maloney  
Pat Mayers

PHOTOGRAPHY  
Larry Albersson  
John O'Connor  
Richard Burkhardt  
Mike Gots

FOODS  
Mike Schwartz

RETAILING  
Alan St. George  
Bob Wahl

A motion was made by Bob LaTorre to dispense  
with the minutes of the previous meeting. After  
discussion, the motion was defeated; and the  
minutes were read and approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS  
(Social)

The Christmas Coffee Hour and 90 Troup Street  
Housewarming will be held Thursday, December 19,  
1957, from 12:30 to 4:30. It was stated that it  
is the obligation of every member of Council to  
attend.

(Student Affairs)

Some forty-odd parking lot stickers will be sold  
to freshmen this Wednesday, December 18, 1957.  
There have been a great many lost parking lot  
stickers. It was the recommendation of the  
committee that in order to replace lost stickers,  
we charge \$1.00. A motion was made to sell park-  
ing lot stickers to both freshmen and upperclass-  
men on Wednesday. It was seconded and passed.

School rings will be delivered Wednesday. New  
orders will be taken from 5 to 4 at the Mans'  
Dorm and from 7 to 8 at Kate Gleason.

LEGISLATIVE AND  
FINANCIAL)

Robert Kahley cleared up some points which were  
stated wrongly last week at the debate concerning  
all-school elections;

LEGISLATIVE &  
FINANCIAL Cont'd

1. Athletic budgets cannot be prepared in the Spring, since scheduling is not done until the summer.
2. The Council has approval of the Senate (The Election Board of Controls) to check anything dishonest or prejudiced the president might do.
3. If anyone person signs the petition to nominate another candidate more than once, only the person's name and not the entire petition was thrown out.
4. Yes, the pro tem does have voting power at the national convention of Student Association Presidents.

OLD BUSINESS

A letter was read from Douglas Crona in rebuttal of Joseph Fitzpatrick's part of the debate on all-school elections last week.

It was moved, seconded, and passed to debate the time for school-wide elections.

It was moved and seconded that we hold student council elections in the Spring. Art Pavelle presented the following points in favor of elections in the Fall: Study time should be in the Spring and not in the Fall; freshmen have the right to choose the people they want to have as their officers, with the nominations held the previous Spring. Ron Johnstone said that the social calendar is much too full in the Spring to allow the time for the elections at that time.

It was moved by Don Lenhard to limit debate on the question of the time for elections for one more pro and one more con each for two minutes. The motion was seconded. It was suggested that we open the floor for cross debate. The previous question was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously. The main motion to limit debate was defeated.

There were many comments and suggestions on the advantages and disadvantages of the various times to hold elections. On the question of whether or not the freshmen should vote, a number representatives of the freshmen class did not feel that

OLD BUSINESS  
(Cont'd)

they were being harmed by not being allowed to vote. The previous question was moved seconded and passed. The main motion to have school-wide elections held in the Spring was passed.

It was moved that we eliminate Article 3, Section 5 from the By-Laws of the Constitution. It was moved and seconded to send this section of the recommendation back to committee for revision. It was passed.

It was moved that we do not accept Section II of the recommendations. It was suggested that the Board of Control be void of any Council officer or division head. The President took the floor and stated that within a few years, the President will be a product of a political machine. He suggested that there be one member elected from each department to serve as the Election Board of Control, the Board choosing their own chairman. The motion to reject Section II was passed.

At the next meeting, we will start discussion how we want to carry out the elections.

The floor was given to Gary Lefkowitz. It was his suggestion that Council provide a trophy for the winner of the intra-mural basketball tournament, estimating that a trophy and placard would cost about \$90 for this year and about \$50 for each succeeding year.

It was moved and seconded that we accept the recommendation to allocate approximately \$90 for a trophy for intra-mural sports. It was moved and seconded that we table this motion until next week. The motion to table was passed.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Christmas Coffee Hour and Housewarming of 90 Troup Street was again announced. Every Council member is urged to attend, as it is their duty to welcome the student body to the Student Union.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

SHARLA KLEIN  
Secretary