

ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
ROCHESTER 8, NEW YORK
Student Council Meeting Minutes
November 10, 1958

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by President Kay Finley. The roll call was not taken.

The minutes were corrected as follows:

Eliminate from list of absentees.

Carol Edwards	Jim Carey
Matt Burnias	Roger Williams
John Markowski	Harvey Standhart
Doug McMane	Spence Merz

The minutes were approved as corrected.

DIVISION REPORTS

Legislative and Financial

This division deferred discussion of the budget in order to discuss all other business previous to their report.

Student Affairs

Joe Zigadlo announced that the Parking Lot Committee is trying to obtain more parking space for students.

Publicity and Publications

Dick Beal announced that Student Association cards for wives are still available in the main office.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

President Finley suggested that in the interest of improving relations with the University of Rochester Council might wish to direct a letter to be written congratulating them on their victory over Tufts. It was so moved, voted upon and passed.

President Finley announced that Mr. Benz was out of town and unable to attend the Council meeting in respect to the budget. He read a memo from Mr. Benz to Council in which Mr. Benz:

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1. gave \$51,500 as a valid estimate of Student Association fee income.
2. gave enrollment as 1,950-1,980 students.
3. indicated that other income would be between \$6,000 and \$8,000.
4. lent his support to the budget committee in their policy of letting receipts remain with organizations.
5. pointed out that adequate control as proposed by the Budget Committee can prevent a surplus.

Bud Lockwood moved to accept the budgetary procedures outlined by the 1958-59 budget committee.

Art Favelle pointed out that although he and several others still opposed certain procedures their support would be in the interest of expediency, given to the Lockwood motion. The motion was voted upon and passed.

President Finley then pointed out that this left the floor open for debate on individual budgets. Mr. Gardner suggested that the list of budget recommendations be read setting aside all those Council members requested. This would facilitate the quick approval of all those not deferred. The list was read and the deferred budgets were:

Archery Club	Student Council
Basketball	Student Union
Cheerleaders	Summer Social
International Students Club	Technila
Publications	Forensic
Rifle Club	Jazz Club
Ski Club	

John O'Connor asked which organizations had budget requests cut. It was then suggested that Mr. Gardner read the requests as submitted to him by the organizations. The requests (minus anticipated income) this year are:

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Athletic	\$	446.00	
Baseball		2,703.00	
Basketball		4,194.00	
Carnegie			
Music Room		375.00	
Cheerleaders		234.00	
Chess Club		417.00	
Choral		225.00	
Cross Country		621.00	
Fencing		2,748.00	
Forensic		3,343.00	
International			
Students		400.00	
Lettermen		350.00	
Masquers			
Guild		400.00	
Modern Jazz		500.00	
Publications		1,701.00	
Radio Club		264.00	
Religious Activities		150.00	
Rifle Club		600.00	725.00
Service Sorority		85.00	
Ski Club		200.00	
Social Division		2,000.00	
Spring Weekend		3,000.00	
Student Council		2,894.00	
Student Union		4,575.00	
Summer Social		1,000.00	
Techmila		20,888.00	
Tennis		524.00	
Wrestling		4,300.00	(approx)

A motion was made to accept those budget recommendations not set aside for consideration. The motion was voted upon and carried.

The archery budget was then discussed. A member of Council asked for a breakdown of the expenditures of this Club. Art Gardner pointed out that the greatest part of their equipment had been stolen over the summer. The budget this year will go for bows, arrows, and targets. It was then suggested that after individual examination these deferred budgets might be discussed and voted upon together.

In connection with the basketball budget Dick Beal had talked to Coach Alexander. He was

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told that there is a new ruling that requires certain numbers on uniforms. Unless these numbers are correct there is the possibility that a technical foul could be called against the RIT team. Art Gardner pointed out that the budget committee felt that the \$1,850.00 remaining to be allocated should go to the athletic department. Dick Beal moved to add \$250.00 of this money to the basketball budget for the purpose of acquiring new uniforms. The motion was voted upon and passed.

Art Gardner read a memo from Mr. Belknap in which he pointed out that there was a great deal of dissatisfaction with the appearance of the cheerleaders. He urged careful consideration on the part of Council concerning the cheerleading budget which provides for uniforms this year of a better quality than has been used in the past.

Concerning Chess Club, Sal Schifano questioned the \$217.00 cut to their budget. Art Gardner pointed out that the Chess Club had requested money for ivory players. The budget committee felt that there could be a cut in the quality of the sets without effecting the performance of the players. They had also requested 5 chess clocks at \$25.00 a piece. Although, this was felt excessive and was cut to two clocks no cut was made in the traveling expenses of the team. Mr. Gardner also pointed out this was four times the request made last year and there had been no increase in membership. Bob Kohler said that no money had been given to the Chess Club last year since they had only ten members. Mr. Schifano suggested this budget be temporarily set aside while he has an opportunity to check into what he felt might be a genuine need for the clocks.

Bob Kohler spoke briefly on behalf of the Forensic society. He pointed out that the reason for the increase in this year's request was due to the increase in invitations to participate in debates. He felt that in many cases a great deal of honor would be attached to these debates that might have to be eliminated because of lack of funds. Art Gardner and the budget committee had cut the budget with the suggestion that Forensic

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should eliminate debates with schools not on a par with RIT. Mr. Kohler felt that, in part, this had already been done. He also pointed out that membership was up this year from 40 to 53. Art Pavelle then moved that the allotment of Forensic be brought up to the amount of their request. Nick Mihael then questioned the process of allocating monies as we go along in our examination of individual budgets. He felt that this might result in a shortage of funds when we get to the bottom of the list and discovered a need for money when no more funds existed.

Art Gardner suggested that Council should realize that these budgets were presented after months of preliminary work and careful consideration.

Bud Lockwood moved we table the motion until next week. This was voted upon and carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30.

Respectfully submitted,

JENNIFER BRENNAN
Secretary