

ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
Student Council Minutes
February 8, 1954

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by President Bernard Boston.

The roll call was taken, and the following members were present:

ART

Jerry Shaia
Barbara Stupp
Ed Watson

CHEMISTRY

John Bailey
Rita Prado
Robert Schneider

COMMERCE

Rolf Brynilsen
Philip Powers

ELECTRICAL

Robert Follmer
William Mateyk

MECHANICAL

Pamela Welsh

PHOTOGRAPHY

Bernard Boston
Gus Fickteman

PRINTING

Russell Adams
Edward Branges
Hugh Mahoney
Vincent Morehouse
John Lapomarda

RETAILING

Pamela Quick
Todd Ruede
Marjorie Spang

S. A. C.

Larry Alderdice
Marjorie Armstrong

President Bernard Boston called upon Todd Ruede, who asked the assistance of senior members of Council in holding elections to replace the members who have been dropped from membership. Todd Ruede then explained that in the Mechanical Department there were two representatives for one block, Richard Clark and George Scatko. They had come alternately to meetings, so neither has the required 65 per cent attendance. Now, however, Richard Clark has agreed to relinquish the office, and George Scatko is the official representative from the Mechanical junior class, B block.

John Bailey suggested that when the list of percentage attendances is published in the RIT Reporter, special mention be made of the Mechanical representatives in order to explain their lack of attendance.

Robert Follmer gave a report about lounge conditions. He told the members that the previous measures taken to clean the lounge have not brought a lasting cure. The lounge is just as untidy now as before.

In the discussion that followed many suggestions and observations were made. Harris Rusitzky suggested that the lounge be closed immediately. Marjorie Armstrong suggested that the offenders be

brought before Council and fined. Pamela Welsh stated that the excuse of different blocks coming in was not valid, for many full-time students do their share in defacing the lounge. She also stated that the evening school students be reckoned with. They have little regard for the cleanliness in the lounge.

Todd Ruede made the motion to close the lounge at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 9, for a two-week period. Harris Rusitzky seconded the notion, and it was passed by a majority of Council.

Harris Rusitzky suggested that every student be given a clear, printed copy of lounge regulations and the student's responsibilities. President Boston agreed and added that all students be given a summary of the powers and responsibilities of Student Council as well. Ed Watson made the motion that these two publications be given to the students. Philip Powers and Robert Follmer seconded the motion. It was passed by a majority of Council.

Robert Schneider suggested that the offenders and the conditions be publicized by pictures and articles in the RIT Reporter. President Boston said that a special committee will attend to this matter.

John Bailey suggested that the men who take care of the candy and beverage machines be notified that the lounge will be closed.

President Boston asked for volunteers for a committee to publicize the duties, action, and problems of Student Council.

The minutes of the meeting containing pros and cons about a coffee machine have been located and will be reviewed shortly.

Herbert Winkelmann has compiled a list of comparative prices of food served in the school cafeteria and other cafeterias in the city. He found the prices the same or under those of other cafeterias. Harris Rusitzky stated that the cafeteria makes no profit mostly because of the 20 per cent discount cards which are available to everyone.

Hugh Mahoney asked about a traffic light for the corner of Plymouth Avenue and Spring Street. Mrs. Miller explained that the city has refused RIT's requests for a number of years. Marjorie Armstrong suggested that the school keep trying. She also suggested that letters written by individual students be sent to the Rochester newspapers. Since Rochester is now in the midst of a safety campaign, perhaps such letters would make the city realize how dangerous this intersection really is. President Boston said that this situation will be attended to.

Inter-Organization Council will meet on Tuesday, February 9, in Room 100, Clark Union.

The motion for adjournment was made at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Prado, Secretary