Parent Orientation Day Discussed; Student Conference Here Proposed

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Acting with the precision of a congressional committee, the Student Senate last Wednesday met, and in a mere hour and a half, dispatched what requires three pages of minutes to cover.

Moving and seconding motions like machine gunners, a surprisingly unanimous Senate handled topics ranging from approval of various nominations to setting up an NSA study committee.

THE NOMINATIONS were approved rapidly with the only question being over the junior representative to the Southwest Conference Sportsmanship Committee. Breaking with tradition, the executive committee had nominated Duncan Mason instead of a girl. After brief discussion over the relative merits of a feminine point of view, Nancy Stookesberry nominated Kay McElheny, whereupon Duncan Mason was elected.

Next, “dead” week and the reading period were discussed. It was generally agreed that dead week wasn’t, and that the reading period wasn’t large enough. Jandacek then balefully asked if a motion were in order, and on being told that it was, moved that the Senate recommend Monday and Tuesday be made part of the reading period. He also proposed that dead week be scrapped in favor of a larger reading period. A motion to submit a resolution then passed.

Then, bang! bang! Widen the exit from the college parking lot; change meetings to 6:45 Tuesday as of next September.

ANNE LASSITER brought up the question of Parent Orientation Day. She said that the program lacked coordination, finances, and various and sundry other items. It was suggested that a senate coordinator for Parent Orientation Day be appointed.

Lassiter proposed that the Junior Class president be this person, as in the past, and this motion carried.

Jaffe then reported that the Galveston police wanted to know of any large beach parties planned. This is so they may give “proper police supervision” to the parties, or so they say. Any organization planning a beach party at Galveston should notify Dean Higginbotham’s office.

THE TREASURER’S report was uninteresting: a small deficit was projected. The planned budget for next year was slightly better. On the red side it contained an entry “allowance for bad debts: $200.”

It was then proposed that Rice have a conference next year similar to those held by Texas and MIT. After much discussion a committee was appointed to study the question.

FINALLY, IT was decided to set up an NSA study group. The “unjudged” Tom Sears also turned out to be unavailable as he will be working in Europe this summer. It was decided, though, that a committee would exist no matter who headed it. Implicit in the proposal is Rice’s continued membership until after the committee reports. Tonight Buddy Herz and Bob Hewitt well debate NSA after the Senate meeting.