

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, President D. W. Colvard, acting with the full knowledge of the President, the Executive Secretary, and the Chairman of the Athletic Committee of the Board of Trustees, State Institutions of Higher Learning, State of Mississippi, made the decision to accept the bid for the basketball team to participate in the 1963 N.C.A.A. championship competition;

WHEREAS, the Administrative Council takes note of the conflicting expressions of sentiment which were bound to and did result from this decision and are likely to occur in the future; and

WHEREAS, that in these circumstances the Council believes that the President's administrative staff should make its position known;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Administrative Council does hereby express its complete confidence in President Colvard and in his administration of this University, and does commend him for his acceptance of responsibility for this decision, his conscientious evaluation of the complexities involved, and his resolute and unselfish adherence to the basic interests of the University and the people of Mississippi;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the official minutes of the Administrative Council of Mississippi State University.

MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY
State College, Mississippi

Administrative Council Minutes:
No. 342:

March 11, 1963

Present: President Colvard, Aiken, Bettersworth, Bost, Clapp, Crowder, Eastland, Etheredge, Flewellen, Furgerson, Giles, Leveck, Mallory, Martin, McKee, Rhodes, Simrall, and Thomas

Absent: Coskrey and Wise

President Colvard distributed copies of his News Release dated March 2, 1963, relative to the basketball team participating in the N.C.A.A. Championship Competition and discussed some of the details leading to his decision.

With Vice-Chairman, T. K. Martin, presiding, the Council unanimously approved Dean Clapp's motion, which was seconded by Dr. Bettersworth, that the Council express its complete confidence in President Colvard and his administration of this University. A copy of the resolution is attached.

Dr. Bettersworth reviewed the events for Scholarship Day on March 12, 1963. He also stated that the budget allocations for next year were unknown, but he hoped that they would not be reduced. He indicated that second semester income and lapsed salaries will permit the purchase of some equipment.

Dean Aiken discussed the "Rebel Underground" letters which were recently placed in some of the offices. He requested the cooperation of all University personnel in supervising the use of duplicating machines, reporting information, and assistance in determining the source as well as preventing future publications.

Dean Rhodes announced that Mr. E. F. Mitchell will be in charge of the University Booth and Exhibit at the Heidelberg Hotel for the M.E.A. Convention on March 13, 14, and 15.

Dean McKee discussed his recent contacts with representatives of N.A.S.A. and N.S.F. relative to financial assistance for facilities, equipment, and graduate fellowship programs.

President Colvard discussed his recent contacts with representatives of the Rockefeller Foundation, Carnegie Foundation, and General Education Board relative to financial assistance for the library, supplementary salaries, seed-money for salaries and subject matter area conferences.

President Colvard stated that Dr. Scott C. Osborn was our institutional representative at the 18th Annual Meeting of the Association for Higher Education in Chicago on March 3-6, 1963. Materials from that convention were made available to interested Council members.

Adjourned.