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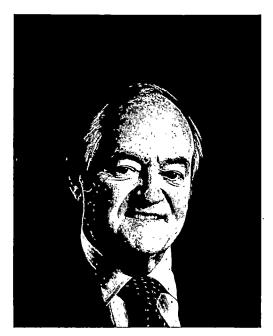
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SPEAKER OF THE YEAR

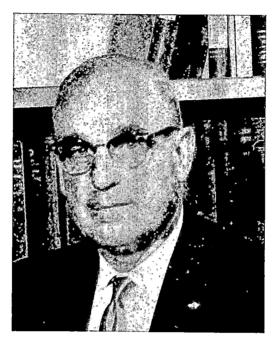


HUBERT HORATIO HUMPHREY

The intercollegiate speech honorary society, Delta Sigma Rho-Tau Kappa Alpha, annually selects an American who best embodies the goals of this society to receive its Speaker of the Year Award. These goals, as expressed in the society's Constitution, are "to promote interest in, and to award suitable recognition for, excellence in forensics and original speaking; and . . . to foster a respect for, and an appreciation of freedom of speech as a vital element of democracy." The individual selected to receive this year's DSR-TKA Speaker of the Year Award is the late Senator from Minnesota and Vice-President of the United States, the Honorable Hubert Horatio Humphrey.

It is somewhat inappropriate to present an award entitled "Speaker of the Year" to Senator Humphrey because he, perhaps more than any other contemporary American, has relied upon the spoken word to defend freedom and to enhance the quality of life for more than three decades. Senator Humphrey urged a shift in priority of national purpose when he addressed the Democratic National Convention in 1948: "The time has come for the Democratic Party to get out of the shadow of state's rights and walk forthrightly into the bright sunshine of human rights." Throughout the next thirty years, Senator Humphrey would express with compassion and dignity the aspirations of many Americans; and not even those who violently disagreed with the Senator's political decisions and positions ever questioned the sincerity of his convictions, the purpose of his motives or the eloquence of his expression.

And yet, it is singularly appropriate in another sense that the membership of Delta Sigma Rho-Tau Kappa Alpha present this recognition to Hubert Humphrey for the faith which he expressed in the role of speech in a free society. Upon his return to the United States Senate, Senator Humphrey addressed his colleagues and reaffirmed the principle of free, vigorous and open debate: "What a wonderful place this is where we can argue, fight, have such different points of view, and still have great respect for one another." Society is no better than the goals and sentiments of its national leaders and no one has more concisely or more eloquently expressed his hopes for this nation and its people than Senator Humphrey when speaking at the dedication of the new building for the Department of Health, Education and Welfare which bears his name. "The moral test of government is how it treats those who are in the dawn of life, the children; those who are in the twilight of life, the aged; and those who are in the shadows of life, the sick, the needy, and the handicapped." Because of such consistent expressions of concern for the quality of life in a democratic society and for the capacity of the spoken word to promote that quality of life, Delta Sigma Rho-Tau Kappa Alpha is privileged to select the late Hubert Humphrey. Senator from Minnesota and Vice-President of the United States, as its 1978 Speaker of the Year. Senator Humphrey represents the epitomy of the classical and contemporary ideal of the good man speaking well.



CHARLES L. ALLEN

Since his membership in our forensics fraternity at the University of North Dakota in 1922, Charles L. Allen's service in areas of communication has indeed been outstanding.

Professor Allen began his impressive journalistic career in North Dakota as a high school teacher and journalist in small newspaper operations. When he moved to Illinois, he became a professor of journalism at the University of Illinois and an owner and publisher of five rural newspapers. He subsequently held the following prestigious positions: Chairman of the Journalism Department at Rutgers University; Dean of the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University; Director of the Oklahoma State University School of Journalism; and Director of Graduate Studies at Texas Technological University. During his educational career, Professor Allen served as a media consultant to eleven journalistic organizations. Not surprisingly, he has authored numerous professional articles.

Today Professor Allen continues as a consultant in communications, research, and management in Santa Barbara, California. He devotes his time to research in the areas of mass communication audience measurement, psychometric product testing, publications design, editing, and production.

Because he has been an active and forceful speaker in education and industry throughout his long and vigorous career, we are pleased to accept the Davidson College chapter nomination and proud to present Charles L. Allen with a Distinguished Alumni Award.



JOSEPH G. COOK

Joseph Cook was an outstanding college debater, having represented the University of Alabama at the National Debate Tournament. He was also a superior student both as an undergraduate and in law school where he took a Master of Laws degree at Yale University.

We are impressed with Professor Cook's accomplishments in teaching inasmuch as he has received the "Outstanding Teacher Award" from the University of Tennessee Alumni Association and the "Dean Harold Warner Award for Excellence in Teaching" from his professorship in the College of Law at the University of Tennessee.

These awards are all the more remarkable given his publication record. His three-volume treatise Constitutional Rights of the Accused is the standard source on that subject for students and practitioners of law. He is also the author of articles in the Alabama Law Review, Fordham Law Review, Kansas Law Review, Tennessee Law Review, and Vanderbilt Law Review.

Joseph Cook has never lost interest in debate. We like to believe that some of the skills he learned as a debater were a factor in his ability to coach the first place team at the 1976 National Moot Court Competition.

Because he has contributed so much to the fields of argumentation, criminal procedure, jurisprudence, and constitutional law, the selection committee agrees with this nomination from the University of Alabama chapter and is pleased to name Professor Joseph Cook a Distinguished Alumni.



DAVID E. KENDALL

At thirty-three, David E. Kendall has accomplished more than most people do in a lifetime. Attorney Kendall has built an outstanding legal career for himself that goes back to the days at Wabash College where he managed to participate in debate, become a Phi Beta Kappan, and serve his senior year internship under Senator Birch Bayh.

He continued to demonstrate academic excellence at Oxford University as a Rhodes scholar and later at Yale Law School where he was the Note and Comment editor for the *Yale Law Journal* as well as law clerk for U.S. Supreme Court Justice White.

Since graduation from Yale Law School Attorney Kendall's career has been brilliant. He has served as counsel for the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund in New York, representing over 110 criminal defendants in state trial courts, state supreme courts, federal district courts, federal courts of appeal, and before the Supreme Court of the United States in Woodson v. North Carolina, Roberts v. Louisiana, Fowler v. North Carolina, Gilmore v. Utah, and Coker v. Georgia. He has argued issues involving the death penalty for rape, bail reform, prisoners' rights, police brutality, and fair housing. David Kendall has also been a staff attorney for Common Cause in Washington, D.C., where he worked primarily on their suit against the Finance Committee to Re-Elect the President. He currently holds an adjunct professorship in the Columbia Law School.

It is his remarkable career, still in the making, which encouraged the committee to endorse the nomination from the Brigance Forum of Wabash College and present to David Kendall a Distinguished Alumni Award.



MALCOLM O. SILLARS

Seldom has our society had the privilege of awarding an individual whose professional reputation and scholarly accomplishments have gained the admiration of all of us in the field of speech. Seldom does one find a person of such extraordinarily high integrity. This individual is both an articulate and vigorous defender of positions he believes to be right and a reasonable man who is effective in facilitating compromise and accommodation. It is these personal qualities of Malcolm O. Sillars which have placed him in positions of leadership in every institution and organization with which he has been associated.

Professor Sillars is a graduate of Redlands University (B.A. and M.A.) and the University of Iowa (Ph.D.). He has taught at Iowa State, the University of Iowa, California State at Los Angeles, California State at Northridge, the University of Massachusetts, and the University of Utah. He is currently Dean of the College of Humanities at the University of Utah.

Throughout his active academic career Sillars has been an enthusiastic supporter of forensics. Although not currently involved in coaching debate, he participated as a leader in the National Developmental Conference on Forensics.

He is a co-author of three books in speech, including the highly regarded text, Argumentation and the Decision-Making Process. He has authored numerous articles on debate, American public address, and rhetorical theory. He has served in several administrative roles in professional associations and is currently Second Vice-President of the Speech Communication Association.

Because of his strong leadership in university life, the field of speech, and forensics, the committee believes that DSR-TKA actually honors itself in honoring Malcolm O. Sillars with a Distinguished Alumni Award.



NICHOLAS M. CRIPE

Now in his twenty-sixth year as professor of speech and head of the department, Dr. Nicholas M. Cripe recently received the Butler Medal, the highest honor for distinguished service awarded on his campus. We, too, believe it is the perfect time to applaud the extensive service and dedication our friend "Mac" has so willingly given to forensics in general, and to DSR-TKA in particular.

Nicholas Cripe is a graduate of Goshen College and Northwestern University (Ph.D.). He has taught at the University of Vermont, Northwestern University, Grinnell College and Butler University. In addition to teaching, Professor Cripe has remained active in speech and forensics: coaching outstanding competitors; working on numerous committees; and serving as president to the Indiana Speech Association, the American Forensic Association, and DSR-TKA.

Dr. Cripe has served our own fraternity as Governor of the Midwest Region, Member of the Speaker of the Year Committee, Chairman of the Distinguished Alumni Committee, Member of the National Council, National Secretary, Chairman of the Constitutional Revision Committee, and, as already noted, National President.

To not accept the Loyola University nomination would certainly be unthinkable since the committee believes that we could make no more fitting tribute than to officially recognize Nicholas "Mac" Cripe for the Distinguished Service Award presented by Delta Sigma Rho-Tau Kappa Alpha.

NATIONAL STUDENT OFFICERS



Mae Jean Go, Illinois, a former National Student President; Robin Myers, Wayne State, 2nd Vice President; Beth Bower, West Virginia, President. Not pictured: Shari Olenick, Vanderbilt, 1st Vice President, and Steve Kratsch, Vanderbilt, Secretary.

1978 STUDENT SPEAKER OF THE YEAR

One feature of the National Conference is the selection of the Student Speaker of the Year. Nominees may be self-designated or proposed by sponsors or other students. Although the nominees must be attending the National Conference to be considered, the winner is determined on the basis of his total collegiate record. The Selection Committee noted that the 1978 finalists were unique in that one was particularly distinguished for campus and public debates, one for individual events and one for tournament debating. The Committee selected Rene Lestreto of the University of Utah as the Student Speaker of the Year. Rick Lamers of Mankato State University and Steven Turbak of Illinois were the other two finalists.

1978 DSR-TKA NATIONAL CONFERENCE

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign hosted the 1978 National Conference of Delta Sigma Rho-Tau Kappa Alpha, March 22–25, 1978. Professor Kenneth Andersen served as Conference Host assisted by Mae Jean Go. Forty-seven chapters of the society were represented. The National Conference Planning Committee E. Culpepper Clark, Chair, was responsible for planning the event together with the host. Professor James Benson, Ball State University, coordinated the Individual Events; Professor Rita Rice Flaningam of Davis and Elkins College and Carl Flaningam of West Virginia Wesleyan College, coordinated Two-Person Debate; Professor James Weaver, Iowa State University, coordinated Contemporary Issues Debate; and Robert Weiss, DePauw University, coordinated the Student Congress. Les Sherman, National Student President, Southern California University, coordinated a variety of student aspects of the National Conference.

Despite the ice storm that closed the airport and closed Interstate highways for a time, all participants returned home safely. Events ran on or ahead of schedule on the final day in order to enable people to adjust travel schedules to train departure times, etc.

The results of the various events are summarized on the following pages.



Many of the National Conference participants carried home a new T-Shirt as a memento of the Conference. Immediate Past President, George Ziegelmueller of Wayne State is shown being fitted for his shirt by Steven Turbak (entrepreneur) of Illinois.

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES DEBATE RESULTS

First Place: Butler University

Second Place: Vanderbilt University
Third Place: DePauw University
Fourth Place: Ball State University

Certificates of Achievement

Affirmative

- Steve LaForge, University of Illinois Greg Miller, Vanderbilt University
- 3. Liz Gavit, Butler University
- 4. Sophia Wheeler, Vanderbilt University

Negative

- 1. Maria Patterson, Davidson College
- 2. Brent Taylor, Butler University
- 3. Jay Ponder, Wabash College
- 4. Sharee Olenick, Vanderbilt University



The first place unit in Contemporary Issues was composed of: (Clockwise) Liz Gavit, Brent Taylor, Mac Cripe (Coach), Bob Jacobson, and Randy Lee of Butler University.

TWO-PERSON DEBATE RESULTS

Final Round Wayne State defeated Kansas A

Semifinal Round

Wayne State defeated Alabama A

Kansas A defeated Pennsylvania

Quarterfinal Round

Alabama A defeated Bates Pennsylvania defeated Butler B Wayne State defeated Kentucky A Kansas A defeated Northwestern

Octafinal Round

Alabama A defeated Kansas B Kentucky A defeated Massachusetts B

Butler B defeated Utah Kansas A defeated Butler C Bates defeated Butler A Wayne State defeated Loyola Pennsylvania defeated Suffolk Northwestern defeated Augustana

TOP NINE SPEAKERS

- 1. Mike Nash, Utah
- 2. Rene Lestreto, Utah
- 3. Sherry Wolfe, Kansas
- 4. Scott Harris, Wayne State
- 5. Anthony Smith, John-Carroll Jeff Jones, Kentucky
- 7. Mark Stehlik Kevin Wilson, Kansas
- 9. Edna Keiser, Alabama Easter, Butler



Finalists in Two-Person Debate were Scott Harris and Deborah McCully of Wayne State University and Sherry Wolfe and Kevin Wilson of the University of Kansas, holding between them the trophy for which they were competing as National Champion.



Receiving the plaque for qualifying as a semi-finalist in Two-Person Debate are Matthew Caspari and Christine Yaris of the University of Pennsylvania presented by Kenneth Andersen, Conference Host from the University of Illinois. Not pictured are semi-finalists Joan Crowder and Charles Mandly of University of Alabama.



The tension of waiting for results is relieved with a little social interaction.

EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING RESULTS

Superior Performance Plaques

Thomas Hamm, Butler University Robin Myers, Wayne State University Steve Russell, Ball State University Shawn McGee, Ball State University

Certificates of Achievement-Excellent

David Pike, DePauw University Mike Berger, Duke University Scott Landvatter, University of Wisconsin Jeff Archer, Manchester College



Superior Award Winners in Extemporaneous Speaking: Robin Myers, Tom Hamm, Shawn McGee, and Steve Russell.

PERSUASIVE SPEAKING RESULTS

Superior Performance Plaques

Shawn McGee, Ball State University Russell Walker, Murray State University Richard Lamers, Mankato State University Don Parker, Mankato State University

Certificates of Achievement-Excellent

Earl Renee, Creighton University Steve Luby, Creighton University Jim McKowen, West Virginia University Nancy Schultz, University of Wisconsin



Superior Award Winners in Persuasive Speaking: Russell Walker, Richard Lamers, James Benson, Ball State, Director of Individual Events, Don Parker, Shawn McGee.

ORAL INTERPRETATION RESULTS

Superior Performance Plaques

Richard Lamers, Mankato State University Nancy Sutlief, Mankato State University Diane McBride, Mankato State University Jocelyn Jones, Creighton University

Certificates of Achievement-Excellent

Wes Bartlett, Murray State University Bruce Wickelgren, Mankato State University Alice Wicks, Western Kentucky University Roseann Mandziuk, Wayne State University



Superior Award Winners in Interpretation: Richard Lamers, Nancy Sutlief, Jocelyn Jones, Diane McBride.

STUDENT CONGRESS RESULTS

Superior Performance Plaques

Mike Baxley, Clemson University Mike Berger, Duke University Alice Mahaffey, Manchester College David Pike, DePauw University

Certificates of Achievement-Excellent

Joseph Griffin, University of Chicago Daniel O'Brien, University of Illinois Krit Stubblefield, Murray State University Donald Zoufal, University of Illinois



Superior Award Winners in Student Congress: Michael Berger, David Pike, Mike Baxley, Alice Mahaffey.

LEGISLATION ADOPTED BY DSR-TKA STUDENT CONGRESS: 1978

CONGRESS RESOLUTION NUMBER 1

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS OF DELTA SIGMA RHO-TAU KAPPA ALPHA:

That we thank the University of Illinois for hosting the 1978 Delta Sigma Rho-Tau Kappa Alpha National Conference, with special thanks going to Kenneth E. Andersen, host of the Conference; Robert W. Rogers, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at the University of Illinois; Robert O. Weiss, Student Congress Director of DePauw University; and Mae Jean Go, Congress Co-Director of the University of Illinois.

CONGRESS RESOLUTION NUMBER 2

Majority Resolution by Main Committee 2B on Defense and Disarmament: Reed Taylor, Clemson; Barbara McHugh, DePauw; Alica Mahaffey, Manchester; Jeff Archer, Manchester; Tom Riley, Murray State.

A RESOLUTION to implement the United Nations Agreement on the disposal of chemical and bacteriological stockpiles.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS OF DELTA SIGMA RHO-TAU KAPPA ALPHA:

That the United States Government request the United Nations to send observation teams to supervise the disposal of chemical and bacteriological stockpiles in accordance with the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxic Weapons and on their Destruction.

CONGRESS RESOLUTION NUMBER 3

Majority Resolution by Human Rights Committee 1A.

A RESOLUTION to define human rights.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS OF DELTA SIGMA RHO-TAU KAPPA ALPHA:

That it is every individual's right to life without unjust deprivation of life or personal well-being.

CONGRESS RESOLUTION NUMBER 4

Majority Resolution by Main Committee 2A on Strategic Arms Limitations: Andy Berly, Clemson; Phil Dahl, Illinois; David Pike, DePauw; John Schuster, Rose-Hulman; Krit Stubblefield, Murray State; Mike Turner, Duke.

A RESOLUTION to affirm support for the security of all nations.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS OF DELTA SIGMA RHO-TAU KAPPA ALPHA:

Section 1. That the United States Congress will not accept strategic arms limitation agreements that pose any threat to the strategic military balance, and hence international security.

Section 2. That the United States does not condone and will not participate in the distribution of strategic weapons to a Nuclear Free Zone.

CONGRESS BILL NUMBER 1

Majority Bill by the Committee on Economics & Trade Policy, Paul Dello Iocano (author), St. Anselm's.

AN ACT to restrict foreign tax havens.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS OF DELTA SIGMA RHO-TAU KAPPA ALPHA:

Section 1. That the Hearsay Rule be amended so that financial evidence obtained from foreign countries will be admissible as evidence in United States Courts.

Section 2. That the United States embark upon a course of action so as to assure tax treaties with foreign countries where the Attorney General of the United States deems necessary.

Section 3. That enforcement will be under the direct supervision of the Attorney General of the United States.

Section 4. That those guilty of tax fraud or evasion through deposits in foreign financial institutions shall be subject to a fine of up to fifty thousand dollars or one to ten years in prison or a combination of the two.

Section 5. These penalties to be in addition to present penalties for tax fraud or evasion.

Section 6. That this bill will be implemented within three years of its adoption.

CONGRESS BILL NUMBER 2

Dan O'Brien (author), Illinois.

AN ACT to create a National Review Board to deal with Human Rights violations abroad.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS OF DELTA SIGMA RHO-TAU KAPPA ALPHA:

Section 1. That a National Review Board be established for the airing of human rights violations abroad and for recommendations for redress of grievances.

- A. This board shall have the authority to make recommendations to Congress and to respective United States agencies. These recommendations include but are not limited to suspension of foreign aid and/or the imposition of economic sanctions on nations upon a decision reached by the members by a majority vote.
- B. The failure of any nation to allow citizens of that nation to testify before this Board will result in aforesaid recommendations to Congress and respective United States agencies.
- C. National Review Board recommendations shall be based upon the degree of the violation. Regard need not be given to the strategic or economic importance of the violating nation.

Section 2. Organization and membership:

A. The National Review Board shall consist of nine citizens appointed to six-year terms by the President, subject to approval by Congress.

B. The National Board members shall have demonstrated expertise in foreign affairs and distinguished themselves in the field of human rights.

Section 3. Appeals and Reports:

A. Appeals Procedure:

- 1. Nations found guilty of Human Rights Violations shall have ninety days to appeal the Board decisions or demonstrate that the violations have been rectified before recommendations will be made to Congress. After expiration of this period appeals may be made vearly.
- 2. Appellants shall have the right of unlimited appeal; however, no more than two appeals shall be heard in one calendar year.

3. The Board may hear appeals at their discretion.

B. The National Review Board Chairman shall issue an annual report to Congress not more than sixty days after Congress shall have convened.

CONGRESS BILL NUMBER 3

Majority Bill by the Main Committee on Economics and Trade Policy, Donald Zoufal (author), Illinois.

AN ACT to amend import duties on goods from third world countries.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS OF DELTA SIGMA RHO-TAU KAPPA ALPHA:

Section 1. That the United States should reciprocally waive import duties on goods from third world countries.

Section 2. That this bill shall not include importation of petroleum or its by-products.

CONGRESS BILL NUMBER 4

Majority Bill by Committee 2A on Defense Disarmament.

AN ACT to ensure the security of South Korea.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS OF DELTA SIGMA RHO-TAU KAPPA ALPHA:

Section 1. That there will be a gradual withdrawal of United States Military personnel from South Korea to coincide with the ability of South Korea to replace said troops.

Section 2. That the United States will ensure the military security and

sovereignty of South Korea.

Section 3. That the United States maintain all other present military aid programs to South Korea.

CONGRESS BILL NUMBER 5

AN ACT to end quota admission policies in graduate and professional schools.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS OF DELTA SIGMA RHO-TAU KAPPA ALPHA:

Section 1. That graduate and professional schools receiving federal aid be prohibited from imposing racial, ethnic, or sexual quotas in determining admissions policy.

Section 2. That schools violating this rule be denied access to federal funds.

Section 3. That provisions of this resolution shall supercede any previous Congressional legislation relevant to racial, ethnic, or sexual quotas.

MINUTES OF THE DSR-TKA NATIONAL COUNCIL

Washington, D.C.

December 1, 1977

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 p.m., President Kane presiding. Present for all or part of the meeting: Clark, Lynch, Flaningham, Zarefsky, Cornell, Gross, Aungst, McBath, Ziegelmueller, Andersen, Cripe, Goodnight, Balthrop, and Matlon.

Report of the Secretary, Bert Gross. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published in *Speaker and Gavel*. The Secretary called to the attention of the Council the fact that the amendment to the By-Laws approved at the meeting of March 24, 1977 was not correctly handled. Accordingly, the Council will have to act on that amendment during the spring meeting. Notice is hereby given to the members of the National Council that it is proposed to amend Article III Section 2 of the By-Laws by adding the following sentence as the third sentence of that section: "A preferential ballot shall be used for the election of councilpersons-at-large."

In the absence of Treasurer Howe, a printed Treasurer's report was distributed and accepted by the Council. Reports were received from the ACHS Representative, James McBath and the Governor of Region 5, Robert Weiss.

Report of the Standards Committee, David Zarefsky. Four schools currently have applications for new chapters pending before the committee. Zarefsky reported that he has begun correspondence with chapters which have failed to initiate within the last five years. He hopes that the committee will be able to make a full report on this problem in March. A discussion of the criteria for participation in the national conference ensued. Clark/Cornell moved that any program manifesting an interest in Delta Sigma Rho-Tau Kappa Alpha be invited to participate in the National Conference provided that the program is not a member of another forensics honorary society. Passed.

Report of the National Conference Committee, Cully Clark. The conference is scheduled for March 22–25, 1978 at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. An effort will be made to schedule a seminar on argumentation as a part of the Conference program.

Reports were received from the Chairs of the Distinguished Alumni and

Service Awards Committee, Ronald Matlon, and the Speaker of the Year Committee, William Balthrop.

Report of the Editor of Speaker and Gavel, Kenneth Andersen. It was reported that Allen Press was requesting that the Society agree to not hold Allen Press liable for damage to copies of Speaker and Gavel held in storage or that the Society purchase insurance on those materials. The Council authorized the Editor to execute the waiver of liability while at the same time inquiring as to the number of back issues currently being stored, and their estimated value, and the cost of insurance.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Bert Gross, Secretary

Urbana, Illinois March 22, 1978

Present for all or part of the meeting: Kane, Zarefsky, Gross, Howe, Lynch, Leake, Ryan, Weiss, McGuire, Schnoor, Cornell, Clark, Matlon, Sherman, Andersen.

President Kane called the meeting in order at 2 p.m. on March 22, 1978. Reports were received from officers, governors, and committee chairs as noted below.

National Conference Committee, Cully Clark. Clark reported to the council on the arrangements for the current conference. It was once again noted that there is considerable difficulty in scheduling all of the events. For the first time, one round of individual events has been shifted to Wednesday night in order to try and alleviate the crush. Further thought needs to be given to ways in which the schedule can be adjusted. One possibility would be to schedule debate and some individual events at the same time. The committee will work on this matter for next year's conference. Andersen briefed the Council on the local arrangements for the conference.

Report of the Treasurer, Jack Howe. Howe reviewed the financial status of the Society. As of March 20, 1978 the Society has assets of \$68,458.93. A budget for 1978–79 was proposed. It was moved and seconded that the Society discontinue providing a trophy for the NFL tournament beginning in 1979. The motion passed. The proposed budget was then passed. A copy of the budget follows.

Report of the Standards Committee, David Zarefsky. The Standards Committee has received seven requests for new DSR-TKA charters. The Committee recommended, and the National Council approved that charters be granted to West Virginia Wesleyan College, Suffolk University, Virginia Military Institute, California State University-Fullerton, and Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology. The Committee also recommended that Augustana College of South Dakota be granted a charter. In the ensuing discussion it was noted that Augustana of South Dakota was currently a member of Pi Kappa Delta. In keeping with the long standing agreement not to "raid" the other society, Zarefsky/McGuire moved to defer the application of Augustana for one year. The motion passed. An application has also been received from Wingate College. Zarefsky/Cornell moved to defer the Wingate application for one year because of the need for information on the actual operation of the forensics program. The motion passed.

Zarefsky reported that correspondence had taken place with New York

University over the status of the chapter there. The National Council had withdrawn the charter from New York University in March 1977 because the Standards Committee had been unable to get a response from the school. However, we have subsequently learned that NYU did respond in 1977 and did want to retain the chapter, but that the letter to that effect was not received. Zarefsky/Clark moved to rescind the withdrawal of the chapter from NYU. The motion passed unanimously.

Zarefsky reported that the Standards Committee had undertaken correspondence with 41 chapters which had failed to initiate any members for over five years. Reports on each of the schools on the list were available. A lengthy discussion ensued as to what to do about these schools. The requirements of the By-Laws, especially those related to inactive chapters, were thought to be imprecise. Clark/McGuire moved to withdraw charters from Lincoln Memorial, Hawaii, University of California-Santa Barbara, and Tampa all of whom had requested such action. The motion passed unanimously. Clark/McGuire moved to withdraw the charter from Ohio State. The motion failed.

Matlon/McGuire moved to table the committee recommendations for the remaining schools pending a review of the requirements of the Constitution and By-Laws. The motion passed. President Kane announced that he would appoint a committee to review the pertinent provisions of the By-Laws

prior to the next National Council Meeting.

Report of the Secretary, Bert Gross. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published in *Speaker and Gavel*. Gross noted that he had received a letter from Dale Mekeel of Bridgewater College commenting on the membership requirements and suggesting changes. Gross reported that 42 chapters had responded to the survey on the Outstanding Chapter Award proposal. Twenty-seven chapters favored the proposal, 7 were opposed and 8 registered no opinion. Gross also reported on the amendment to the By-Laws which had been illegally passed one year earlier. After much discussion and many attempts to formulate the criteria for a preferential ballot, the idea was abandoned. It was moved and seconded that the following individuals be approved for membership at-large: Jasper Dorsey, Jeffrey Lukehart, Virginia Eman, Bob Korn, Lynn Reeck, Dr. Simpson, Melanie Neal, Richard Lysiak, John L. Williams, and Mike Kidwell. The motion carried.

Report of the Distinguished Alumni and Service Award Committee, Ronald Matlon. One Distinguished Service Alumni Award will be presented at the Conference to Nicholas M. Cripe. There are four Distinguished Alumni Awards. Recipients are Charles L. Allen, Joseph G. Cook, David E. Kendall, and Malcolm O. Sillars.

Report of the Speaker of the Year Committee, Thomas Kane for Balthrop. Hubert H. Humphrey has been selected as the Speaker of the Year.

Report of the Student Council President, Les Sherman. The Student Council had several events planned during the Conference.

Reports of the Regional Governors. Reports were received from Woodrow Leake, Region I, Robert Weiss, Region V, Vernon McGuire, Region VI, and Larry Schnoor, Region VIII.

There being no old business or new business to be brought before the Council, the Council unanimously approved the motion of Leake/Sherman to adjourn. President Kane declared the meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

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Investments Charters Initiation fees Chapter dues Publications Interest on Savings Accounts Key Orders	\$ 5,500.00 300.00 3,400.00 300.00 50.00 400.00 250.00
Total Income	\$10,200.00
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Speaker and Gavel	\$ 6,500.00
Editor's Office	200.00
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Student Council	100.00
Contingency Fund	290.00
Underwriting National Conference Deficit	200.00
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Having examined David Zarefsky's defense of NDT debate practices in the Fall 1977 issue of *Speaker and Gavel*, I find that I, too, am disturbed. It seems to me that Professor Zarefsky takes a tenuous position when he argues that NDT debate practices are not "worse," just "different,"

To be sure, "worse" implies a value judgment, and well it might. Most theory in our field (theory studied by any student of public speaking) holds that the effective speaker will analyze his audience, adjust to their feedback, speak extemporaneously, remain sensitive to the quality of his arguments and present only the best available, and aid the listener via attention-getting devices, previews, summaries, and the like.

During the past debate season I have had ample opportunity to observe NDT varsity debate. I find that the NDT debater "dumps" arguments, speaks at an incomprehensible rate, seems unable to adjust to the expectations of the lay judge, has no eye contact with the audience, and, in general, is insensitive to and at times totally oblivious of his audience.

These characteristics without exception violate the theory and practice which we recommend in our classrooms. I can cite no hard evidence for this claim. I do know that junior varsity debaters quit the activity in large numbers because they find that the above characteristics offend both their sensitivities and their common sense.

I call that "worse."

Sincerely, Barbara Warnick Assistant Professor Director of Forensics Tulane University

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