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The first term of summer school opened with 337 persons registered. Regular and visiting faculty have combined to provide the richest variety in summer school curricula in

Southeastern's history.

During the weekend prior to the Southern Baptist Convention

SBC SEMINARIES FACULTY RETREAT convening in Atlanta, the faculties of the six SBC seminaries met for a retreat at Callaway Gardens, Georgia. More than 200 persons attended. In many instances, spouses and children came also. Southeastern had an excellent percentage of the

faculty present. Evaluations of the retreat are now in process of being assembled by the Dean.

The 1978 Southern Baptist Convention met in Atlanta, June 12-15.

Several important decisions affecting Southeastern

SBC Seminary were made. Among these were:

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1. Adopted a 1978-79 Cooperative Program Allocation Budget:

Out of the first \$62,000,000 Southeastern Seminary will receive \$2,086,709. After the Capital Needs Budget is met, all six seminaries will receive 6% (divided according to the regular formula) of any amount received above the \$64,000,000.

2. Adopted a six year Capital Needs Budget (1978-1984) totaling \$16,705,985. South-eastern Seminary will receive a total of \$2,547,444 during the six years.

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3. Elected four new trustees for Southeastern Seminary:

John Clifford, District of Columbia Gene Curtis, Kansas-Nebraska Cecil L. Seagle, North Carolina Harold E. Stinson, North Carolina

- 4. Approved a motion by Jack Gritz (Okla.) that "the SBC request its Executive Committee to study the feasibility of establishing a seventh theological seminary and report to the next annual meeting of the Convention, with the understanding that due consideration will be given to establishing such a proposed seminary in some northern area of the United States and with the further understanding that such an institution would maintain the same high academic standards as the six present seminaries owned and operated by the SBC."
- for 1979-82 to be fully supported by all agencies of the Convention.

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The 1978 Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Alumni was held June
14 at the Marriott Motor Inn at Atlanta.

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Almost 400 persons attended. The alumni received reports on the new faculty personnel coming to the seminary in the fall,

the professorship in evangelism, the formation in ministry council, and the program of financial development.

Officers elected for 1978-79 were:

- President Dale O. Steele ('66), pastor, First Baptist Church, Burlington, North Carolina.
- Vice-President J. Truett Gannon ('56), pastor, Smoke Rise Baptist Church, Stone Mountain, Georgia.
- Secretary Robert (Jack) Burns ('68), pastor, First Baptist Church, Powell, Tennessee.

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Director — R. Clint Hopkins ('63), Secretary, Department of Social Ministries, Va. Baptist General Board, Richmond, Virginia.

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