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April, 1975

The 1975 Student Conference on Missions and Ministry was held on the campus February 28-March 1. This annual conference is student-planned

> STUDENT CONFERENCE ON MISSIONS AND MINISTRY

throughout and designed for college and university students in the hope that they will catch a glimpse of the vocational possibilities in Christian Missions and Ministry. Several members of the Southeastern administration and faculty were joined by Bob Harper (Foreign Mission Board), Pitts Hughes (Home Mission Board), David Moore (North Carolina Baptist State Convention), Ed

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Rollins (Southern Baptist Convention), Barry St. Clair (Home Mission Board), Bob Fremaine (Home Mission Board), and Elmer West, pastor from Richmond, Virginia.

Steve Barton was general chairman of the conference. He is a senior at Southeastern. The conference was, "The Cries Are Everywhere, But . . Can You Hear Me Christian?"

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools sent a team to the campus March 19-21, 1975. There were five members headed by Dr. Wayne Brown of Union University in Tennessee. The tea

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION

The team thoroughly reviewed our situation with a view to recommending Southeastern for "candidate status" <u>TEAM VISIT</u> in SACS. We should know by mid-summer the results of their visit. Hopefully, this marks our first giant step toward regional accreditation. This will complement our

national accreditation through The Association of Theological Schools (ATS).

Twenty-seven of our thirty trustees were joined by three "fraternal visitors" from New York, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania-Jersey, for the

> ANNUAL TRUSTEES' MEETING

annual meeting of the Southeastern Seminary Board of Trustees, March 12-13, 1975.

The Board took substantive action on the following items:

1. Elected officers for 1975-76:

> Chairman-----Carl Hudson Vice-Chairman-----Frank Campbell Henry Bridges David Britt Secretary-----Treasurer-----

- 2. Received reports from the President, Faculty, and Treasurer on the "State of the Seminary."
- Established three endowments: 3.

J. Clyde Turner Endowment (Student Aid) George Shinn Endowment (Scholarships) Jesse Weatherspoon Endowment (Library Development)

- Adopted a compulsory health coverage for all students, beginning 4. 1976-77.
- Revised certain portions of the Seminary Personnel Policies 5. regarding retirement and accrued vacation.
- Increased the ceiling of second mortgage loans at 4% from \$4,000 6. to \$6,000 from the Seminary to new members of the faculty and administration who need help in providing housing for their families.

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- 7. Approved the Alumni/Trustee project to provide a portrait of the Seminary's second President, Dr. Olin T. Binkley.
- 8. Approved the new administrative model proposed by President Lolley. This model establishes an administrative council of: Assistant to the President: Student Development (Jerry Niswonger), Dean of the Faculty (vacant), Business Manager, (O. L. Cross), Assistant to the President: Institutional Development (vacant), and the Librarian as an on-call member (Gene McLeod).
- 9. Designated a specified area of Seminary land adjacent to the Wake Forest Baptist Church building for the church's use in a community day care program.
- 10. Issued a welcome to all Faculty, Staff, Student Council and Baptist Press representatives to the meetings of the Trustees.
- 11. Commissioned the Seminary Administration to continue to explore the possibility of Southeastern's membership in the Cooperating Raleigh Colleges seven schools in Raleigh constituting a significant educational consortium.
- 12. Accepted the resignation of Dr. Luther Copeland to accept the position as Chancellor of Seinan Gakuin, Fukuoka, Japan. This is the school Dr. Copeland served as Chancellor when he joined Southeastern's Faculty twenty years ago.
- 13. Elected Dr. Richard Hester to the Faculty as Professor of Pastoral Care and Psychology of Religion. Dr. Hester comes with the highest possible recommendations to assume this first full-time professorship in Pastoral Care. He is presently on the Faculty of the Seminary at Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma.
- 14. Granted tenure to Ellis Hollon, Jr., Professor of Philosophy of Religion for seven years at Southeastern.
- 15. Approved sabbatical leaves during the 1975-76 academic year for Professors John Carlton, Elmo Scoggin, and James Tull.
- 16. Accepted two awards for outstanding scholarship in Biblical languages offered by Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Block and Mr. and Mrs. Maurice A. Robinson.
- 17. Approved the qualifications and job description for the Dean of the Faculty. Hopefully this position will be filled before summer.
- 18. Increased the housing allowances for ordained seminary personnel to \$5,200 annually.
- 19. Adopted a \$10.00 non-refundable, non-applicable deposit with each application to the Seminary.
- 20. Increased the amount of annuity provided by the Seminary to all permanent employees from 8% to 10% of base salary. This annuity is deposited with the SBC Annuity Board.
- 21. Approved a \$400 supervisory fee for all students working toward the Doctor of Ministry degree. The fee becomes effective with the fall semester, 1975.
- 22. Adopted a tentative total budget for 1975-76 in the amount of \$1,655,609. The final approval must await the allocation confirmed by the Southern Baptist Convention at Miami in June.



Established the date of March 11, 1976 to inaugurate the Seminary's third president, Dr. W. Randall Lolley. This date marks Founders' Day of the Seminary's twenty-fifth 23. year.

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- Approved plans for "a first ever" Faculty/Trustee retreat, 24. October 3-5, 1975.
- Authorized the expenditure of \$31,625 to accomplish ten 25. "priority projects" in physical plant development.
- Adopted the project for construction and renovation of the 26. Seminary Library totaling \$989,000. This project will accomplish every detail of the Library Design Plan for the next twenty to twenty-five years.
- Heard a report of the special Trustee ByLaw Committee, and 27. set the date of October 2, 1975 for a special called meeting of the Trustees to discuss the report in detail.
- Presented plaques of appreciation to three Trustees rotating off the Board after ten years' service: David Anderson, 28. Harvey Roys, and Nash Underwood.
- Welcomed three new Trustees to their first annual meeting of 29. the Board: Sam Allen, John Howell, and Ed Wyatt.

Mr. R. K. Witherspoon, of Durham, N. C., is a professional horti-culturist with a special interest in roses. He has worked with the Duke

SEMINARY ROSE GARDEN

University gardens and other outstanding gardens in our region. Mr. Witherspoon is also enrolled in one of the Old Testament Survey courses offered this year on Thursday evenings. He has taken a particular interest in the rose garden made pos-

sible at the Seminary through the generosity of Mrs. George Mackie. Recently he offered to provide new roses throughout and to utilize his workmen to work over completely the plantings in the Seminary garden.

We gladly accepted his offer, and are now the grateful recipients of a thoroughly fresh supply of roses just awaiting some time to grow and blossom and continue to beautify our campus.

The William G. and Margaret B. Frasier Charitable Foundation has forwarded funds this month to help 31 Southeastern students in the throes

> FRASIER FUND FOR STUDENT AID

of immediate financial need. This Charitable Foundation was established by Mrs. Frasier, an active member of First Baptist Church, Durham, North Carolina. The Foundation will make funds available annually to assist Southeastern students qualifying according to Mrs. Frasier's Will.

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