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THE COUNCIL OF ACADEMIC DEANS

The Council of Academic Deans met in Dr. Cravens' office Monday, March 3, 1969, at 1:30. Drs. Marvin Russell and Henry Hardin were absent. Dean Downing, Dean Keown, Mr. A. J. Thurman and Mr. Steve House attended the meeting.

Dr. Cravens opened the session by asking Dean Downing to comment on Western's Scholarship program. Dean Downing gave a brief summary of the various scholarships available to Western Students. He observed that Western did not get its money's worth from these in terms of publicity and public relations aspects.

Dean Cravens remarked that a separate brochure on financial aid available to students might not be a bad idea. Mr. Thurman indicated that his office was working on one.

Dr. Cravens raised various questions concerning the scholarship program.

Should some scholarships be awarded by subject matter areas?
Should we simply screen applicants for scholarship or should we go out and actively recruit top students?

Dean Keown said he personally favored:

1. cutting the number of scholarships and making the amounts larger.
2. centering scholarship awards in one office.

Dean Downing remarked that he favored smaller scholarships.

Mr. Thurman said he favored some plan for recognizing outstanding students in the high schools and giving them a certificate or award. He said we might start such a program at the junior or even the sophomore level.

Next the question of a summer session for outstanding high school juniors was considered. Considerable interest was displayed in such a program.

Dr. Hourigan requested that some study of Western's enrollment patterns for the past four or five years be made. He said he would like to see if there were any changes in where students were coming from geographically.

Additional items on the agenda were deferred and the meeting was adjourned.