

WILLIAM RAINEY HARPER COLLEGE  
Algonquin & Roselle Roads  
Palatine, Illinois, 60067

AGENDA

May 9, 1970

SPECIAL MEETING

4:30 p. m. Board Room

I. New Business

- a. Discussion of Student Unrest on Campus and action relative thereto.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
FROM: James J. Hamill, Chairman  
SUBJECT: Special Board Meeting  
DATE: May 8, 1970

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of William Rainey Harper College has been called for Saturday May 9, 1970 in Board Rooms A, B and C at Harper College at 4:30 p.m.

Attached you will find the agenda for this meeting.

WILLIAM RAINEY HARPER COLLEGE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT 512  
COUNTIES OF COOK, KANE, LAKE, AND McHENRY, STATE OF ILLINOIS

Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of Saturday, May 9, 1970

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Hamill called the special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Junior College District No. 512 to order at 4:45 p.m., on May 9, 1970, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, Algonquin and Roselle Roads, Palatine.

ROLL CALL: Present: Members John Haas, James Hamill, Milton Hansen, Richard Johnson, Lawrence Moats and Joseph Morton.  
Absent: Member Nicklas

Also present: Robert E. Lahti, Donald Andries, Michael Bartos, John Birkholz, Robert Boeke, Frank Borelli, David Feinberg, G. Fischer, James Harvey, Robert Hughes, Joseph Mandarino, Frank Oliver, Martin Ryan, C.Schauer, Jack Tippens, and Frank Vandever--Harper College; Frank Hines--Board Attorney; R. Yadon, R.A.Sklencar, D.E.Grzesik, and Donald Duffy--Harper Students; Carroll Lucas--Elgin Courier; Kathie Radtke--Day Publications; Tom Wellman--Paddock Publications; Mr. T. J. Burke, Mr. Gerald R. Bandemer, Mr. David Bone, Mrs. Jan Bone, Mrs. E. J. Kilfoy, Mr. Richard A. Mugalian, Mrs. Joseph Morton, and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Schlott.

NEW BUSINESS: Chairman Hamill read the Notice and Agenda for the Special Discussion of Meeting and stated that the Board intended to hear the Student Unrest facts relating to the purpose of the meeting and, after on Campus hearing comments from administrators, faculty members, students, and others present, would go into executive session to consider the matter and reconvene to take action. Frank Hines, Board Attorney, reported on statutes affecting the Board's authority over the flag on campus. Mr. Hines stated the Board has the authority to control the campus and adopt any rule or regulation they may wish in conformance with state or federal laws. He then cited Illinois Revised Statutes 56 $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section Nos. 3,5 and 6. The essence of these statutes is that desecration, mutilation, or improper use of the flag could be a violation of local, state or federal laws and could result in a fine up to \$5,000 and/or up to five years imprisonment.

Dr. Lahti reported on community polarization in reference to the college's action regarding the flag. He stated he felt the action taken by the administration in response to the students was and still is proper.

NEW BUSINESS:  
Discussion of  
Student Unrest  
on Campus (cont.)

Dr. Harvey related the events which had taken place on May 6 and May 7. He stated that Donald Duffy, President of the Student Senate, had come to him on May 6 requesting the flag be flown at half mast as a memorial tribute to the slain Kent State University students. Dr. Harvey contacted the Board Attorney and was advised the Board of Trustees had jurisdiction over raising and lowering of campus flags. He was also advised that the administration should await a formal request from the students. The students were so informed, and a group of students then took it upon themselves to lower the flag to half mast. Dr. Harvey requested their identifications and informed them they were in violation of college regulations. The students then sat down around the flag pole. Dr. Harvey met with other administrators and discussed the situation. As a result, the administrators then informed the students that they should pursue a petition effort directed to the Student Senate. The flag was raised.

Member Nicklas entered the meeting at 4:55 p.m.

On Thursday morning, May 7, the students presented petitions, stating they had 1831 signatures, to a group of administrators headed by Dr. Harvey. These petitions included those protesting the Cambodian war and a second petition specifically requesting the flag be lowered through May 14. Dr. Harvey reported half of the petitions in no way indicated a time duration for lowering the flag. Dr. Harvey referred to the statement prepared by the administration regarding the three day period for lowering the flag (copy of statement attached to minutes in Official Board of Trustees Book of Minutes). The students also requested a memorial service. Dr. Harvey informed the students the administration believed that a compromise was in order on the length of time the flag be lowered due to the fact there were some differences in opinion on the part of students as to whether it should be lowered at all. Mr. Duffy informed the students the administration would not authorize lowering of the flag until this point had been resolved. Several students then lowered the flag. After further discussion, the students returned the flag to the top of the pole. Dr. Harvey then met with Dr. Schauer, Mr. Andries, Mr. Borelli, Mr. Mandarino, Donald Duffy, Ray Sklencar, Jon Newby and Michael Bartos. There followed verbal agreement among those present to the wording of the statement regarding the lowering of the flag for three days and other wording thereto. Those present then proceeded to the area of the flag poles where Dr. Harvey read the statement and the flag was lowered to half mast.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion of  
Student Unrest  
on Campus (cont.)

Mr. David Bone, a member of the audience, asked what the three day period comprised. Dr. Harvey said the three days would extend through Saturday sundown. Dr. Lahti stated he believed the administration was trying to reach an accommodation between internal and external attitudes, that some citizens said they would guard the flag. Member Morton pointed out the responsibility for the flag was the charge of the Board of Trustees. Member Haas asked what alternatives had been considered at the Wednesday meeting. Dr. Harvey said the alternatives considered had included lowering the flag, restoring the flag to the top of the pole, and removing the flag, and also the possibility of guarding the flag in the first two situations. He pointed out the possibility of a potentially dangerous situation developing because of the strong feelings on both sides of the question.

Chairman Hamill asked Mr. Ryan to speak on faculty sentiments regarding this issue. Mr. Ryan stated the Student Senate had asked for a poll of the Faculty Senate which he conducted and then issued a memo supporting the students fully. This memo went to all faculty members and stated the Faculty Senate had supported the Student Senate regarding the petition for lowering of the flag and the request for memorial services. In answer to Chairman Hamill's question, Mr. Ryan said he believed the memo had gone to the administration, it was the Senate's intention; he would see that each Board Member received a copy. He stated the statement issued Thursday seemed to be an administrative directive of sorts. The students felt they had to agree. Frank Oliver, faculty member, indicated the students felt they followed the procedure and were given what they felt was a unilateral decision. Donald Duffy discussed the petitions, stating the one identified as the Cambodia petition had 227 signatures, and the other, identified as the petition for lowering the flag through May 14, had 1,600 signatures. Mr. Duffy referred to the matter of compromise, stating the administration said they were in agreement in spirit over the flag lowering, and that the students' verbal acceptance of the final agreement was the same--in spirit regarding the compromise.

Chairman Hamill recessed the meeting at 5:44 p.m. The meeting was called back to order at 5:55 p.m.

Mr. Bartos stated he did not think the law was made clear to the negotiators at the meeting on Thursday. He stated he felt the Board and administration could only gain if they agreed to the seven days. Mr. Duffy stated he did

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on Campus (cont.)

not think by comparison to other campuses that student power was the position of students who wanted the flag lowered. He agreed with Mr. Bartos that the college would gain in stature by endorsing the seven day period. Don Grzesik, student, said there are moral reasons for the students making their requests and asked if this was not proper in a free institution. Dr. Lahti indicated that the college must also be sensitive to the community outside the campus.

Mr. Mugalian, of the audience, stated the Board has the final decision, but if the faculty and students wanted to lower the flag, he felt it was the Board's obligation to do it. The chair recognized Gerald Bandemer, who presented a petition with 215 signatures of Schaumburg residents who were against the unlawful lowering of the flag. (Copy of petition attached to minutes in the Official Board of Trustees Book of Minutes). Further discussion followed. Frank Oliver stated he had perceived a lack of social conscience and an unwillingness to get involved in the two years he had been at the college. He stated the students for the first time had coalesced to do something positive. Dr. Lahti stated he recommended the Board meet because there was a potentially strong polarization between the campus community and the outside community. He stated the college has an obligation to make themselves understood.

The chair indicated the Board would go into executive session to consider the facts related by all parties and the sentiments expressed. The Board recessed to executive session at 6:25 p.m. The Board reconvened at 7:03 p.m., and those present were Members Haas, Hamill, Hansen, Moats, Morton and Nicklas. Member Johnson was absent. Secretary Moats read the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of William Rainey Harper College is charged with the general responsibility for the operation of the college including the control of the campus and the buildings and facilities thereon, and thus has sole authority for regulating the display of the campus American Flag,

AND WHEREAS, the administration carried out its responsibilities in connection with the implementation thereof,

NEW BUSINESS:  
Resolution  
(cont.)

WHEREAS, the proper representatives of the college faculty, and student body have conveyed their combined wish to have the campus American Flag lowered to half mast until dusk on the 14th of May 1970 as a memorial to the recent regrettable deaths of the Kent State University students,

AND WHEREAS, the faculty and student body have demonstrated this sentiment in a responsible and democratic manner,

THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved by the Board of Trustees of William Rainey Harper College that the campus American Flag be flown at half mast during daylight hours of school days until dusk, May 14, 1970.

Member Moats moved, and Member Haas seconded the motion, that this resolution be adopted.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

- Ayes: Members Haas, Hamill, Hansen, Moats, Morton and Nicklas
- Nays: None

Member Nicklas moved and Member Moats seconded the motion that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was unanimously carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

*James J. Hamill*

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Chairman Hamill

Lawrence R. Moats  
Secretary Moats

MAY 8 & 9, 1970

This Petition is to be presented to the board of Harper Junior College. We the residents and taxpayers of Schaumburg are against the unlawful act of lowering the American Flag to half mast by students.

	Name	Address
1	Edward S. Olsen	314 Weathersfield Way Schaumburg
2	Lorraine B. Olsen	314 E. Weathersfield Way - Schaumburg
3	Rose Carnagio	318 Weatherfield Schaumburg
4	John Carnagio	318 Weatherfield Schaumburg
5	Gertrude Pimble	332 E. Weathersfield
6	Robert A. Schalk	323 Summit Ct. Schaumburg
7	Else M. Vidra	321 Summit Ct. Schaumburg
8	Roger & Diane Balletto	317 Summit Ct. "
9	Walter Brian	318 Summit Ct.

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	Name	Address
1	Mrs. L. Fahlgen	Merlin Dr.
2	Mrs. P. Garbacz	524 Merlin Dr.
3	Mrs. Rose Fortunato	518 Merlin Dr.
4	Mr. Peter Fortunato	518 Merlin Dr.
5	Thomas Garbacz	524 Merlin Dr.
6	Princess J. Garbacz Jr	517 E. Weatherfield Way
7	Matthew F. Falys	521 Merlin Drive
8	Lucille G. Falys	521 Merlin Drive
9	Charlotte M. Wallen	529 Raymond Ct.
10	James Wallen	529 Raymond Ct.
11	Lester Fahlgen	519 Merlin Dr.
12	Gloria Muckowen	525 Raymond Ct.
13	Edward Muckowen	525 Raymond Ct.
14	Kenneth Harper	520 Merlin Dr.
15	Lora Harper	520 Merlin Dr.

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	Name		Address
1	Mrs. Wm. Kithers	611	Trent Lane
2	Wayne S. Ambrose	617	Trent Lane
3	Judith W. Ambrose	617	Trent Lane
4	Virginia C. Piotter	621	Trent Lane
5	Margaret L. Piotter	"	" " "
6	Terri Megger	620	Trent Lane
7	Arthur Megger	"	" "
8	Lidia Furmanek	618	Trent Lane
9	John Zupka	626	Trent Lane
10	V. J. Wiarowski	619	Trent Lane
11	Mrs. B. Darnius	608	Trent Lane
12	William Salak	602	Trent Lane
13	Ben Franchi	613	Trent Lane
14	Glenna J. Franchi	613	Trent Lane

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This Petition is to be presented to the board of Hayden Junior College. We the  
accidents and taxpayers of Schaumburg are against the unlawful act of lowering  
the United States of America's Flag to half mast by students.

Name	Address
1 Barbara J Deuss	29 S. Standish Ln. Schaumburg
2 William D. Thurston	23 S. Standish Ln Schaumburg.
3 Shirley A. Thurston	" " " " "
4 T. J. Soby	17 " " " "
5 Jeannette C. Soby	17 " " " "
6 Richard Prybelle	13 " " " "
7 Arlene Prybelle	13 " " " "
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1	Rick Schoemer	1133 W Charlene Dr	16
2	Pauline Terlep	118 Lela Lane	18 1/2

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	Name	Address
1	Kristine Peterson	129 Lela Lane Schaumburg
2	James F. Vesely	1026 Sharon Lane — " —
3	Belinda Olsen	1111 Sharon Lane "
4	DONALD OLSEN	1111 SHARON LANE "
5	James Miron	1123 Sharon Lane "
6	Bernard Kuzijewski	1133 Sharon Lane "
7	John J. Milewski	214 S. Braintree Dr. "
8	Carolyn Milewski	214 S. Braintree Dr. "
9	Samuel B. Rio	134 S. Standish Ln. "
10	Lydia B Rio	134 S. Standish Lane " "
11	Marta Lem	126 S. Standish Lane
12	Steve Jtok	122 S. Standish Ln.
13	Cecentia Jtok	122 S. Standish Ln
14	Cynthia Jtok	" " " " "
15	Theresa Milbransen	118 Standish Lane
16	Jean DeMonea	100 S. Standish Lane
17	Bob Kennedy	34 S Standish Lane
18	Walter Jendel	30 S. Standish Lane
19	Albert M Jendel	30 S. Standish Lane
20	Robene C. Anderson	12 Standish Lane Schaumburg, Ill.
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1	Mr. & Mrs. Mahk C. Parkash	623 Trent Lane Schaumburg	
2	Mr & Mrs. B. Lester	625 Trent Lane	"
3	Mr. & Mrs. H. Specker	627 Trent Lane	"
4	Mr & Mrs L. Alderson	624 Merlin Dr.	"
5	Mr & Mrs R. Johnson	634 MERLIN DR	"
6	Mr. & Mrs. G. Dobacz	706 Merlin Dr.	"
7	Mr. & Mrs James R. Kosowski	726 Merlin Dr.	"
8	Mr & Mrs M. Kuschell	623 Merlin Dr	"
9	Mr. & Mrs R. Martini	619 Merlin Dr.	"
10	Mr. & Mrs V. Sanfilippo	611 Merlin Dr.	"
11	Mr & Mrs E. W. Stekman	615 Merlin Dr	"
12	Mr. & Mrs George A. Steward	607 Merlin Dr	"
13	Mr & Mrs Judy Martin	605 Merlin Dr.	"
14	Mr & Mrs Michael Magantis	606 Merlin Dr.	"
15	Mr & Mrs F. J. Mercurio	603 Merlin Dr.	"
16	Mr & Mrs R. Krause	535 Merlin Dr.	"
17	Dennis Napoli	600 Merlin Dr.	"
18	Angela Zari	531 Merlin	"
19	Beverly Bidlo	527 Merlin Dr.	"
20	Ameliese Sealzo	529 Merlin Dr.	"
21	Ted E. Zator	525 MERLIN DR.	"
22	Stephanie E. Zator	525 MERLIN DR.	"
23	Mr & Mrs M. Kozma	603 TRENT LANE	"
24	John Gopewski	605 TRENT LANE	"
25	MR. & MRS. ROBERT T. VAND	609 TRENT LANE	"

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1	William Zymali	110 Braintree
2	John A. Laser	120 Braintree
3	Marilyn J. Laser	120 Braintree
4	Wanelka	114 Braintree
5	Wanelka	114 Braintree
6	B. Greed	128 Braintree Ct
7	M. W. Greed	128 Braintree Ct
8	H. A. Maria Frankfurt	
9	Don D'Ambrosio Germany	136 Braintree Dr.
10	Mrs. Barbara Jensen	200 Braintree
11	Mr. LeRoy Jensen	"
12	Mr. Robert A. Fritz	1126 Sharon Lane
13	Mrs. Robert J. Ruff	125 Lela Lane
14	Mrs. Margery Scarock	133 Lela Lane
15	J. Mc Shath	1115 Sharon Lane
16	Mrs. R. J. Ahrensbeel	1119 Sharon Lane
17	Mrs. Karen J. Belmont	135 S. Standish Lane
18	Karen Belmont	"
19	Jane Belmont	"
20	Mrs. Brosha	123 S. Standish Ln.
21	Mrs. Libete Marcinko	119 S. Standish Ln.
22	Paul Marcinko	119 S. Standish Ln.
23	John D. Danford	103 S. STANDISH LANE
24	Karen L. Hall	101 S. Standish Ln.
25	Robert A. Hall	101 S. Standish

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1 Mary J. Barrie	18 Grand Central Schaumburg
2 John M. Barrie	18 GRAND CENT. SCHAUMBURG
3 G. Schlarb	27 Grand Central Lane
4 M. Schlarb	27 Grand Central Lane
5 S.M. Wells	27 Grand Central Lane
6 D. Slazek	28 Grand Central Lane
7 Ray Slazek	28 Grand Central Lane
8 Alice Prozynski	36 S. Grand Central
9 Daniel Prozynski	36 S. Grand Central
10 Donald C. Appleby	36 S. Lela Lane
11 Barbara M. Appleby	36 S. Lela Lane
12 Amy H. Hendron	118 Lela Lane
13 Frank A. Wargak	121 S. Lela Ln.
14 Gene Wargak	118 S. Lela Lane
15 Harold E. Hendron	1133 W. Charlene Lane
16 Hans J. Schamer	1022 W. Helen
17 Mr. D. Josef	105 Patrice
18 Lucille Josef	"
19 Martin Leeson	117 Patricia
20 Lee Leeson	123 Patricia Drive
21 J.R. Paine	135 Patricia Dr.
22 J.W. Kartz	
23 G. Caruso	
24 J. Caruso	
25 Jean Summers	136 S. Patricia Drive



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1	Glenn Ayers	1026 W Charlene Lane
2	Maryon F Jarosinski	1019 Helene Ln
3	Carolyn E Jarosinski	1019 Helene Ln.
4	Terry Lewicki	1016 Helene Ln.
5	Louis G Marin	1018 Helene Ln.
6	Ann Marin	1018 Helene Ln.
7	D. Marach	1030 Helene Ln.
8	Carol Marach	1030 Helene Lane
9	Helen Mueller	1034 Helene "
10	Theodor Mueller	1034 Helene "
11	Lucille Jurczykowski	1033 Helene Lane.
12	Clyde J Starke	1034 Helene Lane.
13	Nancy C. Starke	" " " "
14	Charles R. Ford	1122 Charlene Lane
15	Marnie F. Chapman	15 S Braintree Dr.
16	Harold B. Chapman	15 S. Braintree Dr.
17	Walter E. Babiarz	1125 Schaumburg Road.
18	Agnes D. Babiarz	1125 Schaumburg Rd
19	Betty K. Mitchell	1105 Schaumburg Rd.
20	Josephine Wadley	1101 Schaumburg Rd.
21	Mr. J. Mueg	1027 Schaumburg Rd.
22	Raymond J. Mueg	110 S. Helene Lane Schaumburg, Ill
23	Mrs. S. Mamsen	1019 Schaumburg Rd. Ill.
24	Nancy Mamsen	1019 Schaumburg Rd. Schaumburg.
25	Joe L. Mocher	#2 Grand Cent'l Ln. Schaumburg, Ill.

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2	Joseph Russo	121 Braintree Dr.
3	Carmella Russo	121 Braintree Dr.
4	Mickey W. Beaumont	125 Braintree Dr.
5	Lenore H. Beaumont	125 Braintree Dr.
6	Helen B. Juster	129 Braintree Dr.
7	Dan C. Juster	" " "
8	Jennie Raffae	203 Braintree Dr.
9	Peggy A. Fitz	1126 Sharon Lane
10	Richard Sorensen	1104 Sharon Lane
11	Beth Loidl	1034 Lela Court
12	Jean Dzielzie	1031 Lela Court
13	Mrs. T. J. Peaffitt	1103 Lela Ct.
14	Mrs. Michael Perri	133 William Dr.
15	Mrs. Tom Kellogg	1107 Lela Ct.
16	Mrs. H. Sorensen	1102 Lela Ct.
17	J. G. Sgach	122 Lela Lane
18	Gene R. Bandemer	1021 HELENE LN
19	Charlotte Bandemer	1021 Helene Ln.
20	Thomas B. Lesiewicz	32 S. Braintree
21	Roberta Lesiewicz	32 S. Braintree
22	Jerry Paesch	28 S. Braintree
23	Martha Klaus	100 Braintree Dr.
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2 Kermit Thacker	132 Patricia Drive
3 Bonnie L. Thacker	132 Patricia Dr.
4 Mary Barty	114 Satuna Dr.
5 Kenneth L. Abraham	112 Patricia Dr.
6 Mrs. Smith	1131 Patricia Ct.
7 Teresa L. Smith	1131 Patricia Court
8 Donald J. Hall	1128 PATRICIA CT.
9 Love Lolan	1128 Patricia Court
10 Barb Quind	1126 PATRICIA CT.
11 Mary Fieder	1122 Patricia Ct.
12 Robert Jimmy	1120 Patricia Court
13 Karen W. Humm	1120 Patricia Court
14 Ed & S. Munkit	100 Paton Dr.
15 Sarah Munkit	100 Paton Dr.
16 Ed Benson	1023 Helene Lane
17 A. Benson	1023 Helene Lane
18 Frank Lewicki	1016 Helene Lane
19 Patricia White	110 S. Leola Schenck, Ill.
20 Jeanne Schoemer	1133 W. Charlene Ln. Schaumb.
21 Sylvia Ford	1122 W. Charlene Ln. Schaumb.
22 Clara Kustern	1130 Charlene Ln. Schaumburg
23 Bonnie Strief	109 Braintree Dr. Schaumburg
24 Beverly Mayke	113 Braintree Dr. Schaumburg
25 Harry J. Manke	113 Braintree Dr. Schaumburg

Release 5-7-70

This morning the administration of Harper College reviewed a formal request from the student government to lower the college flag to half mast for one week as an expression of sorrow over the deaths of the Kent State University students. The students have also requested permission to hold a memorial service at noon on Friday. The requests have been considered and are granted with one minor alteration. Since the National Student Association has requested a three day period of mourning rather than a week, and since to the best of our knowledge most colleges and universities are limiting their activities in this regard to the balance of this week, we grant the request to lower the flag to half mast until sundown on Saturday evening. Should the President of the United States or the governor of Illinois proclaim a longer period of mourning, we will certainly comply.

One point needs to be clearly understood. The lowering of the flag is only an expression of the grief the college community feels over the deaths of the Kent State University students. It is in no way intended to signify disrespect to the president of the United States, or disagreement with American policies in the far east. While we as a college community are united in our feeling of grief over the deaths of the students, we have divided opinions over who and what caused the events which led to their deaths.

We appreciate the orderly process of petition followed by the students. As long as the lines of communication and action remain open between students, administrators, faculty and board, and as long as a feeling of mutual respect and concern exists between these groups, the events at Kent State could not possibly repeat themselves here or on any other college campus. We pledge ourselves to work to this end and sincerely hope the students will do the same.

James Harvey  
Vice President of Student Affairs

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY THE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WILLIAM RAINEY  
HARPER COLLEGE AT A SPECIAL MEETING  
HELD MAY 9, 1970

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