MEETING OF LAW STUDENTS AND FACULTY

On May 5, a meeting of law students and faculty members was held in the moot court room. The meeting was originally organized by the editor of "The Appeal," and was conducted by Paul Black, S.B.A. President. Law students who addressed the meeting included Paul Black, Vic Streib, and Dave Elliot. Dean Harvey spoke on the issues raised by the present student demands for a revision of the fee increase and an increased student voice in administrative decisions made by the University. At the end of the meeting, it was decided to ask the law student body to indicate their feelings on the present issues facing the University community via a written referendum.

RESULTS OF THE LAW STUDENT REFERENDUM

On May 6, the law students expressed their viewpoints on the four demands of the student government and on other issues raised by these demands. Concerning the four demands, the result of the vote was as follows:

1. I support the revision of the fee increase.
   - yes 70%  no 26%  undecided 4%

2. I support the establishment of a permanent student budget committee with parity to be elected by the students.
   - yes 40%  no 45%  undecided 15%

3. I support a graduated fee scale by 1972.
   - yes 56%  no 31%  undecided 13%

4. I support a policy of no tuition by 1972.
   - yes 27%  no 65%  undecided 6%

The opinions expressed on the referendum questionnaires reflected a general support of the original boycott called by the undergraduate student government. However, most law students felt that an extension of the boycott would only harm the students and their cause.
Many students expressed a desire for a revision of the present regressive tax structure. Although the much needed University funding must come largely from tax revenues, the students did not wish the lower economic groups to bear a heavier tax burden. They called for a tax structure placing the heavier burdens on those most able to bear that burden.

Approximately one-half of the Law School student body voted in this referendum. (Exact number was 166.) The voter participation was quite substantial considering that final exams are but two weeks away.

MAJORITY OF LAW STUDENTS SIGN PETITION

Dave Elliot, freshman law student, prepared a petition which generally backs the goals of the boycotting students. Within two days, a majority of the Law School student body had read and signed that petition. The number of signatures undoubtedly have been even greater if final exams weren't so near.

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