

"TOP FORTY" - Interns Meeting

August 4, 1969 - 3pm

Attendance: 32 Interns out of the invited 40

Purpose: To indoctrinate interns who will be in the City of Atlanta to prepare them to inform students and faculty on their campus regarding the Urban Corps. Also, it was hoped that the "Top 40" students could present some good organizational ideas for the fall program.

AGENDA:

- I. Sam Williams presented the History of the Urban Corps from its beginning in New York and on.
- II. The interns were told the purpose of the three seminars, how this special group was chosen and why they were selected.
- III. Don Eberly, of the Atlanta Service-Learning Conference, spoke on the value of the service-learning aspect as it related to the Urban Corps and to the summer experience of the intern.
- IV. A few questions were asked to all the interns in order to get some good ideas:

Example: What should be the purpose and goal of the Urban Corps?

Example of answers: One intern felt that the "learning" part of the program should be dropped-he felt that you automatically learn when you serve. Another intern felt that the goals of the program cannot be structured-it was such an individual matter-and that if you structured the goals, you would naturally look for students who "fit the mold."

- V. Suggestions for change
 1. Make all financing the same for all levels. This summer there were many students of different levels making different amounts and doing the exact same thing.
 2. Expand the Urban Corps-it was too small to make significant impact.
 3. Expose the interns more to each other which would make each intern aware of where other interns are-and could possibly develop into interns using each other's services and help.
 4. Send a list of all interns to each intern and their agency.
 5. Have interns on each campus screen other interns for participation in the program.
 6. Orient more Urban Corps jobs to outside administrative city departments.