

MEETING OF "TOP 40" INTERNS

August 11, 1969

Georgia State College - 8:30 P.M.

PURPOSE OF MEETING: To present to the interns the non-city agency and city department views of what an intern can and should do.

ATTENDING:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGENCY</u>
1. Walter L. Bloom, Jr.	Mayor's Office
2. Careatha Daniels	Grady M. & I Project
3. Inmond Deen	Atlanta Urban Corps Staff
4. Mattie Dimmeny	Morris Brown College
5. Maggie Gerber	Urban Corps staff
6. Rose Haywood	EOA Health
7. Janice Herring	Atl. Public Library
8. Freddy Hill	Emmaus House
9. John Hotard	Sanitation Dept.
10. Tommy Isaac	Mayor's Office
11. Babs Kalvelage	Service-Learning Conf.
12. Michael Kemp	Water Department
13. Melinda Lawrence	Service-Learning Conf.
14. S. Ralph Martin	National Welfare Rights
15. Alan Miller	Kennesaw Mt. Nat'l. Park
16. Ken Millwood	Urban Corps Staff
17. Ronald Nash	Traffic Engineering Dept
18. Rick Padgett	Atlanta Youth Council
19. Karl Paul	Wheat Street Baptist Church
20. Susan Pickard	Kennesaw Mt. Nat'l Battle. Pk.
21. Bill Ramsay	SREB
22. Tim Rogers	Atlanta Urban Corps Staff
23. Barbara Rudisill	Atlanta Urban Corps Staff
24. Christime Smith	Economic Opportunity Atlanta
25. Kendra Smith	Kirkwood Christian Center
26. Dan Sweat	City Department Admin.
27. Sally Tucker	Kennesaw Mt. Nat'l Battle Pk.
28. Bettye Underwood	Atlanta Urban Corps Staff
29. John Waggener	Finance Department
30. Dave Whelan	Atlanta Urban Corps Staff
31. Sam Williams	Atlanta Urban Corps Director
32. Gary Wood	(Rent-A-Kid) Atlanta Youth C.
33. Sue Zander	Atlanta Urban Corps Staff

The meeting was opened by Mr. Dan Sweat, City Deputy Administrator, giving his opinion of why the city departments need interns. He pointed out that the city needs the new ideas of college interns. He feels the strength and weaknesses of the Urban Corps could be (1) strength - Service-Learning Concept, Southern Regional Educational Board and that the Urban Corps is student run. (2) Weakness: The Urban Corps is not yet a year round operation.

Sam Williams asked Mr. Sweat to explain his feelings on how far an Urban Corps type program can go in change city government.

Mr. Sweat stated that students should go in and expand the system to the breaking point, then loosen-up, otherwise there's no more system to work on.

Bill Kemp, an Urban Corps intern in the Water Department, suggested that the city set up permanent administrative positions in city departments for interns. He felt this could be a unifying force for city government, i.e., interns come together and take problems to the Board of Alderman.

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Mr. Sweat, when asked about the possible effectiveness of the intern reports being written, stressed the importance of being thorough in the reports and that they would all be read by someone in his department. Some would be sent to the Mayor, but he assured the group that the Mayor could not read all reports.

A discussion of city government followed and Mr. Sweat encouraged the interns to seek careers in city government.

In the absence of Father Ford, Emmaus House, who was to discuss the intern as seen by the private-agency, the discussion was opened by Mr. Bill Ransey, of the SREB.

Gary Wood, an Urban Corps intern with the Rent-a-Kid Agency, said that the Urban Corps was vital in keeping private agency going.

Freddye Hill, of Emmaus House, stated that although interns were needed in the agency, "could we all possibly be do gooders and doing more harm in starting programs that we must have in the fall." She stated that an Urban Corps intern should go into a private agencies and determine their needs and work within them.

Rick Padgett of the Atlanta Youth Council asked why should there be a difference of purpose between going into a city department and a private agency? In other words, was it more important as an intern having a personal relationship to a group of kids or an intern in the city department where you're affecting the system of mass media.

John Hotard, Sanitation Department, concluded that we should attempt to do both.

MEETING OF TOP 40 INTERNS
Monday, August 18, 1969
City Hall - Committee Room #2
3:00 p.m.

The final meeting of the "Top 40" interns was held Monday, August 18, 1969, in Committee Room #2, City Hall, 3:00 p.m., with Dave Whelan, Director of Development, Urban Corps staff, presiding.

The purpose of the meeting was to inform the intern of what action can be taken on campus, what resources are available on the campus and the present status of academic credit, and what problems are present in the campus and community.

Dave Whelan pointed out the following examples of PROGRAM POSSIBILITIES:

(1) Emory University

- a. The school of Nursing at Emory University is negotiating to place junior nursing students in a community action agency using the Urban Corps to assist them. The Dean of the Nursing School at Emory, Mrs. Ada Fort, in her explanation as to why the Nursing School is very much in favor of this plan, stated that nursing students are taught all medical subjects and that the faculty now is pushing to give the students exposure on a "real life" basis to the types of people and situations they could be exposed to and this in turn, would possibly develop a more aware type of person.

- b. The Political Science department at Emory (Dr. Bowen and Dr. Main) are backing the idea of students enrolling in certain courses and having the option of coming to class or working through the Urban Corps and receiving credit for their internship providing they meet all other criteria set. (example: readings, reports, etc.)

(2) Clark College

- a. Dr. Harris, Chairman of the "Committee on Non-Traditional Curriculum" agrees that if a student wishes to participate in the Urban Corps for credit (3 to 9 hours) then he can appear before the committee.

Mrs. Edith Ross-Associate Professor, Atlanta University School of Social Work, interjected the plan of the AU Center Schools combining all Atlanta University schools in a program of SOCIAL WELFARE-which will include undergraduates in 4 courses of social work. She suggested this was a possible way to link the AUC with the Atlanta University Complex. (Dr. Garth is chairman of the program, Mrs. Ross is Coordinator)

(3) Georgia Tech

- a. Social Science course-"Problems in Urban Society," is a course when there is a possibility of the student enrolling and having an internship through the Urban Corps part of his course.

(4) Transferring Credit

Dave Whelan suggested that there might be a possibility of a transient student enrolling in other school's course that might have an internship, and transferring the course back to the parent institution. Students were told to check with their department head.

Mr. Bill Ramsey, of the Southern Regional Education Board, stated that although he is not against the idea of credit being given, he felt students should not approach their respective departments heads immediately with the idea of getting credit for their internship, (either summer or fall) this is not the way to approach the faculty, as they are probably not aware of Urban Corps and will want to know immediately the important things such as the Educational Aspects, value and techniques. In order to present this adequately, the students must be prepared to back this up and give concrete examples of "what was learned from their internship this summer."

Some student suggestions given at the meeting pertaining to the overall Urban Corps program and specifically campus participation are as follows:

- (1) Charlie Brown, Georgia Tech, suggested that the difficulty as far as Tech would be in convincing the faculty that the program is important. He suggested that an example of an internship to be suggested to the faculty would be the idea of engineering students surveying part of the Model Cities area where surveying is needed rather than surveying Peters Park which is surveyed because of lack of other suggestions.

Susan Pickard, Agnes Scott, suggested the possibility of using an "ENDOWMENT" fund Agnes Scott for Urban Corps interns from Scott since they do not receive CWSP funds.

Loyd Sanders, Morehouse, suggested that a faculty members from each school be asked to work with the Urban Corps so that transferring credit would be more easily handled.

Ken Milwood, University of Georgia, suggested to have both student and faculty representative from each school as the "official" Urban Corps Representatives.

Sam Williams made the following suggestions for the intern to do in the fall:

1. Meet as a group again sometime in October or November.
2. Go see financial aid officer and find out what is the school's allocation for CWSP and how much they are requesting next year and how much is being spent off-campus.
3. Keep in touch with the Urban Corps office with names, etc., of people to contact.