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SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE PARENTS SUPPORT "U" MORRIS MOVE

A resolution supporting the action of the Board of Regents in establishing college level instruction on the campus of the West Central School and Experiment Station at Morris was passed at a Parents' Council meeting on Friday afternoon, December 4, at Morris.

Mr. Irving Sem, Underwood, president of the Parents' Council of the high school program at the West Central School of Agriculture, presided over a meeting in which Superintendent Rodney Briggs of the West Central School of Agriculture explained to the parents the events leading up to the decision of the Board of Regents and explained the phase-out program of the School of Agriculture and the development of the first year college program.

The council further resolved that the secondary training in vocational agriculture and home economics has for many years met an important need in West Central Minnesota and that they would like such training to continue, providing that continuance in no way jeopardizes or interferes with the college program.

Superintendent Briggs enlisted the aid of the Parents' Council in insuring that the School of Agriculture maintains its high standards in the phase-out program.

Following the passage of the resolution it was decided that a letter giving full particulars of the development of the college program and the phase-out of the high school at the School of Agriculture be prepared and sent as soon as possible to all parents of students presently enrolled in the School of Agriculture.

The Parents' Council is a select group of parents representing by election all parents of students of the 21 West Central Minnesota counties.

Members of the Parents' Council in addition to Mr. Sem are as follows: Mrs. Irving Sem; Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Thomdson, Dalton; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sha, Fergus Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Albertson, Foxhome; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mathias, Wheaton; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Olson, Herman; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schmidt, Albany; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Schultz, Osakis; Mr. and Mrs. Leif Lie, Morris; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Beyer, Holloway; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Peterson, Sunburg; Mr. and Mrs. Einar Jerpseth, Madison; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Knoshal, Montevideo; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Loeschke, Milbank, South Dakota; Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Bode, Wood Lake; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boulton, Porter; Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Banken, Appleton; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dailey, Pipestone; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Englund, Rosholt, South Dakota, and Mr. and Mrs. James Noble, Ayr, North Dakote.