

in making the Federal City College a land-grant college which, of course, would then qualify them for the so-called cash in lieu of land-grants since there are not lands available and would make available to the Federal City College a capital grant of initially \$7,241,706, as I understand it, plus it would qualify them for annual grants in amounts of, say, \$50,000 under the Morrill Acts and then I believe under the Bankhead-Jones Act \$170,000. Is that approximately right, Dr. Farner?

Dr. FARNER. Yes.

Mr. SISK. I think Mr. Walker's point is of interest because we are all concerned with how you are proceeding, and we have all read headlines as to the great number of applications that you have, recognizing that probably you do not have the capacity for 5,000 students to start with, or whatever amount the most recent amount is. You might proceed to ask your question. I think it might be helpful.

Mr. WALKER. I was just curious as to whether you have formalized any specific method whereby you intend to select the students to be admitted from the applicants.

Mr. HORSKY. Let me interject just a moment, sir, and then I will turn it to Dr. Farner. The Board of Higher Education at its last meeting tentatively approved a limitation of the number of students to less than all that had applied for reasons which Dr. Farner will explain, and a tentative approval of a method of choosing the ones from the applicants. We are meeting again tomorrow for further consideration of these two questions and hopefully a final decision on it. We have a procedure by which no action of the Board is taken finally at a meeting. We take it tentatively and then allow opportunity for further hearing, further community reaction, further cogitation until the next meeting when we take the final action, sort of a first reading proposition. I think on the substance of it with that statement to you of where it stands I would ask Dr. Farner to explain what our problem was and what the tentative answers that we have arrived at are.

Mr. WALKER. I might add at this point that I am not advising any opposition for or against it.

Mr. HORSKY. You are curious.

Mr. WALKER. I am curious for that information.

Mr. HORSKY. I am glad you are.

Dr. FARNER. The original enrollment estimates prepared quite some time before I came, before we really got going, called 1300 students to attend the college the first year, and this was the basis on which we were planning. We also expected not all the students who sent in an application for admission to necessarily want to come to us only. So that as we moved our number of applications moved up from 1,000 to 2,000 to even 2,600 or so. When most colleges only realize about 50 percent of registration against the number of applications we seemed all right against the enrollment of 1,300. But then in the final three weeks before a deadline we had established of 15 February over 2500 additional applications reached us.

And secondly, we got evidence from interviews and questionnaires with some of the applicants that many more than is normal had applied only to us, or were virtually certain to come, so that with these two factors operating together we shot up to over 5,282 applications