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On Monday, March 24, Daria Vaughn, Sharon Stockard and I met with Miss Stickney to discuss the possible recruiting of black students from high schools in the area. However, we suggested that the program be postponed or discontinued entirely since we felt that the college was not prepared to meet the education and emotional problems of the disadvantaged black student. With regard to this several things of major importance were mentioned such as the absence of a full-time black faculty member, and the lack of a black studies program.

After a brief discussion, Miss Stickney proposed that we once again all meet to discuss the recruitment program. Some of the topics that we feel should be discussed with the President are as follows:

→ 1. The need for full-time black faculty members (The Committee felt that the black students should reserve the right also to select the type of person who would best serve our needs.)

2. The establishment of a more permanent black culture course which would include dance, literature, philosophy and music, and separate courses in black history and language.

→ 3. The creation of a major in Afro-American Studies (independent research and community projects)

4. An overhaul of the courses presently offered so as to make them more meaningful and relevant (also to be included in this is the consideration of more than one cultural approach in areas such as dance, music, philosophy, and history)

We plan to meet with the President (Mr. Bloustein) and Miss Stickney in the President's office at 1:15 on Friday (day after tomorrow!) April 4th. Please come!

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