MINUTES OF JUNTURA MEETING February 12, 1973

Members present: D. Barber, C. Bush, K. Johnson, R. Ortiz, A. Rouyer, T. Armstrong, W. Voxman, and F. Seaman. Guest: J. Hill

T. Armstrong asked Dean J. Hill of Student Advisory Services what the personnel situation would be like in the future, now that C. Bush is leaving. J. Hill said that staff responsibilities in her office are being shifted around. Her office has one position in the University Vacancy Pool. The position is for an Assistant Dean, who would have responsibilities for the Women's Center, Orientation, National Student Exchange Program, and other related matters. She is advertising the opening in journals which are directed to Blacks and Chicanos, as well as advertising it in the usual places. Also, her office has requested a position for a minority student advisor. J. Hill said she would like this position to be in her office for several reasons, among which it would provide the position with a recognized home base. She said she had worked out a brief outline of the responsibilities of a person staffing such a position.

C. Bush said she was not certain she will actually leave; among other things, it appears that if she does, her position might not be filled. She also said there were advantages to retaining her position as it is.

Dean Hill was asked about the possibilities of finding some space for a center for the BSU and for the Chicano students. She said that she realized that the students felt they were getting the run-around. But it is clear that space is not available in Vandal Hall, for the Business Office said it is being torn down this summer. There didn't seem sufficient support for such centers so that the University would rent them a place. In particular, in the case of the BSU, the organization functioned well when it first acquired the house across from the SUB, but problems arose as new students came to the University and older members left. Some space may be available in the Journalism complex, when Journalism moves.

R. Ortiz said there was a need for a place for the Chicanos now. He said he had talked to Dean Hill about this, and thought it would be best if he were to write a letter to the President. There was a consensus that the Committee would do everything it could to help the BSU and the Chicano students find a place for a center.

R. Ortiz said that most of the minority students have very tight schedules, and they need help to find a place for a center and someone to help them with budgets. He said he was not asking for someone to do work for them, but someone to help them understand what can be done and how to go about it.

There was a consensus that the Committee seek some means of obtaining partial relief from teaching duties for a minority person on the staff who could provide this help.