

MEETING WITH DR. KOLBUS

9/21/76 1:30 P.M. M. Garrett, C. George

Discussion began by exchanging pleasantries, i.e. how the summer was, what we were doing, etc. In response to a question Dr. Koldus stated that Dr. Williams was no longer acting as president of T.A.M.U. Dr. Koldus stated that Dr. Williams was considered "a good friend" whose advice, when given, was considered, but not taken as a directive. Dr. Koldus also said that Mr. W.C. Freeman was acting president.

M. Garrett asked where the G.S.S.O. application stood. Dr. Koldus stated that the system's attorneys had advised him to keep our application under consideration until the Gay Lib vs U. of Missouri case had been appealed. C. George asked if the university (T.A.M.U.) was not required to give us an answer sooner. Dr. Koldus responded, "This has become a legal chess game. We have made our move. You have a legal move which would be inappropriate for me to comment on. Your attorney can advise you what to do."

M. Garrett expressed the disappointment of the organization that the process was taking so long and that it appeared that everything was going to be more public. He also said that the group had hoped to be recognized with as little commotion as possible, but the university's actions were destroying that hope. Dr. Koldus agreed that the present circumstances were unfortunate, but he had to follow T.A.M.U.'s attorneys' advice. He also stated that he would have preferred to have handled the application more directly - reject the application and allow a legal ruling as soon as possible.

M. Garret informed Dr. Koldus that the organization was growing and many non-gays were getting involved.



Dr. Koldus also stated that over the summer he had not discussed our application with anyone and, in fact, had only informed Mr. Freeman the day before (this meeting). He also stated that he did not know if Dr. Williams had discussed the application with the Board of Regents.

M. Garrett and C. George thanked Dr. Koldus for his time. Dr. Koldus said his office was always open and wished us good luck.