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LATE LAST NIGHT AT A COMMUNITY MEETING, 1000 MEMBERS OF THE APRIL THIRD MOVEMENT VOTED BY A MARGIN OF 3 TO 2 TO OCCUPY ENCINA HALL. Encina is the university's administrative center - the home of its business office, its administrative data processing center, its records center, its planning office, and its news management office.

This decision came 12 days after the end of the Movement's 9-day occupation of the Applied Electronics Laboratory (AEL) on the Stanford campus. In the interim, none of the Movement's demands were answered by the trustees of the faculty.

The April Third Movement is demanding that there be closer ties between Stanford University and Stanford Research Institute (SRI) and that war-related research in both places be eliminated.

The Movement began its most recent meeting yesterday afternoon while five members of the Stanford Board of Trustees were hearing testimony on the question of the desired relationship between Stanford and SRI. In spite of a petition by 3500 members of the Stanford community demanding that the closed hearing be an open meeting, only five members of the 23-person board attended the meeting. Neither did the trustees make any statements, but only listened to testimony by management of SRI and by Stanford students and faculty.

Earlier this week the Academic Senate decided to phase out classified research on campus. The Movement recognized this as a first step, but pointed out that the senate has not yet reached any known conclusions on SRI. The results of the Senate's meeting Tuesday night on SRI were kept secret from the community.