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Held December 13, 1955

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Three members were absent. Messrs. John Galbreath, Harvey B. Jordan, and Fred Crow.

Also in attendance were President John C. Baker, Messrs. Brandon T. Grover, L. F. Lausche, and Paul R. O'Brien.

It was moved by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Frederick, that the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees held October 11, 1955, be approved as distributed by the Secretary. This motion carried unanimously.

The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Caroline Dow, thanking the Board of Trustees for the tribute paid to Mr. C. L. Dow at the October 11 meeting.

Mr. O'Brien then presented a report of accounts showing the following balances, expenditures, and outstanding orders.

MONTHLY REPORT OF OHIO UNIVERSITY

Month Ended November 30, 1955

	<u>Annual Appro- priation</u>	<u>Vouchers Issued</u>	<u>Cash Balance</u>	<u>Outstanding Orders or Contracts</u>	<u>Unencumbered Balance</u>
Personal Service	\$2,918,223.00	\$1,074,336.85	\$1,843,886.15	\$ -0-	\$1,843,886.15
Maintenance	447,320.00	131,647.32	315,672.68	15,926.35	299,746.33
Rotaries	<u>842,823.47</u>	<u>214,890.89</u>	<u>627,932.78</u>		<u>627,932.78</u>
Grand Total	\$4,208,366.47	\$1,420,875.06	\$2,787,491.61	\$15,926.35	\$2,771,565.26

There was a general discussion of the Rotary Accounts, their purposes and balances.

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In the absence of Harvey Jordan, President Baker reported that a telephone vote had been taken by the Executive Committee recommending that the Administrative Officers of the University proceed to offer work leading to a Ph.D. degree in Chemistry.

The President also reported that the Inter-University Council had unanimously approved the granting of Ph.D. degrees by Bowling Green, Kent State, Miami, and Ohio University in the areas in which they are qualified.

The President reported that our Department of Chemistry had been inspected recently by representatives from the Department of Chemistry at Ohio State University, Michigan State University, Iowa State University, and Florida State University. In separate reports these representatives indicated that the personnel and the physical equipment in the Department of Chemistry at Ohio University were of high quality and capable of offering courses leading to a Ph.D. in Chemistry.

It was pointed out that only three schools in Ohio are offering Ph.D. degrees in Chemistry and they cannot begin to supply the demand in this area. The granting of Ph.D. degrees in Chemistry by Ohio University will help supply this demand.

After considerable discussion, it was moved by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Frederick, and unanimously passed, that the action of the Executive Committee recommending that Ohio University offer courses leading to a Ph.D. degree in Chemistry, commencing in September, 1956, be approved.

Mr. Frederick suggested that Graduate Council and all persons connected with this move be commended by the Board of Trustees.

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Mr. Johnson proposed the following supplemental income plan for those former members of the faculty and administrative staff who retired prior to June 30, 1955.

- (1) Each faculty member or administrator who retired prior to June 30, 1955, and has served ten years at Ohio University will receive supplemental income of \$10 per month. This income to be increased at the rate of \$1.00 per month for each additional year of service, with a maximum of twenty-five years. This would provide a maximum supplemental monthly income of \$25 per month.
- (2) In the event of death of any of the foregoing retired personnel, the beneficiary of such retired employee will receive \$500.
- (3) This plan is to remain in effect until the legislature or ^{the} retirement board takes adequate measures to supplement the income of the persons retired prior to June 30, 1955.

There was a general discussion of this plan, and it was then moved by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Frederick, that this plan be put into effect as of January 1, 1956, and is to be paid from the balance in our Rotary C. Land account. This motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Johnson then reported that Professor C. N. Mackinnon had retired in November, 1955, due to ill health, after forty-three years service to Ohio University.

It was moved by Mr. Frederick, seconded by Mr. Hall, that Professor Mackinnon be elected Professor Emeritus. This motion carried unanimously.

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It was moved by Mr. Frederick, seconded by Mr. Hall, that Professor Wadsworth be

elected Professor Emeritus. This motion carried unanimously.

In the absence of Mr. Galbreath, Mr. O'Brien reported that the application to the Housing and Home Finance Agency, for a loan of \$3,820,000 for the construction of dormitories for men, had not been approved and had been returned for further information. The additional information will be obtained and the application resubmitted and another attempt made to obtain these funds.

Mr. O'Brien presented a request from Dr. F. H. McKelvey, Director of Summer School, for an increased allocation to the summer sessions of the Athletic, Lecture, and Entertainment fee collected for the summer sessions. Mr. O'Brien explained that a \$4 fee is collected, and out of this fee \$1.50 has been allocated to the Athletic Department for the retirement of Stadium Land Trust Certificates. It was explained that the indebtedness on the Stadium now amounted to only \$15,000, and it would be further reduced in April to approximately \$9,000, and the increased enrollment will permit us to retire these certificates without the use of the summer session fee.

President Baker reported that he hoped to build up the summer sessions and thought this idea of allocating more funds for their lectures and entertainments might help in creating more interest in summer school.

It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hall, and unanimously passed, that the summer school A.L.E. fund be allocated entirely to the summer school Director, for use as he sees fit.

Mr. Grover presented a request from the Alumni Association for an additional allocation of \$1.00 from the diploma fee. It was explained that the diploma fee of \$10.00 is allocated as follows: \$6.00 to the Alumni Association for which each graduate receives a two-year paid up membership in the Alumni Association, and \$4.00 is used to cover the cost of the diploma and case. It was further pointed out that the regular dues for one year in the Alumni Association is \$3.50 and in order to make the new graduates' dues equal to the regular dues charged other graduates, that the \$7.00 allocation could be justified.

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Mr. Lausche reported for the Inter-University Relations Committee, that at the last meeting of the Inter-University Council, allocations of the additions and betterments monies approved at the last general election were discussed. President McDonald of Bowling Green attempted to justify a larger allocation of these funds for Bowling Green and Kent State than had been received in the past. This brought objections from Ohio University and Miami University. After a general discussion, it was then determined that each university would request the same amount of additions and betterments funds as was requested from the last general assembly. The total of Ohio University's share would be five million five hundred twenty thousand dollars.

Mr. Hall reported for the Library Committee. We are now trying to supply the needs of the faculty and student body more than twice as large as the faculty and student body for which the present Library building was constructed twenty-five years ago.

Our appropriations for the acquisition of books and periodicals have remained the same for the last ten years while the costs of books and periodicals have increased considerably during this period. This, of course, results in a reduction in the number of books we are able to acquire. It was again pointed out that some of the rooms in the Library are still used for other purposes and the transferring of these other departments from the Library building would help considerably in alleviating the over-crowded conditions in the Library.

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Mr. Bush was called upon for the report of the Planning, Building, and Land Purchase Committee. Mr. Bush discussed the need for the acquisition of the Beck property at 110 East Union Street.

The Board considered the question of the acquisition of the Beck property. It was the opinion of the Board that the acquisition of this property was essential to the proper development and use of the entire area of land on the north side of East Union Street, as this is the only location available for the erection of the proposed College of Education Building.

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After a full discussion, it was moved by Mr. Bush, seconded by Mr. Hall, and unanimously carried that the Board approve the following Resolution:

That the Director of Public Works of Ohio be instructed to commence proceedings to appropriate the Beck property; and that said Director be instructed that the amount of money which is just and which this Board is willing to pay as full compensation for that property is \$6,500.00.

On a roll call vote the following is recorded: Hall, Yes; Frederick, Yes; Bush, Yes; Johnson, Yes; McVay, Yes.

Mr. Bush reported the purchase of the Athens Ice and Storage Company plant, approved at the October meeting of the Board of Trustees, had been approved by the Emergency Board of the Department of Finance, and the transaction was in the process of being completed.

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5. Completing and equipping the College of Commerce Building	75,000.00
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President Baker pointed out that the location of Athens and its inaccessibility by public transportation makes it important that in order to hold our present enrollment it may be necessary to permit students to have cars. 7

Mr. Bush remarked that he did not ask for any action at this time upon the restriction of student cars, however, he brought it up in order to have the other members of the Board consider the possibility of this restriction at a future meeting.

President Baker reported that three faculty members have visited 239 high schools in Ohio during this academic year and that we are scheduled to visit 180 more high schools before the end of the academic year. He pointed out that several weeks ago one of our representatives visited Lakewood High School on a College Night program and that over one hundred universities had representatives there. These universities ranged from Harvard, Princeton, and Yale to several universities from the mid-west and that the competition for students is still strong among colleges and universities. The President reported that a survey had been carried on at Ohio University for the past few years relative to the reason students who have been accepted for admission do not enter Ohio University. He feels this survey has been very valuable in correcting any outstanding or glaring errors in our administration.

It was also pointed out that the percentage increase in full time enrollment at Ohio University for both of the last two years has been higher than any other major university in the country.

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President Baker pointed out that the location of Athens and its inaccessibility by public transportation makes it important that in order to hold our present enrollment it may be necessary to permit students to have cars.

Mr. Bush remarked that he did not ask for any action at this time upon the restriction of student cars, however, he brought it up in order to have the other members of the Board consider the possibility of this restriction at a future meeting.

President Baker reported that three faculty members have visited 339 high schools in Ohio during this academic year and that we are scheduled to visit 130 more high schools before the end of the academic year. He pointed out that several weeks ago one of our representatives visited Lakewood High School on a College Night program and that over one hundred universities had representatives there. These universities ranged from Harvard, Princeton, and Yale to several universities from the mid-west and that the competition for students is still strong among colleges and universities. The President reported that a survey had been carried on at Ohio University for the past few years relative to the reason students who have been accepted for admission do not enter Ohio University. He feels this survey has been very valuable in correcting any outstanding or glaring errors in our administration.

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President Baker then commented on the Ohio University Fund and again complimented Fred Johnson for the fine Sesquicentennial Scholarship Drive which he headed and which realized in cash and pledges more than \$400,000.00.

The President reported that Dwight Rutherford and Pete Good had conducted the Athens City Drive again this year and the total received to date from Athens merchants was \$13,979 which is the highest total that has been collected from the Athens merchants since the first year the Fund was established.

President Baker reported that Mr. A. C. Gubitz now heads the Fund and that he is conducting a national drive by mail which to date has realized \$2,422.00 from 212 different persons throughout the United States.

The President reported that business was supporting all higher education and pointed out that we had two students attending Ohio University who had received General Motors scholarships, and this year we would receive \$775 from General Electric Company to match contributions made by the General Electric employees throughout the country to the Ohio University Fund.

The President reported that our enrollment in the Branches this year is 857 students taking a total of 6,421 hours. These Branch schools are self-supporting and have been growing each year as they become better established in the community.

Mr. Hall then asked the President for a report on the Executive Development program. Mr. Hall said that many companies, including Kroger's, feel that the companies themselves are better qualified to teach their executives in their own company the specific policy of the company, however, the companies feel that universities are better equipped to give the executives a broader knowledge and give them contacts with executives from other companies that is so important to development.

The President agreed to have a full report on the Executive Development program at the next meeting of the Board of Trustees.

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The President then reported that his experience with UN has been helpful to him and to Ohio University. He pointed out that he is bringing numerous outstanding people from various countries to speak to our students which will have a very broadening effect.

Mr. Hall reported that he felt that the President's experience with the UN had been more advantageous to the University than he had anticipated when the Board approved the President's participation in the UN program.

The President closed his report by thanking the Trustees for their fine cooperation.

The Chairman then called the roll of members for comment and there being no comment from any of the members the next meeting of the Board of Trustees was tentatively set for March 27, 1956, 10 a.m., in the Trustees' Room, Cutler Hall. This date will be verified later.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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If we bring no further business, the meeting was adjourned.