A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University was held in the Trustees' Room, Cutler Hall, Athens, Ohio, at 9 p.m., February 17, 1954.

The following members were present: Messrs. H. E. Frederick, C. Don McVay, Joseph B. Hall, Fred W. Crow, Fred H. Johnson, and Gordon K. Bush. Also present were President John C. Baker, Messrs. B. T. Grover, Luverne Lausche, and Paul R. O'Brien. Chairman Frederick called the meeting to order at 9 p.m.

The Secretary presented the following communication from Miss Anna Pearl McVay.

ZIBA'S HOUSE
Route One
Athens, Ohio
November 18, 1953

To the President and Trustees of Ohio University

Gentlemen:

As historian of Hebardville and the Alexander Presbyterian Church, I appeal to you to help preserve the oldest public building in Alexander Township, which was erected in the 1820's, the First Presbyterian Church in Alexander. Its early pastor, the Rev. Ebenezer Hebard, son of the Rev. Ithamar Hebard, chaplain of the Green Mountain Boys in the Revolutionary War, had come from Vermont to Ohio as a pioneer missionary. Soon after his death three proprietors, whose farms converged around the meeting-house laid out, in 1838, a village and named it Hebardville to honor his memory. Thirty years later the old church became integrated with the present Alexander Presbyterian Church, located a half mile nearer Athens on U. S. Route 50.

A few years ago the State bought the church property in Hebardville, and added it to the University Farm which uses the old building for big machines, which now require ample space. When the University builds its new machinery hall, will you donate the old building to the Alexander Presbyterian Church, which needs more room for its growing Bible School and social activities?

If you grant this request, the Trustees of Alexander Church will construct a suitable foundation on which to erect the old historic edifice and thereby preserve the church of their ancestors and provide increased facilities for expanding the present church life. I presume that the old building will be taken down in sections and transported for reerection close to the N.W. corner of the present church. The congregation of the Alexander Presbyterian Church will greatly appreciate whatever assistance the University may render in this work, as well as be deeply grateful for the gift of the ancient building. I am

Respectfully yours,

/s/ Anna Pearl McVay
B.A. Class of 1892
Litt.D. (Honorary) 1909
After a general discussion of the request in the foregoing communication, it was decided to take no action and leave the matter entirely in the hands of the Administrative Officers.

The Secretary presented a recommendation from the Executive Committee of the University to clarify the retirement policy as it applies to faculty members.

There was a general discussion of this recommendation. It was moved by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Crow, and unanimously passed, that no contract be issued a member of the faculty or administrative staff who reaches the age of 70 prior to September 1, of the year in which the contract is to be effective.

There was then a general discussion of the drastic need for additional dormitories both now and in the future.

Mr. O'Brien reported that the Business Manager of Bowling Green State University had been notified that their application for a loan of two and one-quarter million dollars from the Federal Security Agency had been approved. This is a 40 year loan at 3\% per cent interest and is payable only from revenues of the dormitories constructed with the proceeds of the loan. Bowling Green is not permitted to supplement the monies borrowed with their accumulated reserves in dormitory funds as there can be no intermingling of funds, and they have issued another Series B Bonds for $100,000 to equip these dormitories.

This bond indenture permits Bowling Green to use any reserves accumulated from the operation of the dormitories built from the borrowed funds for any dormitory or housing project after they have accumulated sufficient reserve to pay two years' debt service on the outstanding bonds.
Bowling Green must advertise these bonds and attempt to sell them on the open market. If they are unable to sell the bonds at public sale, the Federal Security Agency will purchase any unsold bonds.

Mr. O'Brien reported a discussion with Mr. L. D. Shuter, Secretary of the State Teachers Retirement System, relative to the sale of additional bonds for building dormitories. Mr. Shuter indicated that his System would be interested in the purchase of additional bonds, but suggested that we proceed to build two dormitories at a time instead of the four.

It was moved by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. McVay, that the building committee and the administrative officers be authorized to enter into an agreement to sell sufficient bonds to the Retirement Systems to construct four additional dormitories, on the East Green. This motion was unanimously passed.

Mr. Bush then presented options on the following properties to be purchased from the appropriation of G-1 Lands in House Bill 816.

- Wayne B. Koehler property, 116 East Union Street, for $10,500.00
- Martha Gabriel " 114 East Union Street, 6,000.00
- Charles D. Hawk " 112 East Union Street, 6,200.00
- E. G. Nelson lot 118 East Union Street, 1,300.00
- Joe Steiff property, 12 Stewart Street, 12,500.00
- Lillis Busch 41 Wolfe Street, 7,250.00

He also presented options on the following properties to be purchased from dormitory funds.

- Georgia Kilpatrick property, 72 East Mulberry St., $10,500.00
- Fred Wheaton 40 Wolfe Street, 5,200.00
- Grace M. Bean 100 East Union Street, 11,000.00
- Robert Chappel 28 N. McKinley Street, 2,600.00
- Gus Gaskella 2 Stewart Street, 11,000.00

Mr. Bush then presented an option to purchase from athletic funds, the Fred Cabeen property located at 236 Richland Ave., for $7,500.00. It was explained that these funds would be available if the Stadium Land Trust Certificates were not called in April and October of this year.
It was moved by Mr. Bush and seconded by Mr. Hall that the purchase of the above properties from the funds indicated be approved. This motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hall, that the Director of Public Works be requested to employ the architectural firm of Potter, Tyler, Martin and Roth for the complete architectural services on the four new dormitories to be constructed on East Green. This motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Bush then reported that the elevator for Cutler Hall had been advertised and installation would proceed as fast as possible.

Mr. O'Brien reported that he had received a letter from Henry Thomas, Librarian of the Nelsonville Public Library, stating that due to a lack of financial backing the Nelsonville Public Library would be forced to refuse the gift of the recreation building that was made at the last meeting of the Trustees of Ohio University.

The Board next considered the question of the acquisition of the Jacobs' property located at 25-27 South College Street. It was the opinion of the Board that the acquisition of this property was essential to the proper development and use of this entire area as it is located between the University Center and the Speech Building, and directly across the street from Voigt Hall that is now under construction.

This space together with that occupied by the present College Street Cottage is one of the very few locations available for the construction of future classroom buildings. It was the opinion of the Board that the improvement of this area should be begun as soon as practicable because of the need of the University for additional facilities for classroom instruction.
It was moved by Mr. Bush, seconded by Mr. Hall, that the Director of Public Works be instructed to commence proceedings to appropriate the Jacobs property and that said Director be instructed that the amount of money which is just which this Board is willing to pay as full compensation for that property is $25,000.00. The foregoing motion was adopted unanimously.

There was a discussion of the Industrial Relations Classes now being given to the employee of the Pennsylvania Railroad and the Timken Roller Bearing Company. It was pointed out that these classes are now under the supervision of Mr. A. C. Gubitz, but the financial arrangement is run through our State Rotary Funds. It was further pointed out that none of these classes carry Ohio University credit and none of them are given on the campus at Athens. Classes are held in locations furnished by the companies paying for this service. It was felt that since none of these classes should be subsidized by the State of Ohio in any way, that the simplest arrangement for keeping these funds completely separate from any State funds, and also to assure no subsidization by State funds, would be to place the financial transactions of these classes in the Ohio University Fund, Inc.

It was moved by Mr. Bush, seconded by Mr. McVay, that all contracts for Industrial Relations Classes entered into after March 1, 1954, shall be handled as a part of the Ohio University Fund, Inc. This motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Johnson gave a short report on the Youngstown Land Sales. He reported that we now have given options totaling $138,000 on property in Youngstown and if the holders of these options exercise them we will be able to obtain enough money to start the new chapel some time after the first of the year.

There being no further business, this meeting was adjourned until 11 o'clock Thursday morning, February 18, 1954, in Room Number 204, Ohio University Center.

Paul R. O'Brien, Secretary
A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University was held in Room 206 of the Ohio University Center at 11 a.m., February 18, 1954. The meeting was called to order by Governor Frank J. Lausche who acted as chairman, commemorating the first meeting of the Ohio University Trustees that was held 150 years ago at which time the Honorable Edward Tiffin, Esq., Governor of the State of Ohio, presided.

Chairman Frederick then requested the Secretary to call the roll. The following members of the Board of Trustees were present: Joseph H. Bell, Fred J. Crow, John W. Calbreath, Fred H. Johnson, Gordon R. Bush, E. Don McVay, and W. E. Frederick, Chairman of the Board. Mr. Harvey Jordan was unavoidably absent.

In addition to the regular members of the Board of Trustees, the following former members were present at the invitation of the present Board: Robert J. Preston, Athens, Ohio, Trustee from 1931 to 1936; Mary Evans, Akron, Ohio, Trustee from 1943 to 1949; James E. Kinnison, Jackson, Ohio, Trustee from 1940 to 1942; John O. McAllister, Cleveland, Ohio, Trustee from 1936 to 1943; and Fred H. Beckler, Athens, Ohio, Trustee from 1933 to 1939. Mr. George K. Farlow, Athens, Ohio, Secretary Ex officio of the Board of Trustees was present.

Mr. Russell P. Harrell, President of the Alumni Association of Ohio University, was present and the following administrative officers of the University were present: John C. Baker, President; Luverno F. Lausche, Business Manager; B. T. Grover, Assistant to the President; Paul A. O'Brien, Secretary of the Board of Trustees and Treasurer of Ohio University.

Also present were members: J. A. Hochstruth, Managing Editor of the Ohio State Journal, and Walter Marion, Director of the Department of Natural Resources.

Chairman Frederick then requested Governor Lausche to take the chair and preside for the rest of the meeting.
Mr. LeVay moved, seconded by Mr. Hall, that the minutes of the last regular meeting of the Board of Trustees be approved as distributed by the Secretary. This motion carried unanimously.

The Secretary then read the minutes of the first meeting of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University that was held 150 years ago.

In the regular order of business, the Secretary read the following commemoration memorializing Thomas R. Biddle.

**Dr. Thomas R. Biddle**

To note that Dr. Thomas R. Biddle was the oldest in point of service of any Trustee serving Ohio University in to suggest the unusual opportunity that was his to work with and for Ohio University, particularly during the last fifty years of its most illustrious growth.

Doctor Biddle was appointed a life member of the Board in 1900, and was always very close to the institution, its president, its students and its faculty. His unfaltering and loyal interest and wise counsel was an inspiration and a model for younger trustees. He served for many years on the building committee of the Board and took a large part in the building of the physical plant, always alert to the coming needs and encouraging the expansion and growth of the institution.

Financial and political matters were well understood by him and yet his close association with the campus made him mindful of the student life, the problems of faculty members, and the importance of relations with the public. In every sense, Doctor Biddle demonstrated an ability in such public service which may be envied and emulated.

The Board noted with profound regret his election to retire from active participation in 1950 because of ill health, and in his passing honors the name, spirit and memory of a cherished compatriot.
It was moved by Dr. Bush, and unanimously seconded, that the foregoing memorial to Dr. Thomas A. Huddle be adopted and agreed on the minutes of this meeting.

This motion was unanimously passed by a rising vote of all members present.

Dr. O'Brien presented a report of accounts which can be summarized as follows:

DAILY REPORT OF OHIO UNIVERSITY
For Month Ending January 31, 19-9


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Governor Lamache then called upon Mr. Calbreath, the Chairman of the Athletic and Public Relations Committee, for a report from his committee. Mr. Calbreath presented the following report:

Ohio University is a member of the Mid-American Athletic Conference that is made up of the following schools: Bowling Green State University, Eastern Michigan College, Eastern Reserve University, Kent State University, Miami University, University of Toledo, Marshall College and Ohio University. It is the belief of the member schools of this conference that the prime purpose of any athletic conference should be to promote fair, clean, equally matched competition among institutions which have similar policies regarding the conduct of inter-collegiate athletics.
Following are some of the basic principles which regulate the Mid-American Conference:

1. The Athletic Department shall have the same status as academic departments in the institution.

2. The budget pertaining to inter-collegiate athletics shall be part of the budget of the institution.

3. Inter-collegiate athletics shall be under the supervision of the faculty or a committee of the institution which is to have a majority consisting of faculty members who have tenure. This committee should be responsible to the President or through the faculty to the President.

4. All financial aid to athletes including scholarships, grants in aid, job opportunities, and loans should be administered in all institutions by a committee or committees charged with authority of financial aid of students.

5. Scholarships shall be awarded only in recognition of scholastic achievement.

6. Work opportunities and grants in aid are to be awarded to students who have demonstrated financial need and educational promise. These awards should be made on the basis of need and in proportion to the need.

7. Any scholarship, grant in aid or combination of financial awards should never exceed the actual educational expense of an undergraduate student.

8. It is required by each member institution that an annual report should be made to the presidents of institutions and to the commissioner. These reports should contain the following:

   A. Financial aid, or work opportunities made available to all male students on the athletic teams.

   B. This report is required to show the average total financial aid of each institution to each boy and in their relationship to all other male students.

   C. Students who are athletes and receive financial aid must meet the same conditions for continuation of financial aid as are applied to all other students in the institution.

9. Admission of students to member institutions is the function of the department of admissions. Members of the department of athletics may contact prospective students, however, they shall not make any offer of financial aid, including grants in aid, or work opportunities, or other assistance, except to state that the student may apply for financial or other aid to the proper faculty committee.
10. No member of the Mid-American conference will be permitted to play a
post season game other than those conducted by NCAA and approved by the
Commissioner. They look with disfavor on scheduling policies which
require extensive absences from classroom activities. Scheduling
games and practice periods in the three major sports shall be limited
so that they do not interfere with the participants' studies.

11. All contests shall be played on property owned or controlled by
member institutions.

To hold the belief that in all activities at Ohio University, including
inter-collegiate athletics, the individual boy is of most importance, we have
and shall continue to administer an athletic program at Ohio
University.

Approximately 65 per cent of the total enrollment of Ohio University participated
in intramural sports during the last school year. A total of 263 teams played in
964 games. The new nine-hole university golf course will be ready for play this
spring or summer.

In concluding the report, Mr. Calbreath stated that financial assistance and
job opportunities for athletes are regulated under the National
Collegiate Athletic Association and they are in line with the policies of Mid-
American Conference.

Governor Lesmeco accepted the report on Athletics given by Mr. Calbreath, and noted
that Inter-Collegiate Athletics are still plagued by the taint of professionalism in many
institutions of higher learning, and he was glad to learn that Ohio University and the
Mid-American Conference, by enforcing the regulations listed above, were conducting their
inter-collegiate athletics on a sensible basis.

Governor Lesmeco then called on Mr. Johnson for a report on the Sesquicentennial
Scholarship drive.

Mr. Johnson reported that the executive committee of Ohio University Alumni Associ-
tion over a year ago decided to undertake to raise a minimum of $150,000 to establish
scholarships for deserving young men and women, as the Alumni Association's contribution
to the Sesquicentennial Celebration of Ohio University. This money was to be deposited
in the Irreducible Debt Fund of the State of Ohio, and the interest therefrom could provide
a minimum of 60 scholarships of $150 each in perpetuity for worthy boys and girls.
Mr. Johnson reported that as of today pledges totaling $174,936.13 have been received. In addition to the above pledges, we have received contributions totaling $29,000 as a result of this drive and although these contributions are not considered specifically as part of this drive, they could not have been made but for the drive, making a total of pledges $203,936.13. Of these pledges, the total paid to date is $62,241.01.

Mr. Johnson reported that the executive director, Mr. A. C. Cubits, has organized the alumni in 126 communities from San Diego, California, to Boston, Massachusetts. The drives have been completed in 34 of the communities. There are 78 drives now in operation, and 23 drives yet to be started. We have received contributions from approximately 1,700 alumni and friends.

Mr. Johnson reported that all of the solicitors have been instructed to contact only alumni and friends of Ohio University in order that this drive would not interfere with the drive being conducted by the privately endowed schools of Ohio.

President Baker reported that we are not making a public announcement of the success of this drive at the present time, and commended Mr. Johnson, the general chairman of the drive, and Mr. Cubits, executive director, for the fine work they have done.

President Baker further pointed out that these scholarships are worth much more to the recipient than the $150 each value, as they are an additional incentive to good students to attend college.

As an example of the need of scholarships of this type, President Baker reported that in one of the mining communities around Athens several years ago, only 8 per cent of the high school graduates attended college, while 92 per cent of the graduates of Shaker Heights High School attended college, in spite of the fact that there was no noticeable difference in the abilities, as determined by psychological tests, of the students graduating from these high schools.
Governor Lausche accepted this report and commended Mr. Johnson and the work of the alumni very highly. The Governor pointed out that there is a growing tendency in the legislature to subsidize certain groups in order to get them to attend college. He mentioned as an example the bill passed at the last session subsidizing prospective elementary teachers, and that certain interests are now attempting to subsidize the education of prospective nurses. He noted that this Sesquicentennial Scholarship drive is a good example of a State University helping to fulfill its functions, that is, to educate all qualified boys and girls in the State.

Governor Lausche then called on Mr. Bush for a report on the Planning, Building, and Land Purchase Committee.

Mr. Bush reported that since 1915 Ohio University has spent ($12,132,000) for plant improvement and additions and betterments. Of this amount, (1,519,000) was from direct state appropriations, and (6,622,000) was from other university funds, either from monies borrowed, student fees, or fees from the Veterans Administration.

In addition to the ($12,132,000) expended, Mr. Bush reported that the Federal Government gave the university and erected temporary buildings valued at more than a million dollars.

Mr. Bush reported that it has been the policy of the Trustees to purchase properties as they came on the market in order to provide sufficient space for the future expansion of Ohio University. He pointed out that at one time Ohio University owned over forty-four thousand acres of land and this had later dwindled to ten acres.

Governor Lausche accepted this report and commented that one of the notable achievements of the Department of Public Welfare was the fact that this department had in every case acquired sufficient lands to take care of all future expansion necessary in the welfare institutions. He further pointed out that most of the universities' trustees had not provided sufficient land for their institutions, and he suggested that those needs be passed on to the legislature in order that sufficient lands could be acquired.
Governor Lausche then called on President Baker for his report.

The President reported that Governor Lausche had not visited Ohio University since 1945, and that he was very happy that the Governor was able to visit us today.

The President reported that the Trustees of Ohio University have always shown a great interest in the operation of the University, and that they attended all meetings possible and have been very helpful in operating Ohio University.

The President reported on the gift of the Youngstown Land and Mortgages made by John U. Galbreath and the purpose for which it was given which is to build a chapel on the campus.

The Governor then commented that when he appointed Trustees, he never interfered with their decisions. He thanked Mr. Galbreath for the fine gift of the chapel and explained the reason he had not been at Ohio University since 1945 was because he felt confident that it was being properly administered by President Baker.

President Baker then discussed our enrollment, both present and future. He pointed out that Ohio University in 1953 had a 30 per cent increase over 1952 in the freshman class and 20 per cent respectively. He also reported that we have registered here at Ohio University 1628 women students, the largest number of women students ever registered. Our over all enrollment increased 14 per cent over 1952. This gain exceeded the national and state averages by 9 and 19 per cent respectively.

To have students from each of Ohio's 88 counties. The President then reported the predictions for the total college enrollment in the State of Ohio indicated that by 1967 there will be twice the number of students as are presently enrolled in all colleges.
President Baker reported that there is no best or ideal size for a university. He pointed out that the location of Athens means that our students must come by bus or car and that this is primarily a residential college. That is, most of the students must remain in Athens over the weekend and that the University authorities must provide for their supervision. He reported that we have registered this semester about 900 students from Cuyahoga County, and about 1000 from the northeast section of Ohio, and that the real test of the University is the desire of students to attend.

The President reported that as part of a Sesquicentennial Celebration we were holding our Ohio Education Days in November. The main theme of this meeting is to be the future enrollment of Ohio colleges, and the cooperation necessary between the privately endowed colleges and the state universities in order to properly educate all of the Ohio residents who will be desiring an education in the future.

Due to the shortness of time, the President then closed his report by indicating that business interests should be interested in the development of the state universities and the privately endowed schools as the future of business as well as that of the country depended upon the future citizens having a knowledge of their responsibility to their fellow citizens.

The Governor thanked the President for his report and commented that Athens was in the middle of the southeastern Ohio area and that this area is the best area for the future expansion of industry in Ohio. He reported that the area needs help and any future expansion of industry should be in this locality.

It was moved by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Johnson, that the next meeting of the Board of Trustees be held on Saturday, June 12, 1954.
The Governor then called the roll of members for current.

Mr. Hall reported that it had been a pleasure and a thrill to be a member of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University, and that he felt that the institution was being very well managed.

Mr. Johnson reported that we have given the options on property in Youngstown that if the holders of the options exercised them, we will receive approximately $138,000 which will permit us to proceed with the erection of the chapel.

Mr. Healy thanked the Governor for attending the meeting and welcomed Mr. Knockstroh and Mr. Harlan who attended the meeting, and suggested that the Governor call on them for any comments they would like to make.

The Governor called on Mr. Knockstroh who reported that he had enjoyed the meeting very much and he appreciated the attitude of the Board of Trustees toward the privately endowed colleges, as he is a member of the Board of Trustees of Heidelberg, and he feels that the privately endowed colleges should be encouraged. He then reported that the people living in every era in history feel that the world is facing a crisis and that all past crises have been settled by war, and that he felt that technicians have developed the tools of war to such a point that there will be no more wars fought with the old conventional weapons, and that education is much more important than in the past in order for the world to survive.

Mr. Harlan remarked that Ohio University located as it is in the heart of the hill section of Ohio should take the lead in conservation. He reported that Ohio University has been cooperating with his department in planting trees and other conservation practices.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Paul R. O'Brien, Secretary

Board of Trustees of Ohio University