MINUTES OHIO UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MARCH 27, 1956

The Board of Trustees of Ohio University held a regular meeting in Cutler Hall, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio, at 10 a.m., March 27, 1956.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Don McVay at 10:05 a.m. The following members were present: Messrs Fred H. Johnson, Joseph B. Hall and H. E. Frederick. Mr. Gordon K. Bush was represented by proxy on file with the Secretary of the Board. Mr. John W. Galbreath arrived during the meeting.

Mr. Harvey B. Jordan, Gordon Bush, and Fred Crow were absent.

Also present were Mr. L. F. Lausche, Mr. B. T. Grover, President John C. Baker and Paul R. O'Brien.

It was moved by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Frederick, and unanimously carried, that the minutes of the December 13, 1955, meeting be approved as distributed by the Secretary.

The Secretary presented letters received from the following persons expressing their appreciation for the supplemental retirement income granted them by the Board of Trustees at the December, 1955, meeting: Misses Genevieve Apgar, Edith Beechel, Margaret Benedict, Melvia Danielson, and Adelaide Johnson; Messrs Edwin Chubb, J. Floyd Dixon, Frederick H. Krecker, Thor Olson, James P. Porter, C. C. Robinson, A. B. Sias, and Hiram R. Wilson.

The Secretary then presented a letter from Mr. Peter B. Seel, Mayor of the City of Athens, requesting that Ohio University purchase an Aerial Ladder Truck for fighting fires and that the City of Athens house, maintain, and furnish personnel to operate the Aerial Ladder Truck. There was a general discussion of this request and it was pointed out that Ohio University does not have the funds to purchase a piece of equipment of this type and that there is a question of the legality of a purchase of this type by a State institution. The Secretary was instructed to write the mayor and inform him of the action of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University.

The Secretary also presented a letter from Mayor Seel requesting Ohio University to furnish financial assistance to the City of Athens in order to help maintain the City Street System, especially those streets in the University area. There was a general discussion of this letter and the consensus of opinion of the Board was that this type of assistance was not legally possible, and the Secretary was instructed to so inform the Mayor.
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The Secretary presented the following Opinion received from the Attorney General, relative to the purchase of land for dormitory purposes from excess dormitory funds. This is Opinion No. 6385, dated March 22, 1956.

Mr. Paul R. O'Brien
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Ohio University
Athens, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Your request for my opinion reads as follows:

"The Board of Trustees of Ohio University instructed me to request an opinion from your office to determine whether they have authority to borrow money for the purchase of land for the purpose of erecting dormitories in the future, and to pledge excess dormitory revenues, not needed for the retirement of the present outstanding dormitory bonds, for the payment of these notes.

I am attaching a copy of the last bond indenture issued by the President and Trustees of Ohio University for your information. This indenture is similar to all the other outstanding indentures.

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"Section 3337.07 of the Revised Code says in part that the President and Trustees of Ohio University may purchase sites for the construction of dormitories and further that they may borrow money for this purpose.

"As you know, Ohio University is located in the center of Athens and space for the erection of buildings is at a premium. The Trustees have found that if we purchase property at the time the owner wishes to sell, we are able to obtain much better prices than if we wait until we are ready to construct the buildings and then attempt to purchase the land. In the past we have purchased properties from our excess dormitory revenues at the time the owner desires to sell, and have operated these properties as part of the dormitory system until we were ready to construct new dormitories. We then raze the properties and con-
to construct new dormitories. We then raise
the properties and construct dormitories on
the site.

"We shall be glad to furnish any
further information you may require
relative to this question."

Section 3337.07, Revised Code, to which you have
referred provides as follows:

"The body corporate known as the
president and trustees of the Ohio Uni-
versity may purchase therefor and
construct, equip, maintain, and operate
thereupon or upon sites within the campus
of the university as it may designate
therefor, buildings to be used as
dormitories for students and members of
the faculty and servants of the univer-
sity, and to pay for same out of any
funds in its possession derived from the
operation of any dormitories under its
control, or out of funds borrowed there-
for, or out of funds appropriated there-
for by the general assembly, or out of
funds or property received by it by gift,
grant, legacy, devise, or otherwise,
for such purposes, and to borrow funds
for such purposes upon such terms as
it deems proper and to issue notes or
other written instruments evidencing
such indebtedness, provided that such
indebtedness shall not be a claim
against or a lien upon any property of
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the control of the president and board
of trustees of the Ohio University ex-
cepting such part of the receipts of
the operation of any dormitories under
its control as the president and board
of trustees of the Ohio University may
pledge to secure the payment of any
such indebtedness."

The problem now confronting the trustees is that
they wish to purchase land for the purpose of eventually
constructing thereon dormitories pursuant to the provisions
of the above section. They propose to borrow money for the
purchase of this land and as security for the loan propose
to issue notes pledging so-called "excess dormitory revenues." I take it that these revenues are "the receipts of the operation of * * * dormitories under their control" referred to in the statute.

Passing for the time being the question of the present availability of excess revenues, it is my opinion that the literal wording of the statute clearly confers authority on the trustees to pledge dormitory receipts for the purpose of purchasing a site upon which to construct additional dormitories. The only remaining question arises from the fact that the trustees do not at present have a specific dormitory project in mind, but seek to acquire land which will eventually be used for dormitory purposes. Can they now make such a purchase to be financed in the manner set out above?

It is my opinion that the only rule which I can lay down is that the trustees are governed by the exercise of a sound discretion, which they may exercise honestly and which they should not abuse. I realize that only in rare cases can the trustees acquire a piece of land and contract to construct a dormitory thereon simultaneously; and I do not believe that their power is limited to such a transaction. On the other hand I do not believe that they are free to use dormitory funds under their control as a general land-purchase account from which they attempt to anticipate or control the future action of the General Assembly, or attempt to provide for contingent needs of the University.
beyond the reasonably foreseeable future. Somewhere between these two extremes they may properly exercise their powers. They should always be cognizant of the fact that if in a particular case they should be held to have exceeded their powers, they undoubtedly would be held liable in their individual capacities for any obligations which they had assumed or for any public funds which they had unlawfully expended.

The second question which is inherent in your inquiry involves the present availability of so-called "excess dormitory revenues" in view of certain existing bond indentures executed by the trustees. You have furnished me with a copy of one such indenture with the notation that it is "similar" to all the other outstanding indentures. My opinion as to whether any "excess" funds are available to the trustees beyond those encumbered by this indenture is not controlling, inasmuch as the trustees or the bondholders might choose to disregard it. However, I deem it appropriate that I examine the indenture and advise the trustees as to their power to pledge further the revenues in question.

The indenture which you have submitted to me provides in pertinent part as follows:

"RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF 3% and 3-1/8% DORMITORY REVENUE BONDS BY THE OHIO UNIVERSITY IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THREE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS"

"Whereas, by authority of Section 3345.07 of the Revised Code of Ohio, the President and the Board of Trustees of Ohio University is authorized to construct, equip, maintain and operate upon sites within the campus of said University, buildings to be used as dormitories for students, members of the faculty, and servants of said University, and to borrow funds for such purposes upon such terms as it shall deem proper, and to issue negotiable written instruments evidencing such indebtedness and pledge the revenue from the
operation of dormitories and dining halls under its control to secure the payment of such indebtedness, and whereas, said President and Trustees desires to construct, equip, maintain and operate upon sites within the campus of said University additional dormitories; and

WHEREAS, said President and the Board of Trustees desires to borrow money for such purposes in the sum of $3,500,000 and to issue negotiable or registered bonds evidencing such indebtedness, and to secure the same by a pledge of the revenues derived from the operation of all dormitories and dining halls, except Bryan Hall, under the control of said President and Trustees, including the dormitories to be constructed and equipped from the proceeds of this issue of bonds, after deducting the reasonable expenses of maintenance and operation of said dormitories, including interest payments on this issue, until all the principal and interest of such bonds shall have been paid. The net revenues from the proposed dormitories and from present dormitories, except Bryan Hall, and dining halls shall be irrevocably pledged to the payment of this issue of bonds in accordance with the schedule of maturities herein set forth, except for the prior liens on such revenues as follows:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Board of Trustees of Ohio University,

"Section 1. That in order to obtain funds for the purpose of constructing and equipping new dormitory buildings, the President and the Board of Trustees of Ohio University shall issue, pursuant to the provisions of said Section 3345.07 of the Revised Code of Ohio, its negotiable or registered bonds in the sum of $3,500,000; said bonds to be designated as Ohio University Dormitory Revenue Bonds; said bonds to be dated July 1, 1955, to be of the denomination of $10,000 each and numbered from 1 to 350 both inclusive; said bonds to mature in their consecutive serial order as follows:

Section 2. Said bonds shall be in substantially the following form:
United States of America
State of Ohio

THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
of
OHIO UNIVERSITY

Athens, Ohio

3% and 3-1/8% Serial

DORMITORY REVENUE BONDS

Dated July 1, 1955

"KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS; that the President and Board of Trustees of Ohio University, Athens, Ohio, hereby acknowledges itself to owe, and for value received, promises to pay to the bearer, but only from the revenues mentioned below, the sum of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS on the First Day of April, 19_, together with interest thereon from the date hereof ** **.

"This bond is one of an issue of 350 serial bonds of like tenor and effect, except as to maturity, and interest rate, numbered from One (1) to Three Hundred Fifty (350) both inclusive, each of said bonds being of the denomination of $10,000, aggregating in amount Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($3,500,000), all of which bonds are of even date herewith and are issued under authority of Section 3345.07 of the Revised Code of Ohio, and pursuant to a resolution duly adopted by said Board of Trustees on the 31 day of March 1955, authorizing an issue of dormitory revenue bonds in the aggregate principal amount of $3,500,000 for the purpose of constructing and equipping new dormitory buildings. All payments of interest on this bond shall be made only out of the gross revenues of all the dormitories and dining halls under the control of said President and Board of Trustees, excepting therefrom Bryan Hall, and additional dormitories and dining halls to be constructed from the proceeds of this issue of bonds.

"All payments of principal on this bond shall be made only from the net revenues of all of the dormitories and dining halls under the control of said President and Board of Trustees of Ohio University, and the additional dormitories and dining halls to be constructed from the proceeds of this issue of bonds, excepting therefrom Bryan Hall.

"Section 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the interest on this issue of bonds, together with that on any other issue outstanding or that may hereafter be issued for dormitory purposes, shall be payable out of the gross revenues from all of the dormitories and dining halls under the control of the President and Board of Trustees of Ohio University, and the additional dormitories and dining halls..."
to be constructed from the proceeds of this issue of bonds excepting therefrom Bryan Hall, and shall be considered to be an operating expense, deductible before determining the amount of net earnings, and that such gross revenues for the purpose of this section and other sections of this resolution shall be held to include all revenues of said dormitories from whatever source derived and the earnings from the operation of all dining halls under the control of said President and Board of Trustees.

"On or before October 1, 1955, and on or before each October 1, and April 1, thereafter, so long as any of the bonds of this issue are outstanding, an amount equal to the next succeeding interest payment shall be deposited in the "Ohio University Dormitory Revenue Bond Issue, of July 1, 1955, Interest and Sinking Fund Account" created in Section 4 hereof. The principal sum of this issue shall be payable from the net earnings from all of said dormitories and dining halls, and the additional dormitories and dining halls to be constructed from the proceeds of this issue of bonds, excepting therefrom Bryan Hall, under the control of said President and Board of Trustees, after deduction of the reasonable expenses of administration and operation, including interest payments and such expenses for maintenance of said dormitories as may be necessary to preserve the same in good repair.

"Section 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to provide for the payment of the principal of the bonds as they respectively mature, in addition to the provisions for interest herein above set forth, the President and Board of Trustees of Ohio University hereby covenants and agrees to deposit with the Athens National Bank, in a fund to be known as 'Ohio University Dormitory Revenue Bond Issue of July 1, 1955, Interest and Sinking Fund Account' on or before the 1st day of October of each year, commencing April 1, 1959, out of the net earnings of said dormitories and dining halls, and the additional dormitories and dining halls to be constructed from this issue of bonds, excepting therefrom Bryan Hall, under the control of the President and Board of Trustees, a sum equal to the next succeeding principal maturity requirement as set forth in the schedule of bond maturities contained in Section 1 hereof,

"Out of the funds on deposit in said 'Ohio University Revenue Bond Issue of July 1, 1955, Interest and Sinking Fund Account', there shall be paid, when due, the interest upon this issue of bonds, also the principal of said bonds, as the same become due and payable. All sums deposited in said account, for the purpose of paying the principal and interest upon the bonds herein authorized, shall be kept in a separate bank account, distinct from all other funds or accounts of the said University, and any money in said fund shall be used only for the payment of principal and interest upon said bonds, and is hereby irrevocably pledged and appropriated for said purpose or purposes.

"Section 6. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that while any of the bonds herein authorized are outstanding, the President and Board of Trustees of Ohio University shall not
issue any additional bonds or other evidence of indebtedness payable from the revenues of all dormitories and dining halls under the control of the President and Board of Trustees, and additional dormitories and dining halls to be constructed from the proceeds of this issue of bonds, excepting therefrom Bryan Hall, unless the lien on the revenues of such dormitories and dining halls, securing the principal of such additional bonds or other evidence of indebtedness, is made junior and subordinate in all respects to the lien securing the bonds herein authorized.

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It is true that the "whereas" clauses at the beginning of the indenture and certain language in the bond form are in general terms, and standing alone might be construed to pledge all of the dormitory revenues under the control of the trustees. However, the specific pledges set out in Sections 3 and 4 of the indenture are to set aside the necessary principal and interest for each semi-annual payment, and to pay over the money so segregated. It is my opinion that any "excess" revenues over those necessary to carry out these specific pledges are available to the trustees for other dormitory purposes.

Needless to say, the above opinion applies only to the bond indenture actually before me and to any other couched in identical terms.

In view of the above, it is therefore my opinion that the President and Trustees of the Ohio University, acting under the provisions of Section 3337.07, Revised Code, and in the exercise of a sound discretion, may pledge the receipts of the operation of any dormitories under their control, not otherwise encumbered, for the purpose of borrowing money to purchase land as a site for future dormitory construction, even though no specific dormitory project is planned at the time of such purchase.

Respectfully yours,

/s/ C. William O'Neill
Attorney General
If the truth and importance of the foregoing statement be not perfectly clear, it is

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Mr. Frederick moved, seconded by Mr. Johnson, that the following letter of commendation be sent to Mr. Russell P. Herrold, President of the Ohio University Alumni Association, in the name of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University.

OHIO UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Athens, Ohio
March 27, 1956

Mr. Russell P. Herrold
1024 Culbertson Avenue
Zanesville, Ohio

Dear Mr. Herrold:

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University on March 27, I was instructed to convey the following in behalf of the President and the Trustees:

We are sorry to learn of the temporary indisposition you are undergoing, and express our most sincere wishes for a speedy and complete recovery. Ohio University cannot afford to lose the services of any of its distinguished sons, even for a short time, and your inability to attend the meetings at this time was keenly noted.

And may we take this opportunity formally to express our great appreciation for all you have done for the University in leading the Alumni Association to record heights of activity and widespread interest. Your example and energy in these many respects have had a profound impression on the Association, and we have come to depend upon it!

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Paul R. O'Brien
Secretary, Board of Trustees

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Our Orient. From the "Olive"...
It was moved by Mr. Hall, and unanimously seconded, that the following memorial in honor of Earl C. Shively be approved and a copy sent to his widow, Mrs. Margaret Shively.

EARL CRANSTON SHIVELY

The Board notes with great regret the passing of one of its recent members, an outstanding friend and alumnus of Ohio University — Earl Cranston Shively — who served two terms as Trustee, twice as Chairman of the Board, a distinguished public servant and member of his profession.

Both before and after his official connections, for many years Mr. Shively "worked for" the institution with such sincerity and success that it has been said "none among those who have loved Ohio University has been more constant, few as constant."

And, further, that "few men or women have as complete and wholesome a concept of the relationship between the University and its alumni." Few have had the understanding of the relationship between the faculty and the student body, between the President and the Trustees, between the University and the State, and between the institution and the public.

A wise counselor, a legal guardian, a sentimentalist for the finer things in university life and action, and a staunch friend of all his associates, Earl Shively's official connection with Ohio University coincided with the turning point in the institution's history. His contributions were invaluable.

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The board notes with great regret the passing of one of its members, who served the community of GIS University with dedication and success.

For the duration of the difficult consequences of such an event, the faculty and students will observe a moment of silence to honor the memory of our loss.

In the meantime, please be assured that our commitment to the educational goals of GIS University remains steadfast.

As a reminder, the next scheduled event will be the graduation ceremony, which will take place on [date].

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

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It was moved by Mr. Hall, and unanimously seconded, that the following
letter relative to Gordon Bush's missing his first meeting of the Board of
Trustees since his appointment in 1929 be sent to Mr. Bush.

March 27, 1956

Mr. Gordon K. Bush
The Athens Messenger
43 West Union Street
Athens, Ohio

Dear Gordon:

You were missed at the March township meeting; every member of the board expressed his sympathy to you and Mrs. Bush, and requested me to write to you. As far as any member could remember, you had never missed a board meeting. They also agreed this was one meeting you should have missed and that it was most thoughtful and wise of you to stay with Mrs. Bush in Baltimore.

The Board requested me to express to you their appreciation for all the time and effort you have devoted to the University in many ways and especially to the building program. We are all deeply in your debt. I too join in sending enthusiastic thanks for all the help you have been to the University and me since I have been in Athens. We hope everything goes well with Isotta.

Cordially,

/s/ John
John C. Baker

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Mr. O'Brien gave a report showing the following balances in the various personal service, maintenance, and rotary accounts as of February 29, 1956

**REPORT FOR MONTH ENDED FEBRUARY 29, 1956**

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The Chairman called for Reports on Old Business in an effort to postpone the Committee Reports until the arrival of Mr. Galbreath.

Mr. Lausche reported that we were now in the process of purchasing television equipment which would enable us to install a closed circuit television system. This equipment had been used for demonstration purposes by the company selling it and we were able to obtain it at a price of $5,750.00.

Mr. Lausche further reported that he believed the acquisition of this equipment would permit Ohio University to hold the television channel assigned to it by the Federal Communications Commission for a while longer.

President Baker reported this installation may be the first step in developing techniques to use television for regular classroom teaching.

President Baker discussed the establishment of a Psychological Service Center at Ohio University. He explained that this Center would serve the public schools, the courts, child welfare bureaus, Ohio University students, and that the cost of this project would not be great. A fee for the service will be established and this Center should furnish a great store of psychological research for our students and faculty.
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The company enjoyed a strong start to the fiscal year with a 15% increase in revenue compared to January of the previous year.
It was moved by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Frederick, that the President be authorized to establish a Psychological Service Center at Ohio University. This motion carried unanimously.

Dean Clark Myers was called in to the meeting to give a report on the Executive Development Program offered for the first time during the summer of 1955. Dean Myers reported that over all the first Executive Development Program had been very successful. The registration was limited to twenty-four men of mature age. The average salary of all members of the class was $12,000.00. Ohio University's Executive Development Program, unlike many others, depended almost entirely upon regular teachers in the College of Commerce at Ohio University. Dean Myers felt this permitted better continuity in the classes and he felt the students got more out of the courses. Dean Myers also pointed out that the experience of the faculty members in teaching this mature class was very stimulating to the faculty and the regular students of the University benefitted by the experience of the faculty. He reported that the direct income from this project exceeded the direct cost by approximately fourteen hundred dollars.

Mr. Hall commented that the Kroger Company was well pleased with the results of the first school and his company was planning to send two participants for the 1956 session.

Mr. McVay reported that the Ohio Farmers Insurance Company was also well pleased with the first school and his company was planning on sending two participants for the next session.

President Baker reported on the summer workshops conducted during the past summer. These workshops have become a big business with a total enrollment during the past summer of 1815 students for workshops lasting from three days to four weeks. This was an increase over the 1954 enrollment of 255 persons. In addition to these summer workshops, the President reported that during the Christmas holidays the Student Volunteer Movement for Christian Missions conference was held on the campus with an enrollment of 3500, representing more than 90 nations. Half of this number of delegates were foreign students studying in the United States.
It has never been fully accepted by the scientific community that the use of psychological services at the university level is an effective method to improve student mental health. However, recent studies have indicated that the inclusion of psychological services can lead to significant improvements in student well-being. These services can provide a range of benefits, including reduced stress, improved academic performance, and enhanced overall quality of life. Therefore, it is important to fully integrate psychological services into the university curriculum.

At City College of New York, the Office of Student Life has taken a proactive approach to addressing student mental health concerns. They have developed a comprehensive program that includes counseling services, workshops, and seminars. The program has been well-received by students, who have reported increased confidence and a greater sense of belonging.

In conclusion, the integration of psychological services into the university curriculum is crucial for the well-being of students. City College of New York's approach serves as a model for other institutions to follow. By prioritizing student mental health, universities can help create a more supportive and healthy environment for all students.
Mr. Frederick asked Mr. Grover to give the report for the Athletic and Public Relations Committee. The total income for football for the year just passed was $40,814.96, as compared to the 1954-55 receipts of $37,396.42; and 1953-54 receipts of $36,785.33. The basketball income for the past year was also higher than the previous year, $7,225.55 compared to the 1954-55 receipts of $5,548.50 and $7,211.51 for 1953-54.

President Baker then asked Mr. Grover to outline the problems faced by our athletic department in recruiting athletes. Mr. Grover pointed out that five of the seven schools in the Mid-American Conference were located in Ohio, and that all these schools were concentrating on obtaining Ohio high school athletes and interesting these athletes in attending their college. This, of course, makes a very competitive situation. Mr. Grover further stated that we are living up to the letter as well as the spirit of the Mid-American Conference rules on recruiting athletes. He further reported that we have had a meeting of our alumni representatives from all over the state and are attempting to get a better alumni organization started in order to aid in recruiting better athletes. We are now awarding 80 board jobs for athletes and next year, with the addition of the new dining hall on the East Green, this will be increased to 90, and the following year, with the addition of another dining hall, we will be awarding 100 board jobs to athletes.

The Chairman then stated that he had heard some remarks to the effect that our athletic department was not doing as good a selling job on prospective athletes as some of the other schools.

Mr. Grover agreed with the Chairman on this statement and reported that steps were being taken to remedy this situation by the athletic department.

President Baker pointed out that evidently the number of prospective athletes entering Ohio University has not kept pace with the increase in the overall university enrollment.
Mr. Frederick volunteered to come to Athens and sit in with the coaches and see what plans could be worked out for doing a better selling job on prospective athletes.

Mr. Johnson reported for the faculty relations Committee. There are some former members of the faculty who feel that they should be included in the supplemental retirement plan approved by the Board of Trustees at their last meeting. Mrs. Maxie C. Matthews and Mrs. C. M. Martzolff are two former members who have expressed this feeling.

There was a general discussion regarding Mrs. Matthews’ and Mrs. Martzolff’s eligibility for supplemental retirement. Mr. Johnson agreed to bring in definite recommendations on these cases at the next meeting of the Board of Trustees.

President Baker reported that the salary ranges for the faculty at Ohio University were a little less than some of the other state universities. He hoped that we would be able to correct this on next year’s salary schedule, and that we believe we can make an average increase of a little over four hundred dollars next year. This increase will keep our various faculty ranks within the salary schedule approved by the Trustees at last year’s March meeting.

President Baker then reported that Mr. A. C. Gubitz has done an excellent job in setting up and running our Branch Schools for the past ten years. Mr. Gubitz also successfully directed the Sesquicentennial Scholarship Fund drive, and has generally been doing a great job for Ohio University. The President recommended that Mr. Gubitz be appointed Dean of Off-Campus Branches as this would add prestige to the Branches.

It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hall, that a new position known as Dean of Off Campus Branches be created and that Mr. A. C. Gubitz be appointed to fill this position. This motion carried unanimously.

President Baker then reported that he had established a new Promotion, Salary, and Tenure Committee, of which Dean Seigfred is chairman, consisting of the academic deans of the University, to make recommendations on salaries, promotions, and tenure for the faculty. The President further reported that he had named Dean Elliott Chairman of the old Budget Committee which would continue to allocate funds to the various departments as it has in the past, but the salaries paid to the various faculty members will now be taken care of by the committee on promotion, salary and tenure.
Mr. O'Brien reported for the Finance Committee that the Loan application filed with the Housing and Home Finance Agency of the Federal Government is still on file. No further steps have been taken awaiting the obtaining of necessary ground for the construction of these dormitories.

Mr. Hall reported for the Library Committee that as various departments move into the field of granting advanced degrees, additional expenditures for the purchase of special books will be necessary. He pointed out that nearly $3,000 has been spent during the last two years on the chemistry section of the library in order to bring it up to a point where advanced degrees could be given in chemistry. Similar expenditures in other fields will be coming up as the departments prepare to grant advanced degrees. The most urgent need at the present time in the library is the correction of the lighting in the large reading room, and this should be taken care of immediately.

Mr. Hall moved, seconded by Mr. Johnson that the lighting in the Library be corrected as soon as possible. This motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hall then suggested that in the light of the expanding university it might be well for the Building Committee to consider the possibility of converting the present Library building into a classroom building and constructing a new Library on the hill between the East Green and the main campus, so that the students could enter both from the top of the hill and the East Green.

This brought up a discussion of the location of the Galbreath Chapel. It was pointed out that Mr. Perry, the architect on the Chapel, and Mr. A. C. Denison of the Ohio University Department of Architecture who had the location of the Chapel, both agreed with the Committee of the Board of Trustees who had recommended that the Chapel be located in the area between Memorial Auditorium and Ellis Hall.

It was then moved by Mr. Hall and seconded by Mr. Frederick that the Galbreath Memorial Chapel be located in the area between Memorial Auditorium and Ellis Hall. This motion passed unanimously.
At this point Mr. Zoyd M. Flaler, Director of Public Works, Mr. G. E. Strauss of the Department of Public Works, and Mr. Wilbur Zoll, Secretary of the Capital Planning Board, arrived to discuss the plans and specifications for Dormitory No. 11, and the Physical Education Indoor Practice Building. Mr. Flaler pointed out that the location of the Indoor Practice Building had been flooded fifteen times in the last thirty-nine years, or once about every fourth year. He recommended that a three or four foot fill be placed under this building and this would eliminate most of the flooding. He further pointed out that he was not too worried about this particular building flooding, but our future plans showed the large physical education building located adjacent to this building, and it would probably be built on the same level. If this building was not raised the basement of the large physical education building when built would be flooded quite often.

At this point the Board of Trustees recessed for lunch at President Baker's residence.

Mr. John Galbreath arrived at this time and the meeting reconvened at 2:05 p.m. with the representatives from the Department of Public Works and the Capital Planning Committee present.

After a further discussion of the construction of these buildings, it was moved by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Johnson, and unanimously carried, that the Board of Trustees of Ohio University, fully realizing the possibility of high water flooding the basement parking area in Dormitory No. 11, request the Director of Public Works to proceed with the advertising for this building as it is presently designed because they feel the slight inconvenience caused by the possibility of periodic flooding is more than offset by the parking facilities furnished and the revenue produced.
There followed a discussion of the location of the Physical Education Indoor Practice Building. The advantages and disadvantages of raising this building three or four feet was thoroughly discussed, and it was finally decided to have Mr. Lausche and Mr. Flaler consult with Mr. James E. Allan of Cincinnati, Ohio, who is the architect on the proposed Physical Education Building, and that the Board would accept their decision on whether to fill the area where the Indoor Practice Building is located three or four feet or leave it at its present elevation.

President Baker then reported that the plans and specifications for the addition to Engineering Science Building had not yet been completed by the State Architect's Office, but were expected in the very near future. He reported that the Commerce Building was progressing on schedule and would be ready for occupancy by September 1956.

It was then reported that Dormitory No. 8 was in the process of construction, but it was doubtful whether it would be available by September 1956, or not.

President Baker then reported that the Director of Public Works had approved the rehabilitation of the old Service Building and the rehabilitation of the former Athens Ice and Storage Company buildings to be done by force account and that those projects would be ready by September 1956.

Mr. O'Brien reported on the Appropriations received in HB 942 at the Special Session of the Legislature.

1. Purchase of Athens Ice and Storage for a Service and Storage Bldg. $ 75,000
2. Alterations to Athens Ice and Storage and to convert our present Service Building to an Industrial Arts Laboratory
3. Land Purchases (for building sites) 340,000
4. College of Education Building (Classrooms, Laboratories, Offices) 1,000,000
5. Completing and equipping the College of Commerce Building 61,600
6. Completing and Equipping College of Engineering Building 30,889
7. Plans for Physical Education Building (Classrooms, Laboratories, Offices) 54,600
8. Plans for Life Science Building (Classrooms, Laboratories, Offices) 43,528

Total Ohio University $1,740,617
It was then reported that the Director of Public Works has recommended the following architects for the projects indicated:

Potter, Tyler, Martin and Roth, Cincinnati, Ohio, for the College of Education Classroom building

Mr. James E. Allan, Cincinnati, Ohio, for the Physical Education Building

Mr. George S. Voinovich, Cleveland, Ohio, for the Life Science Building

The land purchases were then discussed and the E. R. Lash acreage on the west side of Richland Avenue was reported on by Mr. Grover. He reported that Mr. Lash had refused to consider the $700 per acre authorized at the last meeting of the Board of Trustees, and Mr. Lash stated that he did not want to sell his acreage.

After a general discussion, it was then moved by Mr. Galbreath, seconded by Mr. Frederick, that Mr. Lash be offered not to exceed $1,000 per acre for the acreage owned by him on the west side of Richland Avenue. This motion carried unanimously.

The Board then considered the question of the acquisition of the E. R. Lash property, consisting of about 13 acres on the west side of Richland Avenue in the event Mr. Lash did not accept $1,000 per acre offer. It was the opinion of the Board that the acquisition of this property was essential to the future development of a Dormitory area as there is no other site available without the purchase of many houses and lots which would be very expensive for this development.

It was the opinion of the Board of Trustees that the acquisition of this property is essential at this time in order to meet the anticipated enrollment increase within the next few years. After a full discussion, it was moved by Mr. Galbreath, seconded by Mr. Frederick, that the following resolution be adopted:

THAT the Director of Public Works of Ohio be instructed to commence proceedings to appropriate the E. R. Lash 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 this property is $700 per acre. On a roll call vote the following votes are recorded: Mr. Galbreath, Yes; Mr. Johnson, Yes; Mr. Frederick, Yes; Mr. Hall, Yes; and the Chairman recorded his vote as yes.

Mr. Hall then moved, seconded by Mr. Galbreath, that the following properties be purchased at the prices indicated: Alpha Xi Delta property on Church Street, $6,000; The Ethel Brown and Henry Mergler property on Richland Ave., at a price of $18,000; Dewey and Eileen Dailey property, 16 Wolfe St., for $9,000; the Albert W. Smith property, Richland Ave., $13,000; a lot belonging to the Athens City School Board on the rear of East Union Street, for $1,100. This motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Johnson then moved, seconded by Mr. Hall that the administrative officers of the University obtain options on the four properties located on Richland Ave. in front of the E. R. Lash acreage to be presented at the next meeting of the Board of Trustees. This motion carried unanimously.

At this point Mr. Galbreath, Mr. Hall and Mr. Frederick were forced to leave the meeting to meet other commitments.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees was set for Friday June 8 at 10 a.m. and it was suggested that all members of the Board attempt to arrive in Athens on Thursday evening for an informal discussion before the Board meeting.

Now due to a lack of a quorum, the meeting was adjourned.