MINUTES -- OHIO UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting June 5, 1959

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Trustees' Room, Cutler Hall, Athens, Ohio, on Friday, June 5, 1959, at 8:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Fred H. Johnson with the following members present: Messrs. Harvey B. Jordan, John W. Galbreath, Gordon K. Bush, C. Don McVay, and C. Paul Stocker. Mr. Joseph B. Hall was absent, and came in for the meeting Saturday morning.

In addition to the members of the Board of Trustees the following were present: President John C. Baker, Brandon T. Grover, L. F. Lamsche, Dwight Rutherford, Donald K. David and Paul R. O'Brien.

President Baker was called upon for his report. The President reported that the recommendations submitted by the Ohio Commission for Education Beyond the High School will be supported by Governor Disalle and the Democratic members of the legislature.

The President reported that he had appeared before the Senate Education Committee on a bill that proposed to establish technical institutes or junior colleges in Ohio. The President does not favor the establishment of this type of educational institutions under our present State Board of Education; they should be under a Board of Higher Education.

The President reported that the University's relations with Governor Disalle were good and would no doubt be improved as the Governor became more familiar with our problems.

The President further reported that the first earned Ph.D. degree would be awarded to Joseph Denham at Sunday's graduation exercises. We are moving into the other graduate programs and they are being accepted generally in educational circles. The President reported that we reevaluate our course offerings about every year and try to better utilize our faculty by having larger classes and discontinuing courses that have small enrollments. However, there are certain courses such as Latin, Greek, etc. that must be offered and these courses tend to be rather expensive.
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Meeting July 17, 1969

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Trustees' Room, Office Hall, at 8:30 a.m. Under the call of the President, the following were present:

The President reported the following members of the Board of Trustees were present:

President John C. Bixler, President of Ohio University, in the absence of the President, the Vice-President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer, and the following members of the Board of Trustees were present:

Mr. Robert J. Standing, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and Mr. William J. O'Brien, Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

The President reported that the Board of Trustees has met and considered the financial statements of the University and has approved the budget for the current fiscal year.

The President also reported that the University has entered into an agreement with the State of Ohio for the construction of a new academic building.

The President further reported that the Board of Trustees has approved the appointment of Mr. John W. Smith as the new President of the University.

The President concluded his report by stating that the Board of Trustees is committed to the continued success of the University and that it will work diligently to ensure that the University remains a leader in higher education.

The President then adjourned the meeting.

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A new academic building will be constructed at the University, with the Board of Trustees' approval. The Board also approved the appointment of Mr. John W. Smith as the new President of the University.
High educational standards are the key to the future of every university. Ohio University must still accept all graduates of Ohio high schools, but we are urging the lower forth of the high school graduating classes to commence their higher education either in summer school, or in the spring semester. By doing this these students will be able to obtain more individual help from the faculty and they will also have a smaller financial investment in education in the event they are unable to proceed with higher education. This will also permit us to use our dormitory facilities more efficiently.

The President pointed out that the requirement of the English Proficiency Test has been a big help in keeping our standards high at Ohio University.

The President reported that we anticipate a rather substantial salary increase for the faculty this year. The increases will consist of three categories, (a) a cost of living increase, (b) a merit increase, and (c) an adjustment to bring their previous salaries in line with what they should have been.

The President reported that 35 more small Research Projects have been started since our last report on Research, and the first edition of the Ohio University Review has been published. The members of the Board were presented with a copy of the first edition of the Ohio University Review.

The President reported that the expansion of our curricula at Ohio University is about ended; however, we are thinking of establishing a small School of Architecture to replace the course in Architectural Engineering.

Our need for acquiring real estate is still urgent in spite of the properties we have acquired in the past. The future enrollment of Ohio University might depend upon the number of dormitories available for students.

The President then reported that the first Distinguished Faculty award would be announced at Sunday's graduation. The awards are made in accordance with the action of the Board of Trustees taken at their April 14 meeting. He further reported that our Fine Arts program is exceptionally good; however, we should try to obtain some fine original paintings by famous artists; also the need for an organ in Memorial Auditorium is urgent.
The President then suggested that we think and plan on the establishment of two cooperative scholarship houses. This type of housing would tend to offset the rising cost of attending a State University, and would benefit gifted students who are not financially able to enter college.

The President listed the following minor projects for the next two years: (1) the completion of the Bronze Tablet; (2) a new gateway at the College Street entrance to the campus. At this point the President showed a drawing by Mr. Perry, the architect on the Chapel, for a proposed gateway; (3) the widening of University Terrace street and sidewalks, etc.; (4) a sidewalk on the south side of East Union Street; (5) underground wiring on the East Green; (6) a better plan of disposing of the trash on the East Green.

The President reported that his main objective was to keep Ohio University a quality institution. If this is done it will affect the flow of students to Ohio University. He pointed out that our Ph.D. program and our international program are helpful in establishing a quality institution.

Mr. Bush was called upon for the report of the building projects. Mr. Bush reported that the contract for the Hard Surfaced Runway on the University Air Port had been awarded to E. K. Bridge Construction Co. of Toledo, Ohio, with a base contract of $166,546.57. This will provide for a cement runway 75 feet wide, and 3500 feet long, as recommended by the Civil Aeronautics Division.

Mr. Bush reported that Roy D. Rowland had attempted to obtain an injunction in the Common Pleas Court of Athens County to stop us from proceeding with the construction of the Hard Surfaced Runway. A hearing on this injunction was held and action was postponed, until it could be determined whether the plaintiff would suffer any damage.

Mr. Bush called the Board's attention to the following properties upon which we have options as indicated. He requested that the Board take no action on these properties at this time, but be familiar with them in order to use them on a tour to be taken the following morning.
(1) The Roach property located at 25 and 25½ Richland Avenue, consisting of two houses, a lot 60 by 150 feet; option price of $25,000; appraised price made in May 1956 of $15,000;

(2) the Jones property at 33 Richland Avenue, consisting of a house and a lot 160 by 150 feet, plus two and one-half acres of bottom land; option price of $50,000; appraised price of $25,000;

(3) the Stansbury property located at 35 Richland Avenue, consisting of a house and a restaurant building on a lot 120 by 150 feet; option price of $25,000; appraised price of $20,500; (4) the Tribe property located at 15 Church Street, consisting of a house that has been converted to apartments; on a lot 37 by 127 feet, plus 3/4 of an acre of flat land adjoining the elementary school playground; option price $55,000;

(5) the James property located at 85 Mill Street, consisting of a house and lot; option price of $13,500.

Mr. Bush requested the Trustees to keep these options in mind when the tour of the campus is made the next morning.

Mr. Bush then reported for the Inter-University Relations Committee. He reported that exceptionally fine relations now exist between the Ohio College Association and the State Universities.

The Chairman requested action on the minutes of the April 14, 1959 meeting of the Board. It was moved by Mr. Galbreath, seconded by Mr. Jordan, and unanimously passed that the minutes of the meeting of April 14 be approved as distributed by the Secretary.

The Secretary reported on the Will of Robert F. Bishop, who left a residuary bequest to Ohio University which at the present market value of the stocks is approximately $75,000. This bequest was to establish a Student Loan Fund. It was moved by Mr. Galbreath, seconded by Mr. Jordan, and unanimously carried, that the bequest be accepted by the Board of Trustees of Ohio University and that the Executor and Administrator be so notified.
The Secretary presented the following financial report on the Appropriation Accounts.

MONTHLY REPORT
for
Month Ended May 31, 1959

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Mr. Grover reported for the Athletic and Public Relations Committee. He reported that our baseball team tied for the Mid-American Championship; the golf team won the Mid-American Championship for the 9th time in the last twelve years; and our track team finished second in the Mid-American track meet. The Tennis team had a record of two wins and 6 defeats. Mr. Grover reported that the Inter-Collegiate Athletic Department was having difficulty operating the department with the addition of several new sports; such as, ice hockey, soccer, and a rifle team, with the allocations they now receive from the student activity fee. It was recommended that an additional $1.50 per semester be allocated from the Athletic, Lecture, and Entertainment Fees to the Athletic Department. This makes an allocation now of $5.75 per semester.

It was moved by Mr. Galbreath, seconded by Mr. Jordan, and unanimously carried, that the allocation to the athletic department from the A.L.E. fees be increased from $4.25 to $5.75 per semester, and that the total A.L.E. fee be increased from $8.00 to $9.50 per semester, effective at registration time for the fall semester of 1959-1960.
The Secretary transmits the following interim report on the reprogramming activity:

**MONTOUR REPORT**

North Eastern Key, 2023

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**TOTAL**

$88,067,140

The Secretary recommends an Appropriation of $88,067,140. The Secretary recommends the proposal be adopted by the Committee. If this recommendation is adopted, the proposal will be presented at the next meeting of the Committee.
President Baker recommended that the Trustees allocate an additional $5,000 from the overhead in our Research Projects to the Research Committee with the understanding that this was to cover a research project developed by Professor McQuate, and others.

It was moved by Mr. Jordan, seconded by Mr. Stocker, and unanimously carried, that the allocation of $5,000 to the Research Committee from Research Overhead to be approved.

At 10:15 p.m. the meeting was recessed until the next morning at 8:30 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m., after a tour of the campus was made by the entire Board of Trustees. In addition to the members present on June 5, Mr. Joseph B. Hall was present.

Mr. Bush was called upon for recommendations on the naming of the new buildings, and other buildings not not named other than their functional name.

Mr. Bush submitted the following recommendations:

The dormitory under construction on East Green to be named Lincoln Hall.

The new life science building, which will be completed before the fall semester in 1959, to be named after Dr. James P. Porter.

The future wing on the life science building to be named after William F. Mercer.

The men's gymnasium, after the conversion into a classroom building, to be named Bentley Hall, after William B. Bentley.

Old science hall located on President Street to be named after J. R. Morton, and called Morton Hall.

Mr. Bush moved, seconded by Mr. Galbreath, that this report be accepted. It was unanimously accepted.

Mr. Hall was called upon for a report of the Faculty Relations Committee. He recommended that Miss Mary Ward be elected Assistant Professor of Education Emerita. This motion was seconded by Mr. Jordan, and unanimously passed.
Mr. Hall recommended that the Director of the Health Service, Dr. Eleanora L. Schmidt, who has reached the age of 65 be granted an extension of one year in her present position. Mr. Jordan seconded this motion, and it was unanimously passed.

Mr. Hall presented a proposal submitted by a group of the faculty members recommending the establishment of a Faculty Senate. This proposal was tabled for future consideration.

Paul Stocker reported that he had been giving a lot of thought to the proposed Visiting Committee for the College of Applied Science. He presented the following names that are under consideration for appointment to this committee.

- John D. Coleman of the Frigidaire Division of General Motors Incorporated
- Gordon Herrold of Anchor Hocking Glass Company
- Barton Hall, Chairman of the Commonwealth Telephone Company
- Grosvenor S. McKee, Vice-President—Works Manager of Talon Manufacturing Corporation
- G. H. Pringle of the Meade Paper Company
- Robert L. Shetler of the General Electric Corporation
- John I. Young of the United States Steel Company
- Charles Van de Carr of the Meade Paper Corporation

There was a general discussion of the duties of the members of this committee and the benefits that could be obtained from their experience and knowledge.

Mr. Donald K. David, Vice-chairman of the Board of the Ford Foundation, who has had considerable experience with Visiting Committees at the Harvard Business School, was called upon for comments relative to the establishment of this committee.

Mr. David reported that his experience with a Visiting Committee at the Harvard Business School was fine. They do not interfere with the Trustees and are purely an advisory committee and they report to the Trustees. He reported that they were particularly valuable in getting the interest of influential people who could make a great contribution to the engineering school either financially or through their knowledge. Mr. David recommended that this committee report at least once a year to the Trustees of the University. No further action was taken on this committee at this time.
The Secretary presented several letters relative to the 700 acres, more or less, of government lands located near Chillicothe that might be available as a gift to Ohio University. The Board reviewed the correspondence between Ohio University and the Department of Health, Education and Welfare; the General Services Administration; and the State Department of Education for Property Utilization.

It was moved by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Galbreath, that the Board of Trustees, having determined that we have no plans or prospects of obtaining building funds for the purpose of constructing Branch Buildings in the next two years, and since the Attorney General has ruled that a political sub-division cannot obtain property for deferred use, take no further action relative to the acquisition of this land.

Mr. Bush presented the following options:

1. The Roach property located at 25 and 25 1/2 Richland Avenue, consisting of two houses, on a 46 x 150 foot lot, at a price of $25,000.

   After a general discussion Mr. Galbreath moved, seconded by Mr. Hall, and unanimously carried, that this option be exercised.

2. An option was presented on the Jones property located at 33 Richland Avenue, consisting of a house, on a 46 by 150 foot lot and approximately 2 1/2 acres of bottom land adjoining, for $50,000. After a general discussion of this property it was moved by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Bush, and unanimously carried, that Mr. Jones be offered $30,000 for this property, and if this is not acceptable, that steps be taken to request the Director of Public Works to commence condemnation proceedings.

3. An option was presented on the Standsbury property located at 35 Richland Avenue, consisting of a house and restaurant building, located on a 42 by 150 foot lot, for $25,000. After a general discussion, it was moved by Mr. Bush, seconded by Mr. Hall, and unanimously carried, that this property be purchased for $25,000.
4. An option was presented on the Tribe property located on Church Street, and another option for the James property, located on Mill Street. There was a general discussion of these properties, and it was moved by Mr. Galbreath, seconded by Mr. Hall, and unanimously carried that the Administrative Officers of Ohio University obtain an unbiased appraisal of these properties, and the Administrative Officers be authorized to purchase them, after the appraisal, at a price not to exceed 10% in excess of the appraised price.

Mr. Bush reported that in his opinion the possibility of exchanging University property located on East State Street with the Athens City School Board for their property located at the rear of Rufus Putnam School and the College of Education Building, where the Athens High School Athletic Plant is located, be explored and a report be brought in at the fall meeting of the Board of Trustees; and the Administrative Officers explore the possibility of obtaining the property located on University Terrace and Park Place, known as the Wash-A-Teria, and Tom's Restaurant, and report to the Board of Trustees at the fall meeting.

The Chairman called for the election of Officers.

Mr. Jordan nominated Gordon K. Bush for Chairman of the Board for the year 1959-1960. This nomination was unanimously seconded, and Mr. Bush was declared elected Chairman.

Mr. Jordan nominated Joseph B. Hall as Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the year 1959-1960. This nomination was unanimously seconded and Mr. Hall was declared elected Vice-Chairman.

Mr. Hall nominated John C. Baker as President of Ohio University for the year 1959-1960. This nomination was unanimously seconded and President John C. Baker was declared elected.

Mr. Hall nominated Paul R. O'Brien as Secretary of the Board of Trustees for the year 1959-1960. This nomination was unanimously seconded and Mr. O'Brien was declared elected.

Mr. Galbreath moved that the salary for the President for the year 1959-1960 shall be $25,000 plus $5,000 expense allowance. Mr. Hall seconded, and this was unanimously passed.
The Chairman called the roll of members for comment.

Mr. David reported that he had not been in Athens since 1933, and that he was greatly impressed with the changes that have occurred since then. He was particularly impressed with the quality of the buildings, the quality of the faculty, and the quality of the student body. He further noted that a first-rate faculty and a first-class student body are necessary in order to have a distinguished university.

Mr. Galbreath moved, and it was unanimously seconded, that the Chairman be commended for the time he has given to his job this year and the fine job he accomplished.

The Chairman thanked all of the members of the Board for their fine cooperation and declared the meeting to be adjourned.

Chairman

Paul R. O'Brien, Secretary, Board of Trustees