

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF OHIO UNIVERSITY
2:00 P.M., TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1971
AT THE ATHLETIC CLUB, COLUMBUS, OHIO

Purpose of the Meeting

The meeting was called to consider a resolution establishing a new fee schedule effective for Fall Quarter 1971-72.

Attendance

Members present were Duncan M. Baxter, Chairman, Fred H. Johnson, William R. Morris, Wayne E. Brown, and Mrs. J. Wallace Phillips. Others present were President Claude R. Sowle, Treasurer John F. Milar, and Secretary of the Board Robert E. Mahn. This constitutes a quorum.

Announcement of New Trustee

Chairman Baxter reported a call from Governor John Gilligan announcing the appointment of Dr. Charles E. Holzer, Jr. of Gallipolis, Ohio, as a new member of the Board replacing Fred W. Crow. He expressed pleasure at the appointment and said that Dr. Holzer would be invited to the campus for orientation and assigned immediately to the Budget, Finance and Physical Plant Committee of the Board.

Committee Structure, 1971-72

Chairman Baxter announced committee structure for 1971-72 as follows:

Budget, Finance and
Physical Plant

Morris, Chr.
Brown
Holzer

Educational
Policies

Johnson, Chr.
Kennedy
Phillips

Board-
Administration

Baxter, Chr.
Stocker
Casto

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Minutes of the June 11, 1971 Meeting

Chairman Baxter announced that, since this was a special meeting, the minutes of the June 11, 1971 meeting would be considered for approval at the September 13, 1971 meeting.

Consideration of New Fee Schedule

President Sowle was invited by Chairman Baxter to present background information on the proposal. President Sowle explained the reasons for the proposed increase, indicating that, should the increase be approved, an explanation would be presented to students and parents in a letter that would accompany the Fall Quarter fee statement. (See Attachment A for letter that was sent.) He explained that the request for Board action had been delayed to this date in the hope that legislation would obviate the need for increases. In concluding his comments, President Sowle called attention to the likelihood of increased assistance to students from low income families through increased appropriations to the Ohio Instructional Grants Program.

President Sowle said that Student Governing Board had not subscribed to the need for a fee increase, in contrast to the Deans' Council, Senior Administrators, Directors of Branch campuses, and the Executive Committees of the Graduate Student Council, Faculty Senate, and Administrative Senate, who reluctantly endorsed the need for increased fees.

Mr. Milar was invited by Chairman Baxter to present details of the proposal (Attachment B). He outlined the need for the increase and listed some of the imponderables which make tenuous the small reserve built into the income projection based on the proposed increase. He then read the Resolution.

The Resolution

RESOLVED: That the following quarterly schedule of fees, as further detailed on Schedule A, be adopted for the Athens and branch campuses of Ohio University effective at the beginning of the Fall Quarter, 1971-72, subject to appropriate ratification by the Ohio Board of Regents, and provided the adoption of such schedule does not conflict with any legislative provisions with respect to fees which subsequently may be adopted by the 109th General Assembly, State of Ohio:

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Instructional Fee

Undergraduate \$200

Graduate \$250

General Fee

Athens Campus \$.50

Branch Campuses \$ 30

Non-Resident Tuition
Surcharge

Undergraduate &
Graduate \$400

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PROPOSED FEES 1971-72

(Effective Fall Quarter)

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Allowable In House Bill 475</u>	<u>Proposed Fees 1971-72</u>	<u>Proposed Increase</u>
<u>Undergraduate Fees</u> (11-18 Hours Inclusive)				
Athens Campus:				
Instructional Fee	\$ 170	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 30
General Fee	50	50	50	-0-
Non-Resident Tuition Surcharge	350	400	400	50
Branch Campuses:				
Instructional Fee	\$ 150	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 50
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Hourly Rates (Part-time & Excess Hours):				
Athens Campus:				
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Instructional & General Fee	\$ 17	\$ 23	\$ 21	\$ 4
Non-Resident Tuition Surcharge	30	35	35	5
<u>Graduate Fees</u> (9-16 Hours Inclusive)				
Instructional Fee	\$ 170	\$ 400	\$ 250	\$ 80
General Fee	50	50	50	-0-
Non-Resident Tuition Surcharge	350	600	400	50
Hourly Rates (Part-time & Excess Hours):				
Instructional & General Fee	\$ 24	\$ 50	\$ 33	\$ 9
Non-Resident Tuition Surcharge	38	67	44	6

Action on the Resolution

Mr. Morris, Chairman of the Budget, Finance and Physical Plant Committee, said that the Committee had reviewed the Resolution, and unanimously, although reluctantly, recommended its adoption, which he moved. Mr. Brown seconded the motion.

Discussion

Mr. Dean Custin, a student representing Student Governing Board, urged the Board to state to the Legislature that it could not endorse further increases in fees, and to again request greater subsidy and lobby for increased appropriations.

President Sowle thanked Mr. Custin for appearing at the meeting. He outlined the efforts made to date with the Legislature and assured him of a continued effort. He stated that, realistically, hopes were slim for an increased appropriations measure.

In response to Mr. Custin's comments about continuing increases, President Sowle said that for undergraduates we appear to be locked into the proposed fee schedule for a two-year period. For graduate students, this is not definite.

The Vote

The vote to adopt the resolution was unanimous.

Miscellaneous

Mr. Custin urged Board support of House Bill 352, which provides for the addition of students and faculty to Boards of Trustees, as a means of increasing contact between Boards and students. In lieu of legislation, he urged that students be permitted to sit with the Board. Chairman Baxter thanked him for his suggestions.

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OHIO UNIVERSITY
ATHENS, OHIO 45701

OFFICE OF THE TREASURER
CUTLER HALL

August 4, 1971

To Ohio University Students and Parents:

Enclosed is your statement of fees for the Fall quarter. This bill reflects the following quarterly increases in our instructional fees approved yesterday by the University's Board of Trustees: Undergraduate students, Athens campus, \$30 (from \$170 to \$200); undergraduate students, branch campuses, \$50 (from \$150 to \$200); graduate students, \$80 (from \$170 to \$250); surcharge for non-resident students (in addition to applicable basic fee, above), \$50 (from \$350 to \$400).

I wish to outline for you the circumstances that led to the decision to increase fees:

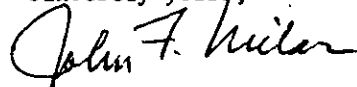
* Last February, following months of intensive effort by hundreds of persons within the University community, our Board of Trustees received and approved a budget for the 1971-72 academic year. It was truly an austerity budget, reflecting significant expenditure reductions in a number of categories. At the same time, the budget realistically recognized that the University, just as you and I, would have to absorb substantial cost increases in a great many areas in the year ahead. The budget also acknowledged the fact that, unless we were willing to downgrade seriously the quality of the programs and services we offer to our students, the University would need more money during the coming year.

* It was our hope that all of the additional financial support needed would come from the Ohio Legislature and, as most of you know, we have been working very hard for nearly five months to achieve that goal. It now appears, however, that the many and varied demands upon the Legislature for increased appropriations are simply too great, in the view of the legislators, to meet fully the demonstrated needs of our universities. Therefore, in recognition of the financial plight facing higher education, pending legislation authorizes the universities to increase their income by raising fees within prescribed limits. With great reluctance, we have concluded that we have no realistic alternative but to exercise that option, although we have not, in every instance, gone to the maximum fee level contemplated by the Legislature. (Our fee action, we realize, falls heavily upon the out-of-state student. This is because pending legislation eliminates the \$1,350,000 annual subsidy Ohio University has received from the Legislature in each of the past two years in support of non-resident students.)

* As you probably are aware, many of our state universities, in recent months, have announced fee increases for the coming year. We, however, have elected to delay action on fees in the hope that increases might be avoided. Unfortunately, we no longer consider that hope realistic, and therefore, although the legislative process is not yet complete, we are sending you the enclosed statement reflecting increased fees. We do so at this time, in accordance with our normal billing schedule, in order to give you as much advance notice as possible and also to avoid the expense and confusion of a second billing following final legislative action.

I wish to close on a somewhat more optimistic note. It now appears that Ohio college students from low and middle income families will be helped greatly by an anticipated \$15,000,000 annual legislative appropriation in support of the Ohio Instructional Grants Program. This is approximately three times the amount expended by the State last year to aid needy students.

Sincerely yours,



John F. Milner
Treasurer

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(Attachment B)

OHIO UNIVERSITY
INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE July 28, 1971

TO The Ohio University Board of Trustees

FROM John F. Milar, Treasurer

John F. Milar

SUBJECT Fee Schedule 1971-72

Confirming our recent telephone conversations, there will be a special meeting of the Board at the Columbus Athletic Club on Tuesday, August 3. There will be a private luncheon meeting of the Board beginning at noon, to be followed by a public meeting beginning at 2 p.m.

Attached for your review prior to the meeting is a proposed resolution establishing a new fee schedule effective the Fall Quarter 1971-72.

Additional attachments include the following:

- Schedule A - Proposed Fees 1971-72
- Schedule B - Analysis of Incremental Income Increases
- Schedule C - Analysis of Incremental Income Decreases
- Schedule D - Summary of Incremental Income
- Schedule E - Assumptions

When the 1971-72 Operating Budget was adopted by the Board on February 22, 1971, the basic assumption concerning income was that \$3,317,215 would be generated either through increases in State appropriations, increases in numbers of students, increases in fees, or some combination of these factors. The proposed schedule in combination with the proposed appropriation bill provides these dollars plus \$601,577, which could be utilized to meet income needs during 1972-73.

The attached proposal and various alternative fee structures have been reviewed carefully by the Senior Administrators and by President Sowle. Reluctantly, although unanimously, we urge adoption of the fee structure proposed here.

If there is additional information needed concerning this proposal, please let me know.

JFM:pjk

cc: President C. R. Sowle

Attachments

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ANALYSIS OF INCREMENTAL INCOME DECREASES

		<u>F.T.E.</u>	x	<u>Rate</u>	=	<u>Incremental Income Decrease</u>
<u>Athens Campus</u>						
Fees - Non-Resident	Fall	500	x	\$1,710	=	\$ (855,000)
	Winter	50	x	1,140	=	(57,000)
	Spring	50	x	570	=	(28,500)
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						\$ (940,500)
 <u>Graduate Students</u>						
Fees - Non-Resident	Fall	-0-	x	\$1,710	=	\$ (-----)
	Winter	12	x	1,140	=	(13,680)
	Spring	12	x	570	=	(6,840)
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						\$ (20,520)
 TOTAL DECREASE						 \$ (961,020)
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ANALYSIS OF INC

Analysis

	<u>Fall</u> <u>Quarter</u>
<u>Athens Campus</u>	
Undergraduate Registration Fees	14,388
Non-Resident - Tuition Surcharge (1970-71)	4,000
Less Loss Due to Current Enrollment Projection	500
Less Loss Due to Fee Increase	-
	<u>3,500</u>
Resident Credit Registration Fees	494
Resident Credit - Part-time - Registration Fees	2,460
<u>Graduate Students</u>	
Registration Fees	222
Fee Waiver - No Effect	600
Registration Fees - Part-time	4,110
Non-Resident - Tuition Surcharge	241
Loss Due to Fee Increase	-
	<u>241</u>
<u>Branch Campuses</u>	
Registration Fees	2,552
Registration Fees - Part-time	12,750

TOTAL INCREMENTAL INCOME PER SCHEDULE B

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DUE TO APPROPRIATION INCREASE AND FEE INCREASES

	<u>Actual 1970-71</u>	<u>Proposed 1971-72*</u>	<u>Incremental Increase (Decrease)</u>
APPROPRIATION INCREMENT:			
Athens Campus	\$16,642,047	\$19,659,000	
Nonresident	1,350,000	-----	
Branches	1,461,001	1,781,400	
Academic Center	108,000	105,000	
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TOTAL	\$19,561,048	\$21,545,400	\$ 1,984,352
FEE INCREASES:			
From Schedule B		\$ 2,895,460	
Less Loss from Schedule C		(961,020)	
Net Fee Increases		<hr/>	\$ 1,934,440
Total Incremental Income			<hr/> \$ 3,918,792
Estimate Needed to Meet 1971-72 Budget**			<hr/> 3,317,215
Excess Available for 1972-73			<hr/> <hr/> \$ 601,577

*New rates proposed in House Bill 477 included.

**Based on budget approved by Trustees February 22, 1971.

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ASSUMPTIONSAthens Campus

1. Used Fall Quarter 1971-72 F.T.E. estimates as submitted to the Board of Regents plus 3,500 non-resident undergraduate students.
2. Resident credit enrollment split 75% full-time, 25% part-time. Part-time resident credit calculated on 15 hours to one F.T.E.
3. All items factored at a 5% attrition from Fall Quarter to Winter Quarter, and an additional 2% attrition from Winter Quarter to Spring Quarter.
4. Due to fee increases, non-resident enrollment will decrease an additional 50 students in Winter Quarter and 50 students in Spring Quarter beyond normal attrition rates.

Graduate Students

1. Used Fall Quarter 1971-72 F.T.E. estimates as submitted to the Board of Regents. 18% of graduate students are calculated as non-resident. Resident students split 75% full-time and 25% part-time.
2. Enrollment full-time student loss factored at 5% attrition from Fall Quarter to Winter Quarter and an additional 2% attrition from Winter Quarter to Spring Quarter.
3. Part-time enrollment loss factored at 3% attrition from Fall Quarter to Winter Quarter and an additional 1% attrition from Winter Quarter to Spring Quarter.
4. Non-resident enrollment loss factored at 5% attrition from Fall Quarter to Winter Quarter and an additional 5% attrition from Winter Quarter to Spring Quarter. Due to fee increases, enrollment will decrease an additional 12 students in Winter Quarter and 12 students in Spring Quarter beyond normal attrition rates.
5. Fee waiver was based on average number of fee waivers granted for the past two years. No calculations were made on income or expense increases which represent an offsetting transaction.

Branch Campuses

1. Enrollment split 75% full-time, 25% part-time.
2. Loss factor of 5% Fall Quarter to Winter Quarter and 7% Fall Quarter to Spring Quarter.

NOTE: No incremental summer school fees were included in any of these calculations.

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Adjournment

The purpose of the meeting having been declared accomplished by the Chairman, Mrs. Phillips moved adjournment. The motion, seconded by Mr. Morris, was adopted. Time of adjournment was 2:30 P.M.

Duncan M. Baxter
Duncan M. Baxter, Chairman

Robert E. Mahn
Robert E. Mahn, Secretary

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