

MINUTES—OHIO UNIVERSITY, Board of Trustees Minutes of Meeting January 21, 1964

The following members were present: Russell P. Harrold, Don M. Casto, Jr., Edwin L. Kennedy, C. Paul Stocker, Wayne E. Brown, Fred H. Johnson, and the Chairman, John W. Galbreath. Also present were William H. Fentel - President of the Alumni Association, Vernon R. Alden - President of the University, L. F. Lausche - Business Manager, and Paul R. O'Brien, Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

It was moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Casto, and unanimously carried that the minutes of the meeting held November 26, 1963, be approved as distributed.

The Secretary then read the following letter from Gordon K. Bush, former member of the Board of Trustees:

January 4, 1964

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

My dear Paul:

May I express my sincere appreciation of the action of the Board of Trustees in awarding me a "Citation" for services rendered at Ohio University. This was totally unnecessary, as my association with the trustees and presidents I served with were a reward in themselves, but it is nice to have the formal statement, of which I am proud.

Sincerely,

Gordon K. Bush

The Secretary also read a letter from Mrs. Lillian H. McCracken as follows:

December 30, 1963

My dear Mr. O'Brien:

Alice and I greatly appreciate the copy of the resolution you prepared from your minutes of the November 26th meeting of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University.

We extend our sincere thanks to the Board in taking this action and we feel it is a fine tribute to Mr. McCracken's memory.

Sincerely,

Lillian H. McCracken

The Secretary then presented a petition signed by approximately 2,800 students requesting the Board of Trustees to name a building in the future in memory of John F. Kennedy. This petition was referred to Mr. Johnson, Chairman of the committee to recommend names for buildings.

The President was then called upon for his report. The President reported that Ohio University had been treated satisfactorily by the last legislative session and received the following appropriations for additions and betterment; Heating Plant \$2,000,000., Library \$3,180,000., Deferred Maintenance \$352,500., Conversion of Post Office to Classroom and Office Building \$200,000., Plans and Buildings for Physical Science Complex \$2,688,000., Land \$500,000., Plans for Portsmouth Branch \$200,000., Plans for Chillicothe Branch \$100,000., Plans for Zanesville Branch \$100,000., Plans for Belmont County Branch \$100,000., making a total of \$9,420,500. The President further reported that the Board of Regents held their December meeting on the campus of Ohio University and had taken a tour of the campus and had been shown the problems we have in Athens, and to date, they have been helpful in operating Ohio University.

The President then reported that Founders Week would be celebrated the week commencing February 16th with many events commemorating the 160th anniversary of the founding of Ohio University. Among the outstanding events would be the dedication of the Memorial Room in the John C. Baker Student Center. Also a play would be produced which would depict some of the outstanding historical events in the history of the University. There would be a Kennedy lecture that week as well as the annual James lecture. Also a convocation is planned later in the spring in which we would hope to have the President of the United States as well as the Governor and other outstanding dignitaries present. The President explained that Fred Johnson would be in charge of the dedication of the Memorial Room and that the Freedom Foundation with headquarters in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, would take quite an active part in this dedication. There would be thirty-seven flags of

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the United States presented, the Seal of Ohio University is to be installed in the floor of the Memorial Room, and a book containing the names of all of Ohio University alumni who served in the armed services of the United States during national emergencies would be inscribed.

The President then reported that Mr. Reese, the Director of Admissions, reports an increase of 55% in applications from new students over the corresponding date of a year ago. This increase has occurred in spite of the fact that this year for the first time, we have a \$15 application fee. We anticipate admitting 3,744 new freshmen, which would make our total enrollment approximately 12,075 for next year. This compares with the current year's enrollment of 10,200.

The President then reported that two faculty committees and their interim reports indicate they have been doing a good job. The Curriculum Review Committee under George Hill has submitted an interim report that indicates we should make a definite attempt to keep some of our good professors teaching in the under-graduate areas and not do like many large universities, that is have all of their good staff teaching in the graduate areas and most of the undergraduate students are instructed by graduate assistants and junior instructors. The Counseling Service Review Committee under William Snyder have also presented an interim report which seems to indicate the necessity of more counseling services be made available to our students.

The President then reported we have been attempting to obtain a science and engineering research head and effective March 1, we have obtained a director for this area. His name is Robert L. Savage, he is a Chemical Engineer from Case, presently Vice-President for Research for the North American Coal Corporation in Cleveland.

The President reported that the Ohio University Fund had obtained contributions totaling \$198,000 to this date, and that they have a project now to obtain funds to establish a Professor Rush Elliott Chair from the 572 M.D.'s who are former students of Dean Elliott.

The President reported that he is going to New York tomorrow to present a request to the Carnegie Foundation in cooperation with the Battelle Memorial Institute in Columbus to establish a workshop for research management personnel which is a field that has been neglected in the past. He also will present to the Ford Foundation a proposal for the College of Fine Arts to strengthen this college. Also, he proposes to present to the Ford Foundation a request for \$750,000 to strengthen our College of Business Administration. The President feels there is a good chance that these proposals will be looked on with favor by these foundations.

Chairman Galbreath then instructed the Secretary to record the fact that Joseph Hall has presented during the past year 500 shares of Kroger stock to Ohio University Fund valued at \$12,875. Also that Paul Stocker has presented a \$100,000 life insurance policy with annual dividends ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,000 to the Fund. It was then moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Herrold and unanimously passed that the Board of Trustees acknowledge these two fine gifts and express their deep appreciation to Mr. Hall and Mr. Stocker for their continued interest in Ohio University.

Dean Gubitz gave a short history of the Martins Ferry Branch which was established in 1957, with an enrollment of 175 and this fall had an enrollment of 750. It seems that there is no doubt that the enrollment for the fall of 1964 will total 900 students. Dean Gubitz reported the Major of Martins Ferry had offered Ohio University 77 acres of land in the city of Martins Ferry to establish a permanent campus for the branch. This land is rather hilly and at the present time is hard to get to. However, the city of Martins Ferry has agreed to build an access road and to see that the utilities are carried to this area without cost to the University.

Dean Gubitz then presented maps indicating an area of land consisting of 125 acres just west of St. Clairsville approximately 14 miles west of Martins Ferry that the Belmont County Commissioners have officially offered to Ohio University for the establishment of a Belmont County Branch.

In addition to this official offer, the Commissioners have offered by letter the Sanatorium premises containing 47 acres and a building valued at \$500,000, and they have also tentatively offered an additional 100 acres in this vicinity. This land is very well located, is the Belmont County experiment farm and Sanatorium, and the estimated value of the land and building would be \$772,000. Dean Gubitz pointed out this building would not be satisfactory for classes without some rehabilitation, however it would be usable for offices and dormitory purposes. This Belmont County land is rolling land and is accessible from U. S. Route 40 and Interstate Route 70, and a coal company on adjoining land has indicated that if more land is necessary for a university, they will be glad to donate additional lands.

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Dean Gubits then reported that the presentation made to President Alden and Dean Gubits by representatives of the Belmont County project were very elaborate and contained many names, including school boards of various cities in the area. He also reported that since Belmont County presentation, the Martins Ferry group have also presented petitions requesting that the branch remain in Martins Ferry.

Mr. Brown then reported he was familiar with the area and most of the population was located on the river. It was his feeling that people will not come to school if the branch is located in the St. Clairsville area, that it should remain in Martins Ferry.

Mr. Kennedy then indicated that he felt 12 or 14 miles would not seem far for people to go to college.

Mr. Johnson then reported that the T. B. sanatorium had been a white elephant and inasmuch as the Martins Ferry Branch has a great record for enrollments, he suggested that the Board of Trustees postpone any action on moving this branch until more information is obtained.

President Alden reported there had been no pressure from the state administration in favor of either of the sites for this branch, and he feels the branches of the future will probably be residential branches. He and Dean Gubits agreed with the recommendation of Mr. Johnson that probably a decision should be postponed until more information is available to the Trustees.

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Mr. Kennedy then agreed that action should be postponed and pointed out that the Board of Trustees primary function is to provide education for the youth of Ohio, not to settle disputes between political groups. He suggested that every effort be made to bring the groups together.

Mr. Brown then repeated that in his opinion, the population should determine the location of the branch, and it should be on the river.

Mr. Casto inquired if the Martins Ferry site was large enough for a branch with the future expansion possibilities of the Martins Ferry Branch.

Mr. Galbreath suggested that every effort be made to get the two factions together and have them agree on a site.

After further discussion, Mr. Kennedy moved, seconded by Mr. Herrold and unanimously passed that decision on locating the permanent branch in the Belmont County be postponed and that the Chairman be authorized to appoint an Ad Hoc Committee of the Board of Trustees to make a further study of this problem and to recommend to the full Board the proper action to be taken.

President Alden reported that he had discussed the location of this branch with Harold Oyster, Chairman of the Ohio Board of Regents. Dr. Oyster indicated that the location was the business of the Ohio University Board of Trustees, as this was not a new branch and was not within the authority of the Board of Regents to determine its location. The Chairman then appointed the following committee of Mr. Herrold, Mr. Brown, Mr. Johnson, and Mr. Casto, Mr. Casto to act as Chairman, to study the Belmont County situation and make recommendations to the full Board for the location of this branch.

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The Secretary then presented a report of the special committee of the Trustees appointed at the last meeting to appoint architects for the buildings for which appropriations in House Bill 370 were received.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF OHIO UNIVERSITY HELD IN THE OFFICE OF MR. JOHN W. GALBREATH, COLUMBUS, OHIO, ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1963

Mr. Galbreath called the meeting to order at 9:30 with Russell P. Herrold and Don Casto, Jr., members of the committee, present. Also present were President Vernon R. Alden, L. F. Lausche, and Paul R. O'Brien.

There was a discussion of the architects available for the preparation of plans and specifications for the construction of the new library on the campus. After a general discussion, it was moved by Mr. Herrold, seconded by Mr. Casto, and unanimously carried that the architectural firm of Schaefer, Flynn, and Associates of Cleveland, Ohio, be employed to prepare plans and specifications for the construction of the new library, provided they would employ as consultants on this project the firm of O'Connor and Kilham of New York. Later this day, it was determined that the firm of Schaefer, Flynn, and Associates would be unable to accept this project and by telephone vote, the firm of Dalton and Dalton, 979 The Arcade, Cleveland 14, Ohio, was substituted with the same conditions. All members voted affirmative by telephone.

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There then followed a discussion of a suitable architectural firm for the first building in our physical science complex, and after considering several firms, it was moved by Mr. Casto, seconded by Mr. Herrold, and unanimously carried, that the firm of Tully and Hobbs of Columbus, Ohio, be employed to prepare plans and specifications for the construction of the first building in the physical science complex, also to prepare long range plans for the complete \$11,000,000 project, provided they would employ the firm of Giffels and Rossetti of Detroit as consultants in the planning of this project.

There then followed a discussion of the need for an architectural firm to prepare plans and specifications for the rehabilitation of Wilson Hall, which was to be done at an approximate cost of \$100,000, the funds to be obtained from the \$352,000 deferred maintenance appropriation received in House Bill 370. After discussion several firms, it was moved by Mr. Herrold, seconded by Mr. Casto, and unanimously carried that the firm of Kral, Zepf and Freitag, Associates, 807 Ingalls Building, Cincinnati 2, Ohio, be employed to prepare plans and specifications for the rehabilitation of Wilson Hall. There being no further business, the meeting was then adjourned.

It was then moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, and unanimously passed that the report of the special Architectural Committee be accepted as presented by the Secretary.

The Secretary then presented eight parcels of land owned by the Ohio University Fund in the area south of the West Green and between the West Green area and the area recently acquired from the State Hospital totaling approximately 3½ acres, which was purchased by the Ohio University Fund to be sold to the Ohio University at the cost incurred by the Fund for purchasing and holding these properties.

RECAPITULATION OF LAND COST

IDENTIFICATION	Date of Purchase	Tax Valuation	Acreage	Cost Price	Expense	Income	Net Cost	Appraised Price
Cash, E. B.	10-30-62	16,100	2.1805	166,123.87	2,056.08	4,205.00	163,974.95	150,000
Evans	11-16-62	1,300	.084	7,370.31	41.86		7,412.17	9,000
Stevens	10-19-62	1,180	.101	4,233.11	25.08		4,258.19	7,500
Williams	10-30-62	2,220	.073	11,032.23	80.02	450.00	10,662.25	12,000
Valkenberg	10-30-62	2,220	.101	11,494.27	93.60	552.50	11,035.37	12,500
C. I. Cash	10-30-62	7,900	.143	30,967.55	360.83	1,552.00	29,776.38	30,000
Joseph	3-22-63	5,300	.098	31,034.38	170.66	404.00	30,801.04	25,000
Weinebach	8-19-63	4,880	.232	51,271.47	157.14		51,428.61	50,000
		41,100	3.0125	313,527.19	2,985.27	7,163.50	309,348.96	296,000
INTEREST - \$250,000		x	15 Mo	@ 4½	14,062.50	309,348.96		
65,000		x	6 Mo	@ 4½	1,462.50	15,988.12		
6,500		x	19 Mo	@ 4½	463.12	325,337.08		
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After a discussion of the agreement formerly made by the Board of Trustees to purchase this land from the Ohio University Fund, it was moved by Mr. Casto, seconded by Mr. Brown, and unanimously carried that the eight parcels of land described in the above recapitulation be purchased from funds appropriated for this purpose in House Bill 370 in the amount of \$325,337.

The Secretary then presented a tabulation of bids received by the Director of Public Works on Dormitory No. 7, the first dormitory in our Housing and Home Finance Project No. CH-Ohio-173 (D), (General Contract-Knowlton Construction Company, Box 254, Bellefontaine, Ohio; Base Bid - \$1,280,000 less Alternate G-3

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of \$9,000, making a net of \$1,271,000; Plumbing Contract-National Corporation, 219 King Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, \$89,990; Heating and Ventilating Contract-Gesling Company, Lancaster, Ohio, \$105,125; Electric Contract-Stark Electric Company, Box 916, Huntington, West Virginia; Base Contract \$89,797 less deductive Alternate E-1 of \$4,375 making a net electric contract of \$85,422.)

After a discussion of these bids, it was moved by Mr. Herrold, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, and unanimously passed that the Director of Public Works be authorized to enter into contracts in the amounts indicated with the above listed contractors for the construction of the first unit in our Project CH-Ohio-173 (D).

President Alden then reported that a group of private operators are proposing to build a dormitory in Athens. This dormitory would be completely air conditioned and would have table service for meals and would have a swimming pool. It would be much more expensive than the dormitories operated by the University. Mr. Stocker suggested there might be a question of the economic class distinction caused by the construction of this dormitory.

The President reported the personnel deans have discussed this and have approved the construction, in order to relieve our crowded dormitories.

The Chairman then called the roll of members for comment. Mr. Brown inquired about the construction of the University-Community Hospital and what steps had been taken. The President reported that the Sheltering Arms Hospital Board was now ready to start a fund drive in Athens for the construction of this hospital and that the University was cooperating to the fullest extent in this project.

Mr. Kennedy reported he had attended a Faculty Advisory Council meeting the previous night and that the meeting had been very enlightening to him. He suggested that members of the Board of Trustees who are invited to attend a Faculty Advisory Council meeting should take advantage of this opportunity, as it gives them an insight into the faculty problems that could not be obtained otherwise.

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, and unanimously passed that the meeting be adjourned.

John W. Galbreath
John W. Galbreath, Chairman, Board of Trustees

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

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