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The Board of Trustees met at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, October 5, 1957, all members being present: E. T. Rodgers, President; Carl H. Schyn, Vice President; Alva W. Bachman, Secretary; J. C. Donnell II; John F. Ernsthausen.

The minutes of the meeting of June 17, 1957, were approved.

On behalf of the entire University community, President McDonald extended a warm welcome to Mr. Ernsthausen on the occasion of his first meeting with the Board of Trustees. Official certification of Mr. Ernsthausen's appointment to the Board for the unexpired term ending May 16, 1961, together with Mr. Ernsthausen's executed oath of office, were received from Governor C. William O'Neill under date of June 17, 1957, when the appointment was confirmed by the Ohio Senate.

The Board of Trustees then proceeded: with the election of officers to serve during the year 1957-58 and until their successors are elected and installed.

Mr. Schyn nominated Mr. E. T. Rodgers to be President of the Board of Trustees for the year 1957-58. By unanimous vote of Messrs. Schyn, Donnell, Bachman, and Ernsthausen, Mr. Rodgers was re-elected President of the Board.

Mr. Donnell nominated Mr. Schyn for the Vice-Presidency of the Board. By affirmative vote of Messrs. Rodgers, Donnell, Bachman, and Ernsthausen, Mr. Schyn was re-elected Vice-President of the Board.

Mr. Schyn nominated Mr. Bachman to be Secretary of the Board. By affirmative vote of Messrs. Rodgers, Schyn, Donnell, and Ernsthausen, Mr. Bachman was re-elected Secretary of the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Bachman, seconded by Mr. Donnell, that the Board of Trustees establish the office of Treasurer of the University as a regular administrative post in the University, to be filled upon recommendation of the University President and appointment of the Board of Trustees and to serve the University on the same basis as do other key administrative officers such as the Vice-President and the Provost; that Ervin J. Kriessner, recommended by the President of the University, be appointed to this office, to have among his duties and responsibilities the receiving, holding, investing, and disbursing of all University moneys in accordance with State law, University policy as developed by the Board of Trustees and administered by the President of the University, and the standards and requirements of the State Auditor and State Department of Finance; that the terms and conditions of the Treasurer's bond be established on the basis of the recommendation of the Attorney Generals of Ohio; that this action become effective as of the date on which the Treasurer's bond is executed and approved by the Attorney General. The motion was adopted, the following persons voting "aye": Bachman; Donnell; Ernsthausen; Rodgers; Schyn.

It was moved by Mr. Bachman, seconded by Mr. Donnell, that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, Bowling Green State University has experienced a large and continuing increase in the number of students served, the campus enrollment for 1957-58 being 4,796 as compared with 1,436 in 1939-40; and

WHEREAS, the greatly increased birth rate and the increasing per cent of young men and women seeking college education in the State of Ohio make it necessary for the University to secure the land, buildings, equipment, and other resources to provide higher education for a minimum enrollment of two to three times the present number within the next ten years; and

WHEREAS, the expansion of the University's educational services has for many years been much more rapid than the increase in land available for educational purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has recognized and discussed both officially and informally over a period of many years the desirability and growing necessity of acquiring possession of the eighty-acre tract located both on the north and south and partially on the west by the University campus, commonly known as the Sterling farm, this being the only major tract of land satisfactorily located for the economic and functional development of the University campus; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of said property has become critically necessary for the installation of an adequate campus sewer system for which the 1957 General Assembly appropriated $500,000, for the construction of student housing for which the University has no other appropriate site; for outdoor laboratory space, for adequate areas to meet the health and wholesome recreation needs of a rapidly expanding student body, and for classroom and laboratory facilities as the University plant is expanded to meet growing needs; and

WHEREAS, by action of the Board of Trustees and the General Assembly of Ohio funds are becoming available for construction at the earliest possible moment of many of the additional facilities mentioned in the preceding paragraph,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

(1) That immediate acquisition of the 80-acre tract bordered on the south by Ridge Street, on the east by Yount Road, on the north by Poe Road, and on the west by Bowling Green City property and University property, is vitally necessary for the continuous and
successful operation of Bowling Green State University;

(2) That the Board of Trustees, in furtherance of condemnation action instituted by the State Director of Public Works, hereby authorizes and directs the President and other officials of the University to take all reasonable steps under the laws of the State of Ohio to assist the staff members of the Department of Public Works and the Attorney General of Ohio and his representatives in their efforts to acquire said tract of land at a reasonable cost;

(3) That the President of the University be authorized and directed to enter into agreement with the law firm of Bowman, Hanna & Middleton under which the University will provide compensation to said law firm in an amount to be determined by the Attorney General of Ohio for the legal services of said firm in connection with the condemnation proceedings and other steps to acquire the property for the University; that the money for such compensation be drawn from the Federal Rotary Fund or other funds legally available for the acquisition of lands for educational and general purposes;

(4) That upon the consummation of steps for acquiring said 80-acre tract, the money needed in payment for the land and expenses judged by the Court to be necessary in connection therewith be paid from the Federal Rotary Fund and/or moneys appropriated by the 1957 General Assembly which may be made available by order of the Controlling Board for this purpose.

The motion carried, the following persons voting "aye": Bachman; Donnell; Ernsthausen; Rodgers; Schwyn.

President McDonald gave a brief summary of the current status of major capital improvements.

In the course of extended discussion of the effect of current interest rates on the financing of dormitory construction, it was recognized that the increased amortization cost would make necessary an increase in the University board-and-room rates. President McDonald reported that the present board-and-room rate at Miami University is $680 a year, at Ohio University approximately the same as Miami with some rates higher, at Ohio State considerably above $700 a year, as compared with the Bowling Green rate of $640 a year. Officials of the other State universities have indicated in conversation with University officials that their current rates will likewise have to be increased to cover the financing of their dormitory construction programs under the higher interest rates. Dr. McDonald said that he believes the thorough planning procedures and the careful management practices of Bowling Green will enable the University to maintain board-and-room rates in line with the rates charged by Miami, Ohio, and Ohio State Universities in the years to come, if the Board should decide to proceed with further dormitory construction at current interest rates.

The opinion was unanimously expressed by members of the Board that the current level of interest rates is likely to continue indefinitely for many reasons; that deferment of the program of dormitory construction would entail increased construction costs; that the needs of the University for additional dormitory space are critical; that for these and other reasons University officials should proceed with the plans for constructing additional dormitories. The President was therefore directed to proceed with plans for additional residence halls as previously authorized by the Board.

President McDonald announced that in accordance with the previous instructions of the Board of Trustees, a committee has been established to make broad plans for observing the 50th anniversary of the University during the academic year 1959-60, culminating in a series of major events in May and June of 1960. Invitations have been extended to the following individuals and groups to form The Golden Anniversary Committee:

**Honorary Co-Chairmen**
- Frank J. Prout
- J. Robert Overman

**General Chairman**
- Frank G. Ogg

**General Consultants**
- Ralph G. Harshman
- Harold Van Winkle

**General Secretary**
- John R. Davidson

**Steering Committee**
- The General Chairman
- The General Consultants
- Donald W. Bowman
- Martha Ann Browder
- Florence Currier
- Kenneth E. Krouse

**Other members of the Committee**
- Chairman for the participation of military and veterans' groups: Russell Decker
- Chairman for participation of newspapers and journals: Raymond W. Derr
- Chairman for public school participation: Ralph H. Geer
- Chairman for participation of churches: Stuart R. Givens
- Chairman for participation of business and industry: Robert D. Henderson
- Chairman for legislative participation, House of Representatives: Charles F. Kurfess
- Chairman for legislative participation, Ohio Senate: Delbert L. Latta
- Chairman for exhibits, records, and archives: Paul F. Leedy
Faculty personnel changes as presented by the President be confirmed. The motion carried, the following persons voting "aye": Bachman; Donnell; Ernsthausen; Rodgers; Schwyn.

The motion carried, the following persons voting "aye": Bachman; Donnell; Ernsthausen; Rodgers; Schwyn.

The following appointments have been made to the regular faculty (9-months basis) effective beginning in September, 1957:

Chairman for related research: S. H. Lowrie
Chairman for student participation: Ray Marvin (now sophomore)
Chairman for pageantry and dramatic events: F. Lee Miesle
Chairman for participation of the professions: William F. Schmelz
Chairman for participation of radio and television: Sidney C. Stone
Chairman for participation of women's groups: Martha Gesling Weber
Chairman for participation of farm families: John B. Wilson, Jr.
Chairman for participation of labor groups: To be named
Chairman for participation of civic clubs: To be selected by presidents of local civic clubs
Chairman for alumni participation: To be selected by the Alumni Board of Directors
Additional alumni member: To be selected by the Alumni Board of Directors
Chairman for community participation: LeRoy Monroe
Chairman for participation of University staff: To be named

President McDonald recommended that authorization be given for the writing and printing in book form of the history of the University during its first fifty years. The Board discussed the recommendation, and the question was raised as to whether such a volume would be of sufficient value to justify a cost of $5,000 or more. The President was requested to present more specific information regarding the probable cost and usefulness of such a publication at the next meeting of the Board. Action on the President's recommendation was deferred until the Board could study the matter further in the light of information to be presented at the next meeting.

President McDonald stated that on September 7, 1957, University officials had filed a request with the Controlling Board of the State of Ohio that the procedure for compensating the Bowling Green City Schools be changed to permit the University to make lump-sum payments up to $70,000 a year to the City Schools for services rendered in connection with the University's teacher-education program. On September 12, 1957, the Controlling Board considered this request and approved the transfer of $70,000 from A-1 Salaries to F-9a Teacher-Training Program.

It was moved by Mr. Donnell, seconded by Mr. Schwyn, that the President of the University be directed to enter into contract with the City Schools of Bowling Green for the rendering of services in connection with the University's teacher-education program, the nature and scope of these services to be determined by agreement between the President of the University and the Superintendent of City Schools; and that the University provide compensation for these services in lump-sum payments up to $70,000 a year in accordance with the authorization of the Controlling Board. The motion carried, the following persons voting "aye": Bachman; Donnell; Ernsthausen; Rodgers; Schwyn.

The full-time registration fee for one semester hour during a semester of the academic year or for less than 3 semester hours during one summer session; that the single fee of $15.00 per semester hour be adopted for enrollment in extension and branch programs; that the incidental fee requirements (including registration, board-and-room charge for one summer session) be adopted for enrollment of part-time students who register for less than 5 semester hours during a semester of the academic year or for less than 3 semester hours during one summer session; that the single fee of $15.00 per semester hour be adopted for enrollment in extension and branch programs; that this fee become effective beginning in June, 1958. The motion carried, the following persons voting "aye": Bachman; Donnell; Ernsthausen; Rodgers; Schwyn.

The motion carried, the following persons voting "aye": Bachman; Donnell; Ernsthausen; Rodgers; Schwyn.

It was moved by Mr. Schwyn, seconded by Mr. Bachman, that the list of appointments, resignations, and other personnel changes as presented by the President be confirmed. The motion carried, the following persons voting "aye": Bachman; Donnell; Ernsthausen; Rodgers; Schwyn.

The following appointments have been made to the regular faculty (9-months basis) effective beginning in September, 1957:

- Hanna Anders, Instructor in Chemistry
- Carl D. Hall, Instructor in Art
- Richard D. Hoare, Instructor in Geology
- Mary C. Hisong, Associate Professor of English
- William B. Jackson, Assistant Professor of Biology

The following faculty members on regular appointment have resigned:

- Dorothy McCoukey, Professor of Education
- Carl E. Shaw, Assistant Professor of Engineering Drawing
- O. Norman Simpkins, Instructor in Sociology
The following faculty promotions have been made:

W. Harold Anderson, from Associate Professor of Health and Physical Education to Professor of Health and Physical Education
Bruce Bellard, from Instructor in Health and Physical Education to Assistant Professor of Health and Physical Education
Irving M. Bonawitz, from Instructor in Accounting to Assistant Professor of Accounting
Edgar F. Daniels, from Instructor in English to Assistant Professor of English
Gertrude Eppler, from Associate Professor of Health and Physical Education to Professor of Health and Physical Education
Mearl R. Guthrie, Jr., from Assistant Professor of Business Education to Associate Professor of Business Education
Robert D. Henderson, from Associate Professor of Business Administration to Professor of Business Administration
John H. Kepler, from Instructor in Speech to Assistant Professor of Speech
Agnes M. Hooley, from Assistant Professor of Health and Physical Education to Associate Professor of Health and Physical Education
Frank F. Miles, from Assistant Professor of Sociology to Associate Professor of Sociology
Alma J. Payne, from Assistant Professor of English to Associate Professor of English
Virginia B. Platt, from Associate Professor of History to Professor of History
Elfreda Rusner, from Instructor in Business Education to Assistant Professor of Business Education
Brian Sutton-Smith, from Visiting Lecturer in Psychology to Assistant Professor of Psychology
Amy Torgerson, from Instructor in Health and Physical Education to Assistant Professor of Health and Physical Education
Robert D. Whittaker, from Assistant Professor of Business Administration to Professor of Business Administration

The following persons have been appointed to administrative offices in the University:

Sara Banks, Assistant to the Dean of Student Affairs (12 months)
Orin McCleary, Administrative Assistant, President's Office (12 months)
Eugene Stabile, Director, Food Service, University Union (12 months)
Wallace M. Taylor, Jr., Dean of Men (10 months)
John S. Youmans, Capital Improvements Office (12 months)

The following promotions have been made in the administrative staff:

Arch B. Conklin, from Dean of Men to Associate Dean of Student Affairs
Carol Kay Herge, from Office Assistant in the College of Education to Secretary to the President
Anne Potoky, from Assistant to Director of Student Life and Services to Coordinator of Student Activities

The following administrative officer has resigned, effective October 15, 1957:

Philip F. Byers, Admissions Officer

Attest:

Alva W. Bachman
Secretary

The Board of Trustees met at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, December 21, 1957, the following members being present: Carl H. Schwyn, Vice President; Alva W. Bachman, Secretary; J. C. Donnell II; John F. Ernsathausen.

The minutes of the meeting of October 5, 1957, were approved.

President McDonald reported that the necessary procedures are under way in the Offices of the State Director of Public Works, the State Department of Finance, and the Attorney General of Ohio for the completion of contracts for the construction of the Home Economics Building and South Hall. The contractors who presented the low bids on the various phases of construction in each of these buildings are indicated in the following tabulations:

**HOME ECONOMICS BUILDING**

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