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III. All policies, regulations, or portions of such policies and regulations heretofore adopted by the Board of Trustees that are inconsistent with the regulations set forth under II above are hereby rescinded and superseded by the revised regulations set forth above.

Resolution unanimously adopted.

A discussion then followed as to the title that should be given to Dr. McDonald after his long and meritorious service as President. Mr. Bachman moved and Mr. Schwyn seconded that Dr. McDonald be given the title of President Emeritus as of September 1, 1961. Motion unanimously carried.

A discussion then followed as to the naming of the new buildings that have been, are being, or are about to be constructed. Whereupon Mr. Schwyn moved and Mr. Ernsthausen seconded the motion (1) that the new residence center for women be named the "McDonald Quadrangle" in honor of Ralph Waldo McDonald and Athleen Taylor McDonald, the East building to be known as McDonald East Hall, the West Building as McDonald West Hall, the North Building as McDonald North Hall, and the dining center for said Quadrangle as McDonald Dining Hall; (2) that the building being constructed for administrative purposes be known as the "Administration Building;" (3) that the portion of the new men's residence center already completed on East Wooster Street be known as the "Conklin Quadrangle" in honor of Arch B. Conklin and the north building of said quadrangle be known as "Conklin Hall;" (4) that the remaining portion of the new men's residence center (units 3 and 4) be a residence quadrangle for men students to be located east of the Conklin Quadrangle and now being designed by the architects be named the "Harshman Quadrangle" in honor of Ralph G. Harshman. Motion unanimously carried.

A discussion then followed as to the salary that should be paid to Ralph G. Harshman as Acting President and after some discussion Mr. Schwyn moved that Ralph G. Harshman be paid as Acting President a salary of $24,000.00 per year beginning September 1, 1961, and that as a perquisite he receive in addition a general expense allowance in the amount of $4,500.00 a year. Motion seconded by Mr. Bachman and unanimously carried.

The Board then took up the matter of faculty and administrative contracts for 1961-62. Letters of intent sent out by President McDonald in March, offering reappointment for 1961-62 and returned with signed acceptance by the employee, constituted legal contracts. It was decided by the Board that President McDonald shall be authorized to send out written information to faculty members and other contract employees who had received and accepted offers of employment for 1961-62, confirming their contracts and setting their salaries and faculty rank.

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Ernsthausen and seconded by Mr. Schwyn that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Attest:  

Alva W. Bachman  
President

Bowling Green, Ohio  
August 25, 1961

Trustees present were Messrs. Rodgers, Schwyn, Donnell, Ernsthausen, and Bachman. Also present were Dr. Ralph McDonald, Dr. Ralph Harshman, and Business Manager Ervin J. Kreischer.

The meeting was called to order by President Rodgers, and Mr. Bachman then presented the new constitution of the Inter-University Council. After the members had discussed the same, Mr. Bachman moved that the same be approved and ratified by the Board. Mr. Ernsthausen seconded the motion and all trustees voted yes. Motion declared passed.

Dr. McDonald then gave an extensive review of the new operating budget for the 1961-63 biennium. After a thorough exposition of the same, he thanked the members of the Board for their loyal support through the ten years that he had been president and then left the meeting.

Mr. Donnell informed the Board that there would be an informal meeting of its members with the advisory committee at the Toledo Club at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 28, 1961.

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Schwyn and seconded by Mr. Bachman that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Attest:  

Alva W. Bachman  
President

Bowling Green, Ohio  
September 23, 1961

Trustees present were Messrs. Rodgers, Schwyn, Donnell, Ernsthausen, and Bachman after having been called for an informal meeting by President Rodgers. Also present were Dr. Ralph Harshman, Dr. Kenneth McFall, and Business Manager Ervin J. Kreischer.

The president stated that the informal meeting had been called for the purpose of going over the confidential report of the advisory committee previously appointed by the Board. Said report was examined along with the press release prepared by the secretary of the advisory committee. No action was taken on the report due to the fact that the various members wanted more time to study the same. The president was instructed to turn over the copies of the press release to the various newspapers and news agencies.
The secretary then called attention to the fact that the minutes of the meetings held July 22nd and August 25th had never been approved. Whereupon the president asked the members if they wanted to resolve themselves into a formal meeting for the purpose of taking care of the approval of these minutes. All signified that they were willing to do so. The president declared a formal meeting convened. Whereupon the minutes of the meetings of July 22, 1961, and August 25, 1961, were read by the secretary and approved.

Some discussion followed as to the resolution on faculty appointment and tenure passed July 22nd in light of the report of the advisory committee. After some discussion Mr. Schwyn moved and Mr. Donnell seconded the motion that the resolution on faculty appointment and tenure be rescinded and that the tenure policy adopted November 28, 1953, be reinstated. All voted yes.

There being no further business, Mr. Schwyn moved and Mr. Bachman seconded the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Attest:

[Signature]

President

[Signature]

Secretary

Bowling Green, Ohio
October 7, 1961

Trustees present were Messrs. Bachman, Canary, Donnell, Ernsthausen, Rodgers, and Schwyn, and Mrs. Ward.

Also present were Dr. Ralph Harshman, Mr. E. J. Kreischer, and Dr. K. H. McFall.

It was moved by Mr. Bachman and seconded by Mr. Donnell that the minutes of the meetings of August 25, 1961, and September 23, 1961, be approved. Motion unanimously carried.

President Rodgers welcomed Mrs. Anita S. Ward and Mr. Sumner Canary as new members of the Board, Mrs. Anita S. Ward having been appointed for a term beginning September 28, 1961, and ending May 17, 1967, and Mr. Sumner Canary having been appointed for a term beginning September 28, 1961, and ending May 17, 1968.

Mr. Bachman stated his belief that the appointment of two additional members of the Board made it necessary to reorganize the Board. Mr. Donnell then was asked to assume the chair.

Whereupon Mr. Schwyn nominated Mr. Rodgers to serve as President of the Board of Trustees during the ensuing year and until a successor is elected. There being no other nominations, it was moved and seconded that Mr. Rodgers be elected by acclamation. Motion unanimously carried. Mr. Rodgers was declared elected as President.

Mr. Ernsthausen then nominated Mr. Schwyn to serve as Vice President of the Board of Trustees during the ensuing year and until a successor is elected. There being no other nominations, it was moved and seconded that Mr. Schwyn be elected by acclamation. Motion unanimously carried. Mr. Schwyn was declared elected as Vice President.

Mr. Schwyn then nominated Mr. Bachman to serve as Secretary of the Board of Trustees during the ensuing year and until a successor is elected. There being no other nominations, it was moved and seconded that Mr. Bachman be elected by acclamation. Motion unanimously carried. Mr. Bachman was declared elected as Secretary.

Mr. Bachman then nominated Mr. Kreischer to serve as Treasurer of the Board of Trustees for the ensuing year and until a successor is elected. There being no other nominations, it was moved and seconded that Mr. Kreischer be elected by acclamation. Motion unanimously carried. Mr. Kreischer was declared elected as Treasurer.

Mr. Kreischer gave a brief report on capital improvement projects now in the planning stages: (1) dining facilities to replace the Commons; (2) 1962 Men's Residence Center; (3) sites for married student housing, intramural and athletic facilities.

It was moved by Mr. Donnell, seconded by Mr. Bachman, and unanimously voted that the board of Trustees schedule regular meetings each year on the first Friday of each of the following months: January, March, May, October. It was suggested that the March meeting be devoted to the approval of salaries, promotions, and other personnel changes; that the May meeting include approval of the budget for the ensuing year; and that the reorganization of the Board be scheduled for the October meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Bachman, seconded by Mrs. Ward, and unanimously voted that paragraph II-3 of the resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees on July 22, 1961, and setting forth revised regulations of the Board be amended to read as follows:

3. That the Board of Trustees shall meet on the first Friday of January, March, May, and October of each year. Special meetings of the board may be called by the President of the Board or by the Vice-President of the Board. When a meeting is called, notice of the meeting shall be communicated by the Secretary of the Board of Trustees or by the office of the President of the University to other members of the Board. All members of the Board shall be notified in advance of the meeting by actual communication with them or by mailing written notice or by delivering written notice at or by telephone communication to their usual places of residence or business.

Mr. Kreischer advised members of the Board that the law of the State of Ohio makes no provisions for their compensation, but that they may be reimbursed for travel expenses. He then distributed travel forms and instructions.

President Harshman reported the following personnel changes:

Leaves of Absence:

Charles Codding, Assistant Director of Buildings and Facilities, for indefinite period beginning October 1, 1961. Charles Perry, Director of Admissions, for indefinite period beginning October 7, 1961, to enter military service.

Evan F. Urhammer, Assistant Director of the News Service, for indefinite period beginning October 1, 1961, to enter military service.