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Proceedings, Trustees Bowling Green State University

Bowling Green, Ohio
March 5, 1965

After due notice the Trustees met in the Board Room of the Administration Building on March 5, 1965, the following members being present: Delmont Brown, Robert Dorfmeier, J. C. Donnell II, John Erenthausen, Carl Scheym, Donald Simmons, and Mrs. Anita Ward. Absent were Summer Canary and Dudley White, Jr.

Also present at the meeting were President Jerome; E. J. Kreischer, Treasurer; Dr. Paul Leedy, Provost; Dr. John Couch, Assistant to the Provost; Dr. Richard Carpenter, Professor of English; and Dr. Grover Platt, Chairman of the Faculty Senate.

The chairman called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

Mrs. Ward moved, Mr. Brown seconded that the minutes of the January 15, 1965 meeting be approved as presented. All members present voting "aye," motion carried.

Financial Aids at Bowling Green State University

President Jerome stated that in addition to the data presented by Thomas Colaner, Director of Admissions, to Board members concerning the influence of student financial aid on admissions, he had requested each of the following four staff members to give a brief report on his particular function as a member of the University Committee on Student Financial Aid:

- Stuart Givens, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Scholarships; Raymond Whitaker, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Grants-in-Aid; Allen Brown, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Student Loans; and Robert McKay, Director of Student Financial Aid.

Through these reports the trustees learned the function of the respective committees and the procedures followed in awarding scholarships, grants-in-aid, in making National Defense Loans, and other types of emergency loans. From these reports the trustees learned that to date in 1964-65:

- 414 students received scholarships amounting to a total of $82,845.
- 222 students received grants-in-aid amounting to a total of $87,570.
- 779 students received National Defense Loans totaling $377,520.
- 1571 students received other types of loans and emergency loans totaling $46,756.
- 1741 students were employed on an hourly basis and paid a total of approximately $520,000.

Mr. Brown reported that the National Defense Loan is the largest of available funds and the only fund from which money is available to students on a long term basis.

President Jerome pointed out some of the problems related to financial aid to students, such as competition between institutions for top scholars—particularly at the graduate level, and the need for some type of financial aid for students with artistic traits. He suggested to the trustees that he would like to have their viewpoints, as well as suggestions from the faculty, on the direction to move and guidelines to be followed in giving scholarships and other types of financial aid to students. To form policies in the future, as enrollment grows, consideration should be given to such problems as how many students should be encouraged to work and how much should we loan a student. Experimental programs are being tried in several states such as the Citizens Scholarship Foundation of Ohio. Consideration should be given to deserving students who do not have scholastic ability to qualify for top awards.

Senate Policy Statement on Freedom of Political Expression

President Jerome transmitted to the trustees the following policy statement on freedom of political expression, adopted by the University Faculty Senate on January 20, 1965. He stated that this statement was forwarded to him under date of February 23, 1965 by Dr. Grover Platt, Chairman of the Faculty Senate, with a letter which included the following:

".....the original impetus for this statement came from the Bowling Green Chapter of the AAUP which had been influenced by an occurrence on our campus and also by the recent developments on the Berkeley Campus of the University of California.

"The AAUP statement was somewhat modified by the Senate Executive Committee and significantly amended by the Senate in the meeting of January 20. I am transmitting it to you now with the request that you submit it to the Board of Trustees as an adopted policy statement of the Senate acting within the provisions of Article III, Section 2, Sub-section vi of the FACULTY CHARTER."

POLICY STATEMENT ON FREEDOM OF POLITICAL EXPRESSION

Adopted by Bowling Green State University Faculty Senate, January 20, 1965

The purpose of this statement is to promote public understanding and support of the political aspect of academic freedom.

(1) The university in a democracy must be devoted to acts of free inquiry and free commitment, in the spheres of teaching learning and research. Freedom in research is fundamental to the advancement of knowledge. Academic freedom in teaching and learning is fundamental to the protection of the rights of both the teacher and the student. Any university which fails to foster such freedoms, but remains neutral, inevitably casts a silent vote for the demise of those conditions on which the survival of the democratic way of life depends.

There is nothing more dangerous to the activity of free inquiry in a democracy than the view that the world must be always that which it is now. The university is an agent of cultural transformation and as such presents a variety of choices to its students for alternative commitments and courses of action. It must therefore follow that a university will oppose anything or anyone who acts to create fear or condemnation of the students, faculty, or administrators, for the exercise of such choice. The freedom to think flexibly, to explore any and all belief systems, and to choose from among them, whether they conflict with present ideas or institutions or not, must always be fostered by the university in a democracy.
(2) To this end it is imperative that the university must recognize the right of political expression which is exercised within constitutional boundaries. No democracy can survive as a democracy without the continued exercise of free political activity and free political expression by its members. This is the self-evident basis for the Bill of Rights, including the first amendment which guarantees freedom of speech, freedom of religion, a free press, and freedom of peaceable assembly. Groups from on or off campus should not be subjected to exceptional requirements to obtain permission to give lectures, sell or distribute publications of political, religious or educational import, circulate petitions, or carry out orderly demonstrations, as long as these activities do not interfere with classroom or study hall activity.

(3) Statements of political matters within the classroom, including student-teacher interactions, are to be confined only by the relevance of the subject matter to the discipline involved. Judgment of such relevance can be made most properly by those academically qualified in the discipline.

(4) Security regulations beyond ordinary protection against illegal actions have no place in a university. Any further concern with security regulations or with political security checks (which make use, for example, of such methods as photographic or monitoring devices) establishes a condition of suspicion and fear quite inimical to free expression, and quite adverse to the tradition that a university shall be a center of innovative and challenging thought in both the arts and the sciences.

Any regulations or security precautions which, in the absence of legal evidence, presume or imply the guilt of any individuals or groups, destroy the entire fabric of mutual confidence within the university community.

(5) The members of the university community may speak, write, demonstrate, or picket as citizens without fear of institutional censorship or discipline. The special position of university personnel, however, does impose special obligations. It is incumbent upon them to remember that the public may judge their institution by their utterances. They should, therefore, at all times be accurate, exercise appropriate restraint, and show respect for the opinions of others, and should make every effort to indicate that they act within their rights as private citizens and not as spokesmen for the institution.

In conclusion, it should be remembered that the gadflies of political action (demonstrators, pamphleeters, agitators, students, faculty or administrators), maintain the frontier of political freedom for all persons. Although some might regard such political expressions as irritating or lamentable, while others see them as contributing importantly, all must concede that their activity serves to keep constantly explicit the limits of authority over the lives of all of us. It is the testament of recent European history that, unless such boundaries are vigilantly maintained, they become increasingly confining, and those persons who are accustomed to living comfortably within a lesser degree of freedom should find that they also have none.

It is therefore recommended by this Senate:

(1) There there be reasonable regulation of the time, place, and manner of conducting political activity on the campus;

(2) That there be no University restriction on the content of speech or advocacy; and

(3) That there be determination of disciplinary measures in the area of political activity by a committee composed of faculty members by the Senate for this purpose.

President Jerome stated that this request poses some unique problems in governance under the new Faculty Charter and asked the Board's pleasure. He added that this statement represents the faculty's desire to provide guidelines in anticipation of the sort of situation which occurred at Berkeley, California.

Following a discussion, Mrs. Ward moved, Mr. Ernsthausen seconded, that a committee be appointed to study the statement and bring back a recommendation at the next meeting. All members present voting "aye," motion carried.

Personnel Changes

Mr. Simmons moved, Mr. Donnell seconded, that the personnel changes as presented by President Jerome be approved.

All members present voting "aye," motion carried.

ADMINISTRATION

New Appointments

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| Merle Floright         | **Letter of Appointment**
| Construction Engineer  | (Began work 2-1-65)    | $440 per mo. |
| Specialist             | **Letter of Appointment**
| Robert Swingle         | (Began work 1-18-65)   | 375 per mo.  |
| Upholsterer            | * On Civil Service payroll prior to 2-1-65
| * Does not include University's Group Insurance |
Personnel Changes cont’d

ACADEMIC AREA

Resignations

Anna S. Brinza, Library Assistant, resigned effective February 1, 1965
Gerald G. Eggert, Assistant Professor of History, effective July 17, 1965, to accept a position at Pennsylvania State University.
Robert M. Fedorchek, Instructor in Romance Languages, effective end of academic year 1964-65, to travel and study in Spain.
Robert L. Gege, Instructor in Physics, effective end of academic year 1964-65 to attend Purdue University to work toward Ph.D.
David E. Gardinier, Assistant Professor of History, effective end of second summer session in August, 1965, to become a Research Associate at the Center for International Studies of Ohio University.
Janice M. Humbel, Instructor in Home Economics, effective end of academic year 1964-65, to be married and move to Kansas.
William Mallory, Assistant Football Coach, effective February 13, 1965, to become Assistant Football Coach at Yale University.
Sandra Miller, Assistant Instructor in Health and Physical Education, effective end of academic year 1964-65 to further her education.

Changes in Administrative Assignment

Herbert J. Gauerke, Professor of German and Russian, appointed as Acting Chairman of Department of German and Russian for the second semester, 1964-65 while Dr. Morris is on leave of absence.
Donald S. Longworth, relieved of his duties as Chairman of the Department of Sociology effective February 5, 1965, to devote full time to teaching.
Galen Stutsman, Professor of Business Education, appointed as Acting Chairman of the Department of Business Education for the academic year 1965-66 while Dr. Guthrie is on leave of absence.
Martha G. Weber, resigned as Director of Reading Center effective end of academic year 1964-65 to devote full time to teaching and research.
Fred E. Williams, resigned as Director of Audio-Visual Services effective June 30, 1965, to devote full time to teaching.

Leaves of Absence

Neal R. Guthrie, Chairman of the Department and Professor of Business Education, for the academic year 1965-66 at one-half salary, for a study of Business Education in the Caribbean region with a home base at the College of the Virgin Islands in St. Thomas.
Mary C. Hissong, Associate Professor of English, on leave of absence during current academic year, granted an extension of leave for academic year 1965-66.
Charles Lakofsky, Professor of Art, research leave with full pay for the first Summer Session of 1965, to devote unrestrictive time to creative work.

New Appointments (Second Semester - 1964-65)

Faculty and Library - Full Time

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<td>Wilma Seif</td>
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*Previously listed as reappointment of part-time faculty; this salary to be reimbursed 100% by Department of Special Education, Program for Slow Learning Children.

Health & Physical Education

C. Thomas Kisselle, Assistant & Asst. Football Coach, term - to 6-30-66
Donald E. Mehlen, Asst. Instr./Instr. Asst. Football Coach, term - to 6-30-66

9600/10,000 upon completion of requirements for Master's degree--fiscal year rate (month of July, 1965, leave without pay to attend graduate school)
Personnel Changes - Academic Area cont'd

Business Administration
Robert C. Eikost Jr.        Instructor         Term $600

Philosophy
George P. Guthrie          Visiting Lecturer  Term 900

Physics
J. Richard Weaver         Visiting Instructor  Term 1100
Don E. Wrede               Visiting Lecturer  Term 1400

Reappointment of Part-time Faculty
Esther Hayhurst            Instructor in History Term 700

Faculty and Library - Part Time

Capital Improvements and Long-range Planning

President Jerome presented the following resume of Capital Improvements:

Athletic Facilities Area. The major improvements of this area are under way, are on schedule, and should be completed well in advance of the spring season.

One major project, that of creating new elevations in an area which could eventually be used as an extension for the Golf Course, has now advanced beyond the planning stage and as fill becomes available from other projects on campus, will actually be placed under construction. These changes in elevation will provide several additional teaching stations for the Health and Physical Education Department. For example, it will be possible to create small instructional ski slopes which can be utilized by the Health and Physical Education department in their service course offerings during the winter months. These same areas in the spring and summer, can be used for elevated tees and greens for the additional nine hole Golf Course to be developed in the future. Another phase of this program that is still in the planning stage, is the location, size and extent of various drainage and retention ponds which can serve as a source of water for irrigation purposes, as well as to create a beautiful outdoor recreation area.

Paddle Tennis Courts. Two of the four new Paddle Tennis Courts have been completed and are now being used by the Health and Physical Education department for instructional purposes. The remaining two courts will be completed as soon as weather permits.

Williams Hall Conversion - Phase II. Construction is under way on the conversion of the basement area of Williams Hall. These improvements containing approximately thirty faculty offices will be completed during the early summer months.

Addition to the Heating Plant. The winter weather has forced a slowdown in the construction of this addition. It is anticipated that with the first break in the weather, construction will resume on a normal schedule.

University Health Center. This project is in working drawing stage and will be completed and ready to be advertised on schedule.

New Television Studio Building. Bids were opened in Columbus on February 26, 1965, and awards were made to the low bidders as follows:

- General Contract: F. W. Bostleman Co., Inc., Toledo $102,888
- Plumbing: J. F. Bible Co., Carey 4,300
- Heating & Ventilation: Warner Plumbing & Heating Co., Fremont 29,908
- Electrical: Meinhart Electric, Inc., Toledo 49,126

The total construction cost of this project is $186,222. It is anticipated that construction will start immediately.

University Library. Final plans and specifications have been reviewed by the University and advertising should begin during the week of March 8, 1965. Final letters of approval for the grant of federal funds are currently in the process of being written. It is anticipated that groundbreaking will be held on or about May 1, 1965.

Life Sciences Building - Phase I. Final plans and specifications are nearly completed and it is anticipated that this building will be advertised during the period March 15, 1965 to April 1, 1965.

Student Services Building. This project is still in the preliminary planning stage and should be ready for final preliminaries in the near future.

Ice Arena. Preliminary plans for this structure were approved on March 4, 1965 and the project is continuing through the working drawing stage.

Stadium. This project is in working drawing stage and should be completed and ready for final review by the University during the latter part of April.
Status of Land Condemnation and Purchase.

Mr. Schwyn asked Mr. Kreischer to report on the land condemnation case.

Mr. Kreischer reported that the Director of Public Works has filed the condemnation case which was scheduled for trial April 5, but has been continued to May 15, 1965.

Mr. Schwyn asked Mr. Kreischer if the University could still negotiate with Mr. Bowman. Mr. Kreischer stated that neither the Board of Trustees nor University officials may now negotiate with Mr. Bowman. The Director of Public Works is the state official who presently has final authority.

Mr. Schwyn then inquired if this Board could purchase any land through negotiation. Mr. Kreischer stated that under existing statutes the Board cannot buy land without first securing approval of the State Board of Regents and the State Controlling Board.

Other

President Jerome informed the trustees that no contracts to faculty can be issued until the legislature acts on the appropriation bill. He stated that letters of intent will be sent to all non-tenured members of the staff similar to letters used in the past.

President Jerome called attention to the four state issues that will appear on the May 4, 1965 ballot. He stated that two of the four issues to be presented to Ohio voters should be of vital interest to everyone who is concerned about Ohio's future in education.

Issue One will clarify the state's guarantee of loans to students for their college education and Issue Two will provide $290,000,000, through a bond issue, to finance long delayed capital needs of the state, including $145,000,000 for university facilities.

Issue Two will tentatively earmark $4,500,000 toward the Science-Research Complex to meet the University's responsibility for education and research. It will also provide funds for the expansion of University branches at Canton, Marion, Newark, Sandusky, and Warren, assuming necessary matching monies are raised locally.

Issue Two will permit further expansion of community and branch colleges throughout the state so that universities such as Bowling Green will be able to devote more of their energies and resources to upper-level and graduate study. This is in line with Ohio's developing Master Plan for Higher Education, and will go a long way toward putting Ohio near the front in an area in which it has been lagging among the nation's progressive states.

President Jerome informed the Board that a Department of Marketing had only just been approved by the College of Business and the Provost, as well as the Dean of the College of Business Administration, and added, "It has my approval. Ordinarily the Board approves any new department. I would recommend the change but recognize that the Board may wish to defer action until it has a chance to study the proposal. A chairman has been tentatively appointed subject to the Board's action on this department."

President Jerome reported to the trustees that a groundbreaking ceremony for the Library is being planned for May 1. A letter to the Governor has been dispatched to see if he would like to be on hand for this ceremony. Charles Perry, Director of Development, is interested in making this an important occasion.

He further stated, "Two master's programs in Music and in Philosophy have been called to my attention. I did not feel they were sufficiently well documented to present at this time. Moreover, I do not want to present any more programs to the Board of Regents until we get approval of several major programs."

Relative to the date for the next meeting of the Board, it was agreed that the President of the University and the Chairman of the Board should communicate with the members to determine a satisfactory date for the meeting sometime after the appropriation bill has been passed by the General Assembly.

There being no further business, Mr. Schwyn declared the meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.

(After adjournment of the meeting, Mr. Schwyn appointed Mrs. Anita Ward, Robert Dorfmeyer, John Ernsthausen, and Donald Simmons as members of the committee to study the policy statement on freedom of political expression.)

Attest:

\[Signature\]

President

\[Signature\]

Secretary