Minutes of the Meeting
of the
Oakland University Board of Trustees
July 1, 1987

Present: Trustees Phyllis Law Googasian, Patricia Hartmann, Ken Morris, Stephan Sharf, and Howard Sims

Absent: Trustees Donald Bemis, Larry Chunovich, and David Handleman

Vice Chair Hartmann called the meeting to order at 3:08 p.m. in Lounge II of the Oakland Center.

Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of June 10, 1987

Trustee Googasian, seconded by Trustee Morris, moved to approve the minutes of June 10, 1987, as proposed. The motion was unanimously carried.

Recommendation to Accept Gifts and Grants to Oakland University

Mr. David Rodwell, Vice President for External Affairs, stated that the gifts and grants to Oakland University totaled $855,797.

Trustee Morris, seconded by Trustee Sims, moved to accept the gifts and grants with appreciation to the contributors. The motion was unanimously carried.

Information Report on Gifts and Grants to the Oakland University Foundation

Mr. Robert Swanson, Vice President for Developmental Affairs, stated that the gifts and grants to the Oakland University Foundation totaled $96,404.38. Mr. Swanson also reported that 87 new members have joined the President's Club since January, 1987, and the current membership is 946.

Trustee Morris, seconded by Trustee Sims, moved to accept the information report on gifts and grants to the Oakland University Foundation. The motion was unanimously carried.

Faculty Personnel Actions

Mr. William W. Connellan, Associate Provost, made the following recommendation:

Appointment

Wood, Susan E., Associate Professor of Art History, effective August 15, 1987

Leave of Absence

Blankenship, Virginia R., Assistant Professor of Psychology, sabbatical leave from August 25, 1987, through December 18, 1987

Chatterjee, Bandana, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, sabbatical leave from January 5, 1988, through April 27, 1988

Fosu, Augustin K., Associate Professor of Economics, part-time (10%) leave from January 4, 1988, through April 27, 1988

Laski, Janusz W., Professor of Engineering, sabbatical leave from August 25, 1987, through April 27, 1988

Murphy, Kevin J., Associate Professor of Economics, leave from August 25, 1987, through April 27, 1988

Nachman, Louis J., Professor of Mathematical Sciences, sabbatical leave from August 25, 1987, through December 18, 1987

Schillace, Ralph J., Associate Professor of Psychology, sabbatical leave from January 4, 1988, through April 27, 1988

Taylor, R. Craig, Professor of Chemistry, faculty retraining leave from August 25, 1987, through December 18, 1987, and sabbatical leave from January 4, 1988, through April 27, 1988

Torgoff, Irving H., Associate Professor of Psychology, sick leave from November 29, 1986, through May 22, 1987

Death (Information Item)

Torgoff, Irving H., Associate Professor of Psychology, May 22, 1987

Vice Chair Hartmann stated that she appreciated having the reasons for the leaves of absence included in the report.

Trustee Sims, seconded by Trustee Morris, moved to approve the recommendation. The motion was unanimously carried.

Security Transactions

President Joseph E. Champagne stated that the security transaction was for three shares of GM Hughes Electronics Corporation stock. The gift was received on May 14, 1987, and was valued at $138.56. The sale price was $136.50. Net proceeds equaled $122.84. President Champagne stated that this report conforms with the policy of disclosing gifts of stock as they are received.

Trustee Sharf, seconded by Trustee Morris, moved to accept the report. The motion was unanimously carried.

Appointment of Committee for Selection of Chair and Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees

Mr. John De Carlo, Secretary to the Board of Trustees, Vice President for Governmental Affairs, and General Counsel, stated that Article IV, Paragraph A, of the Bylaws of the Board of Trustees provides that "at the regular September meeting each year, the Board shall elect one of its own members to be its Chair and another of its members to be its Vice Chair for a term of one year and until a successor shall be elected." He added that it has been the practice for the Chair to appoint a committee of members of the Board to make a recommendation to the full Board on the Chair and Vice Chair for the following year.

Mr. De Carlo stated that this was an information item at this time, and he would advise Chairman Handleman of this matter.

Resolution Honoring Mr. George Karas

President Champagne stated that Mr. George Karas, University Engineer and the first employee of Oakland University, is retiring this summer. He stated that Mr. Karas has been involved in the construction of every building on campus.

President Champagne made the following recommendation:

> RESOLVED, That the Oakland University Board of Trustees honors George Karas for dedicated service, as both Director of the Physical Plant and later the University Engineer, in the development of Oakland's campus and facilities. During Mr. Karas' tenure, 1957-1987, the University rose from a conceptual dream in the eyes of Mrs. Matilda R. Wilson, the primary benefactress, to

one of Michigan's leading educational institutions. His contributions to the University will be remembered for years to come. A plaque will be mounted at the Central Heating Plant giving testimony to his numerous achievements in the areas of utility management and energy conservation.

Trustee Sims, seconded by Trustee Morris, moved acceptance of the recommendation. The motion was unanimously carried.

Special Liquor Licenses Report

Mr. De Carlo stated that on January 16, 1985, the Board of Trustees approved a policy on the service and sale of alcoholic beverages. This policy provided for the use of special (24 hour) liquor licenses and also called for periodic reports concerning their use. The last report to the Board, dated January 14, 1987, covered the period February 21, 1986, through December 5, 1986.

This report lists the licenses obtained during the period January 1, 1987, through June 30, 1987.

Oakland University obtained licenses for the following events:

February 20, 1987	Administrative Professional Association Reception
March 31, 1987	Arts and Sciences Reception
April 11, 1987	Student Program Board Dance
June 3, 1987	Statistical Conference Reception

Meadow Brook Performing Arts Company obtained a license for the following event:

June 12, 1987	Reception at the Center for the Arts

No licenses were issued on behalf of the Oakland University Foundation during this period.

Trustee Sims, seconded by Trustee Morris, moved to accept the report. The motion was unanimously carried.

Meadow Brook Subdivision Guarantee

President Champagne stated that on June 18, 1987, the University guaranteed payment on a promissory note in the amount of $72,500 for refinancing a mortgage in the University Subdivision for Mr. Patrick C. Nicosia. The note has an interest rate of 7.75% and a maturity of July 1, 2002. The note is with Standard Federal Bank.

Trustee Morris, seconded by Trustee Sims, moved acceptance of the report. The motion was unanimously carried.

Air Conditioning - Health Sciences - Award of Contract

Vice Chair Hartmann stated that this item was withdrawn by the Office of Finance and Administration.

Replacement and Disposal of Campus PCB Transformers

President Champagne stated that on June 10, 1987, the Board of Trustees approved the award of a contract to the Electric Equipment Service Corporation for the replacement of fourteen PCB transformers. At that time, it was understood that the method of disposal of the transformers would be through incineration. The resolution indicated that the method of disposal must be EPA certified. As of this date, the EPA has not certified any type of transformer incineration. In order to dispose of the transformers in an EPA-approved manner, should the incineration process not be approved at the time of their removal, the administration is making the following recommendation:

> RESOLVED, That the Vice President for Finance and Administration is authorized to enter into a fixed price contract with Electric Equipment Service Corporation for campus-wide replacement of 14 PCB transformers, as well as the removal/disposal of five other PCB transformers, as identified in the University's PCB plan at a cost of $321,197, plus $48,892 for transformer carcass incineration pending EPA approval and certification; and be it further
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> RESOLVED, That if EPA-approved carcass incineration facilities are not available, the transformer carcasses shall be disposed of at an EPA-approved landfill site; and be it further
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> RESOLVED, That the total project cost shall not exceed $400,000, of which $180,000 is to be provided from funds provided by the State of Michigan, and $220,000 from University sources; and be it further
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> RESOLVED, That PCB disposal be fully in accordance with EPA regulations.

Vice Chair Hartmann asked if it was correct that the incineration process will cost approximately $49,000 more than the landfill disposal.

President Champagne stated that the landfill method would save the University $49,000 in the short run, although, the long-term liability issue related to the landfill method should be considered.

Trustee Googasian, seconded by Trustee Sims, moved acceptance of the resolution. The motion was unanimously carried.

Administrative Development Leave

Vice Chair Hartmann read the following statement:

> It is a customary practice in higher education to grant developmental leaves to faculty and administrative personnel. At Oakland, faculty may apply for a semester leave at half pay after three years of service or at full pay after six years of service. Administrative/professional employees may seek a developmental leave for up to three months after three years of service. Such leaves benefit the individuals by giving them an opportunity to refresh themselves in their disciplines or professional responsibilities. As a result, the institution is the real beneficiary.
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> Joseph E. Champagne was appointed President in December, 1980, and assumed his duties on March 1, 1981. Since that time there have been numerous changes at the University due to the recession of the 1980's, the development of a new role and mission, the expansion of the economic base of Michigan, especially around the University, and the changing nature of higher education in Michigan and the nation as a whole.
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> Higher education is entering into a new era as different and increasing demands are placed upon it for a wider variety of educational, research, and public service activities as have been experienced in the past.
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> Consequently, President Champagne is requesting the opportunity to be relieved of most day-to-day responsibilities during July and August of 1987 that he may devote time to study trends in higher education and responses that are or can be appropriate for Oakland University as it moves toward the 21st Century.

> Because some activities this summer will require his continued involvement, the requested leave is, in reality, a partial leave.

Vice Chair Hartmann then stated that she personally does not feel that the request is a traditional leave as "President Champagne will be working very hard during this time on planning projects." She stated that President Champagne will spend part of his leave preparing the Fiscal Year 1988 budget for Board action, coordinating the road projects in the area and the campus master plan, monitoring the EDS computer contract, and making calls on the Capital Campaign.

Vice Chair Hartmann then read the following recommendation:

> RESOLVED, That President Champagne be granted a partial developmental leave with full pay for July and August, 1987, as described above; and be it further
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> RESOLVED, That Mr. John De Carlo be designated to act on behalf of the President in day-to-day activities in his absence.

Trustee Morris, seconded by Trustee Googasian, moved approval of the recommendation.

Trustee Morris stated that there have been and are serious problems affecting the University. He added that he expects "the fruits of this endeavor will be very beneficial to the University in the future."

Vice Chair Hartmann stated that she personally feels that it is mandatory to get away from the day-to-day "firing line" to gain some perspective. She believes that this is a very good effort on President Champagne's part, and it will benefit the University.

The motion was voted on and unanimously carried.

Appropriations Process

President Champagne reported on the appropriations process by reading a memo he received from Mr. De Carlo.

> I am pleased to confirm that the Legislature adopted the Conference Committee recommendation on the appropriations for higher education. The State general fund/general purpose appropriation for Oakland University is $31,590,465. In addition, Oakland University will receive an additional $316,517 in "recognition of student

headcount increases ... for the period Fall 1984 through Fall 1986." The general percentage increase in appropriations is approximately 6.75%. This is substantially above the amount originally recommended by the Executive Office but, more importantly, several principles were adopted by the Legislature which we have been espousing for the past few years.

The Legislature has specifically recognized in the Appropriations Act the need to fund enrollment increases. This concept was accepted for the first time by the members of each House serving on the Conference Committee. In addition, it is significant to note that the Appropriations Act will also include a provision recognizing the need for parity among the institutions through the implementation of the "student equity plan" based on State appropriations per fiscal year equated student. The inclusion of this formula resulted in an increase in funding for Oakland University and some of the other institutions in the State that were disadvantaged by the appropriation practice during the past several years of providing general percentage increases to all institutions without recognition for either a decrease or an increase in enrollment. Senator William Sederburg in his floor presentation on the bill specifically acknowledged that more must be done in the area of increased funding for certain institutions for growth and parity.

We owe a debt of appreciation to the members of the Appropriations Committees for both houses recognizing our position, since their action for the first time results in less funding for several of the institutions in the State. This was a difficult position for the Legislature to take, but they are to be complimented on this first step toward a more equitable funding pattern.

I realize that there are still many existing problems. I believe, however, that given those matters that are in our control, coupled with the progress that we are making in Lansing, we shall meet our mutual funding objectives.

President Champagne stated that this was a "hallmark" year in the recognition of the issues of parity and equity in the appropriations process. President Champagne stated that he wanted to take this opportunity to compliment Mr. De Carlo for his work this past year in Lansing, particularly his "bird-dogging" of the appropriations process in the last few weeks. He also thanked him for the late hours he kept in Lansing to make sure that the University was well represented. He stated that he knows "that John does deserve recognition for his presence and his influence.'

President Champagne stated that he will be thanking members of the House and Senate Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittees for their specific recognition of the issue of parity and equity. He stated that for the past five or six years the University has been testifying for parity and equity consideration, and "we are starting to make some progress."

Vice Chair Hartmann stated that Senator R. Robert Geake informed her that the Board should thank Mr. De Carlo because he did a "marvelous job in Lansing."

Trustee Googasian stated "since the day I became a member of this Board I have heard such high praise for this gentleman. Every comment is framed in terms of his reasonableness, thoroughness, fairness, and personal approach to all the Legislators. Oakland is well served."

Trustee Morris recommended that a letter be sent to the Legislators from the Board expressing the Trustees' appreciation of the Legislators' recognition of the problems of enrollment growth at the institutions.

Trustee Sims, seconded by Trustee Googasian, moved to accept Trustee Morris' recommendation. The motion was unanimously carried.

Trustee Googasian, seconded by Trustee Sims, moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

John De Carlo, Secretary
Board of Trustees

Approved,

David Handleman, Chairman
Board of Trustees