Minutes of the Meeting
of the
Oakland University
Board of Trustees
June 15, 1983

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Chairman Ken Morris in Lounge II of the Oakland Center.

Present: Chairman Ken Morris, Trustees David Handleman, Patricia B. Hartmann, Richard H. Headlee, Alex C. Mair, and Arthur W. Saltzman

Absent: Trustees Wallace D. Riley and Howard F. Sims

Approval of Minutes of May 18, 1983

Chairman Morris requested approval of the minutes of the Board meeting of May 18, 1983 as distributed.

Mr. Saltzman offered a motion for approval of the minutes. Mr. Handleman seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

Approval of Board Meeting Dates for 1983-84 Fiscal Year

Chairman Morris requested that Mr. John De Carlo, Secretary to the Board of Trustees, Vice President for Governmental Affairs and General Counsel, present the item on the Board meeting dates for the Board's 1983-84 fiscal year.

Mr. De Carlo stated that the Michigan Open Meetings Act requires the publication of the Board meeting dates for each calendar or fiscal year. He requested the Board's approval of the following recommendation:

> It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the following dates for the regular Board meetings for the University fiscal year 1983-84 to be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Oakland Center, Oakland University, Rochester, Michigan:
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> Wednesday - July 20, 1983
> Wednesday - August 17, 1983
> Wednesday - September 21, 1983
> Wednesday - October 19, 1983
> Wednesday - November 16, 1983
> Wednesday - December 21, 1983
> Wednesday - January 18, 1984
> Wednesday - February 15, 1984
> Wednesday - March 21, 1984
> Wednesday - April 18, 1984
> Wednesday - May 16, 1984
> Wednesday - June 20, 1984

Mr. Headlee moved that the recommendation be approved. Mrs. Hartmann seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

Acceptance of Gifts and Grants

Chairman Morris requested the Board's acceptance of the gifts and grants totaling $701,649.88. (A copy of the complete list of gifts and grants is on file in the Office of the Secretary to the Board of Trustees and the Office of the Vice President for Developmental Affairs.) Chairman Morris asked Mr. Robert W. Swanson, Vice President for Developmental Affairs, to comment on the gifts and grants.

Mr. Swanson remarked that there were a number of gifts to the Alumni Association and to the Meadow Brook Music Festival/Theatre this month. In addition, he called particular attention to the gift of $20,000 from the William T. Morris Foundation, Inc., New York in support of the William T. Morris Foundation Scholarship Fund. This annual gift came about as a result of a meeting on an airplane between Mr. Ronald Kevern, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs, and the president of this scholarship fund. Mr. Swanson said he was also pleased to note the gift of $10,500 which made Mr. and Mrs. Ken Morris lifetime members of the President's Club. Mr. Swanson stated that there are now 592 members in the President's Club which is an increase of 116 new members since Christmas and represents $1,300,000 in pledges and $130,000 in gifts. He also called attention to the gift from the Lillian H. and Karl W. Scott Foundation of Utica to the Lillian H. and Karl W. Scott Foundation Scholarship Fund which represents the first funding the University has received in support of deaf or hearing-impaired students.

Mr. Swanson then suggested that Mr. Keith R. Kleckner, Senior Vice President for University Affairs and Provost, might wish to comment on some of the grants to the academic area.

Mr. Kleckner noted that the various grants amounted to about $500,000 for use by faculty in research. Included in these grants were $10,000 from the American Chemical Society; approximately $225,000 from the National Institutes of Health to cover direct and indirect costs related to "The Study of Intraocular Transport"; about $94,000 from the National Institutes of Health in support of direct and indirect costs related to "The Role of Cations in Cataract Development" study; plus the continued substantial support of over $90,000 for two grants from the United States Army Tank-Automotive Command under the direction of Professor Nan K. Loh, School of Engineering and Computer Science.

Mr. Saltzman moved that the gifts and grants be accepted with gratitude. Mr. Handleman seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

Report on Security Transactions

Chairman Morris requested that Mr. Robert J. McGarry, Vice President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer to the Board of Trustees, comment on the Security Transaction Report.

Mr. McGarry noted that the report covered the sale of the gift of 40 shares of Ford Motor Company stock from Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Lorenz which had a value of $1,948.12. (A copy of the report is on file in the Office of the Board of Trustees and the Office of the Vice President for Finance and Administration.)

Mr. Headlee moved to accept the report. Mr. Mair seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

Approval of Resolutions Honoring the Alfred G. and Matilda R. Wilson Awards Recipients

Chairman Morris requested that Mrs. Wilma Ray-Bledsoe present the resolutions honoring the two Alfred G. and Matilda R. Wilson Awards recipients.

Mrs. Ray-Bledsoe stated that it was always a pleasure to bring to the Board the resolutions of commendation for the Wilson Awards recipients, who this year were Margaret A. Plant and John E. Rhadigan. She noted that while the actual awards were given on commencement day, traditionally the Board of Trustees has also given the winners special recognition in the form of a resolution. Mrs. Ray-Bledsoe then presented the following resolution for the Board's approval:

A RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION TO
MARGARET A PLANT

WHEREAS Ms. Margaret A. Plant entered Oakland University in the fall of 1979 as a commuting student from Eisenhower High School (Utica, Michigan); and

WHEREAS Ms. Plant has demonstrated academic excellence by maintaining a 3.2 grade point average with a major in Accounting, which excellence has been recognized by the award of departmental commendations and honors throughout her enrollment; and

WHEREAS Ms. Plant has provided an excellent example of all that can be accomplished by commuting students through her academic excellence and her extensive involvement in student organizations and activities while she was employed in as many as three jobs at the same time (including bank loan officer, salesperson, waitress, University Congress secretary/office manager, CIPO budget assistant and accounting class grader); and

WHEREAS Ms. Plant has served as a student representative of Oakland University as a cheerleader at off campus athletic contests, as a campus guide for student athletes, and as a judge for the Clarkston High School Cheerleading Competition; and

WHEREAS Ms. Plant has shown leadership capabilities by serving as the President of her Alpha Delta Pi Pledge Class; through her selection as Captain of the Cheerleading Team for two years, and by stimulating the interests of other students in campus activities; and

WHEREAS Ms. Plant has performed an active role in other campus organizations, including Oakland Accounting Students Information Service (OASIS), OU Marketing Club, OU Ski Club, University Congress, Student Allocations Board, and the Wilson Awards Committee; and

WHEREAS Ms. Plant has demonstrated concern for community relations and human growth and development through volunteer work for Leader Dogs for the Blind, Ronald McDonald House, the Salvation Army, Senior Citizens Tax Assistance Program, and the Oakland/Macomb Christmas Party for Underpriviledged Children; and

WHEREAS Ms. Plant has been selected as the 1983 recipient of the Matilda R. Wilson Award, given annually to a senior woman who has maintained high academic standards, who has demonstrated extraordinary leadership capabilities and involvement in the Oakland University community, and who has expressed social concern: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees expresses its appreciation to Ms. Plant for her dedication to improving the betterment of the quality of student life at Oakland University; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board commends Ms. Plant for the quality of her scholarship and leadership.

Mrs. Ray-Bledsoe stated that unfortunately Ms. Plant was unable to attend the meeting, but she expected Mr. Rhadigan to be present later in the meeting. She was uncertain as to when he would arrive since his presence was subject to a work commitment.

Mr. Headlee moved that the resolution be approved. Mr. Handleman seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

Mrs. Ray-Bledsoe then presented the following resolution for the Board's approval:

A RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION TO
JOHN E. RHADIGAN

WHEREAS Mr. John E. Rhadigan entered Oakland University in the Fall of 1979 as a Residence Halls student from Brighton High School (Michigan); and

WHEREAS Mr. Rhadigan demonstrated academic excellence by maintaining a 3.5 grade point average with a major in Communication Arts; and

WHEREAS Mr. Rhadigan's academic excellence has been recognized by his receipt of the campus activity award and departmental commendations and honors throughout his enrollment at Oakland University, by membership in the Golden Key National Honor Society, and by listing in the National Register of Outstanding College Graduates; and

WHEREAS Mr. Rhadigan has made a significant contribution to the development of the campus WOUX Radio Station as an entity of importance and quality at the University through his work as disc jockey, program director and general manager; and

WHEREAS Mr. Rhadigan has worked diligently to develop the Oakland University Forensics Team into a nationally competitive team through his tireless fund raising efforts, his service as vice president and president of the organization, and his status as national finalist in the Intercollegiate Forensics Competition; and

WHEREAS Mr. Rhadigan has demonstrated leadership capabilities and commitment to the University by his participation in a variety of campus functions, including, the University Senate, the College Bowl Tournament, Residence Halls activities, Winter Carnival, Student Organizations Recognition Night, Student Enterprise Theatre, the OU Mixed Bowling League (serving as president) and Intramural Athletics; and

WHEREAS Mr. Rhadigan has served as a student representative of Oakland University to the public through his work as an orientation group leader, freshman leadership camp group leader, intercollegiate broadcast system conference delegate, radio sports announcer (WPON), and student intern (WJBK); and

WHEREAS Mr. Rhadigan has been selected as the 1983 recipient of the Alfred G. Wilson Award given annually to a senior man who has maintained high academic standards, who has demonstrated extraordinary leadership capabilities and involvement in the Oakland University community and who has expressed social concern: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees expresses its appreciation to Mr. Rhadigan for his commitment to campus life at Oakland University; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board commends Mr. Rhadigan for the quality of his scholarship and leadership.

Mr. Handleman moved that the resolution be approved. Mrs. Hartmann seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

President Joseph E. Champagne noted that last year's Wilson Award recipient, James E. Green, was present at this evening's Board meeting. He added that Mr. Green is a law student at Ohio State University.

Approval of Resolution of Commendation for Ralph T. Norvell, Immediate Past Chairman of the President's Club Steering Committee

Chairman Morris asked President Champagne to present the resolution of commendation for Mr. Ralph T. Norvell.

President Champagne said that he took particular delight in recommending approval of the resolution honoring Mr. Norvell. He said that while an institution such as a university may be able to operate efficiently through its faculty, staff and administration, it achieves a great measure of excellence when the community it is trying to serve responds with enthusiasm. Two individuals who personify this enthusiasm for Oakland University and who have made the University staff's tasks so much easier are Ralph and Lillian Norvell. President Champagne stated that the Norvells are synonymous with many of the University's programs, having given unstintingly of their time and talents. Mr. Norvell is stepping down as Chairman of the President's Club Steering Committee having served for seven years.

President Champagne added that there was no adequate way of expressing the degree of sentiment he felt toward the Norvells for all they have done for the University. He said the resolution was a symbolic gesture which would imprint the Norvell name firmly and forevermore into the University archives. President Champagne added that Mr. Norvell would be deeply missed in his capacity as Chairman, but that he believed he would continue to work just as hard to recruit new members for the President's Club.

President Champagne then presented the following resolution for the Board's approval:

COMMENDATION FOR RALPH T. NORVELL
IMMEDIATE PAST CHAIRMAN OF THE
PRESIDENT'S CLUB STEERING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS Ralph T. Norvell became Chairman of the President's Club in 1976, and under his leadership membership has increased from 90 members to nearly 600 members, and gifts or pledges received from new members have exceeded $5,000,000; and

WHEREAS the quality of the academic, cultural, and recreational programs of Oakland University have been measurably enhanced by the dedicated efforts of Mr. Norvell and the Steering Committee of the President's Club under his dynamic leadership; and

WHEREAS Mr. Norvell actively supported the development of the Oakland University Katke-Cousins Golf Course and now serves as a member of the Gehringer-Kaline Meadow Brook Golf Classic Committee; and

WHEREAS Mr. Norvell has provided scholarship and financial assistance to needy students, has encouraged countless students to enroll at Oakland University, and has employed Oakland University students in his insurance firm; and

WHEREAS Ralph Norvell and his wife, Lillian, have served the University for many years; and

WHEREAS Lillian Norvell participated as a panelist on the 1957 Meadow Brook Seminar Meetings during the early development of the University; and

WHEREAS Ralph and Lillian Norvell were designated as honorary alumni in 1981 by the Oakland University Alumni Association in consideration of their outstanding voluntary contributions: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That on behalf of a grateful University, the Board of Trustees extends its deeply felt appreciation and thanks to Lillian A. and Ralph T. Norvell.

Mrs Hartmann moved that the resolution be adopted. Mr. Headlee seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

President Champagne presented Mr. Norvell with a copy of the resolution.

President Champagne acknowledged Mr. John E. Rhadigan's presence and also presented him with a copy of his resolution.

Mr. Rhadigan thanked the President. He stated that Oakland University had given him so much more than he could return. He noted that it was coincidental that Mr. Norvell was being honored. He hoped that he could follow Mr. Norvell's example and be similarly honored in the future.

Mr. Norvell noted that this was his first attendance at a Board of Trustees meeting, and that it was a special occasion for him and a night to be remembered. He added that while his and Lillian Norvell's names were on the resolution, there were many invisible names in the resolution. Over the years there were many other individuals who had worked with them for Oakland University which they "deeply loved". He added that he and Lillian would continue to work for the University as long as "you will have us and we are physically able to assist". He concluded by stating that he would visit his mother this week for her 89th birthday and share the resolution with her.

Approval of Emeritus Professor Appointment for Laszlo J. Hetenyi

Chairman Morris asked Mr. Kleckner to present the resolution on Mr. Hetenyi.

Mr. Kleckner noted that this was a night of resolutions and reminded the Trustees that several months ago the Board had approved the retirement of Mr. Laszlo J. Hetenyi from the School of Performing Arts effective June 30, 1983. He stated that he was presenting the following recommendation for the Board's approval:

EMERITUS PROFESSOR APPOINTMENT FOR LASZLO J. HETENYI

WHEREAS Laszlo J. Hetenyi was appointed to the faculty of Oakland University in July, 1960, being the first faculty member in the field of education and subsequently serving as a faculty member for 23 years; and

WHEREAS he also served with distinction as the first Dean of the School of Education, which later became the School of Human and Educational Services for 18 years, during which time under his leadership the School experienced rapid development at all program levels, baccalaureate to doctoral; and

WHEREAS Laszlo J. Hetenyi, having completed his service with the School of Human and Educational services, was appointed the first Dean of the School of Performing Arts at Oakland University in 1981 and again served with distinction until his departure from the University for retirement effective June 30, 1983: Now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That upon the recommendation of the President, the Provost and the faculty of the School of Human and Educational Services, the Oakland University Board of Trustees hereby confers upon Laszlo J. Hetenyi the title, Professor Emeritus.

Mr. Headlee moved that the recommendation be approved. Mr. Handleman seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

Mr. Hetenyi was presented with a copy of his resolution.

Mr. Hetenyi thanked the Board, and noted that sometimes his "23 years at the University seemed like 23 days when working on educational matters and at other times, 230 years when facing budget costs." He said the experience of helping to start a new institution and organizing two new units was something he had dreamed of when he had entered the academic world. He thanked the University for giving him these opportunities.

Approval of Faculty Personnel Actions

In response to Chairman Morris' request for comments on the faculty personnel actions, Mr. Kleckner said they were routine actions and recommended that the following faculty personnel actions be approved:

Appointments

Fuller, Terry A., Clinical Professor of Physics, effective January 1, 1983, through August 14, 1984

Harding, Clifford V., Adjunct Professor of Biological Sciences, effective August 15, 1983, through August 14, 1985

Kahana, Eva F., Adjunct Professor of Sociology, effective January 1, 1983 through December 31, 1983

Kilburn, Terence E., Adjunct Professor of Theatre, effective August 15, 1983, through August 14, 1985

Lorenz, Paul F., Adjunct Professor of Management, effective August 15, 1983, through August 14, 1988

Malinski, Tadeusz, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, effective August 15, 1983

Mohler, Orren C., Adjunct Professor of Physics, effective August 15, 1983, through August 14, 1985

Rice, F. Edward, Adjunct Associate Professor of Psychology, effective August 15, 1983, through August 14, 1984

Appointments (Continued)

Shaw, Steven W., Assistant Professor of Engineering, effective August 15, 1983

Wells, James R., Adjunct Professor of Biological Sciences, effective August 15, 1983, through August 14, 1985

Wileden, Paul H., Adjunct Professor of Political Science, effective August 15, 1983, through August 14, 1985

Changes of Status

Post, Gerald V., from Instructor of Economics to Assistant Professor of Economics, effective May 1, 1983

Rosen, Joan G., from Associate Professor of English to Associate Professor of English and Acting Chair, Department of English, effective August 30, 1983, through December 17, 1983

Sudol, Ronald A., from Assistant Professor of Rhetoric to Assistant Professor of Rhetoric and Acting Chair, Department of Rhetoric, Communications, and Journalism, effective June 17, 1983, through August 18, 1983

Leaves of Absence

Ater, Kimberly S., Instructor in Dance, leave from August 30, 1983, through April 21, 1984

Lowery, Sandra K., Assistant Professor of Nursing, 75% leave from August 30, 1983, through April 21, 1984

Stano, Miron, Associate Professor of Economics and Management, sabbatical leave from August 30, 1983, through December 17, 1983 (this supersedes the previous Board action of May 18, 1983)

Mr. Headlee moved that the recommendation on faculty personnel actions be approved. Mrs. Hartmann seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

Report on Perquisites for Emeritus Faculty

Chairman Morris asked Mr. Kleckner to present the report on the perquisites for emeritus faculty.

Mr. Kleckner stated that two years ago the Board approved the emeritus titles for faculty who have served with distinction for a long period of time. The Board also requested that a report be made to the Trustees concerning perquisites for the emeritus status. The report which was submitted to the Board prior to this evening's meeting listed the following benefits which also pertain to all retired bargaining unit faculty members:

1. Use of University recreational facilities, to the extent granted active faculty.

2. Faculty discounts for University programs, to the extent granted active faculty.

3. Use of the Health Center, at rates established for active faculty.

4. Use of the Library.

5. Permission to continue in the medical insurance program, at the individual's own expense.

Mr. Headlee moved to accept the report. Mr. Handleman seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

Approval of the Establishment of a Master of Science Program in Engineering Management

Chairman Morris requested that Mr. Kleckner present the item on the establishment of a Master of Science Program in Engineering Management.

Mr. Kleckner stated that this was a hybrid program which would be jointly offered by the School of Engineering and Computer Science and the School of Economics and Management at the Master's level. He added that the proposed program would combine course work from two areas and that no new courses needed to be created. Mr. Kleckner stated that there would be an approximate annual cost of $20,000 to $50,000 some of which would be required primarily in the School of Economics and Management to start the program. Mr. Kleckner then presented the following recommendation for the Board's approval:

> RESOLVED, That the Board approve the establishment of a new program in Engineering Management, leading to the degree of Master of Science. Implementation of the program is subject to certification by the President that the necessary resources are available.

President Champagne suggested that Mr. Kleckner might wish to explain the value of this particular program.

Mr. Kleckner stated that this program was of particular importance to individuals who are now working who choose to assume technical management responsibilities. Mr. Kleckner said that at the present time there were many students who were pursuing a double major, and the establishment of this program would make it easier for them to acquire the needed technical and managerial skills.

Mrs. Hartmann moved that the recommendation be approved. Mr. Saltzman seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

Approval of the Interim Budget for 1983/84

Chairman Morris requested that Mr. McGarry present the issues on the interim budget for 1983/84.

Mr. McGarry stated that the University does not have the State appropriation for 1983/84 since the Legislature has not passed the appropriation bill for this period. Therefore the General Fund Budget will not be presented to the Board until after July 1. However, he wished to be given the authority to operate on an interim budget which would continue the 1982/83 budget level, modified only by previously approved contractual agreements. He then presented the following recommendation for the Board's approval:

> It is recommended that the Board of Trustees authorize a continuation General Fund Budget for 1983/84 at the level of the 1982/83 expenditure budget, until such time as a 1983/84 budget is adopted. The interim budget will reflect compensation adjustments for previously approved contractual agreements with employee groups, as well as compensation adjustments on the same basis for Administrative-Professional, Excluded Clerical-Technical and Academic Administrator groups.

Mr. Handleman moved that the recommendation be approved. Mr. Saltzman seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

Approval of Recommendation from Board Personnel Policy Committee on Presidential Salary

Chairman Morris asked Mr. Arthur W. Saltzman, Chairman of the Board's Personnel Policy Committee, to present the recommendation on the President's salary.

Mr. Saltzman moved that the following recommendation be approved:

> Consistent with the employment agreement with President Joseph E. Champagne, the Oakland University Board of Trustees Personnel Policy Committee met to review the President's annual salary. The Personnel Policy Committee recommends that effective July 1, 1983 the President's salary should be increased from a base of $68,200 to $75,000 annually in recognition of his service to the University.
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> The Personnel Policy Committee also requests that the Board of Trustees authorize the committee to review the President's non-salary compensation program and return to the Board with its recommendation for consideration and adoption no later than the September meeting.

Mr. Headlee seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

<u>Approval of Worker's Compensation Settlement</u>

Chairman Morris requested that Mr. De Carlo present the worker's compensation settlement item.

Mr. De Carlo stated that the University administration was seeking Board approval to expend up to $16,000 to settle a worker's compensation claim filed against the University by Mr. Joseph B. Moore, an employee who has been on an unpaid leave status since May 28, 1982. Mr. De Carlo added that the Board had been supplied with pertinent information relating to the issues in this matter. He stated that having weighed the law and facts applicable to this case and after a review of the issues with outside legal counsel, the administration believed that a settlement was in the best interests of the University. He therefore asked the Board's approval of the following recommendation:

> That the University's General Counsel be authorized to expend up to $16,000 in settlement of the worker's compensation claim filed by Mr. Joseph B. Moore.

Mr. Handleman moved that the recommendation be approved. Mrs. Hartmann seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

Approval of an Easement to Avon Charter Township for the Construction of a Bicycle Path on Adams Road

Chairman Morris asked Mr. McGarry to present the item on the request for an easement by Avon Charter Township.

Mr. McGarry stated, as background information, that Avon Township had implemented a plan for a network of bicycle/pedestrian paths over the past several years. He noted that in the Meadow Brook Subdivision there are about 50 families with many children who have no access to any of the bike paths, and that there has been pressure on the Township to provide a path on Adams Road. The Township has agreed to construct such a bike path, but such action would require an easement on University property. The following recommendation was presented for Board approval:

> It is recommended that the Board delegate to the President or his designee the authority to negotiate and execute an easement or revocable license with Avon Charter Township relating to University property as described to the Board and located to the East of Adams Road between Heidelberg Drive and Hillendale for the construction and maintenance of a bicycle/ pedestrian path, and in addition, authority is provided to grant a temporary permit for the grading of land associated with the project. The easement and permit are to be executed only if it is deemed by the President that the University retains adequate control and flexibility regarding future use of the land involved.

Chairman Morris called on Mr. De Carlo as General Counsel for his comments.

Mr. De Carlo said that in reviewing this matter carefully, the Township had been unable to advise the University of the exact location of the path due to the irregular terrain. Therefore, the Township was requesting a 60-foot easement with the right to locate the path wherever the Township felt appropriate in this area. The University administration felt it would not be good stewardship of institutional land to act on this easement without having clear and complete knowledge of the project. He added that the University has been discussing this situation with Township officials who have been very understanding and cooperative. Mr. De Carlo stated that the University wished to retain full ingress and egress rights to protect the institution's options for future use as fully as possible. Therefore, the administration was requesting authority to negotiate with the Township and grant ultimate power to the President to make the final decision.

President Champagne stated that it was not easy to work through a project of this nature since the University wishes to be sure that it retains all of the necessary rights in the property while making it convenient for employees and their families to have access to Walton Boulevard via the bicycle/pedestrian path. He noted that Avon Township is crisscrossed with magnificent bike paths, and the institution wished to accommodate the Township and the subdivision residents, but at the same time it did not want to do anything that would impair access to a larger parcel of University land adjacent to the proposed path. He commented that the University has many easements on its property and he wanted to move with caution in order to avoid future construction problems. He added that the administration would continue to work for a solution.

Mr. Headlee moved that the proposed recommendation be approved.

Mr. Morris agreed that it was important to preserve rights for future use of the land.

Mrs. Hartmann seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

Approval of Acquisition of Mobile Homes

Chairman Morris requested that Mr. McGarry present the recommendation on the purchase of mobile homes.

Mr. McGarry noted that the actors at Meadow Brook Theatre are members of Actors Equity and their contract requires that housing be available within one-half mile of the Theatre. He stated that housing was not available in this area to meet that requirement. In 1966 when the Theatre opened 14 mobile home units were purchased. Now, 17 years later these units are in need of replacement. He then presented the following recommendation for the Board's approval:

> It is recommended that the Vice President for Finance and Administration be authorized to contract for the purchase of 14 new mobile home units at an aggregate purchase cost of up to $145,000. It is further recommended that an inter-fund loan be provided from uncommitted investment income funds in the designated fund to allow for purchase at this time.
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> It is further recommended that the loan be repaid from operating and gift funds available to the Meadow Brook Theatre over the next three to five years.

Mr. Headlee moved that the recommendation be approved. Mr. Handleman seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

President's Report

Chairman Morris called upon President Joseph E. Champagne for his report.

President Champagne said he wished to commend the faculties of the School of Engineering and Computer Science and the School of Economics and Management for being so responsive to student and industrial needs in formulating the program in Engineering Management.

President Champagne noted that the Meadow Brook Music Festival was about to open and that ticket sales were going well, and that a successful season was anticipated.

He stated that the annual Gehringer-Kaline Golf Tournament fund-raising event was extremely successful with 288 golfers participating, and 660 persons present for dinner. He added that Governor James J. Blanchard also was in attendance. While actual figures were not available, President Champagne estimated that perhaps $30,000-$40,000 might be realized from this event which supports the preservation of Meadow Brook Hall and various athletic programs.

President Champagne stated that there was nothing to report on fall enrollment at this time except to note that it might be down slightly as a result of capping enrollment in Engineering, Computer Science and Economics and Management. However, he was not concerned at this time.

President Champagne reported that there had been a major fire on the campus in two buildings connected to the Riding Ring, which was particularly unfortunate because the buildings had been a part of the original estate. He suggested that Mr. McGarry might expand on this item.

Mr. McGarry stated that one of the buildings lost in the fire was a maintenance building for golf course equipment and another was one of the stables in the Riding Ring complex. There were no injuries of any consequence and there was full insurance coverage for replacement costs.

President Champagne stated that the University had good insurance coverage, and he wished to thank Mr. Ralph Norvell for working so closely with the University on this matter.

President Champagne asked Mr. De Carlo to report on the status of the legislative process in Lansing as it relates to the University.

Mr. De Carlo stated that the Executive Office made a recommendation that funding for higher education should be increased and that the University of Michigan, Michigan State and Wayne State should receive nine percent and all other public four-year institutions of higher education should receive seven and one-half percent. He said that the stated basis for this differential was related to the complexity of the three large institutions and their research activities. However, Mr. De Carlo stated that Oakland University and some of the other universities also have unique needs, and an attempt was being made to persuade the Legislature to change the funding formula to raise the amount for Oakland University and the other universities. He said some Legislators recognized the merit of this argument, but there are many issues involved. Mr. De Carlo felt this issue should be resolved very shortly, probably by June 30. He hoped that the University's appropriaton would be better than a seven and one-half percent increase over the current year. He said there was also an attempt to amend the Joint Capital Outlay Budget which had been partially successful. The Joint Capital Outlay Committee and the House of Representatives have included in the Capital Outlay budget $125,000 for the remodeling of Pryale House dormitory for academic use. While there has been no commitment, the merit of the proposal has apparently been recognized. In conclusion, Mr. De Carlo said that he was attempting to monitor the situation in Lansing daily since the issues were so volatile.

President Champagne praised Mr. De Carlo for his very hard and skillful work in Lansing. He stated that the issues were more complex than this brief report would indicate. He added that Mr. De Carlo is in Lansing two and three times a week, working on behalf of Oakland University and other universities as well. President Champagne said that Mr. De Carlo's level of success in Lansing has been very positive.

Mrs. Hartmann moved to accept the report of the President. Mr. Saltzman seconded the motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present.

Chairman Morris asked if there were any questions from the Trustees or the audience. There being none, it was moved by Mr. Headlee that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Handleman seconded that motion which was voted on and approved by all of the Trustees present. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Approved,

John De Carlo, Secretary
Board of Trustees

Ken Morris, Chairman
Board of Trustees

Date ____________________