# MINUTES Board of Trustees Meeting May 27, 1963

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Edinboro State College was held in the Board Room of Normal Hall, Meadville Street, Edinboro, Pennsylvania, on May 27, 1963, beginning at 2:00 p.m. It was called to order by the President, Mr. Will Rose.

The following members were present: Mr. Will Rose, Mrs. Jane Conaway, Mr. Max Gabreski, Mrs. Susan McComb, Dr. Hugh O'Hare, Mr. Wesley Reitze, Mr. Hyman Roseman, Mrs. Helen Rye.

It was voted, on motion of Mrs. Conaway, seconded by Mr. Roseman, that the minutes of the meetings held March 9, 1963, and April 19, 1963, be approved as submitted by the secretary to each member of the Board.

Mr. Rose expressed his wish to not be a candidate for the Office of President of the Board of Trustees and called for nominations for the Office of President.

Mr. Roseman offered the following resolution which was seconded by Mrs. Conaway and the Board voted unanimously to accept the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, after serious discussion with members of the Board and with the President of the College, that in view of the many years of faithful, loyal, and devoted service of Mr. Will Rose as a member of the Board of Trustees of Edinboro State College, which has led to progress of the College as mentioned by the Lieutenant Governor today, we wish to go on record as electing Mr. Will Rose as President Emeritus of the Board of Trustees of Edinboro State College and looks forward to his continued support in this lifetime position. Also, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that at our next graduation ceremony in May 1964 that Mr. Rose be presented with a plaque honoring him for his fine service to Edinboro State College.

Mr. Rose thanked the Board for this fine gesture and stated that he believed that Edinboro State College was now in a good position to become the leading institution of Northwestern Pennsylvania.

It was voted, on motion of Mr. Roseman, seconded by Mrs. McComb, that Mr. Reitze be nominated for the Office of President of the Board.

On motion of Mr. Gabreski, seconded by Dr. O'Hare, the Board voted to close the nominations for the Office of President of the Board and instructed the Secretary to cast a unanimous vote for Mr. Reitze.

Mr. Reitze requested Mr. Rose to conduct the remainder of the May 27 meeting and Mr. Rose acceded to Mr. Reitze's wish.

Mrs. Rye moved that Mr. Roseman be nominated for the Office of Vice-President and Dr. O'Hare seconded the nomination.

On motion of Mr. Reitze, seconded by Mrs. Rye, the Board voted to close nominations for the Office of Vice-President of the Board and instructed the Secretary to cast a unanimous vote for Mr. Roseman.

It was voted, on motion of Mrs. Conaway, seconded by Mr. Reitze to elect Mrs. Koon as secretary to the Board for the next year and the Board so voted.

Mr. Thomas A. Steiner, President of the Inter-Fraternity Council and Mr. Robert L. Carothers, Chairman of the Inter-Fraternity Council Housing Committee made the following presentation to the Board:

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Board of Trustees Edinboro State College Edinboro, Pennsylvania

#### Gentlemen:

We, the sorority and fraternity affiliates of Edinboro State College, ask your most careful consideration regarding our proposals for fraternity housing. We shall attempt to show you why we warrant this consideration, prove to you that the proposition is desirable, outline our financial plans for building, and stipulate housing rules by which we would abide, if we were to obtain your permission to institute a fraternity orientated housing program.

The sororities and fraternities have exhibited responsibility to the entire college and its students in various ways. Each year the "Greeks" sponsor approximately ten all-college dances, sponsor "Greek Week-end" activities for the entire student body, participate in Homecoming activities, and support the W.U.S. (World University Service) Carnival by donating time and money.

The individual sororities and fraternities also participate in altruistic activities which again show responsibility and concern for others. The following are activities which might well be further implemented in the future.

- 1. ALPHA DELTA IOTA--Crittendon Home Donation
- 2. ALPHA GAMMA DELTA--Cerebral Palsy, Service to Convalescent Home
- 3. RHO SIGMA CHI -- Ushering Service to the College
- ZETA TAU--Contributions to Needy Families, Easter Seal Campaign, Clothes Drive
- 5. ALPHA PHI OMEGA--Contribution to NDEA Loan, Support Foreign Exchange Program
- DELTA SIGMA PHI--Support an American Indian child
- 7. KAPPA DELTA PHI--Plans for Interfraternity Debating to help raise intellectual level of the campus and promote interaction between the "Greeks."
- 8. PHI SIGMA PI-- Contributions to Needy Families, Donated Scoreboard and Press Box to College
- SIGMA TAU SIGMA--Contributions to the American Heart Association,
   Sponsors American Heritage Week as a service to the College

In the past the "Greeks" have worked cooperatively with the Administration, During the academic year of 1961-62, the "Greeks" worked with the Administration in establishing rules for the Inter-Fraternity Ball (the only activity sponsored solely for "Greeks" and their guests). The fraternities also worked cooperatively with the Administration in establishing and enforcing their own Rusing Rules.

The sororities and fraternities have also fulfilled their academic responsibilities to the college. Following is a comparison of the grade point averages of Greek affiliates as compared to the all-college average.

ALL-COLLEGE AVERAGE	2,31
SORORITY AVERAGE	2,60
FRATERNITY AVERAGE	2,44
TOTAL "GREEK" AVERAGE	2.52

It is evident that the academic standards of sorority and fraternity affiliates are well above the all-college standard.

Presently there are 416 active "Greeks" at Edinboro--223 active sorority members and 193 active fraternity members. As of September 1, 1962, 100% of the fraternity affiliates were forced to seek off-campus housing. There is no college provision for the housing of male students who are upperclassmen. Thus fraternity affiliates, as well as other male upperclassmen, must seek housing in the town or at Lakeside. As a result, housing conditions are frequently crowded with poor facilities for eating, sleeping and studying. More significantly little or no supervision is possible under these conditions.

Specifically fraternity housing is desirable to alleviate these problems by providing supervised and attractive living conditions for approximately 35% of the College's male non-dormitory residents.

Building a fraternity house is, of course, no simple matter. We realize the need for proving the financial responsibility of each group. We further realize that the mobile nature of fraternities provide little ground upon which to build this responsibility. Accordingly, we recommend that each group who plan to build be required to form a non-profit corporation preferably composed of interested or responsible citizens who are willing to take on the responsibility of the construction and operation of a fraternity house. It is this group who will contract for and supervise the financial affairs dealing with the physical properties of the land and of the house itself.

The fraternities recognize the need to change, somewhat, the financial structure of their organizations at this time. All groups, in fact, are in the process of so doing. Each group proposes to raise its assessments earmarking a considerable proportion of this money for a building fund. The financing of actual building is a matter left up to the discretion of the individual fraternities, but each group is willing to submit to this Board and to the appropriate College official, a plan which will be feasible and financially sound when the time comes.

The immediate step would logically be the purchase of land. Dr. Miller has expressed his opinion that all fraternity houses should be on one tract of land or on adjoining properties. He has further stated that said tracts of land should be in an

fraternity-town problems. Such an area is available along the east side of Perry Lane and possibly in areas to the south of Darrell Road. This land, we are advised, is for sale. While this land is quite a distance from much of the present campus, in five to ten years, it will practically be at the heart of the school.

Some groups are capable of making this initial purchase. Others, admittedly, are not. The Alumni Control Board of Delta Sigma Phi, composed of prominent local citizens is already in the process of incorporating as a non-profit corporation. This Board has offered to act as the agent for all the groups. This group has funds available at this time for purchasing the land and would require each other group to begin the process of incorporation and sign an agreement with them to purchase their share of the land within a pre-agreed period of time. This will make possible the buying of enough land to accommodate all the fraternities in the same area and will eliminate the possibility of the fraternities bidding against each other for the land.

We feel that with such a basic idea, the building of fraternity houses is both desirable and practical. This plan has been examined by legal counsel and we are assured that it is workable and sound from a legal point of view. Our wish at this time is to secure from your Board, and from Dr. Miller, permission to continue planning and to take the proper steps toward the purchasing of the land.

This, basically, is the case for fraternity housing at Edinboro. We feel that we have demonstrated the maturity and serious intent of our groups. We feel that we have drawn up a set of rules (examined and tentatively approved by the Director of Student Personal Services) which are both workable and acceptable to the College. We, further, feel that we have the foundation of a good plan for the financing of land and are capable of submitting an equally sound method of building. Bearing all this in mind, we respectfully submit this proposal for your consideration. Dr. Miller has agreed to allow us a few minutes of time at your meeting of May 27th, and we hope to be able to answer any questions you may have at that time. Might we suggest you bring this folder with you.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ ROBERT L. CAROTHERS

Robert L. Carothers, Chairman, Inter-Fraternity Council Housing Committee

### I.F.C. CODE FOR FRATERNITY HOUSING

#### Article I

Regulations governing student conduct

- a. Each fraternity as a whole is to be held responsible to the Discipline
  Committees of the College and the IFC for any infraction of any IFC or
  College rule, regulation, or policy either by any of its members or by
  any other person if the infraction is committed on fraternity property.
- b. The Director of Student Personnel Services will hold fraternities responsible for the good conduct of their members at all college affiliated affairs. Any individual or organization whose conduct is judged to be injurious to the high standards or morals expected of the student body and prejudicial to the good name of the College will be subject to disciplinary action. Such action may include suspension or expulsion of the individuals or the suspension or revocation of the charters of organizations.
  - 1.) A fraternity is held responsible for any improper conduct of any members or guests, both inside and outside the fraternity house, if such conduct resulted from their presence at any function or gathering of the fraternity.
- c. Information which appears to the College or the IFC Discipline Committee to indicate that any of the preceeding regulations have been violated will be sufficient reason to halt all social activities of the organization until the case is settled.

# Regulations governing Conduct of Social Functions

- a. Social functions may be held only in places approved by the Office of Student Personnel Services, and the types of function must be approved by that office.
- b. Evening dances at the fraternity house may be held only on Friday and Saturday nights or nights before holidays.
- c. The fraternity house is to be considered an extension of the campus, and the serving of alcoholic beverages or the possession thereof in the houses is thereby forbidden. Fraternity members are expected to comply with the laws of the College, State, and nation in this matter.
- d. Door Duty (a courtesy and regulatory function) shall be observed from 7:30 to 12:30 on Friday nights and from 7:30 to 1:00 on Saturday nights of any weekend in a period during which classes are scheduled.
  - Door duty shall consist of two persons unless there is no social function in progress and there are no girls in the house, and then it shall consist of one person.
  - Persons on door duty shall be stationed at or near the door in order to be able to answer all calls promptly at the door.
- e. All social functions shall be provided with proper chaperonage. The
  Chaperone must be approved by the Dean of Men or other persons designated
  by the Office of Student Personal Services.

- f. The date and place of the social function and the names of the chaperones shall be approved by the Office of Student Personal Services in accordance with existing College regulations.
- g. Responsibility for the good conduct of all members and guests at all functions rests with the officers of the organization and through them with the members as a whole. This applies both to on and off-campus affairs.

#### Article III

Regulations governing the entertainment of women guests in the fraternity houses

- a. Women guests may be entertained in fraternities during the following hours and under the conditions specified:
  - 1.) When full time resident housemothers are on duty, hours for the entertainment of women guests shall be:
    - a.) Monday through Thursday: 3 P.M. to 8 P.M.
    - b.) Friday and Saturday: Noon until the hour each woman is due in her dormitory, but in no case shall any woman guest be in the house later than 12:30 A.M.
    - c.) When proper chaperonage (other than a full time housemother) is provided, hours for the entertainment of women guests shall be as follows:

- a.) Monday through Thursday: 5 P.M. to 8 P.M.
- b.) Friday: 5 P.M. to 11 P.M.
- c.) Saturday: Noon to 10 P.M.

#### Section 2.

- a. Chaperones must be provided at all times when women are to be in the house.
- b. Proper chaperonage is defined as two couples, three adults or a part time housemother. When two couples are chaperones, one of the couples must be from the approved classification shown below, and they may invite as a second couple, people who do not necessarily meet the chaperonage qualifications, except that they may not be undergraduate students.

Chaperones must be chosen from one of the following:

Alumni of the Chapter of at least 10 years standing.

Members of the Faculty

Fraternity advisors

Parents of members of the fraternity

Persons on an "Approved Dean's List" not included in any of the above categories.

- c. When parents visit the fraternity, at times other than for social functions, they may act as chaperones for women guests who have accompanied them.
- d. Chaperones are expected to contribute to the social programs in a positive way and to see that rules are observed, but it must be understood that the responsibility for conduct in fraternity houses rests with the officers and through them with the fraternity as a whole.

Section 3.

a. Women guests will be entertained only in the public rooms on the main floor and recreation rooms and will not be allowed above the first floor or in the rooms of men, except in special situations approved first by the properly designated College official. All entertaining areas will be properly lighted and open at all times.

Article IV

Housemothers

Section I.

## a. Responsibilities

- 1.) In fraternities, the major purpose of employing a housemother should be to provide an influence which will encourage thought and action expected of educated men, but at the same time will work to expand and continue the privileges of self-direction and self-regulation insofar as students are willing and able to accept responsibility.
  - 2.) They should provide an encouragement of refined social behavior and attitudes by using fully the social and cultural opportunities of the fraternity under conditions acceptable to the students themselves, their parents, and the College.
    - 3.) They should help the fraternity approach in practice those ideals advanced for the benefit of students affected by fratermity life through membership or affiliation.
    - 4.) They should provide an influence which will cause the fraternity leaders to take into account feminine tastes and interests to a greater degree in planning mixed events.

#### Section 2.

#### a. Duties

- 1.) To assist the fraternity in maintenance of a home that is clean, orderly, and hospitable.
- 2.) To assist the officers and members of the fraternity in maintenance of high standards of speech, dress, and personal conduct.
- 3.) To meet the alumni and the parents and friends of the fraternity as official hostess of the fraternity and to serve as a hostess and chaperone when women guests are in the house.
- 4.) To maintain on open-door policy for consultation with members on personal problems.
- 5.) Other duties enumerated in the employment contract, such as supervision of dining facilities, keeping the House financial accounts, and the supervision of housekeeping.
- 6.) The housemother shall not perform the duties of cook or housekeeper, since this would not be consistent with her primary function as social hostess.

#### Section 3.

- a. Age--45-60 as qualification
- b. A widow with one or more grown children
- c. A College education and-or-experience

#### Section 4.

### A. Approval

 College approval of a housemother will be based upon her ability to perform efficiently the duties required of her by the fraternity, her qualifications to advance the social and cultural interests of the members, and her willingness to encourage support of College rules in regard to student conduct. Approval will be granted after an interview by the appropriate College official, a filed application in the Office of Student Personal Services, a recommendation in writing by the active chapter and the fraternity advisor, and after notification that she will be hired for at least one semester. This approval must be renewed each school year.

#### Article V

#### Advisors

Each fraternity shall recommend a faculty member as chapter advisor who shall be approved as such by the chapter, the chapter alumni, and the appropriate College officials.

- a. Duties of Advisors
  - The advisor to a fraternity should accept the office in good faith that the organization desires his counsel on both specific subjects and on general matters of good taste, propriety, and on general conduct of their affairs.
  - An Advisor must attend all official meetings of the fraternity and its executive bodies.
  - 3.) He should be available to the chapter officers for consultation.
  - 4.) He should offer constructive criticism without domination.
  - 5.) He is to be held directly responsible for the conduct of the members of the fraternity to the President of the College, in the fraternity house, or any fraternity function, or in any matter which the fraternity as a group undertakes.

#### Section 2.

- a. Responsibilities of Fraternities to Advisors
  - The fraternity shall nominate an advisor in the good faith that it desires his counsel on both specialized subjects and general matters of good taste, propriety, and general conduct of its affairs.
  - The Advisor shall be notified of all meetings of the organization or of its officers or executive board.
  - 3.) The fraternity shall consult the Advisor before any significant changes in organization or policy are made and before any major program is put into effect.
  - 4.) Fraternities shall be held responsible to the Director of Student
    Personal Services for any action taken without consultation of the
    Advisor.

#### Article VI

Penalties, Appeals and Fines

- a. Removal of Privileges
  - 1.) All privileges of a fraternity (social, rushing, participation in intramurals, etc.), are subject to possible removal when a fraternity violates any College or IFC rule, regulation, or policy. Such suspensions shall be recommended by the IFC Discipline Committee and reviewed by the Director of Student Personal Services. In cases where it seems necessary, this office may initiate action against any group.

2.) A fraternity whose social privileges have been removed may not have women guests except parents in the fraternity house. It may not sponsor or conduct any social functions, nor may more than half the members of the fraternity attend a function at any other fraternity.

#### Section 2.

#### a. Probation

- 1.) All privileges of a fraternity are subject to probation when a fraternity violates any College and/or IFC rule, regulation, or policy. Probation is determined by the Discipline Committee of the IFC or the Student Personal Office.
- During a period of probation, a fraternity is subject to increased surveillance and the imposition of stricter penalties if it violates any rule, regulation, or policy during this period.

#### Section 3.

- a. Penalty for Improper Door Duty
  - 1.) Penalty for improper door duty or for non-observance of it is a fine of 25 dollars payable to the IFC and two weeks of social probation.

#### Section 4.

- a. Penalty for a Fraternity's failure to meet the required scholastic average.
  - Fraternities failing to meet the required scholastic average of a chapter average of 2.3 in any semester will have their social privileges suspended for the following semester.
  - Individuals falling below an average of 2.3 shall have their social privileges suspended for the following semester.

#### Section 5.

- a. Appeal
  - 1.) Appeal from any action other than that of the Committee designated in Article VI, Section I.a., must be presented to that same Committee. Notice of intent to appeal must be filed with the Dean of Man.

It was voted, on motion of Mr. Reitze, seconded by Mr. Roseman, that a committee of five members of the Board be appointed to secure more information from all possible sources concerning fraternity housing and that it meet at least once with the student fraternity committee and that it make a recommendation to the Board as to policy concerning fraternity housing on this campus,

Mr. Reitze, Chairman

Mr. Gabreski

Mrs. Conaway

Dr. O'Hare

Mr. Roseman

The following requests for refunds as shown by the records of the Bursar were recommended by the President and Business Manager for review and action by the Board of Trustees:

Sam S. Bliss II	\$101,10	Linda Freeman	\$ 71,50
Lois Ann Briggs	41.60	Mary Ann Ruby	215,50
Susan Lee Capwell	15,00		

It was voted, on motion of Mrs. Conaway, seconded by Dr. O'Hare, that the refunds as listed above be granted in accordance with the regulations for repayment.

It was voted, on motion of Mr. Roseman, seconded by Dr. O'Hare, that the bills for the months of February and March 1963 be approved as certified by the Business Manager to be correct to the best of his knowledge

It was voted, on motion of Mrs. Rye, seconded by Mr. Reitze that the resignations for the following faculty members who are retiring as of May 31, 1963, be accepted and that Dr. Miller be instructed to write them, personally thanking them, in behalf of the Board, for their fine contributions to the College.

John C. Hoshauer - Mathematics

Helen Nicely - English

Edna Shenk - Education

C. Frances Whitney - Education

It was voted, on motion of Mr. Reitze, seconded by Mr. Gabreski, that the Board accept the resignations of the following faculty members:

John F. Mehner - Science

Marvin Whitehead - Science

George Bond - English

Royce H. Mallory - Education

Ava Bond - Education (campus school)

Ronald McIntyre - Physical Education

Dr. Miller was asked to send appropriate letters to the above mentioned faculty members who have resigned.

It was voted, on motion of Mr. Roseman, seconded by Dr. O'Hare, upon the recommendation of Dr. Miller, that the Board approve the appointment of the following new faculty members as of September 1, 1963:

Besser, Nicholas, Jr. - Instructor - \$6,100 - Soc. Stud. (Shenango Valley)
Brown, Dr. Betty - Assoc. Prof. - \$8,000 - Education
Brumsted, Harold - Assist. Prof. - \$7,200 - Education
Coleman, Ronald - Instructor - \$6,100 - English
Cowmeadow, Marjorie - Temp. Instr. \$4,700 - Phys. Educ.