

MINUTES  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
May 15, 1965

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Edinboro State College was held in the Board Room of Normal Hall, Meadville Street, Edinboro, Pennsylvania, on May 15, 1965, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Wesley Reitze.

The following members of the Board were present: Mr. Wesley Reitze, Mrs. Jane Conaway, Mr. Max Gabreski, Mr. Forest Hopkins, Mrs. Susan McComb, and Mr. Hyman Roseman.

It was voted, on motion of Mrs. McComb, seconded by Mr. Roseman, that the minutes of the meeting held January 23, 1965, be approved as submitted by the secretary to each member of the Board.

Dr. Clair Butterfield, who reaches age 65 within the coming college year, presented a doctor's statement to the effect that he is capable of carrying on his present duties as Head of the Education Department for another year. The Board was pleased to learn that Dr. Butterfield will remain in his present position for another year. It was voted, on motion of Mr. Roseman, seconded by Mr. Gabreski, that Dr. Butterfield be allowed to remain in his present position for one more college year.

For the past three months each member of the Board of Trustees has received the "EPE 15-Minute Report." This has been sent as a trial subscription at no cost. In order for the trustees to continue receiving this subscription, it will cost \$10.00 each for the year. It was voted, on motion of Mrs. Conaway, seconded by Mr. Roseman, to purchase the report at a total cost of \$100.00 per year.

Mr. Reitze asked Dr. Miller to act as temporary chairman for the election of Board Officers for the coming year.

On motion of Mrs. Conaway, seconded by Mr. Roseman, the following slate of officers was presented:

President - Mr. Wesley Reitze  
Vice-President - Mr. Hyman Roseman  
Secretary - Mrs. Marjorie Koon

On motion of Mrs. McComb, seconded by Mr. Gabreski, the Board voted to close nominations and instructed the Secretary to cast a unanimous vote for the above officers.

Mr. Reitze reported on Governor Scranton's Conference for State College Trustees, Presidents, Deans, and Public Information Officers. He also stated that an Edinboro Graduate of the Class of 1965 has been chosen as the first Department of Public Instruction intern. The student, Mr. Richard Peterson, has been editor of the college newspaper for the past year. Mr. Peterson will receive an annual salary of \$5,500, in addition to having his education paid for by the Department as he works toward his masters degree.

It was voted, on motion of Mr. Hopkins, seconded by Mr. Gabreski, to ask Mr. Reitze to send a letter in behalf of the Board to the area senators and representatives requesting support of the Edinboro State College budgets and possible university status. The following letter was drafted and has been sent by Mr. Reitze, President of the Board, to each of the legislators of the area.

The Honorable William G. Sesler  
 Pennsylvania Senator  
 1206 Baldwin Building  
 Erie, Pennsylvania

May 22, 1965

Dear Senator Sesler:

As President of the Board of Trustees of Edinboro State College, I have been requested by the entire Board at our May 15th meeting, to make two specific requests to all of the legislators of our area. The first request concerns university status for Edinboro State College and the second, support for both our capital and maintenance and operating budget requests.

#### University Status

The Board of Trustees of Edinboro State College feel that Edinboro, with its location close to Erie, the fastest growing city in the state, and to the waterways and roadways of Northwest Pennsylvania, should be considered for expansion as the State University of Northwest Pennsylvania.

Therefore, this Board requests the State Council of Higher Education and the Legislators of Northwest Pennsylvania to take initial steps to carry this College to university status at the earliest possible time so that a more complete program of graduate studies and a considerably greater emphasis on research for Northwest Pennsylvania becomes a reality rather than a possibility.

If any State College in Western Pennsylvania is to be given serious consideration for immediate university status by this legislature, the Board of Trustees of Edinboro State College request that Edinboro be considered in any such legislation proposed, as being made the State University of Northwest Pennsylvania.

#### Budget Support

Edinboro State College has proposed a maintenance and operation budget for the ensuing year and a capital budget for the ensuing biennium which has been approved by the Department of Public Instruction, recommended to the Planning Commission and to the State Council of Higher Education, and has been approved by them, and by the Appropriations Committee of the Senate and the Assembly.

The maintenance and operating budget which will keep 3,000 students in college for the year July 1, 1965, through June 30, 1966, consists of the following amounts:

\$ 1,831,795	- student fees	47.5%
2,021,139	- State Appropriation	52.5%
\$ 3,852,934	- TOTAL	

Please note that the students will provide 47.5% of this budget and that the State will provide 52.5%.

The capital budget of \$11,691,309 is for buildings vitally necessary to the expansion of the program to take care of 5,600 students. The buildings listed and the amounts for each are as follows:

Dormitory Mens (400)	\$ 1,914,554
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Research-Learning Center	1,065,377
Extension of Utilities-Road Construction	318,000
Student Center	1,020,250

Classroom Building	\$ 1,262,873	
Health Services Building	313,883	
Maintenance Building-Garages	376,372	
Gymnasium	1,950,000	
Dining Hall-Kitchen	1,600,000	
Demolition-Haven & Resedar Halls	70,000	
	<u>\$ 11,691,309</u>	TOTAL

Each member of the Board of Trustees is most hopeful that you will give both these budgets your firm approval and that you will do everything in your power to see that these amounts of money are provided for the operation of your State College in Northwest Pennsylvania.

The Board of Trustees of Edinboro State College are most hopeful that you will take whatever positive action is necessary to support university status for Edinboro and the budgets to assist us to be Northwest Pennsylvania's State College or State University.

Sincerely yours,

SIGNED

Wesley G. Reitze

Wesley G. Reitze, President  
Board of Trustees at Edinboro State  
College

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Mr. Hopkins stated that he believed it would be a good idea for each individual trustee to write personal letters to their particular senators and representatives in their area. It was the consensus of opinion that this would be helpful also.

It was voted, on motion of Mr. Gabraski, seconded by Mr. Hopkins, to approve moving the Trustees Board Room across the hall where there will be more room and to use the space which is now Board Room for additional office space for the President.

The Board discussed a possible date for the next Board meeting. Mr. Caruso, Executive Director of General State Authority, will be available July 8 or 9. The Board would like to invite local legislators and industrialists to meet with them at that time to discuss expansion of Edinboro's Program. It is hoped that Lieutenant Governor Shafer can also attend a meeting at this time.

It was voted, on motion of Mr. Hopkins, seconded by Mrs. Conway, to continue using the services of the A. L. Mathias Company of Pennsylvania for food services for the College for the next year. The contract was signed by every member of the Board present.

Mr. Leonard Hathaway, Land Agent for the General State Authority, reported the following use of the \$150,000 which has been appropriated for land purchases.

Board Allocation	\$150,000.00
Used for Gearing settlement	24,046.02
	<u>125,953.98</u>
to Purchase Davis Tract	63,000.00
	<u>62,953.98</u>
High Appraisal for Tract 8	2,700.00
Remaining funds	\$ 60,253.98

It was voted, on motion of Mrs. McComb, seconded by Mr. Gabreski, to proceed to purchase the Maude Swift property plus Tract 8 owned by Mr. Willrich, and to use the remaining appropriation to purchase as much as possible of the Ceylon Parry Farm.

Dr. Miller reported concerning the Gannon basketball team negotiations. It was voted, on motion of Mr. Hopkins, seconded by Mr. Roseman, to instruct the President to do everything in his power to bring about a satisfactory conclusion to this situation. Gannon is requesting that Edinboro play their home game at Gannon. It is hoped that a compromise can be made whereby the Edinboro home game can be played at a large auditorium such as Memorial in Erie or another location where seating capacity will allow Gannon students to attend the game.

It was voted, on motion of Mr. Hopkins, seconded by Mrs. Conaway, upon the recommendation of Dr. Miller and the Promotions Committee that the following faculty members be given promotions according to their earned classification. These promotions are to become effective September 1, 1965.

Promotion from Instructor to Assistant Professor:

Mr. Ronald G. Coleman - English  
 Mr. Harvey Heath - Social Studies  
 Miss Geneva Jones - Campus School  
 Mr. James MacCluskie - Education  
 Mr. David Svanzy - Music

Promotion from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor:

Mr. Roy Stonesifer - Social Studies (provided doctorate is granted)

Promotion from Associate Professor to Professor:

Dr. John Marsh - English

"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:

Diana L. Clark	\$ 83.28	Elaine M. Duser	\$ 69.40
Jean Garcia	120.00	Dennis M. Papula	383.04
Mary M. Gettings	37.50	Patricia N. Phelps	25.00
Nancy E. Jack	15.00	Lois T. Southall	15.00
Jo Ann Jewell	12.50	Edward Stasik	131.34
Judith A. Kerr	249.40	Victor M. Susol, Jr.	104.10
Eugene W. Kovach	67.98	Janice R. Weaver	335.16
Donald W. Kurcon	60.00	Gordon J. Wood	41.60

"It was voted, on motion of Mr. Roseman, seconded by Mr. Hopkins, that the refunds as listed above be granted in accordance with the regulations for repayment."

It was voted, on motion of Mrs. McComb, seconded by Mr. Hopkins, that the resignations of the following faculty members who are retiring as of May 31, 1965 be accepted:

Miss Justina Baron - Library  
 Mrs. Ruth Harris - English  
 Mr. Ralph Bruce - Art  
 Dr. Angell Mathewson - English

It was voted, on motion of Mrs. McComb, seconded by Mr. Hopkins, that the resignations of the following faculty members be accepted:

Mr. Angelo Carniel - Art  
 Miss Marjorie K. Cowmeadow - Health and Physical Education  
 Dr. Robert Heslep - Education  
 Mr. Dorn Howlett - Art  
 Miss Beverly Johnson - Campus School  
 Mr. Norman Kelly - English  
 Dr. John Martino - Foreign Language  
 Mr. R. Daniel Overheim - Science  
 MR. Thomas Peters - Social Studies  
 Mr. George E. Pitluga, Jr. - Art  
 MR. John Tomikel - Geography  
 Dr. Elisabeth Tuller - Science  
 Dr. Robert Wilson - Education (Reading)

It was voted, on motion of Mrs. Conaway, seconded by Mr. Roseman, that the Board grant the following leaves of absence without pay for the period listed below:

Dr. Ralph L. Thomas - 1965-66 college year  
 Mr. Richard Hankins - 1965-66 college year

It was voted, on motion of Mr. Roseman, seconded by Mrs. McComb, that the Board approve the following requests for sabbatical leave of absence for the second semester of the 1965-66 college year:

Dr. Harriet Ruth Long  
 Dr. Ernest R. LaFolletta

It was voted, on motion of Mr. Roseman, seconded by Mr. Gabreski, that the bills for the months of December 1964 and January, February, March and April 1965 be approved as certified by the Business Manager to be correct to the best of his knowledge.

It was voted, on motion of Mrs. Conaway, seconded by MR. Gabreski, upon the recommendation of Dr. Miller, that the Board approve the appointment of the following new faculty members as of September 1, 1965:

Dr. John B. Paxson - Biol. Sc. - Assoc. Prof. - \$8,820  
 Mr. Robert E. Polley - Soc. Stud. - Instructor - \$6,910  
 Mr. Conrad L. Stanitski - Sc. (Chem) - Instructor - \$6,910  
 Dr. John R. Dove - English - Assoc. Prof. - \$9,260  
 Mr. Stanley R. Fertig - Science - Assist. Prof. - \$7,250  
 Mr. Robert J. Frederick - Soc. Stud. - Instructor - \$6,580  
 Mr. William A. Dunegan - Science - Instructor - \$6,910  
 Mr. Gregory D. Lessig - Soc. Stud. - Instructor - \$6,910  
 Dr. Charles L. Reid - Philos. - Assoc. Prof. - \$5,040 (3/5 of \$8,040)

Mr. Ronald W. Thomas - English - Instructor - \$6,580  
 Mr. Daniel T. Trainer - Soc. Stud. - Instructor - \$6,910  
 Dr. Donald A. Wheeler - Science - Asson. Prof. - \$8,400  
 Mr. Frank F. Mueller, Jr. - Music - Instructor - \$6,260  
 Mr. Edgar Ansell - Special Educ. - Assist. Prof. - \$8,000  
 Mr. Richard A. Neubauer - Library - Instructor - \$5,960  
 Dr. Warren B. Fruchtel - Educ. - Assist. Prof. - \$8,000  
 Dr. James M. Richcreek - Phys. Educ. - Assoc. Prof. - \$10,200  
 Mr. Richard E. Andersen - English - Assist. Prof. - \$7,610  
 Mr. Ronald A. Larson - Geography - Instructor - \$7,250  
 Mrs. Edith M. Gifford - Educ. - Assoc. Prof. - \$8,400  
 Dr. Arthur E. Wegweiser - Geography - Assist. Prof. - \$8,000  
 Mr. James A. Coen - Library - Instructor - \$5,960  
 Mr. Thomas H. Huhfer - Mathematics - Assist. Prof. - \$7,250  
 Mr. David M. Q'Dessa - Stud. Pers. Serv. - Instructor - \$5,960  
 Mr. Harry Hasheian - Art - Assist. Prof. - \$7,250  
 Mrs. Patricia F. Ptasick - Campus School - Instructor - \$6,910  
 Mr. Lydie F. Brinkle - Geography - Instructor - \$6,580  
 Mr. Bobby D. Wallace - Television - Instructor - \$5,960

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Marjorie G. Koon*

(Mrs.) Marjorie G. Koon  
Secretary to the Board of Trustees