

**Finding Aid for the Office of the
President, Youngstown State University,
Neil D. Humphrey
Records, 1984-1992**



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Descriptive Summary

Title: Office of the President, Youngstown State University,
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Extent: 1.5 cubic feet (1 box)

Abstract: This collection contains documents and publications relating to the presidency of Neil D. Humphrey, Ed. D. Dr. Humphrey served Youngstown State University in this capacity from 1984 to 1992.

Administrative Information

Provenance: Unknown

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Biographical Information

Dr. Neil D. Humphrey succeeded Dr. John J. Coffelt as President of Youngstown State University on June 1, 1984. At the time of his appointment, Humphrey had been serving YSU as Acting President while Coffelt was on sick leave (from which he never returned to the University).

Humphrey first came to Youngstown State as vice president of financial affairs in 1978. Prior to that, he had served as President of the University of Alaska, Vice President of Finance (then Chancellor) of the University of Nevada System, and budget director for the State of Nevada. In terms of academic credentials, Humphrey holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Idaho State University, a master's degree in government from the University of Denver, and a doctorate in education from Brigham Young University.

President Humphrey retired to Reno, Nevada in 1992 and was succeeded by Dr. Leslie H. Cochran. The "Humphrey Room" in Kilcawley Center was named in his honor and dedicated in 1998.

Scope and Content

The archival material preserved herein includes memoranda generated by President Humphrey. Also included are biographical data, strategic plans, and other items of interest pertaining to Neil Humphrey's time at YSU. At present, the collection is small; however, as related materials come to light, it is expected that it will grow. In the meantime, files that may prove of particular interest include:

- The Faculty Strike of 1989 (File 10) in which the YSU chapter of the Ohio Education Association, representing the faculty, went out to the picket line when negotiations with the university administration failed to produce a new contract. Even though the strike lasted for one day, an agreement was produced and a precedent set for future industrial action on campus.
- The "Blue Sheets" (File 2), which President Humphrey used to disseminate information to the university community regarding the decisions and actions of the YSU Board of Trustees.
- "Strategic Plans" (Files 11 and 12), which reveal the Humphrey Administration's views of the future at YSU.

This original collection only consisted of one box. By 2020, through transfers from the President's office, this collection grew, as did the rest of collections from the President's office. Originally, Brian Brennen decided to combine all the collections from the President's office into one large collection. A process he started by determining series and started to arrange some of the newly accessioned materials into those series. Brian, unfortunately, retired before this process could be complete.

While looking over the size of the collection, it was determined that one large collection would be too large and more difficult to find items. It was decided to keep the Presidential Collections separate by president, but to keep the same series throughout the collections. Brian already determined the series for the new material and the series were reasonable to be incorporated into the rest of the Presidential collections.

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Related Materials

See also: Youngstown State University, Office of the President, John J. Coffelt, Records

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Index Terms

Humphrey, Neil D.
labor unions
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