

**Finding Aid for
The Youngstown University
Board of Trustees**

Records, 1955 – 1967



Record Group Number

RG 03/02

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Descriptive Summary

Title: The Youngstown University. Board of Trustees. Records,
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Accession Nos.: UA 2020.02

Creator: The Youngstown University. Board of Trustees.

Extent: 1 box, 0.25 linear feet.

Abstract: This collection contains the records (currently on hand) of The Youngstown University Board of Trustees spanning the year it became a university both in fact in and name, to the year it became a state-supported institution. Included are minutes of the meetings of the full board, as well as some committee minutes and those of annual meetings.

Administrative Information

Provenance: Youngstown State University, Board of Trustees

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Historical Background

In 1888, the Youngstown (Ohio) branch of the Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) began offering evening classes in various subjects to local residents. In 1908, a course in commercial law was offered, with nine men registered. This was the Y's first college-level offering and is considered to be the foundation for Youngstown State University. In 1921, the Youngstown Association School of the YMCA was officially designated as the Youngstown

Institute of Technology; however, it was frequently referred to as “Youngstown College,” an appellation that would not become official until the Institute was formally renamed as such in 1928. In 1955, the name changed to The Youngstown University. After being invited by Ohio Governor James Rhodes to join the state’s publically-supported colleges and universities, The Youngstown University became Youngstown State University in 1967.

While managed by the President and other administrators, the YU Board of Trustees approved university appointments, established policies, and set each annual budget. The number of trustees varied over the years, with members selected from the ranks of community leaders, businessmen, professionals, and other distinguished local citizens.

Scope and Content

Very few documents from the institution’s years as a private university have surfaced. The files included in this collection were originally donated to Archives as part of the Catherine Calla papers (Accession No. UA2022.01). Consisting of minutes dating from 1956 to 1966 and spanning the presidencies of Howard W. Jones and Albert Pugsley, it was decided by the Archives staff to organize these as a separate collection.

It is hoped that more records from this timeframe will come to light.

Online Access

Minutes of the full board are available online through the Maag Library website at <https://digital.maag.yzu.edu/xmlui/handle/1989/14035>.

Series Description

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SERIES I: MINUTES OF THE BOARD

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2	May 17, 1960
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SERIES II: COMMITTEES

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