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Special Meeting
of
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Of Youngstown College

Monday, November 22, 1943

Pursuant to written notices issued by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, under date of November 17, 1943, a special meeting of the Board of ^{Governors} of The Youngstown College was held on Monday, November 22, 1943, at Noon, at The Youngstown Club.

Present were:

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| Mr. Argetsinger | Mr. Manchester |
| Mr. Barrett | Mr. Mauthe |
| Judge Bennett | Mr. McKay |
| Mr. Bliss | Mr. McKain |
| Mr. Collins | Mr. Robinson |
| Mr. Davies | Dr. Smith |
| Mr. Gayton | Mr. Strouss |
| Dr. Jones | Mr. Tod |
| Mr. Leventry | Mr. Wick |
| Mr. Lynn | Mr. Wilson |
| Mr. Maag | Mr. Wyatt |

Mr. Wick, Chairman of the Board presided. The Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Governors held June 2, 1943, were read and approved.

Proposed Changes in Articles of Incorporation and Regulations and By-Laws.

Mr. Wick stated that the purpose of the meeting was to consider proposed changes in the corporate structure and relationship with the YMCA, which would give the College Board more complete control over its own affairs. He reviewed the history of the College, as follows:

Is this the "Beginning of the End", or the "End of the Beginning", which got under way at a Trustees' Meeting of The Y.M.C.A. held July 28, 1931? This meeting, like all others of The Y.M.C.A. that occurred from the time of Leroy Manchester's death on June 27, 1930 until the election of Judge J. E. Bennett to the presidency on June 24, 1932, was presided over by W. E. Bliss, a Vice President of the "Y".

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At this meeting, there were present in person:

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| W. E. Bliss | Hugh Manchester |
| R. M. Bell | Philip Schaff |
| Herman Hurd | J. Howard Parker |
| Claud Johnson | F. E. Hearn |
| J. C. Barrett | Louis N. McDonald |
| N. B. Folsom | J. L. Wick, Jr. |

There were present, by proxy, at their request:

- J. Fearnley Bonnell
- Walter C. Stitt
- James A. Henderson
- J. Russell McKay

At this meeting, Howard W. Jones was introduced by Leonard Skeggs, as the Assistant General Secretary of The Y.M.C.A., to have complete charge of all educational work. (Mr. Jones was thirty-six years old.)

On motion of Mr. Herman Hurd, seconded by F.E. Hearn, the name of The Youngstown Association School was changed to that of The Youngstown Institute of Technology of The Young Men's Christian Association, and Mr. Franklin B. Powers was employed to complete the Articles of Incorporation. This motion carried unanimously.

Thereupon, a motion of Claud Johnson, seconded by N. B. Folsom, the following Board of Directors of The Youngstown Institute of Technology of The Y.M.C.A. was elected by unanimous vote:

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| J. L. Wick, Jr. | Donald Lynn |
| W. E. Bliss | E. L. McKelvey |
| Philip Schaff | Russell McKay |
| Herman Hurd | Dr. W. H. Bunn |
| R. M. Bell | Rev. W. E. Hammacker |
| Hugh Manchester | Rev. W. S. Stryker |
| W. C. McKain | J. C. Argetsinger |
| N. B. Folsom | Walter Griffith |
| Hugh Grant | C. S. Robinson |
| Philip Frieder | Clarence J. Strouss |
| J. C. Barrett | Oscar F. Gayton |
| J. Ogram | Franklin B. Powers |
| Henry A. Butler | Leonard T. Skeggs (ex-officio) |
| Julius Kahn | |

Thereupon, on motion of Frank E. Hearn, seconded by Claud Johnson, the following were appointed members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of The Youngstown Institute of Technology of The Young Men's Christian Association:

- J. L. Wick, Jr., Chairman
- W. E. Bliss, Vice Chairman
- Philip H. Schaff, Treasurer
- Herman Hurd, Recording Secretary
- Henry A. Butler
- Clarence J. Strouss
- Rev. W. E. Hammacker

- Leonard T. Skeggs (ex-officio)

In a letter written July 22, 1931, six days previous to this meeting, to the above gentlemen, Leonard T. Skeggs stated that these trustees constituted "a representative board of various religious faiths who will stand behind the remarkable growing institution and support Mr. Jones."

Forty-two days had to elapse before those elected were able to attend the first meeting of the Executive Committee of The Youngstown Institute of Technology, which was held the evening of September 8, 1931.

Thereafter followed many meetings in rapid succession, as the Committee desired to take advantage of the judgment and wisdom of Dr. L. R. Alderman, Chief of the Survey Bureau of the United States Department of Education, who was in Youngstown conducting at that time a survey of The Youngstown Public School System.

These meetings lasted long into many nights; their purpose being to determine and agree on a policy and type of institution that this Board of Governors was to "stand behind and support". This determination of policy was necessary in order that Mr. Powers could proceed with the completion of the Articles of Incorporation and the preparation of the By-Laws.

On October 1, 1931, the recently erected beautiful new Youngstown College Main Building was dedicated. The dedicatory address was made by Dr. L. R. Alderman. Mr. B. O. Skinner, Superintendent of Public Instruction for the State of Ohio, addressed the meeting as did also Mr. George Roudebush, Superintendent of the Public Schools of Youngstown, Ohio.

Leonard T. Skeggs was taken sick on the 26th of October 1931. His health steadily failed and his contribution to the Board gradually lessened until his death on May 4, 1933.

During the two year period, from the death of Leroy Manchester, June 27, 1930 until the election as President of The Y.M.C.A. on June 24, 1932, of Judge J. E. Bennett, Mr. W. E. Bliss, Vice President of the Y.M.C.A. and Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors, served as the Chief Executive Officer of the "Y". Mr. Bliss presided at all meetings throughout the bank crisis in October 1931 and made a great contribution.

By this time, the Board of Governors of Youngstown College had a pretty general understanding of what was generally agreed to be their responsibilities and authorities.

It seemed impossible to bring to a fulfillment the Incorporation of the College and the preparation of By-Law, and these were not consummated until five years later in March 1937, when the present Articles of Incorporation of Youngstown College as well as its By-Laws were approved by the Board of Trustees of The Y.M.C.A.

Note - special Joint Bd. Com Meeting

Today, we are about to fulfill and complete the "End of the Beginning" undertaken at the Trustees' Meeting of the Y. M.C.A. held July 28, 1931.

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We are asking you to indicate your approval of changes in the corporate set-up of the College as well as in its By-Laws which will bring about a new relationship with the Y.M.C.A., so that we can meet the conditions set up by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools in order that we may receive accreditation. Therefore, I shall read to you the two resolutions that had practically unanimous approval, that is, twenty-

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six out of twenty-seven, at the meeting held by the Board of Trustees of The Y.M.C.A. last Tuesday, November 16:

FIRST

"RESOLVED, that the proposed amendments to the By-Laws and Constitution of The Y.M.C.A. and the Articles and By-Laws of the Youngstown College, copies of which were mailed with the call of the meeting and are here available, be and they hereby are tentatively approved; subject to approval by the members and Board of Trustees of Youngstown College and, as to the Constitution of The Y.M.C.A., by the members of The Y.M.C.A.;

and,

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a meeting of members of The Y.M.C.A. be called for the purpose of considering and acting upon the proposals to amend Article I, Section 4, and Article IV, Sections 1 and 3 of the Constitution of The Y.M.C.A. and the proposal to authorize the transfer to Youngstown College of title to all real and personal property used by The Youngstown College."

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Hugh Manchester, seconded by Mr. Fred King, the following resolution was offered and carried; twenty-six out of twenty-seven voting affirmatively:

SECOND

"RESOLVED that the President appoint a Special Committee to consist of as many as he deems proper, to study the matter of the consideration for and terms and conditions of the proposed transfer of real and personal property to The Youngstown College; such Committee to make its recommendations either to the meeting of the members about to be called, or to this Board."

Mr. Wick then called upon the Secretary to review and explain in detail the proposed changes in the corporate relations between the Youngstown College and the Y.M.C.A. Mr. Manchester reviewed the proposed changes in the Articles of Incorporation and the Regulations and By-Laws of the College and the proposed changes in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Young Men's Christian Association, commented on the same and answered questions concerning them. Copies of the proposed changes had been furnished to all board members and copies were available at the meeting.

Mr. Argetsinger thereupon moved the adoption of the following resolution:

"RESOLVED that the members and Board of the Youngstown College do hereby indicate their approval of the proposed Amendments to the Articles and Code of Regulations and By-Laws of Youngstown College and request the final approval thereof by the Trustees of the Young Men's Christian Association."

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The motion was seconded by Mr. Strouss and was unanimously carried.

At the request of Mr. Wick, Mr. McKay reported that the committee of trustees of the Y.M.C.A., which is to study the matter of consideration for and terms and conditions of the proposed transfer of Property by the Y.M.C.A. to the Youngstown College had been appointed, and included

Mr. Collins, as Chairman
Mr. Bennett
Mr. Wick
Mr. Purnell
Mr. Leventry

Mr. Argetsinger thereupon offered the following resolution:

"RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Board of Governors appoint a special committee, to study the matter of consideration for and terms and conditions of the proposed transfer of property to The Youngstown College by the Y.M.C.A, such committee to cooperate with the committee appointed by the President of the Y.M.C.A. and to make its recommendations either to the members or board of The Youngstown College."

The motion was seconded by Mr. Tod and was unanimously carried.

Mr. Wick then called upon Dr. Jones, President of the college, to present several other matters.

Approval of Graduates

Upon the recommendation of Dr. Jones, and by motion by Mr. Gayton, seconded by Mr. Eliss and duly carried, it was resolved that the degree of Bachelor of Laws be conferred upon the following candidates therefor:

George Steele
Eleanor Cherilli
Frank Golasky

Financial Report

The following financial report was presented

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Dr. Jones commented concerning reductions in income and expense and means of meeting a possible deficit.

Enrollment

Dr. Jones gave the following enrollment figures:

	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>Current</u>
Day Liberal Arts	535	289
Day Business Schools	202	121
	<u>737</u>	<u>410</u>
All branches	1534	1047

Dr. Jones reviewed changes made in the conduct of the Business School and upon motion of Mr. McKay, duly seconded and carried, an increase in tuition in the Business School from \$18.00 to \$20.00 per month was approved, to become effective at such time as the President and Executive Committee deem proper.

Mr. Wick reviewed ~~various~~ ^{undertaken} efforts made to meet an anticipated deficit of \$20,000; and ~~also efforts~~ ^{for College Library} to raise \$170,000 to be used in the possible adaptation of the old Rayen School Building to college uses. He reported as to the status of discussions with the Trustees of Rayen School as to use of the building and commented concerning the more recent program to raise funds by a single campaign for both the Y.M.C.A. and the College.

Thereupon the meeting was duly adjourned.

*undertaken Nov. 8, 1943
altered or changed.*

Approved:

Secretary

Chairman of the Board

which developed on or about Aug 15th in a plan

The committee appointed by James L. Wick, Jr., Chairman of the Board, pursuant to the foregoing resolution, includes the following:

- Messrs. William F. Maag, Jr., Chairman
- C. J. Strouss
- W. E. Bliss
- J. C. Argetsinger
- J. L. Wick, Jr.