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Meeting of
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
of Youngstown College
March 22, 1935, at Wick Hall

Members present

Mr. Wick, Chairman	Mr. Davies
Mr. Argetsinger	Mr. Strouss
Mr. Maag	Mr. Tod
Dr. Hammaker	Mr. Manchester
Judge Gessner	Mr. Powers
Mr. McKay	Mr. Hurd
Mr. Bennett	Mr. Barrett
Mr. Folsom	Mr. Gayton
Mr. Bliss	Mr. Lynn
Mr. Schaff	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Wysor	Mr. Jones

The meeting was called to order by Mr. James L. Wick, Jr., Chairman of the Board.

Prayer was offered by Mr. Barrett.

Mr. Wick turned the meeting over to Mr. Bennett, President of the Board of Trustees of the Y.M.C.A., for the election of a Chairman of the Board of Governors of Youngstown College. Mr. Lynn nominated Mr. Wick. Mr. Gayton seconded the nomination. Dr. Hammaker moved that the nominations be closed and Mr. Argetsinger seconded the motion. Mr. Wick was declared to be elected unanimously as Chairman of the Board of Governors. Mr. Bennett then turned the meeting back to Mr. Wick.

Mr. Wick gave the following history of the educational activities of the Y.M.C.A.;

I am going to take you back a few years. However, not as far back as the time when Methuselah was a little boy. Only back to the administration of Lester C. Haworth, General Secretary of the Y.M.C.A..

After the close of the great war, Lester brought to Youngstown, fresh from an officer's training camp in Texas, Leonard T. Skeggs. Lester offered Leonard an opportunity which in his judgment equalled that which confronted the Superintendent of the Youngstown Public Schools. The opportunity was the development of the educational activities of the Y.M.C.A..

The Central Building of the "Y" was at that time only a few years old, having been dedicated by President William H. Taft. It was perhaps the most modern "Y" building in America. Included in its equipment were classrooms for the educational activities.

Leonard was a promotor and a great advertiser. I well remember a typical piece of publicity that he prepared. On its cover was a tower with a large clock, the hands of the clock pointed to 7:30. There was a crescent moon in the picture which indicated that the time was P.M.. There were these words "The Hour of Decision". The hour when the youth of the community are at the crossroads. Should they hit the "Primrose Path" or spend their evenings in self-improvement?

It wasn't long before Leonard's department pushed out the walls of the Central Building, and he took over the old residence of Mrs. J. M. Bonnell next to the public library on Wick Avenue, where the activities of the educational department continued to grow. It wasn't long before he was again in need of additional space. He persuaded the Board of Trustees of the Y.M.C.A. to invest \$100,000 in the John C. Wick property which provided larger quarters for his activities.

By this time, Leonard was General Secretary. He had a vision. He presented it to a group from the Board of Trustees of the "Y" and called them a development committee. This committee gave the vision careful study. In the course of time, this dream was rather timidly presented by Leonard and Leroy A. Manchester to Mr. Frank Purnell, President of the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company. Mr. Purnell's reaction converted this dream into a reality.

It terminated in that devastating campaign wherein 119 local corporations and individuals pledged, before the opening date of the campaign, \$1,000,000.00, that the Development program of the "Y" could be made possible.

Included in this program was the erection and equipping of the College Building at the corner of Wick Avenue and Lincoln Avenue.

This building was well underway in July, 1931, when, at a meeting of the Y.M.C.A. Trustees, the various and sundry educational activities of the "Y" together with the faculty and this new College Building were placed in your lap. You, who constituted a new body, the Board of Governors of Youngstown College. But, thanks be to God and to Leonard Skeggs' good judgment, Leonard presented with all this, a Director and an Educator who has proved to possess the ability to conduct the affairs of Youngstown College, not only within the budget prepared for him by the Executive Committee of the Y.M.C.A. trustees, but who with your help and the loyal faculty has been able to operate the College so that substantial sums have been turned over to the Y.M.C.A.. It has been said of him that he has been the only man who has been able to operate a college in the black during the past four years.

To me, there is nothing quite so satisfying as to witness the success of any individual or an institution. It has been a great joy to me to serve on this Board with all of you splendid fellows who have so generously responded, when called upon, with your wisdom and judgment at all meetings, many of which have been called on very short notice.

Perhaps the most wholesome aspect of this whole experience is to see success recognized and rewarded. This you did in a grand manner when you requested that the Board of Trustees of the Y.M.C.A. give Howard Jones the title of "President" of Youngstown College. Phil Freider thought that wasn't enough and you have all agreed with him, so in the name of Phil Freider, who unfortunately is unable to be with us this evening, and on behalf of the Board of Governors of the "Y" College, I have great pleasure in presenting to you, Howard W. Jones, this gift.

Mr. Jones thanked the group and expressed his personal appreciation of their interest in the Youngstown College.

Mr. Wick then opened nominations for a Vice-Chairman of the Board of Governors. Mr. Argetsinger nominated Mr. Bliss. Mr. Hurd seconded the nomination. Mr. Bliss was declared to be Vice-Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Wick opened nominations for a Secretary of the Board of Governors. Mr. Bennett nominated Mr. Hurd. Mr. Argetsinger seconded the nomination. Vote was cast and Mr. Hurd was declared to be secretary of the Board.

Mr. Wick recommended that the following members comprise the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors:

Mr. Argetsinger
Mr. Bennett
Dr. Bunn
Mr. Collins
Mr. Davies
Judge Gessner
Mr. Maag
Mr. Powers
Mr. Robinson
Mr. Strouss
Mr. Wick
Mr. Wysor

The Executive Committee as recommended was elected unanimously.

Mr. Wick then turned the meeting over to Mr. Jones for the Agenda of the meeting.

I. The Financial Statement was read and approved. The F.E.R.A. money, which amounts to about \$6250., is not included in this report. This money is being spent on the College Library. About \$1,000. is collected from the students for library purposes also.

YOUNGSTOWN COLLEGE COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INCOME & 51

EXPENSE WITH LAST YEAR'S ACTUALS & THIS YEAR'S 46

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BUDGET. 7

	Budget Income <u>7/1/34-2/28/35</u>	Actual Income <u>7/1/34-2/28/35</u>	Actual Income <u>7/1/33-2/28/34</u>
Educa. Bldg. Admin.	3340.00	4245.15	4428.92
Liberal Arts	40500.00	43899.96	36466.14
Business Admin.	4750.00	4437.53	5089.49
Law School	2175.00	2453.50	1867.00
High School	1855.00	1752.25	1982.35
Business School	12700.00	17992.03	12099.92
Technical	1160.00	869.00	1006.00
Music	--	894.80	---
	<u>66480.00</u>	<u>76544.22</u>	<u>62939.82</u>

	Budget Expense <u>7/1/34-2/28/35</u>	Actual Expense <u>7/1/34-2/28/35</u>	Actual Expense <u>7/1/33-2/28/34</u>
Educa. Bldg. Admin.	16581.76	17885.82	15303.13
Liberal Arts	24058.44	24130.52	21909.85
Business Admin	2086.00	2131.21	2435.90
Law School	1707.00	1492.20	1535.95
High School	1741.00	1566.44	1573.77
Business School	8814.00	8558.06	6713.31
Technical	916.00	433.99	713.22
Music	--	685.29	--
	<u>55904.20</u>	<u>56.883.53</u>	<u>50185.13</u>

Budget Surplus 7/1/34-2/28/35	Actual Surplus 7/1/34-2/28/35	Actual Surplus 7/1/33-2/28/34
10575.80	19660.69	12754.69

7/1/34-2/28/35 7/1/33-2/28/34

Note: Gen. Admin. Overhead
allocated to Youngstown College

4657.32

2969.40

II. Enrollment Data

	1935	1934
Day L. A.	335	334
Evening L. A.	151, 19 Rel.Ed.	120
Bus. Adm.	80	129
Law	32	25
High	41	55
Tech	17, 5 welding	19
Business Day	160	117
Business Evening	<u>106</u>	<u>64</u>
	922	863

III. Statement of Inspection

On February 18 an Inspection Committee composed of the following members of the Ohio College Association:

B. L. Stradley, Entrance Examiner, Ohio State University - Chairman
President Otto Mees, Capital University
Dr. Schwartz, Registrar, Akron University
Dean D. T. Schoonover, Marietta College

came to Youngstown to inspect Youngstown College in order that they could ascertain if the college should be granted membership in the Ohio College Association. The committee did not make known the results of their inspection because they will report directly to the executive committee of the Ohio College Association, which will, in turn, act upon our application.

While they were agreeably surprised by many phases of our college work, we probably will not be recommended for admission into the Ohio College Association at this time because of our lack of endowment funds. We do hope, however, to gain considerable from this inspection because they are going to give us a written, detailed report of what they found, and in this way many weak spots in our college program will be pointed out and we will be able to correct at least some of these conditions.

Mr. Wick spoke about the luncheon meeting which some of the board members had with the inspectors and asked for comments from any members who were present. Mr. Argetsinger remarked that he felt that the inspectors were favorably impressed, but they were not pleased by the fact that we are not building up a surplus account at this time, and that they were concerned greatly over our lack of library facilities. Mr. Hurd and Mr. Powers both remarked that the inspectors did not seem to want to make known their decision. Mr. Wick spoke briefly about the inspectors, mentioning particularly that Mr. Stradley had said that he witnessed as fine a specimen of teaching in one of our classes as he had ever seen.

At this time the meeting was interrupted for a few minutes for the taking of a picture of the Board members.

IV. Report of Committee on Authority to Grant Degrees

Mr. Jones asked Mr. Powers, Chairman of this committee, to give his report.

Mr. Powers' report read as follows:

Youngstown, Ohio, March 22, 1935.

Mr. James L. Wick, Jr., Chairman,
Board of Governors of Youngstown College
City.

Dear Sir:

Your committee appointed to consider the question of separate incorporation of Youngstown College, begs leave to report as follows:

The Young Men's Christian Association of Youngstown initiated an educational department in furtherance of the general purposes for which the Association was incorporated. In time this department grew into a school, and from a school into a college. Consequent questions arose of rank as compared with other similar institutions, of character and quality of work done as affecting transferability of students to other colleges and allowance of credits by the latter, and finally of degree granting powers.

The original school was an adjunct of, and its operation incident to, the broader purposes of the parent institution. Gradually it took on the attributes and characteristics of a purely educational institution.

It happens, however, that the field of education has become highly specialized, with special statutes governing the formation and operation of colleges and universities in Ohio, with a Department of Education, charged with the supervision of such schools, colleges and universities. The standards to be met are governed not only by such State Department, but also by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, and the Ohio College Association. Our students demand such standards that they may be able to transfer to other colleges without substantial loss of credit for work already done. They demand that we be empowered to grant degrees that will be recognized without question in the educational world. Being dependent almost entirely upon the tuition paid by our students for our continued existence, we must, if for no other reason, meet these demands.

The building and grounds occupied and used by Youngstown College are the property of the Y.M.C.A.. The college owes its existence and opportunity to function, to that body. It is necessary that the latter be satisfied that the college is carrying on the purposes conceived by the Y.M.C.A., in fostering an educational institution.

Having in mind the foregoing premises, your Committee concludes:

FIRST: That the purposes for which Youngstown College was initiated, and has been fostered by the Y.M.C.A., i.e., the attainment of high standards of scholarship amongst its students, the proper accreditation with the educational associations necessarily involved, and the assured power to grant degrees, can all best be accomplished if the College be reorganized as a separate corporation.

SECOND: Such separate corporation can be so carried out as to fully serve the high purposes of the Y.M.C.A. and to assure the Trustees of the latter due recognition of their continuing interest in, and proper control over the general policy thereof.

In the event that this report be adopted by the Board of Governors, we recommend that it then be referred to the Trustees of the Y.M.C.A. for further action.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

J. C. Argetsinger,
Donald J. Lynn,
Franklin B. Powers,

By (signed) Franklin B. Powers
Chairman

There was considerable discussion concerning the suggested separate incorporation of the college and Mr. Bennett asked that he know just how the Board felt in this matter. It was suggested that the report must be recognized as meaning that the school be not separated from the Y.M.C.A. but only incorporated as an educational institution.

Mr. Argetsinger moved that the Report be adopted. Mr. Hurd seconded the motion. Mr. Wick called for a vote of all those in favor of the recommendation of this committee being accepted. Mr. Schaff voted against the resolution. Motion was carried.

V. F.E.R.A. Magazine and Report

The inspector for the F.E.R.A. visited Youngstown some time ago and after completion of his inspection, stated that he considered Youngstown College to be among the four highest in the state, in the manner in which the Federal Emergency Relief Funds had been disbursed and administered. There are between 40 and 50 colleges in the state of Ohio receiving F.E.R.A. funds.

At a recent meeting in Columbus called by the F.E.R.A. Administrators, the question was discussed as to whether or not these funds would be available for the next school year. The Assistant Administrator from Washington stated that in his opinion these funds would be available next year.

Is it the wish of the Board that providing these funds are allocated to Youngstown College next year, that we continue to use them to improve our college library?

Mr. Bennett moved that the thought of this Board be expressed to the Board of Trustees to the effect that the same thing be done with F.E.R.A. funds next year as was done with them this year. Mr. Argetsinger seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. Faculty Additions for the School year 1935-1936.

In view of the fact that the enrollment is increasing year by year in Youngstown College, it is the recommendation of your President that two additions be made to our faculty this fall:

1. That we endeavor to secure a man to head the English Department of Youngstown College as we do not have a professor to head this department at the present time, and also to lighten the program of the Dean of the College.
2. That a man be hired to assist in the Biology Department.

What are your wishes in this matter?

Mr. Jones remarked that we do not have a head of the English Department. The work has been handled by a committee of three with himself as Chairman. Also, Dr. Waldron will not be allowed to head our Biology Department next year. He can come only once a week to lecture.

Mr. Folsom moved that these two questions be referred to the Executive Committee. Mr. Bliss seconded the motion. Mr. Strouss remarked that they should be allowed to act in an emergency. Mr. Gayton amended the motion to the effect that the matter should be referred to the committee with the power to act. Mr. Argetsinger amended the motion further to the effect that the Executive Committee be given the power to employ. Mr. Schaff seconded the motion. The motion and amendments passed.

Dr. Hammaker was excused from the meeting at this time.

VII. Scholarships

For the past two years the College Board has authorized a fund totaling \$1500. to assist worthy high school graduates who wish to enter Youngstown College. Some outstanding students have been secured in this way.

Does the Board desire to continue this allocation?

Mr. Hurd moved that the college be authorized to establish a fund of \$1500. for scholarships. Mr. Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OBJECTIVES OF YOUNGSTOWN COLLEGE

The basic purpose of Youngstown College is to develop the entire personality of its students, not neglecting any aspect of character essential for successful living in our modern complicated, changing society. To this end, attention is given to the physical, mental, social, cultural, and moral factors of harmonious development, irrespective of race, color or creed.

The general objectives of Youngstown College are, then, identical with the basic purpose of the Young Men's Christian Association, with which Youngstown College is affiliated. The approach of the College to these objectives is different from that of the Association. The College endeavors to accomplish by instruction, precept, and environment the conservation and development of the physical health, moral character, religious life, and intellectual attainments of its students.

Physical Health

To bring each student to the best state of vigorous health, as a basis of successful living, by cultivation of the ideals of hygienic and healthful living, the correction of physical defects, and the development of physical well-being.

Moral Character

To aid the students in developing a sound philosophy of life.

To develop an appreciation of aesthetic, moral, and intellectual values which will make life truly rich and satisfying, regardless of material wealth.

To develop in students adequate ethical motivations for conduct, whether in personal, economic, or civil relations.

To assist the students in developing wholesome habits and in achieving self-discipline.

To foster in students that integrity of character and cooperative spirit which will result in happier home relations.

Religious Life

To help the students maintain or find a satisfying religion.

To help the students achieve that sustaining faith of religion (whether it be Jewish, Catholic, or Protestant) which will give their lives a sense of controlling purpose and of devotion in all activities to life's finer values.

Intellectual Attainments

To offer its students the opportunity to familiarize themselves with the general content, the achievements, and the ideals of the several fields of knowledge.

To give students familiarity with such techniques of learning as will make study in college and life after college more pleasant and effective.

To help develop in students the power of reflective thinking and discriminating judgment in their solution of life's problems.

To assist the students to express their ideas clearly and in good English.

To encourage the right use of leisure time in self-improvement, social betterment, and the enjoyment of the higher pleasures of life.

To equip the students with the training needed for the pursuit of later professional study.

ADDITIONAL OBJECTIVES

1. To provide curricula that will meet the occupational needs and interests of the student body.
2. To provide curricular and extra-curricular activities that will aid the foreign born students in making the adjustments necessary to take their place in American society.
3. To provide late afternoon and night classes for teachers of the public schools who desire to continue their college training on a part-time basis.
4. To provide in the late afternoon and night both vocational and cultural classes for other employed students who wish to pursue teacher training, business training, and law.
5. To provide an opportunity for students to secure an education near their homes.

VIII. Proposed Affiliation with City Hospitals on Nurses Training

It has been proposed that a program be offered by Youngstown College in conjunction with the City Hospitals, whereby those students who are entering the hospitals for training should attend Youngstown College for one year before beginning their active training program at the hospital.

It has been suggested that Home Economics be made a part of this program. This would necessitate an expenditure of \$600. for equipment in this department. As you already know, home economics was formerly taught in Youngstown College by Mrs. Foard. However, this work was dropped because of lack of equipment. Our regular college students also need training in this department.

What are the wishes of the Board in this matter?

Mr. Gayton moved that we approve the undertaking of some such connection with not more than \$2500. expenditure, and that the Executive Committee be authorized to carry out and work out the details. Mr. Lynn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

IX. Report on Objectives of the College

The objectives of the college were read by Mr. Jones.

Mr. Verne Wilson was excused from the meeting at this time.

Mr. McKay moved that the objectives be approved as read. Mr. Bliss seconded the motion. Mr. Maag moved that the objectives be referred to the Executive Committee. Mr. Powers seconded the amendment. Amendment acted upon favorably and motion passed unanimously.

X. Report of Football Committee

Mr. McKay, Chairman, reported that this committee composed of himself, Mr. Lynn and Mr. Gayton, had reached no conclusions which needed to be acted upon at this time. The student members of the committee are endeavoring to find how many jobs they could get in the businesses and industries of the community whereby the prospective players could earn enough money to pay part of their expenses. In the fall term the committee will report further.

XI. Report of Committee to Determine Use of News Boys Club Property and 416 Wick Avenue Property

Mr. Davies reported that they had drifted back to using the buildings as they first did. Wick Hall is used as an extra-curricular center for the college and the Lincoln Avenue property is arranged for the use of News Boys, through F.E.R.A. students and relief workers from the Board of Education.

Mr. Bonnell and Mr. Davies went to Cleveland to see Mr. Wick who put a price of \$150,000. for the 416 Wick Avenue property and donated \$25,000. towards its purchase. This purchase was considered impossible and the committee recommended that we continue to lease the property. The insurance was reduced from

\$33,000. to \$25,000. The house in the rear is included in the lease. We now have a man who will live in this house and take care of the property for free rent. The request of the Wick estate that the house be repaired is now being taken care of. We are carrying on now as we first started, in regard to these two properties.

XIII. Appointment of Committee for Raising Endowment for College

Mr. Wick remarked that Dr. Bunn had suggested that we find 100 men in this community who would apply for \$1,000. of life insurance and make the college the beneficiary, the dividends to be paid to the college in cash. Mr. Bennett moved that the Chairman appoint a committee for raising endowment for the college. Mr. Argetsinger seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned.

W. M. Schurz
Recording Secy.