# MINUTES UNIVERSITY SENATE MEETING April 2, 1965

PRESENT: Mr. Carson, Mr. Swartz, Mr. Chrisp, Mr. Mavrigian, Mr. Hahn, Mr. Gay, Mr. Shipman, Mr. Riley, Mr. Behen, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Powers, Mr. Crites, Mrs. Dehnbostel, Mrs. Gridgham, Mrs. Turner, Mr. Roberts, Mrs. Worley, Mr. Gillespie, Mr. Clark, Miss Sterenberg, Mr. Skardon, Mr. Dillon, Mr. Yozwiak, Mr. Luginbill, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Chrobak, Mr. Ozaki, Miss Feldmiller, Mrs. Botty, Mrs. Mackall, Mr. Kermani, Mr. Miller, Mr. M. Evans, Mr. Painter, Mrs. Painter, Mr. Aurand, Mr. Flad, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Smith.

President Jones presided and read a letter of resignation from the secretary to become effective September 1, 1965. Mr. Behen moved a rising vote of thanks for her cooperation and service since the organization of the Senate.

The Chairman presented Mr. Nelson, the Chairman of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, to report on the proposed revisions. He explained that these revisions were proposed so that procedures could be relegated to the bylaws, and would eliminate constant changing of the constitution itself.

Mr. Nelson presented the following changes to the proposed Constitution and Bylaws which were mailed to the Senate in advance of the meeting:

## CONSTITUTION

Article II, Section 2, after the word governs, add "through the appointed administrators" in place of "the administration." To read as follows:

The authority of the Faculty stems from the Board of Trustees through the President and governs through the appointed administrators of the program of the University. The Faculty delegates the exercise of this authority to the University Senate, but it retains the power to approve or disapprove any action of the Senate.

Section 4. Standing Committee of the Senate. Move to the bylaws and the title changed to "Committee of the Senate on the Constitution and Eylaws."

Section 5, Meetings, becomes Section 4.

Article VI, Amendments, to read as follows:

A proposal to amend the Constitution must first be referred to the Senate Committee on the Constitution and Bylaws, then have the approval of a majority of those members present at a Senate meeting. To become effective, a proposed amendment must be approved by two-thirds of those voting in a mail poll of the entire membership of the Senate. The ballot in such a poll shall include a complete statement of the proposed amendment.

An amendment to the Bylaws shall become effective upon its approval by a majority vote of the Senate.

## **FYLAWS**

Page 6, c. Associate Professor - Omit item (b), repetition of (c).

BYLAWS, Cont'd.

Page 7, d. Professor - Omit "It should never be granted as a reward, etc." including the following sentence, also omit (b), repetition of (c). Omit e. Transfer of Tenure

Section 3. Change last line to read: "two additional members of the faculty."

#### BYLAW XIII

Committee of the Senate on the Constitution and Bylaws. Transfer of Section 4 from the Constitution.

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Mr. Nelson moved that the report of the Senate Committee on the Constitution and Bylaws dated March 29, 1965, and as changed at this meeting, pertaining to the revision of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Faculty of the Youngstown University, be accepted by the Senate for the purpose of conducting a mail poll of the membership, and that the ballot be limited to a simple approval or disapproval of the entire report, with the exception that a voter casting a vote of disapproval shall be requested to state the item or items with which he takes issue. Seconded by Mrs. Botty. General discussion followed regarding some of the above changes. It was requested by the Senate that a corrected copy of the proposed revisions be sent to the membership with the ballot. Motion carried.

A resolution was approved commending Mr. Nelson and his committee for their work on these revisions.

Edna J. Pickard, Secretary

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To: Members of the University Senate.
From: The Standing Committee on the Constitution and Bylaws.
Subject: A revised Constitution and a set of proposed Bylaws.

The accompanying manuscript contains the proposed changes in the Constitution and a set of proposed Bylaws for the Faculty. The Committee recommends that these be accepted by the Senate for conducting a mailed ballot poll of the entire membership of the Senate.

The main objective of the committee was a Constitution containing only material of relative permanence; procedures and less permanent material were moved to the Bylaws. More time and attention were spent on the Constitution than on the Bylaws, with the realization that future committees may wish to refine the Bylaws.

In this revision of the Constitution and Bylaws we believe that nothing basic and fundamental has been omitted from the old Constitution and Bylaws, but, in transferring and rearranging much material, some restatement and rephrasing were necessary or seemed appropriate. Briefly, these are the changes which you will find by comparing the present Constitution with our proposed revision:

- 1. A new Article I was added.
- 2. In the new Article II, which replaces Article I of the present Constitution, please note that the caption "administrative officers" is substituted for "executive officers." This change not only agrees with the expression "chief administrative officer" with reference to the President in the Code of Regulations, but it also agrees with the listing in the Catalog and avoids confusion with "executive" as used in "Executive Committee."
- 3. It was decided to list most of the administrative officers, together with descriptive detail concerning authorities and duties, in the Bylaws. Some of these titles and duties are subject to change, and in the Bylaws they can be more easily amended in the future. However, since the academic administrative officer titles are less likely to change, it was decided to list them in the Constitution, but, as with the other administrative officers, the descriptive detail, concerning authorities and duties, is now covered in the Bylaws. Some of the material in Sections 2-12 was changed. Please note that the material in Article I, Section 2b, of the present Constitution was moved to Article V - Faculty Committees. Section 11 and 12 of Article II were not carried over to Bylaw I because the Alumni Secretary is not listed as an executive officer in the present Constitution nor does the Catalog list that office, and "other officers" refers to the chief administrative officers of the academic units, which are now covered in Article III, Section 2 and Bylaw I, Sections 2 and 10-12.
- 4. Section 1 of Article II of the present Constitution has become Bylaw II. The explanatory preface is covered in the new Article III. Section 2 of present Article II has become Bylaw I, with some changes.
- 5. Article II of the proposed Constitution contains all but Section 6 and 7 of present Article III. Section 6 has become Bylaw IV. Some changes in wording were required in the interest of clarification. Section 7

has become Bylaw III. Sub-Section a. was transferred without change mainly because of lack of time for adequate study. A clarifying sentence was added to 7b. Section 7c was transferred without change.

- 6. Article TV of the revised Constitution is also Article TV of the present one. Two changes are recommended which are significant, in our opinion: First and foremost, the section on the Executive Committee has been removed. This committee is a Faculty Committee. The inclusion of it in this Article, in the present Constitution, was in error. Section 3 is now Bylaw V. Section 5 was eliminated because the President's appointment of a secretary does not need to be codified. The other major change concerns the inclusion of the Standing Committee which, in the present Constitution, is contained in Article VII. It is a Senate Committee.
- 7. Article VI on degrees was eliminated. The Committee felt that it is obvious that degrees are awarded by an institution of higher learning. If particular stipulations cannot be covered adequately in the Catalog, perhaps a Bylaw can be recommended later.
- 8. Section 2 of the present Article VII is Article VI of the proposed Constitution.
- 9. Please note Bylaws VI and VII. Bylaw VI adds required detail to the proposed Article II, Section 2 (Article III, Section 3, of present Constitution). Bylaw VII is an addition which would not be proper for inclusion in the Constitution but it is added to the Bylaws as a recommended appendage.

The accompanying manuscript is the result of many meetings (several weeks with two and even three meetings), which started in October 1964, and many hours of time spent by individual members of the committee in preparing for and going over committee meetings and recommendations.

Your immediate attention is requested in comparing our proposals with the present Constitution.

Respectfully,

Pauline E. Botty
Frank M. Clark
Philip J. Hahn
David S. Ives
William G. Nelson, chairman

P. S. Please note that the page numbers in the accompanying manuscript are, by an oversight, in two separate series, despite the fact that both documents are typed as one manuscript. Therefore, page 3 of the Constitution is also page 1 of the Bylaws.