

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-NINTH MEETING  
RETREAT**

**September 19-20, 1997**

**Ridgeleigh Terrace, Kettering, OH**

**I. BOARD SOCIAL GATHERING**

**(Friday, September 19, 1997)**

With their spouses, the Board of Trustees gathered at Ridgeleigh Terrace for dinner and a presentation of the university's secondary marks given by Greg Economou of SME Design, Inc. These marks will be used primarily for the department of athletics' identification and promotion.

**II. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Wright State University Board of Trustees was called to order by Mr. Daniel W. Duval, chair, on Saturday, September 20, 1997, 8 a.m., Ridgeleigh Terrace. Ms. Daisy Duncan Foster, secretary, called the roll:

**Present**

Matthew O. Diggs, Jr.

Dodie Ditmer

Daniel W. Duval

Daisy Duncan Foster

Martin D. Jenkins

Thomas E. Palmer

Frederick W. Schantz

**Absent**

Robert E. Buerger

Rajesh K. Soin

**III. PROOF OF NOTICE OF MEETING**

Mr. Duval reported that this meeting was called by written notification and that a quorum was present.

**IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

In accordance with the Ohio Open Meetings Law, the Board, after a majority of a quorum, determined to hold an Executive Session by offering the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 98-1**

RESOLVED that the Wright State University Board of Trustees agreed to hold Executive Session on Saturday, September 20, 1997; and be it further

RESOLVED that pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G), the following issues may be discussed in Executive Session:

- Legal Report
- Potential dismissal, demotion, or discipline of a tenured faculty member, and pertinent personnel matters
- Purchase of real property by WSU Foundation, Inc., and pertinent real estate matters

Mr. Duval moved for approval. Mr. Jenkins seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

#### **V. RECESS**

#### **VI. RECONVENE-ROLL CALL**

The Wright State University Board of Trustees reconvened at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 20, 1997, Ridgeleigh Terrace. Ms. Foster called the roll:

##### **Present**

Matthew O. Diggs, Jr.

Dodie Ditmer

Daniel W. Duval

Daisy Duncan Foster

Martin D. Jenkins

Thomas E. Palmer

Frederick W. Schantz

Lynn E. Rapp

Euvondia M. Barto

##### **Absent**

Robert E. Buerger

Rajesh K. Soin

Mr. Duval stated that the Wright State University Board of Trustees is a public body subject to the Ohio Open Meetings Act. It operates on a fixed agenda available to those attending the meeting. Persons wishing to address the Board in its public session should submit a written request to the Board of Trustees' office 72 hours in advance of the meeting in order to be placed on the agenda. However, all persons address the Board at the invitation of the Board and are subject to time limitations and other guidelines established to maintain the good order of the meeting.

#### **VII. CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PLANNING**

**Mr. Martin Alsobrook, Grezenbach, Glier and Associates, Inc., presented a preliminary report on the Campaign Feasibility/Planning Study. The report is on file in the Office of the Board of Trustees.**

**VIII. EDWARD HOWARD & COMPANY**

Chuck Vella, a partner with Edward Howard & Company, a Cleveland-based public relations firm, presented the findings of his study (qualitative and quantitative).

The study aids in the goal of developing a university-wide marketing communications plan. The Edward Howard presentation is on file in the Office of the Board of Trustees.

**IX. FOUNDERS' DAY RESOLUTION**

President Harley E. Flack urged all Board members to participate in the activities associated with Wright State University's 30th anniversary scheduled for September 27 - October 3, 1997. Mr. Duval then offered a resolution in support of the university's founding.

**RESOLUTION 98-2**

WHEREAS, Wright State University was officially chartered thirty years ago as a new public institution of higher education in the Miami Valley, and

WHEREAS, in commemoration of that charter, Wright State University, throughout the fall of 1997, is celebrating Founders' Day and its 30th year of academic excellence in the Miami Valley, and

WHEREAS, Wright State University was born of the philanthropic vision of community leaders, the people of the Miami Valley and the thousands of campaign workers and contributors who raised \$3,000,000 in just over three months to create the new university, and

WHEREAS, under the guidance and leadership of Wright State founders Robert S. Oelman and Stanley C. Allyn of NCR; Novice G. Fawcett of The Ohio State University; John D. Millett, President of Miami University; and WSU presidents Brage Golding, Robert J. Kegerreis, Paige E. Mulhollan and Harley E. Flack, Wright State University has grown from one building to more than 20 academic and support facilities, from 3,200 students to more than 15,500 students and from 55 faculty to more than 2,000 faculty and staff, and

WHEREAS, Wright State University's faculty has demonstrated leadership and commitment in building a university with the highest standards of academic excellence, and,

WHEREAS, Wright State continues to be enhanced by its strong links to Miami Valley schools, businesses, government, community organizations and the generous philanthropy of community leaders, businesses and alumni, and

WHEREAS, Wright State University's presence in the Miami Valley has been and continues to be a powerful force for economic growth and development, academic excellence and societal change, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Wright State University Board of Trustees recognizes the Miami Valley community, the founders and friends of the university, distinguished faculty, dedicated staff and thousands of WSU alumni for their 30 years of generous and unfailing support of Wright State University.

Mr. Duval moved for adoption. Mr. Palmer seconded, and the motion was approved by voice call vote. Mr. Diggs, Ms. Foster, Mr. Duval, Mr. Palmer and Mr. Jenkins were present for the vote.

#### **X. BY-LAWS REVIEW**

Mr. Palmer reviewed the revisions to the Board of Trustees' By-Laws, as developed with the Ad Hoc Committee of Mr. Diggs and Ms. Rapp.

The Statement of Purpose will be reviewed and revised.

The revisions to the By-Laws are a result of last year's Board retreat with Dr. James Fisher and meetings with the committee members.

After further review, the Board will act upon the By-Laws at a later date.

#### **XI. K-12 FUNDING**

The Board reviewed the funding issue and proposed strategy. IUC presidents are asking their boards to communicate to the governor not to sacrifice higher education's budget in favor of the K-12 funding needs. The Board will be asked to adopt a resolution opposing cuts to higher education at the October Board meeting.

#### **XII. ADJOURNMENT**

The Wright State University Board Retreat adjourned at 4:30 p.m.