Build It and They Will Come: The History of Wright State
The Division of Academic Centers

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR 1961-1962,
The University's 153rd Year
MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT between the president and trustees of the Miami University and the Board of Trustees of The Ohio State University.

WHEREAS, the president and trustees of the Miami University and the Board of Trustees of The Ohio State University have by their respective resolutions dated February 3, 1962 and March 15, 1962 expressed their intention to enter into the acquisition and construction of a joint academic facility in the Dayton, Ohio area, and

WHEREAS, a successful campaign to raise the sum of $3,000,000 for this purpose was conducted by the Combined University Fund Committee, and

WHEREAS, certain private parcels of land are acquired or being acquired by major donors in lieu of pledged cash contributions to the fund campaign and are being held in trust for the use of the joint academic facility, and

WHEREAS, two parcels of federal land (described as the Skyway Tract and the MCD Tract) are required to complete the proposed campus site, said land being in the process of declaration of excess and surplus to the needs of the government, and

WHEREAS, the transfer of said government-owned land may be made by quit-claim deed to only one entity by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare at an appraised value subject to 100% public benefit allowance and other reservations, and

WHEREAS, the president and board of trustees of the Miami University are legally empowered to enter into such a transfer, and
Siting Study for a University Complex

Background. Considerable effort is being made by Dayton community leaders to attract new university facilities to the area. The Dayton Area Progress Committee, Community Research, Inc., and others including ASD have laid the preliminary ground work with the top officials of Miami and Ohio State Universities for continued interest and study of locating such facilities in the Dayton area. The last session of the State of Ohio Legislature has passed legislation giving local community authorities greater powers toward establishment of collegiate level institutions. ASD is interested in the establishment of a university as a local source of academically qualified personnel.

The attached correspondence and study of suggested sites, prepared at ASD's request, is forwarded for review and coordination.

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Director of Civil Engineering

Another suggestion might be that area north of USAF Inst. Tech. & south of New German Road, extending into area 5. Would require acquisition of about 90 acres.

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"That our young people may have higher education at low cost, we propose expansion of the public and private educational facilities in the Miami Valley."

The Foot Is On The Doorstep---

(An Editorial)

The Miami Valley, sleek and lush and beautiful under our early-summer sun, faces an important challenge today.

The campaign for its colleges in Dayton—its good old one and its bright proposed new one—was $382,990 short last night.

That campaign must close next Tuesday.

In between now and Tuesday Dayton and this valley need to stir themselves as they have seldom stirred before. Something very important is at stake.

Our town and valley in past, busy making automobiles and refrigerators and cash registers, almost forgot about their resources for higher education. Then suddenly and belatedly they awakened. This drive already has raised more than any Dayton drive in history.

The foot is on the doorstep. Dayton boys and girls who do not have the price of a college probably have a chance to get it.

It is a final measure of success. It is needed for every dollar in the total and it is needed if we are to make our final commitment to this thing. Do we take our future into our hands, or don’t we? Do we mean it, or not?

We must raise the $393,000.

To do so will not be easy. Generous givers already have outdone expectations. Now many will need to do more.

There are sources for this money.

First are those who have not given as yet. We produce with this editorial a duplicate of the pledge card. If you have not given, cut it out, pledge the maximum that you believe you can invest in the future youths of this valley, and mail it to University Campaign Headquarters, Biltmore Hotel, Dayton. Next are the many of us who have given but now must think again. The pledge card
AN ACT

To amend section 2 of Am. Sub. Senate Bill No. 210 entitled "An act to enact sections 3352.01 to 3352.05, inclusive, and 3352.10 to 3352.14, inclusive, of the Revised Code relative to the creation of Wright state campus, and Wright state university," passed July 23, 1965, approved August 6, 1965, and filed in the office of the secretary of state August 6, 1965, in order to change the period of determination of the number of full-time equivalent students, and to declare an emergency.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That section 2 of Am. Sub. Senate Bill No. 210 entitled "An Act to enact sections 3352.01 to 3352.05, inclusive, and 3352.10 to 3352.14, inclusive, of the Revised Code relative to the creation of Wright state campus, and Wright state university," passed July 23, 1965, approved August 6, 1965, and filed in the office of the secretary of state August 6, 1965, be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. The board of trustees of the Wright state university shall not commence the exercise of the powers vested in it by this act before July 1, 1967, or until the earliest date thereafter when it shall be determined by the Ohio board of regents that there were enrolled or it is estimated that there will be enrolled, during the year following the date of such determination, at Wright state campus not less than five thousand full-time equivalent students and such fact shall be certified to the governor by the Ohio board of regents, which certification shall be filed by