Organization and Functions. The University of Wisconsin Regents on May 12, 1956, approved a program of intercollegiate athletics for the University of Wisconsin--Milwaukee, and directed that it be under control of the Faculty of this school through a duly selected Athletic Board with Faculty and student representation. At the Faculty meeting of November 8, 1956 a motion was passed creating this Board and directing that it be composed of: Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, ex officio; five faculty members and a faculty representative to be appointed by the Provost, and one student representative to be selected by the student government. The members selected to this committee are: Ray Brumblay, Robert Jaggard, Frederick Mueller, Peter Salamun, Marvin Summers, Ralph Tillema and George Brown, student representative. Mr. Tillema was appointed to be the representative to the conference committee.

According to a "Summary Report of the Actions Leading to the Establishment of the University of Wisconsin--Milwaukee" (Article 2, Chapter XI) this board shall a) approve and submit the budget for the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, b) approve the assignment of personnel of the Physical Education Department to the coaching positions of the Department of Athletics, c) approve schedules for intercollegiate athletic contests, d) rule upon questions of eligibility of students under institutional and conference regulations, e) establish, in conjunction with the Athletic Board in Madison, a conference committee for purposes of coordinating rules and regulations governing intercollegiate athletics at Milwaukee and Madison.

Summary of Activities, 1956-57. This Board met frequently during the academic year to consider a number of items which came under its jurisdiction. Minutes were kept of the meetings and will be filed at the close of the semester with the Secretary of the Faculty in compliance with U-W Faculty Document 2. The following action was taken on these items:

Finance. The program for intercollegiate athletics during 1956-57 was financed partly under the budgetary provisions of the Student Activity Program and partly from the receipts of athletic events. The allocation of funds from the Student Activity Program were previously determined by a sub-committee of the Student Affairs Committee and approved, with changes, by the Committee of Thirty. The Board approved a budget for the Athletic Department within the limits set up by these committees.

Assignments of Personnel to Coaching Positions. The following coaching assignments, recommended by the Athletic Director, were approved and submitted to the Provost for confirmation:

Herman Kluge - swimming
Armin Kraeft - football (head coach), golf
Russell Rehbolz - basketball, tennis
William Ritter - baseball, football (assistant coach)
James Stroebel - cross country (head coach), wrestling, track (assistant coach)
John Tierney - track (head coach), football (assistant coach), cross country (assistant coach)

Shortly after these appointments were made, James Stroebel resigned and Don Bartkowski was hired to replace him for the remainder of the academic year.
Conference Schedules and Events. By action of the Board of Regents (see Art. 4, Chap. XI, "Summary Report"), the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee is to continue as a member of the Wisconsin State College Conference. Since the schedules for various athletic events were arranged by the conference representatives prior to the organization of this Board, no action other than approval could be considered.

UM--M sponsors or fields teams in the following sports: football, basketball, cross country, swimming, wrestling, track, golf, and tennis. Details concerning conference standing, participants, and outstanding features of each sport will be tabulated at the close of the semester and a copy will be filed with the Secretary of the Faculty. These records will be available for examination.

Eligibility. The scholastic records of students participating in athletics were checked to determine whether they conformed to the eligibility regulations of the conference and this university. This is primarily the task of the conference representative with the approval of the Board.

Conference Committee with the Athletic Board at Madison. Initial steps have been taken to set up a conference committee with the Athletic Board at Madison in compliance with the "Summary Report" regulations. The purpose of this committee is to consider mutual problems regarding rules and regulations of intercollegiate athletics. It is expected that a meeting with representatives from Madison will be held before the close of this semester.

Letter Awards. The following system of awards was presented to the Board and approved: a) First year - red slipover sweater with white letter, b) Second year - red coat-sweater with white letter, c) Third year - red jacket with white letter, d) Fourth year - red or white sweater or jacket with white letter, e) Anyone earning ten letters - blanket. It was further decided that a participant in several activities during any academic year would receive only one award. The awards approved as of this date are: Football - 27, Cross Country - 6, Basketball - 12, Swimming - 14, and Wrestling - 7.

Radio and Television Broadcasts of Athletic Events. Several requests have been received from local stations to broadcast some of our athletic events. These requests are under study by the Board at the present time.

Organization of the Board for Improved Efficiency. To improve operations, each member of the Board was assigned to one or more of the following sub-committees: a) Budget and Finance, b) Personnel, c) Eligibility, and d) Publicity. Items presented for consideration were first referred to the proper sub-committee for scrutiny before being considered by the Board. This not only saved a great deal of time but enabled the members to have detailed information on the items under consideration.

ATHLETIC BOARD

George Brown, student member
Ray Brumblay
Robert Jaggard, Secretary
Herman Kluge, ex officio
Frederick Mueller
Peter Salamun, Chairman
Marvin Summers
Ralph Tillera, Conference Representative

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