The Athletic Board spent the majority of time this year investigating the three requests of the Board of Regents concerning the intercollegiate program. These were:

A. Consider the dropping of football as an intercollegiate sport.

B. Consider the role of intercollegiate athletics in the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee.

C. Propose an intramural and recreational program.

The Board met many times during 1963 to discuss and hear reports concerning these problems. Their meetings included open meetings, meetings with faculty and student leaders, meetings with the Provost and the President, and meetings with the press and local civic leaders. As a result of these discussions, the Athletic Board presented to the Faculty at the April meeting a complete report of their findings and recommendations. The recommendations were in the form of a resolution to be voted on and presented to the Regents. The Faculty took action to approve and pass on the recommendations of the Board to the Regents and, at the present time, that is where the matter rests. However, the Board is still conducting business meetings and makes plans to implement the decisions of the Faculty if they are concurred in by the Regents.

In addition to the above, considerable time was spent in working out improvements for future employment in our athletic program in conjunction with the athletic director. The playing of more night games was approved for the next football season, the scheduling of new opponents to give the school contact with a different type of competitor was approved and directed. A program was also started to work out requirements for further needs of the Athletic Department and to lay the groundwork so that the Athletic Board next year can spend less time on orienting itself on the problems and more on solving the difficulties and planning.

Business of a routine nature was also conducted by the Board. This included the confirmation of letter awards as recommended by the coaches, review of the eligibility lists, hiring of part-time personnel to assist in some of the coaching duties, and decisions on the future utilization of personnel within the Athletic Department.

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