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Minutes, Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board Meeting, 12 November 1999, Ohio Historical Center, Columbus

Board members present: Roland Baumann, Keith Corman, Jonathan Dembo, Barbara Floyd, James Oda, George Parkinson, and Carol Tomer

Board members not present: Gary Ness, Alice Cornell, and Michael Lucas

Staff present: Charles Arp, Matthew Benz, Laurie Gemmill

Guests present: George Bain, David Larson

Deputy State Coordinator George Parkinson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and welcomed the board. The minutes from the 6 August meeting were reviewed and adopted.

Board Members related news from their institutions and regions. Carol Tomer, archivist for the Cleveland Clinic Foundation, spoke of the upcoming MAC/MIRMAC Conference to be held in Cleveland in the fall of 2000. Tomer is on the Local Arrangements Committee, with Michael McCormick serving as Chairperson. She also reported that the Cleveland Clinic is proceeding with their move, splitting the collections into two locations with new compact shelving space. The project also calls for the renovation of an older building.

David Larson, State Records Administrator, reported to the board on his department's on-going briefing of the new Taft administration, as well as personnel changes in the Department of Administrative Services. Barbara Floyd, Archivist for the University of Toledo, reported that she recently led the new Dean of the Library on a tour of the Archives and Special Collections. Also, the Toledo Blade ran an article as well as an editorial on e-mail retention plans of the state universities. The editorial condemned the records management policy of the University of Toledo in regards to e-mail records. Copies of the article and editorial were distributed to the board. Roland Baumann, Archivist for Oberlin College, spoke of an on-going records-retention discussion with the college administration, as well as the creation of a new digitalization project. Titled "Oberlin History as U.S. History, this project calls for the creation of student-developed web-sites that will be run through the Oberlin College site. Baumann also reported that the installment of new compact shelving for the archives continues.

James Oda, Director of the Piqua Historical Society, reported on the recent acquisition of a glass-plate negative collection, circa 1863-1865 that comes with a logbook of the various plates. The Piqua Historical Society will apply for a grant to process the collection. Jonathon Dembo informed the board that he is no longer employed by the Cincinnati Museum Center. Keith Corman, Hamilton County Court Bailiff, said that the Hamilton County Recorder had recently "unear