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Advisory Board Established for the Office of Human Relations at the University of Dayton

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DAYTON, Ohio, February 21, 1968 --- An 11-member advisory board of six students, two faculty members and three community persons has been established for the Office of Human Relations at the University of Dayton, Bro. Elmer C. Lackner, S.M., Vice President for Public Relations, announced today.

The Board, under the direction of Charles Hirt, Director of the Office of Human Relations, will be responsible for the establishing of policy, making program recommendations, to help alleviate campus racial problems, and for evaluating problems and, on the basis of research, draw up proposals for implementation.

Board members from the community are Mr. Robert Lewis, who is Dayton Youth Coordinator under Mr. Graham Watt, City Manager; Mr. Phil Donahue, television personality on WLW-D, Channel 2; and Dr. Gaston Bouquett, Dayton ophthalmologist who is on the Board of Directors of Ascension, and associated with DARE, SNCC and CORE. Dr. Bouquett graduated from Indiana Central College and has been in Dayton two years.

Mr. Lewis is a graduate of Ohio State University and has been active with the YMCA, Boy Scouts, Volunteers of America and the Senior Citizens Advisory Group. Mr. Donahue, who is a graduate of Notre Dame University, has explored civil rights issues on his radio and television programs over the past several years in Dayton.

Faculty members are Dr. Brenda Frazier, Ph.D., who teaches in the Languages Department, and Dr. Joseph Cooney, Ph.D., who is an Associated Professor in Biology, and secretary of the AAUP on campus.

Three of the students have been recommended by Black Action Through Unity, a student campus organization. They are Reuel (Rudy) Jordan of New York City, President of BATU; Miss Arnelle Jackson, a Health and Physical Education major who graduated from Dayton Dunbar High School; and Miss Cathy Flood of Birmingham, Alabama. Jordan is a social studies sophomore and Miss Flood a Communication Arts junior.

Other students are Ann Burgunder, a junior from Pittsburgh; James (Chuck) Busta, a senior from Cleveland, and Kathy Gmeiner, a freshman who graduated from Dayton Julienne High School.