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Resolution #48 1969-1970

TO: PRESIDENT ALBERT W. BROWN

FROM: THE FACULTY SENATE

Meeting on March 9, 1970  
(Date)

RE: X I. Formal resolution (Act of Determination)  
         II. Recommendation (Urging the fitness of)  
         III. Other (Notice, Request, Report, etc.)

SUBJECT: ad hoc Committee for the Naming of Buildings

Dr. Conrad moved, seconded by Mr. Bemis, to accept the report on the naming of buildings as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

(see attached document)

Signed *Steve Duke* Date Sent: 3/11/70  
(For the Senate)

TO: THE FACULTY SENATE

FROM: PRESIDENT ALBERT W. BROWN

RE: I. DECISION AND ACTION TAKEN ON FORMAL RESOLUTION 3/12/70

- a. Accepted. Effective Date with modifications as below.
- b. Deferred for discussion with the Faculty Senate on \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. Unacceptable for the reasons contained in the attached explanation

II, III. a. Received and acknowledged

b. Comment:

*① Whenever possible - function of bldg should be attached to formal name; for example, "Duke membership"*

*② If A 13 + 14 are deferred until they can become operative.*

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Signed: *Allen W. Brown*  
President of the College

Date Received by the Senate: \_\_\_\_\_

Report of Faculty Senate ad hoc Committee  
on the Naming of Buildings

1. Recommendations of Committee for the naming and re-naming of buildings.

A. Presently un-named buildings:

1. Seymour (new) College Union - after James and William Seymour, two of the "founding fathers" of Brockport; the latter prominent in the affairs of the Collegiate Institute and of the Normal School.
2. Lennon Science Building - after William H. Lennon, long time professor of science and vice-principal of the Normal School (1869-1911).
3. Smith Science Building - after David Eugene Smith, principal of Normal School 1898-1901, distinguished mathematician and long time professor at Columbia University.
4. Holmes Classroom Building - after Mary Jane Holmes, Brockport popular authoress of the late 19th century, and her husband, Daniel Holmes, long time Secretary of the Board of the Normal School.
5. Edwards Communications Building - after A. C. Edwards, long time chairman of the English Department and William E. Edwards, long time chairman of the Social Science Department.
6. Bramley Dormitory - after Herbert Bramley, President of Board of Trustees at the time the Normal School became a College.
7. Perry Dormitory - after Charles F. Perry, professor and head of Education Department.
8. Mortimer Dormitory - after Mary Mortimer, distinguished educator and first preceptress of Collegiate Institute, one of two Brockport-associated names in the Dictionary of American Biography.

9. Beach Service Complex - after Horatio Beach, prominent Brockport figure and long time editor of the Brockport Republic. Also served in the U. S. consular service.
10. Burlingame House - after Herman G. Burlingame, professor of mathematics 1860-1891, whose home it was. The house was built by Hiel Brockway.

B. Re-naming of Presently Named Buildings.

(These recommendations are made in an effort to correct some of the existing confusion and illogic in the present designations.)

1. Lathrop (old) College Union - after Henry J. Lathrop, head of the Mathematics Department for a number of years. If in the future the Mathematics Department moves to another location into a building of its own, we recommend the name accompany them.
2. Morgan Dormitory - after Gifford Morgan, distinguished chairman of Board of Normal School and Miles Morgan, beloved professor of English.
3. Neff Dormitory - after Grace Neff, critic teacher, name to be moved from present East Hall.
4. Thompson Dormitory - after Alfred C. Thompson, principal of Normal School 1910-1936.
5. MacFarlane Dormitory - after Charles J. MacFarlane, principal of Normal School 1901-1910.
6. McLean Dormitory - after Charles D. McLean, principal of Normal School, 1863-1898.
7. MacVicar Dormitory - after Malcolm MacVicar, first principal of the Normal School, distinguished educator, included in D.A.B.
8. Claire Williams Theatre - after Claire Williams, critic teacher, authoress of professionally produced plays.

Report of Faculty Senate ad hoc Committee  
on the Naming of Buildings

During the academic year 1968-69 the Faculty Senate established an ad hoc Committee on the Naming of Buildings. Meetings were held during that year and, with a change in student representation, the deliberations were continued during the Fall, 1969 semester. The following report represents the unanimous recommendations of the Committee consisting of:

Sherwin Terry (community)  
Amy Dodd (student body)  
Jim Webster (student body)  
Pauline Haynes (faculty emeritus)  
Wayne Dedman (faculty)

- I. General Principles Agreed on by Committee as a basis of these recommendations.
  1. In the naming of buildings, the order of priorities should be:
    - a. Ease of identification and convenience.
    - b. The honoring of someone.
    - c. Appropriateness of name to use.
  2. Names of buildings to be limited to those of local people associated with the community and/or the college.
  3. In the case of two or more people with the same surname only one building will bear the name, but more than one person may be honored. (Drake Memorial Library is an example and the precedent.)
  4. In order to implement the above, and especially #1, certain buildings should be re-named as well as un-named buildings receiving names.
- II. Recommendations of Committee for the naming and re-naming of buildings.
  - A. Presently un-named buildings:
    1. New College Union - Seymour (after James and William Seymour, two of the "founding fathers" of Brockport; the latter prominent in the affairs of the Collegiate Institute and of the Normal School)



2. Science Building #1 - Lennon (after William H. Lennon; long time professor of science and vice-principal of the Normal School (1865-1911))
3. Science Building #2 - David Eugene Smith (after David Eugene Smith, principal of Normal School 1898-1931, distinguished mathematician and long time professor at Columbia University)
4. Classroom Building - Holmes (after Mary Jane Holmes, Brockport popular authoress of the late 19th century, and her husband, Daniel Holmes, long Secretary of the Board of the Normal School)
5. Communication or Instructional Research Building - Edwards (after A. C. Edwards, long chairman the English Department and William H. Edwards, long chairman of Social Science Department)
6. High Rise #2 - Bramley (after Herbert Bramley, President of Board of Trustees at the time the Normal School became a College)
7. High Rise #3 - Perry (after Charles F. Perry, professor and head of Education Department)
8. High Rise #4 (double one) - Mortimer (after Mary Mortimer, distinguished educator and first preceptress of Collegiate Institute, one of two Brockport-associated names in the Dictionary of American Biography)
9. Service Complex - Beach (after Horatio Beach, prominent Brockport figure and long time editor of the Brockport Republic. Also served in the U. S. consular service.
10. "Greek Revival" House - Burlingame House (after Herman G. Burlingame, professor of mathematics 1850-1891) whose home it was. The house was built by Hiel Brockway.
11. New library (when completed) - Drake Memorial Library transfer of name from present library structure
12. Administration (when completed) - Fuller (after Judge Jerome Fuller, long time president of Board of Collegiate Institute, prominent Brockport citizen)

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  2. Present Morgan and Thompson Dormitories (tall section of Stage #1) - Morgan (after Gifford Morgan, distinguished chairman of Board of Normal School and Miles Morgan, beloved professor of English)
  3. Bramley-Neff (after Grace Neff, critic teacher, name to be moved from present East Hall)
  4. East Hall-Thompson (after Alfred C. Thompson, principal of Normal School 1910-1936)
  5. West Hall-MacFarlane (after Charles J. MacFarlane, principal of Normal School 1901-1910)
  6. North Hall-McLean (after Charles D. McLean, principal of Normal School, 1869-1898)
  7. South Hall-MacVicar (after Malcolm MacVicar, first principal of the Normal School, distinguished educator, included in D.A.B.)
  8. Theatre in Fine Arts Building - Claire Williams Theatre (after Claire Williams, critic teacher, authoress of professionally produced plays)
- C. Recommendation Concerning "Surplus Names" or Names Removed from Existing Structures.

We earnestly recommend that the following, all names worthily associated with the College and the community, be applied to new dormitories or, other buildings as they become available:

Saunders  
Shafer  
Lane  
Mann

Lowary  
Reynolds  
Chriswell

These are names we are suggesting be removed from dormitories for simplification and clarity. If it is necessary to distinguish between the various divisions or "doors" of Thompson, McLean, MacFarlane, and MacVicar Halls, we suggest they Officially be designated Thompson I, II, III, etc. and that the student-residents give them any unofficial designation that their fancy dictates from time to time.





