

# TU Board Picks Group To Study Medical School

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## Decision Planned On Possibility Of Establishing Unit

The University of Toledo board of directors last night appointed a special committee to study the advantages and drawbacks of establishing a medical school.

Following his report to City Council last week on this matter, Asa S. Knowles, university president, told board members, "We'll have to make up our minds one way or the other."

Named to the committee were Board Member Nolan Boggs, chairman; Councilman Michael Damas, Dr. E. J. McCormick, Dr. John L. Stifel and Mr. Knowles.

Walter A. Eversman, board president, said the committee report should be completed by May and its recommendations will be forwarded to City Council.

Mr. Knowles had told City Council that a medical school might cost from \$2 to \$4 million to build and a million dollars a year to operate. Other estimates have run as high as \$10 million merely to get a start in building the school and its facilities.

Establishment of a medical school at the University was suggested recently by Mr. Damas in City Council.

## Attorney General's Opinion Due On Lucas County Vote

Mr. Knowles reported he is waiting for a reply from the Ohio attorney general as to when an operating levy issue can be placed on the ballot for approval by voters living in Lucas County outside the city limits. If approved, he said, county residents would become eligible to enroll at TU for the same tuition as city residents.

## Accreditation Urged For Engineering Department

Mr. Knowles read a letter from the Toledo Society of Chemical Engineers which urged the university to get its chemical engineering department accredited with the Engineering Council of Professional Development.

Mr. Knowles explained to board members that the TU chemical engineering department is "only about four years old and it takes a while to become accredited. He said he hopes the department will receive official accreditation within three years.

## Other Actions Taken By The Board Members

In other action, the board appointed committee members for the coming year, named representatives to the athletic board of control, approved a revised budget estimate calling for expenditures of \$1,769,388 and an income of \$1,759,220; repeated its request to City Council for \$735,000 for operating costs and building improvements; welcomed Mrs. Arthur L. Zept, newly appointed director who last night attended her first board meeting, and approved conducting a Point 4 program next fall for students from Indonesia who would observe industrial and economic development in this area and attend classes at TU.