Students at Otterbein College in Ohio Elect 3 of Their Number to Board of Trustees; Fac

By ANDREW H. MALCOLM
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WESTERVILLE, Ohio — Otterbein College students lined up at a polling booth in the Campus Center last week, but it was not to choose a Homecoming queen or Student Senate.

The students were electing three of their peers to sit on the college's Board of Trustees with full voting pow privileges. This wee along with three elec ulty members and the the board, will take first item on the agen the school's next budget.

Otterbein's changes i governance of the colleg "the most radical" and " advanced in the entire es ishment of higher educati according to Dr. Earl J. Grath, a former United Sta Commissioner of Education, his latest book, "Should St lents Share the Power?"

The changes are also the la test in a continuing series o attempts at institutional reform by college across the c

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Follow-Up

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ator: "I don't think the students are really aware yet of just what powers they will have. Perhaps it's more than they want."

A Negative View

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unanimous satisfaction with the two younger members appointed by Mayor Lind year, Jean-L

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Students Helping Govern College

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There are three students on the board of trustees and students have equal representation on every other governing committee whose actions affect the lives of the 1,400 young people seeking an education on this 56-acre campus.

The new governance plan that went into effect this fall has been hailed as one of the most advanced in the nation. It was designed to offer students a voice in what goes on at their school—a goal that many students are seeking throughout the country.

"We all need to have a voice in the affairs of an institution," said Dr. James V. Miller, vice president for academic affairs and originator of the plan. "Pragmatically, however, we can't do it that way. That's why we have to have representation."

"When students know what's going on, they can make pretty good judgments," he added. "When they're left out, they can make pretty miserable judgments."

Both students and faculty members have participated on the school's governing committees since 1947. The new governance plan, however, gives full voting privileges to the new three student and three faculty members of the board.

Also, the 45-member board decided to cut down its size to 30 members, now director student-faculty representation one-fifth of the governing body. The plan also provided for the creation of a policy-making college senate which has equal representation of students, faculty and administrators.

Although the students at Otterbein were anxious to get equal representation on the college senate, they had not demanded—or even asked—for the seating of students on the board of trustees.

Student gripes at Otterbein focus around social issues because they believe their education is first-rate and there are few academic problems.

He said students here feel they have to battle for fewer individual restrictions, abolishment of women's hours, sorority housing, open dormitories, and elimination of the "in loco parentis" rule and the dress

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