Administrative History:

Board of Trustees, Union College, meeting minutes, 1795 to present. The Union College Board of Trustees held their first meeting on Tuesday, May 26, 1795. The Board of Trustees meeting minutes reveal the development of the College as seen through their eyes. The names of the Board of Trustee members present at the inaugural meeting include, Robert Yates, Abraham Ten Broeck, Goldsbrow Banyar, Stephen Van Rensselaer, Jacobus V. C. Romeyn, Beriah Palmet, Amoni Rodgers, John Glen, Nicholas Veeder, Isaac Vrooman, Henry Walton, James Hunter, and Joseph C. Yates.

Scope and Content Note:

The original minutes are found in ten bound volumes through the year 1955. From 1956 until the present, the minutes have been housed and aggregated annually in folders. Generally the Board of Trustees meets three times a year, January, June, and October. In more recent years (1996-present), the College Archives have been collecting the Board of Trustee Informational packets, which include the Board of Trustee meeting minutes, the Executive Committee meeting minutes, reports from the academic and administrative vice-presidents, as well as various reports and memorabilia. There are transcriptions of the first volume (1795-1809) of meeting minutes.

Container List:

Volume A (I) – May 1795 – July 1809
Volume B (II) – March 1810 – July 1833
Volume C (III) – July 1834 – April 1853
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Volume E (V) – June 1874 – June 1895
Volume F (VI) – January 1896 – November 1908
Volume G (VII) – November 1908 – January 1923
Volume H (VIII) – June 1923 – October 1937
Volume I (IX) – January 1938 – June 1948
Volume J (X) – October 1948 – January 1955
1956 – present – Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes and Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
1996 – present – Board of Trustee Informational Packets (2 copies for each meeting)