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MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF THE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

Held at University of Connecticut at Storrs  
United Nations Room, Student Union #306  
Storrs, Connecticut  
April 16, 1993

The meeting was called to order at 3 p.m. by Chairman Lewis Rome. Trustees present were: Messrs. Altschuler, Dowling, Lawrence, Leone, Mika, Saslow, Taylor and Treibick.

Trustees absent were: Mrs. Carrozzella, Messrs. Blum, George Brown, Otha Brown, Canzonetti, Carter, Ferrandino, Kleban, and Rich.

University staff present were: President Hartley, Vice President and Provost Tighe, Interim Vice President for Health Affairs and Provost Cutler, Vice Presidents Wiggins and Jones, Attorney Shapiro and Mr. McFadden.

All actions taken were by unanimous vote of the Trustees present, except as otherwise noted.

- I.A. On a motion by Mr. Leone, seconded by Dr. Lawrence, **THE BOARD VOTED** to go into Executive Session at 3:02 p.m. for the purpose of discussing matters of personnel, litigation, and collective bargaining. The Chairman noted that based on the advice of counsel, only the staff members whose presence was necessary to provide their opinion would be permitted to attend Executive Session. All members of the Board noted were present.

Items discussed during Executive Session were as follows:

1. Pending litigation was reviewed. President Hartley, Vice President and Provost Tighe, Attorneys Shapiro and Molitor, and Mr. McFadden were present during this discussion.
2. Personnel matters were discussed. President Hartley, Vice President and Provost Tighe, Attorneys Shapiro and Molitor, and Mr. McFadden were present during this discussion. Interim Vice President for Health Affairs and Provost Cutler was present for part of this discussion.

Executive Session ended at 3:34 p.m., and the meeting was reconvened in Open Session at 3:35 p.m.

II. A. The Report of the Chairman included the following items:

1. On a motion by Mr. Leone, seconded by Dr. Lawrence, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 19, 1993.
2. Chairman Rome noted that it was necessary to amend the Consent Agenda (Attachment O) by adding an additional contract over \$5,000 for the Teachers Insurance & Annuity Association under the list of contracts and agreements for the Health Center.

On a motion by Mr. Saslow, seconded by Mr. Leone, **THE BOARD VOTED** to amend the Consent Agenda by adding the contract for the Teachers Insurance & Annuity Association.

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The Consent Agenda contained Attachments P through U. On a motion by Mr. Saslow, seconded by Mr. Leone, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the following items listed on the amended Consent Agenda:

Contracts and Agreements for the University and the Health Center (P), Awards and Donations (Q), Medical/Dental Staff appointments (R), Proposed Health Center Housestaff Stipends (S), Authority to Execute Documents for the Transfer of Securities (T). A copy of these consent agenda items are attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

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Dr. Cutler noted that there is one tenure appointment decision outstanding. Two promotional issues at the Health Center are still outstanding and will be brought to the May Board meeting for action.

On a motion by Mr. Saslow, seconded by Dr. Lawrence, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve a formal list of the awards of tenure, promotions, sabbatic leaves, changes in salary, and moving expenses as recommended by the President and as listed on the personnel list. A copy of the approved list is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

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3. Chairman Rome reminded Trustees of the Faculty-Trustee Dinner scheduled for this evening and noted that the reception is being hosted by the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and the Connecticut Extension Service. The

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social hour and program begin at 4 p.m. in the Auditorium of the W. B. Young Building at the College of Agriculture. Dinner will follow at 6:30 p.m.

4. Trustees were requested to mark their calendars with the following Commencement dates. The graduate ceremony at which honorary degrees are conferred is scheduled for Saturday, May 22 at 3:30 p.m. in the Jorgensen Auditorium, and will be followed by the Honorary Degree Dinner at the Benton Museum.

The first undergraduate ceremony will take place on Sunday, May 23 at 10 a.m., and the second ceremony at 3 p.m. Both ceremonies will be held in the Gampel Pavilion.

The Law School ceremony is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Sunday, May 23 at the Law School. The UConn Health Center Commencement ceremony is scheduled for Thursday, May 27 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

- B. President Hartley directed Trustee attention to agenda Attachment V, The President's Report, which included the following items. 7837g

1. Two Admissions Open Houses were scheduled this year. The first was held on April 3, and the second is scheduled for April 17. The events are hosted by the Department of Admissions to welcome newly admitted students and their families to the University and to familiarize them with the campus and the faculty. Since public reaction to the Open Houses has been extremely positive, they will continue to be scheduled each year. Approximately 1800 guests attended on April 3, and as many are expected on April 17.
2. President Hartley reported that on April 7 he met with the Council of Presidents which is made up of the six Presidents of the New England state land-grant universities. On April 7 he also met with the twelve Yankee Conference Presidents (UConn's football conference) to consider changing the number of scholarships awarded. The decision was to leave the level at 63 scholarships this year for those schools in the Yankee Conference.

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3. April has been designated "Latino Awareness Month" at UConn, and many programs are scheduled during the month to celebrate our diverse heritage. The President noted that he had the pleasure of opening the Asian American Cultural Center on April 8. Representatives from all three of our cultural centers were present, and media coverage was very good. The Asian American Cultural Center is temporarily located in the former Faculty Alumni Center.
4. President Hartley continues to hold town meetings across the state which are hosted by the Alumni Association. His most recent visit was to Westport on March 29. Attendance was very good, and the meeting provided an excellent forum to speak about the budget crisis and to answer many questions regarding UConn's future.
5. The President reported that in March he also completed visits to the regional campuses, including Torrington and Stamford. The visits provided an opportunity for the President to bring the budget issues directly to the citizens of Litchfield County and to discuss his budget strategy.
6. On March 31 Governor Weicker lectured to a Public Policy class here in Storrs. Later he toured the campus and had an opportunity to visit the Gampel Pavilion. The President noted that he was pleased that the Governor would be participating in three formal programs at UConn this semester. The first was the presentation of the University Medal at the Health Center; the second was the Public Policy lecture to the undergraduates; and the third, a School of Business function to be held in May.
7. President Hartley reported on the excellent voluntary student participation in "Do It Week", the campus-wide clean up week, sponsored by the Undergraduate Student Government from March 25 through April 1. President Hartley then introduced Donna Roy, coordinator of "Do It Week", and thanked her for her leadership.
8. Recent articles and an editorial in the Hartford Courant regarding the neglect of higher education were highlighted by the President.
9. The President noted that the Commencement speakers will be: Randall Pinkston, CBS News Correspondent, for the undergraduate ceremonies; Torsten Wiesel, President of Rockefeller University for the graduate exercise; Geraldine

Morrow, Past President of the American Dental Association, for the School of Medicine and Dental Medicine exercises; and Thomas Meskill, Former Governor and current Federal Judge, for the Law School ceremony.

10. Honorary doctorates will be awarded to: Randall Pinkston, CBS News Correspondent; Peter Raven, Director, Missouri Botanical Gardens; T. Emmet Clarie, retired U. S. District Judge; Harry Gampel, real estate developer, alumnus and friend of UConn; Samuel Birnbaum, entrepreneur, businessman and University benefactor; Ronald Howard, actor, director and producer; and Torsten Wiesel, President, The Rockefeller University.
11. President Hartley continues to meet informally with legislators in Hartford two days per week. The President expressed his appreciation to Trustee Saslow for his participation in the meeting with the Hamden/New Haven area legislators and for the continued support of Chairman Rome.

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C. The report of the Student Life Committee was given by Student Trustee Michael Taylor and included the following:

1. The Student Life Committee met twice since the last meeting of the Board of Trustees. The primary focus of the March 24 meeting was the March 1992 Report on Diversity Issues in the General Education Requirements. Multiculturalism in the curriculum, issues related to gender bias, and contributions of minorities as presented throughout the General Education Requirements were also discussed. The Student Life Committee expects to have an update from Academic Affairs in the next few months.

The UConnPIRG's negative checkoff on the fee bill was also discussed. Representatives from both the Committee Against Student Exploitation and UConnPIRG gave presentations. After consideration and discussion, the Student Life Committee decided that there was not enough information to warrant a recommendation to change the negative checkoff method of collection.

2. On April 14 the Student Life Committee considered substance abuse and problems related to alcohol use at the University. Informative presentations were made by Amy Davis, Health Education Coordinator; Janice Wilbur, Substance Abuse Prevention Coordinator; Jackie Seide, Associate

Director of Residential Life; Pamela Schipani, Coordinator for Staff Training and Research, Residential Life; Robert Hudd, Chief of University Police; and Donn Herindeen, Executive Officer, University Police.

Chairman Rome attended this meeting and noted that the presentations were excellent. He will invite the Chief of Police and the Executive Officer to deliver a presentation to the full Board in September or October.

- D. Chairman of the Institutional Policy, Stephen Altschuler, reported that the committee did not meet this month and therefore had no report.
- E. Chairman Dan Leone's report for the Budget & Finance Committee included the following items:
1. Mr. Leone noted that the two items voted upon at the committee meeting were passed by the Board as part of the Consent Agenda.
  2. Three members of the Waterbury branch Community Advisory Board appeared before the committee to discuss the acquisition and donation of the Hart Property in Waterbury to the University. They also discussed the problems they are experiencing with fundraising and seeking alternative means of financing this acquisition. UConn Administration is currently studying this possible acquisition, and will present a report sometime in the next thirty to sixty days.
- F. There was no report from the External Affairs Committee.
- G. Dr. Dowling's report for the Health Affairs Committee included the following items:
1. Dr. Dowling reported that this committee reviews the quality of care at the John Dempsey Hospital each month, and that quality remains high.
  2. Dr. Dowling also reported on the meetings of the Joint Conference Committees of the John Dempsey Hospital and the Uncas on Thames Hospital.
  3. Dr. Cutler reported that the bill concerning Uncas on Thames Hospital has not come out of the Public Health Committee or the Appropriations Committee.
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*no board present*

- H. Chairman Rome praised Scott Brohinsky for his work with the legislature and key legislative leaders to secure additional funding for the University in this time of strong competition from others for funding. Dr. Cutler also expressed his appreciation to Scott for his invaluable assistance to the Health Center.

Chairman Rome urged Trustees to attend the next Board meeting to secure as much information as possible about budgetary matters in order to assist the Budget and Finance Committee in its consideration of decisions which will impact the University over the next two years.

- I. Dr. Cutler requested that Trustees mark their calendars for Friday, May 28, when a dinner will be held to honor the donors of the first eighteen endowed chairs and their chairholders. The event will also honor the four new chair donors. A special medal has been struck which will be presented to the first eighteen endowed chairholders and to at least one of the newly appointed chairholders. The presentation of the medal demonstrates the importance of the support for endowed chairs.
- J. Chairman Rome noted that the next meeting of the Board of Trustees includes a Committee Meeting of the Whole of the Budget and Finance Committee and is scheduled for Friday, May 14, 1993, at 10:00 a.m. at the Stamford Center for the Arts, Stamford. A full Board meeting will follow this committee presentation.
- K. No further business appearing, the meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Peter W. McFadden  
Executive Secretary  
to the Board of Trustees