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

Held at the University of Connecticut
Student Union Ballroom, Student Union Building, Storrs, CT
February 10, 1995

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Chairman Lewis B. Rome. Trustees present were: Mmes. Carrozzella and Leonardi. Messrs. Berkley, Canzonetti, Heist, Horton, Isidro-Cloudas, Jacobs, Lawrence, Leone, Saslow and Treibick. Mr. David O'Leary represented the Governor's Office.

Trustees absent were: Mmes. Berry, Ferris and Smith, Messrs. Carter and Sergi.

University staff present were: President Hartley, Vice Presidents Wiggins, Allenby, and Jones, Ms. Andria Martin, Ms. Virginia Miller, Attorneys Scarpellino and Shapiro, and Mr. McFadden.

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

Chairman Rome announced that this meeting was being broadcast live over the academic channel, Channel 56, to various locations on campus, and to the regional campuses.

Mr. Rome noted that an opportunity for public participation relating to the Husky Blues restaurant lease was scheduled to precede the report of the Budget and Finance Committee later on in this meeting. He explained that the Board would not act on the restaurant lease until after the public has had an opportunity to comment on that topic. He noted that the public participation segment scheduled at this time was for the public to address topics other than Husky Blues. No members of the public addressed the Board at this time.

- A. The Report of the Chairman included the following items:
1. On a motion by Mrs. Carrozzella, seconded by Mr. Saslow, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the minutes of the meetings of December 9, 1994 and January 9, 1995.
 2. Chairman Rome requested the Lease of Space in the University's Commercial Block for a Restaurant, Husky Blues, listed as Attachment J of the Consent Agenda, be removed from the Consent Agenda and referred to the report of the Budget and Finance Committee for discussion.

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On a motion by Mr. Heist, seconded by Mr. Treibick, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the following items (**Attachments B through I and Attachment K**) listed on the amended Consent Agenda as follows:

Contracts and Agreements (B), Awards and Donations (C), Medical Staff Appointments (D), Medical and Dental Staff Reappointments (E), 1995 Revised John Dempsey Hospital Performance Improvement/Quality Plan (F), Approval of Lease at Thames River Campus with the Griswold Public School System (G), Approval of Lease at Thames River Campus with Community Mental Health Services of Southeastern Connecticut, Inc. (H), Transfer of Funds to University of Connecticut Health Center Finance Corporation to Perform Functions for the Uncas on Thames Hospital (I), Approval of the Mortgaging of Property of Edward and Beatrice Boettiger, 17 Eastwood Road, Mansfield, CT (K). A copy of all consent agenda items listed above are attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

3. On a motion by Ms. Leonardi, seconded by Mr. Leone, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the formal lists of the 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 (**Attachment L**) is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.
4. Chairman Rome requested that the Final Development Plan for the Advanced Technologies Institutes Building at Connecticut Technology Park, which was removed from the November agenda for further study, be added to today's agenda.

On a motion by Mr. Rome, seconded by Mrs. Carrozzella, **THE BOARD VOTED** to add to the agenda the Final Development Plan for the Advanced Technologies Institutes Building at Connecticut Technology Park.

On a motion by Dr. Canzonetti, seconded by Mr. Leone, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the Final Development Plan for the Advanced Technologies Institutes Building at Connecticut Technology Park.

5. Chairman Rome reminded Trustees that February is Black History Month, and the Board would be hosted for luncheon today by the Cultural Centers.
6. Mr. Rome also announced that the Audit Subcommittee of the Board would meet immediately following luncheon, and all Trustees were invited to attend.

7. A Board of Trustees meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 8, 1995 beginning at 11 a.m. at Champion International, One Champion Plaza, Stamford, Connecticut.
- B. The President's Report (Attachment M) highlighted the following:
1. President Hartley discussed the UConn 2000 initiative which was introduced to the State last week. Press conferences were held in Storrs, Hartford, Stamford and Avery Point. UConn 2000 proposes a public/private partnership to rebuild, renew, and enhance the University. It is a 10-year infrastructure renewal program, guided by the strategic planning process, to provide the critical resources needed to finance construction and renovations the University needs to improve its teaching, research and public service activities.
 2. President Hartley is currently serving as Interim Provost, effective 1/1/95, and is being assisted by the three Associate Provosts and a Special Vice Provost who has responsibility for promotion, tenure, and reappointment review.

The Provost search yielded four finalists who were interviewed in January. Of the four finalists, two were recommended to the President by the Search Committee. It is expected that the formal announcement of a new Provost will be made soon.
 3. The President announced that Irene Conlon, who replaces Thomasina Clemons, has been named the new Director of Affirmative Action Programs effective January 1. Attorney Jane Scarpellino, who replaces Karen Molitor, has been appointed the new Assistant Attorney General effective January 23, 1995. In addition, Tony Atwater, who is currently on leave from his position as Department Head at Rutgers University, is working as an administrative intern in the Provost's Office.
 4. During the month of January UConn observed Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on January 16 by the closing of University offices. On January 31 a Chinese New Year Celebration was also held. During the month of February, the University will celebrate Black History Month beginning with Opening Ceremonies on February 1. Numerous other events celebrating Black History month have been scheduled for February.

5. President Hartley gave an overview of other activities during the month which included hosting a luncheon for international students, hosting the Advanced Technology Center for Precision Manufacturing Policy Advisory Board, the Economic Development Grant Competition Awards Program, and the New England Deans of Natural Resources.

In addition, President Hartley met with the President's Commission on the Status of Women where he received a report on trends in representation of women at UConn. On January 11, he met with the new Commissioner of the Department of Public Works, Jim Sullivan, who visited the Storrs campus to discuss UConn's capital projects and to tour works in progress.

6. During January, a 5-Year accreditation was granted to the Didactic Program in Dietetics. An accreditation was also granted for three new curricula in Fine Arts, viz. Masters degrees in Historical Musicology, Performance, and Music Education.
7. President Hartley noted that UConn favors and has voted for a single division within the Big East Conference. Starting in July there will be thirteen members. The Big East President originally favored the single division with the understanding that not every school will play each others' opponents twice during the year. Over a four-year period every school will play all of its opponents at least six times.

Chairman Rome introduced Mr. David O'Leary, the representative of the Governor's Office who entered the meeting at this time, and welcomed him to the Board meeting.

President Hartley called upon John Allen, Faculty Athletics Representative, to report on the 1994 NCAA Annual Convention. The report is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes. The President commended Professor Allen for his dedication and commitment to athletics and expressed his appreciation for Professor Allen's excellent work on behalf of UConn.

- C. Mr. Berkley's report for the Strategic Planning Committee included the following:
 1. On a motion by Mr. Berkley, seconded by Mrs. Carrozzella, **THE BOARD VOTED** to adopt the Strategic Plan dated January 17, 1995 with the following provisions:
 1. The President is directed to implement the Strategic Plan.

2. By July 14, 1995, the President will deliver to the Board for approval two reports:
 - a. An implementation plan delineating the implementation process: structure, responsibility, timetable.
 - b. An operational plan coupling the implementation to resources.
3. The Strategic Planning Committee of the Board of Trustees shall monitor the progress of implementation of the Strategic Plan and shall report regularly to the full Board.
4. The Strategic Planning Committee of the Board of Trustees will continue the strategic planning process and adapt the Strategic Plan as conditions change.

This agenda item is listed as agenda Attachment N which is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

Chairman Rome noted that with the adoption of the Strategic Plan, the Strategic Planning Management committee had completed its task and as an ad hoc committee was now discharged. Mr. Rome expressed the Board's appreciation to the committee for its commitment to the process, its many long hours and its dedicated service to the formulation of the strategic plan.

D. Chairwoman Carrozzella's report for the Student Life Committee included the following:

1. The focus of the most recent meeting held on February 6 was the relationship between the University and the student-run newspaper, The Daily Campus. Present at the meeting were the student publisher, Karru Martinson, the fiscal management officer for Student Activities and Union Programs, Milton Wroblewski, and Marcel Dufresne, a faculty member in the Department of Journalism and advisor to The Daily Campus.

Committee members learned about the nature of student activity funds and student initiated fees, the University's oversight of the paper's funds, the paper's editorial freedom, its Board of Directors and its officers. Of its five departments, two are headed by students of color. In addition, the editor, advertising director, and editorial page editor are women.

Questions were raised about the controversial column published last semester. Student publisher, Karru Martinson, spoke about both the first amendment rights of the paper and the fact that the column generated debate and discussion on campus which resulted in improved communication between The Daily Campus, students and student groups.

As a result of the publication of that article, members of the community have learned more about the paper and how to have their views expressed. The staff at The Daily Campus continue to work harder on reaching out to the community and on representing a wider range of viewpoints.

E. Mr. Treibick's report for the Institutional Advancement Committee included the following:

1. The Committee meeting held on January 24 focused on the UConn 2000 initiative. UConn 2000 is a ten-year program which would enable the University to plan and direct its infrastructure renewal and is a natural outgrowth of strategic planning.

The key components of UConn 2000 are: (1) long-term commitment by the State for 1.3 billion dollars for infrastructure renewal; (2) the flexibility to allow the University to plan and manage its own facility projects; and (3) the commitment by the State that it will encourage and not reduce its financial support of the University in response to successful private fund raising.

2. On a motion by Mr. Treibick, seconded by Mr. Saslow, **THE BOARD VOTED** to endorse **UCONN 2000**. Background information on this agenda item is listed as **Attachment 0** and is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.
3. Student Trustee Horton called upon Mary Jo Blanchard who reported on the students' grass roots activities surrounding UCONN 2000. Ms. Blanchard reported that student enthusiasm for UCONN 2000 is very high, and students are writing letters, forming work groups, and looking forward to the public hearing on March 3rd.

Several Trustees expressed their appreciation to Trustee Leonardi, Vice Presidents Allenby and Jones and Mr. Brohinsky for their excellent work in formulating the UCONN 2000 initiative.

F. There was no report from the Academic and Research Affairs Committee.

G. The Health Affairs Committee report was presented by Dr. Len Jacobs for Chairwoman Smith and included the following:

1. A very favorable report was received on the John Dempsey Hospital from The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Facilities.

2. Doctors Jacobs and Lawrence called upon Andria Martin, Director of the John Dempsey Hospital, who reported on the extraordinary fiscal changes that are being implemented at the Health Center. Major cost savings are projected over the next two years, and have already begun under the University's own initiative to do this while improving patient care and becoming more competitive.

At this time Chairman Rome opened the floor to public participation regarding items before the Budget and Finance Committee, and members of the public addressed the Board on the topic of the Lease of Space in the Commercial Block for a Restaurant, Husky Blues. They were:

Audrey Barberet
Harvey D. Luce

Bruce Silva
Allison Hilding

- H. Mr. Leone's report for the Budget and Finance Committee included the following items:
1. Considerable discussion by Trustees regarding the pros and cons of approval of a lease of space to Husky Blues preceded the vote on the following item.
 2. Mr. Leone introduced a motion, seconded by Mr. Berkley, to approve the Lease of Space in the Commercial Block for a Restaurant, Husky Blues, as amended by the Budget and Finance Committee.

After additional Board discussion, the original amended lease was further amended by Mr. Leone, and seconded by Mr. Treibick, to add the following language: "serving alcoholic beverages from a service bar in conjunction with the service of meals to customers."

On a motion by Mr. Leone, seconded by Mr. Treibick, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the Lease of Space in the Commercial Block for a Restaurant, Husky Blues, with the proviso that the following language, "serving alcoholic beverages from a service bar in conjunction with the service of meals to customers" be included in the lease.

The following Trustees voted in opposition to the motion: Canzonetti, Jacobs, Lawrence, Leonardi and Saslow.

The original agenda item, listed as Attachment J, and its subsequent amendments are attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

It was noted that the next meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Wednesday, March 8, 1995 at Champion International, One Champion Plaza, Stamford, Connecticut, beginning at 11 a.m.

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On a motion by Mrs. Carrozzella, seconded by Mr. Rome, THE BOARD VOTED to go into executive session at 12:31 p.m. for the purpose of discussing matters of personnel, litigation, and collective bargaining. The Chairman noted that on the advice of counsel only the staff members whose presence was necessary to provide their opinion would be permitted to attend executive session.

In addition to Mr. O'Leary, all members of the Board noted above were present for executive session.

1. Pending litigation was discussed. President Hartley, Vice Presidents Wiggins, Jones, Allenby, Attorneys Shapiro and Scarpellino, and Mr. McFadden were present for this discussion.
2. Collective bargaining was discussed. President Hartley, Vice Presidents Wiggins, Jones, Allenby, Attorneys Shapiro and Scarpellino, Mr. McFadden, Mmes. Miller and Martin were also present for this discussion.

Executive Session ended at 12:44 p.m. No further business appearing, the Board adjourned the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Louise B. Carrozzella
Secretary