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

Held at the University of Connecticut at Storrs
Bishop Center, Room 7
Storrs, Connecticut
September 14, 1990

The meeting was called to order at 10:45 a.m. by Chairman Andrew J. Canzonetti. Trustees present were: Mrs. Kronholm, Ms. Nadolny, Messrs. Altschuler, Otha Brown, George Brown, Dowling, Lawrence, Leone, Rich, Rossi, Saslow and Stroh.

Trustees absent were: Governor O'Neill, Messrs. Andersen, Kleban, Opinskiy, and Tirozzi.

University staff present were: Interim President Hartley, Vice Presidents Giffen, Brown, Wiggins, Jones, Acting Provost Cutler of the Health Center, Vice President and Provost Tighe, Attorney Shapiro and Mr. McFadden.

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

The following individuals addressed the Board regarding the weekend meal plan noting their loss of revenue because of the plan:

Michael Schor - Mansfield Town Council
Paul Pantas - Paul's Pizza
Kathy Jones - Kathy John's Restaurant
Jack Sunmark - Campus Florist
Robert Buonomano - Universal Food Store

I.A. On a motion by Mr. George Brown, seconded by Mr. Rossi, the BOARD VOTED to go into executive session at 11 a.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 were present for executive session.
Items discussed during Executive Session were as follows:

1. Pending litigation was reviewed. Interim President Hartley, Attorney Shapiro and Mr. McFadden, Vice President and Provost Tighe, and Vice President Jones were present during this discussion.

2. Personnel matters were discussed. Interim President Hartley and Mr. McFadden were present for part of this discussion. Interim President Hartley and Mr. McFadden were then excused for part of the discussion. Interim President Hartley was present for the remainder of Executive Session.

Executive Session recessed at 12:50 p.m. for luncheon, and the meeting was reconvened in Open Session at 1:25 p.m.

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

1. On a motion by Mr. Otha Brown, seconded by Mr. George Brown, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the minutes of the July 13, 1990 Board of Trustee meeting.

2. On a motion by Mrs. Kronholm, seconded by Dr. Dowling, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following items listed on the Consent Agenda:

   a. Approval and/or ratification of the lists of Health Center/Hospital contracts and agreements and authorization for the President, Vice-Presidents, Associate Vice-Presidents, Associate Executive Director (Health Center only), Director of Fiscal Services (Health Center only), Director of Business Services, and the University Controller to sign the necessary documents on behalf of the University.

      A copy of the approved lists of contracts and agreements is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

   b. Approval of the latest list of recommended Medical/Dental Staff appointments. A copy of the list is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.
3. On a motion by Mr. Saslow, seconded by Mrs. Kronholm, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a formal list 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 is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

4. Dr. Canzonetti informed the Board of the appointment of Mary Browning to the Uncas-on-Thames Advisory Council replacing Mary Bondi and completing a three year term ending November 1990.

5. Chairman Canzonetti called Board member attention to the report included with the agenda and submitted by Trustee Otha Brown on the annual Association of Governing Boards conference.

B. The report of the President included the following items:

1. Interim President Hartley reported that enrollment is stable, and that the percentage of out-of-state students has increased.

   He noted also that the Convocation held each year to open the academic year was held on September 5, attracted a large number of students, and was a very successful event. Noted children's author and illustrator Maurice Sendak received an honorary degree at that time.

2. Dr. Hartley informed the Board that he had been meeting with the Thomas Commission, the commission established to study the management of State government. The Commission is expected to complete its study in early November and to produce a set of regulations that will help the State direct service more efficiently. He noted that he was concerned about several issues affecting the University, would be watching those issues carefully, and reporting to the Board regularly.

3. With the approval of the new UConn Foundation agreement and the 10% administrative charge levied on funds raised, excluding scholarships, many of the problems of the past year are behind us. The Foundation is stable and ready to pursue a new mission.
4. Dr. Hartley reported that the Board of Governors for Higher Education had proposed a $558.9 million budget for 22 Connecticut public colleges and universities, a $60.7 million increase, or 12.2% over the current year. With the proposed budget, UConn would receive an 8.8% increase, or $16.2 million for a total 1991-92 budget to $200.0 million in general and tuition funds. The Health Center is slated to receive a 17.1% increase.

The Board of Governors for Higher Education proposed $962,367 to fund 21 new faculty positions, slightly less than $1 million for library positions and acquisitions, $500,000 to move the Stamford MBA program from campus to a downtown location as part of a three year plan, and $193.3 million in bonding for capital projects. The board also approved $1.5 million in bonds to design a 500-bed residence hall which would be the first since 1971.

5. For Board information, Dr. Hartley announced several staff changes including the hiring of a new Director of Governmental Relations, Scott Brohinsky, and the new Director of Athletics, Lew Perkins.

C. Dr. Lawrence's report for the Student Life Committee included the following:

1. The first meeting of the Student Life Committee for this academic year was held on September 12, 1990. The committee agreed to host an open forum for all students which will be held on Thursday, October 25, 1990 at 7 p.m. at the Student Union Ballroom.

2. Dr. Lawrence reported that the committee will receive a report at its November meeting from the ad hoc committee which has been reviewing and revising the Student Conduct Code. The Residence Hall Master Plan final report is also expected later this fall.

3. Vice President Wiggins updated the committee on the 7 day meal plan, and noted that she would be reporting to the Budget and Finance Committee of the Board on September 14. It was noted that a survey of all resident students will be conducted to determine if the point system connected with the 7 day meal plan and the three new snack
operations will be maintained. Survey results will be available for the Board when the fee recommendations are acted upon at the November meeting.

D. Dr. Opinsky's report for the External Relations Committee was presented by Mr. Leone and included the following:

1. On a motion by Mr. Leone, seconded by Mrs. Kronholm, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the Amendment to the Agreement Between the University and The University of Connecticut Foundation. Background information is listed as agenda Attachment Q, and is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

E. Mr. Otha Brown's report for the Institutional Policy Committee included the following items:

1. On a motion by Mr. Otha Brown, seconded by Mrs. Kronholm, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the proposal to offer a new doctoral degree (Doctor of Musical Arts) by the Music Department of the School of Fine Arts. Background on this item is agenda Attachment R, and is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

2. On a motion by Mr. Otha Brown, seconded by Dr. Dowling, THE BOARD VOTED to eliminate the General Business Major by the School of Business Administration. Background information, listed as agenda Attachment S, is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

F. Mr. Rich's report for the Budget & Finance Committee included the following items:

1. On a motion by Mr. Rich, seconded by Mr. Altschuler, THE BOARD VOTED in accordance with the University Laws and By-Laws (Article III, Section 3) to receive and table for action at the second subsequent meeting (November) the recommended fee changes for 1991-92 as described in agenda Attachment T a copy of which is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

2. On a motion by Mr. Rich, seconded by Mr. Leone, THE BOARD VOTED to add to the agenda for action the issue of trustee chairmanship of the Stamford Advisory Council.
A resolution passed by the Board at its June meeting stipulated that the committee was to be chaired by a member of the Board of Trustees. After Board review, it was agreed that trustees could better contribute to the committee work as ex officio members of the committee rather than full committee members.

On a motion by Mr. Rich, seconded by Mr. Altschuler, THE BOARD VOTED that the Stamford Advisory Council be permitted to elect its own chair and that two trustees be ex-officio members of the committee.

G. Dr. Dowling's report for the Health Affairs Committee included the following items:

1. On a motion by Dr. Dowling, seconded by Mr. Leone, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a one-year lease for 1,457 square feet of space in Cottage #8 at Uncas on Thames, to the Community Mental Health Services of Southeastern Connecticut, for the purpose of operating an emergency crisis intervention center, as proposed in the Lease Proposal Outline.

A copy of the background information listed as agenda Attachment U is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

2. On a motion by Dr. Dowling, seconded by Mr. George Brown, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a three-year lease for 600 square feet of space on the first floor of Cottage #4 at Uncas-on-Thames to the Law Enforcement Council of Eastern Connecticut, for the purpose of providing office space, as proposed in the Lease Proposal Outline. A copy of the background information, listed as agenda Attachment V, is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

3. On a motion by Dr. Dowling, seconded by Mr. Leone, THE BOARD VOTED to approve an additional $1,999,500 expenditure from the reserves of the tuition fund. A copy of the background information, listed as agenda Attachment W, is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.
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4. Dr. Dowling also reported that quality assurance is reviewed at each committee meeting, and quality continues to be satisfactory.

5. Chairman Dowling also reported on the meetings of the Joint Conference Committee of the Uncas on Thames Hospital and the John Dempsey Hospital.

H. Dr. Canzonetti noted that the next meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Friday, October 12, 1990, at 10:30 a.m. at the Bishop Center, Storrs.

I. No further business appearing, the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Otha N. Brown, Jr.
Secretary