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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

Held at the University of Connecticut at Farmington
UConn Health Center, Function Room
June 10, 1988

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by Chairman Andrew J. Canzonetti. Trustees Present were: Mrs. Bradlau, Mrs. Kronholm, Messrs. Altschuler, Brown, Dowling, Johnson, Kleban, Lawrence, Leone, Opinsky, Rich, Rossi, Saslow, and Stroh.

Trustees absent were: Governor O'Neill, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Tirozzi, and Mr. Ushery.

University staff present were: President Casteen, Provost Tighe, Vice-Presidents Giffen, Jones, Wiggins, and Mulvihill. Attorney Shapiro and Ms. Burns.

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

I. A. No members of the public expressed a wish to address the Board during the public participation of the meeting.

B. The Report of the Chairman included the following items:

1. On a motion by Mrs. Bradlau, seconded by Mr. Stoh, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the minutes of May 13, 1988.

2. Dr. Canzonetti noted that the main purpose of the meeting was to consider, as a committee of the whole, an agenda of the Health Affairs Committee.

C. 1. The President informed the Board that the Office of Policy and Management had cautioned all state agencies that fiscal reductions in expenditures may be necessary in the 1988-89 operating budgets.
2. President Casteen notified the Board that the December 3, 1907 incident involving Asian-American students at the University required review of academic and student life issues impacting Asian-American students and faculty by Vice President Carol Wiggins and Provost Thomas Tighe, who will report to the Board on a regular basis and complete their work by the end of summer.

D. Chairman Canzonetti relinquished the chair to Dr. Kevin Dowling, Chairman of the Health Affairs Committee to proceed with the reports of his committee.

E. Dr. Dowling commented on the recent and past major issues before the Health Affairs Committee. He noted that quality assurance is a primary goal of the Health Center and the Health Affairs Committee, and is continuously monitored and reported to the Trustees on a regular basis.

Dr. Dowling expressed his gratitude to the Health Affairs Committee and the Health Center Administration for its commitment to excellence in patient care, research and education.

F. Dr. Mulvihill introduced members of his staff who were involved with preparation and presentation of agenda materials for this meeting, and thanked them for their dedication and hard work on behalf of the Health Center.

Dr. Mulvihill provided additional detail with regard to the following topics, and introduced Dr. James Kennedy, Dean of the School of Dental Medicine, who discussed the accomplishments of the School of Dental Medicine over the past year, including curriculum and the increased applicant admission pool.

1. Dean Eugene Sigman, School of Medicine, was introduced. He gave an overview of the accreditation process to be undertaken when the committee arrives in October.

Several issues will be of utmost importance and include the educational system of granting of M.D. degrees, evidence that the educational programs for medical students is basic to the institution and not a by-product of our other interests, the investment of a considerable
amount of time in reviewing other programs leading to an M.D. degree, and the results of a self-analysis undertaken by the school.

2. Dr. Helen Smits, Director of John Dempsey Hospital, reviewed the accomplishments of the past year, the historic trends, census data and financial data. She also discussed the MRI, certificates of need to open a mobile Lithotripter facility jointly with Yale-New Haven Hospital, the bone marrow unit, strategic planning and the status of the proposed building.

3. Dr. Smits introduced new staff and noted recent organizational changes with the addition of two associate directors, and the availability of increased time devoted to quality assurance for the hospital by the Chief of Staff.

G. Vice President Mulvihill introduced Dr. Anthony Voytovich, Chief of the Medical Staff, who commented on the increased and improved level of quality assurance, the reaffirmation of policies and procedures, and an increased interdepartmental cooperation.

Dr. Voytovich reminded the Board that the authority for quality assurance comes from the Board itself and encouraged trustee participation in quality assurance and representation at quality assurance meetings.

H. Dr. Helen Smits reviewed the Financial Report of the John Dempsey Hospital for the quarter ended March 31, 1988, as well as related 6005 funds.

This information is presented as agenda Attachment A, a copy of which is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

I. Drs. Mulvihill, Sigman and Smits discussed the John Dempsey Hospital Finance Corporation Status Report noting its procedures and accomplishments, and the future plans for the University Physicians and Dentists.
J. Mrs. Marta Smith, Director, Uncas-on-Thames Hospital discussed the strategic plan for the facility. A copy of the program plan, agenda Attachment B, which includes budget implications is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

Trustees expressed their satisfaction with the strategic plans for Uncas and the progress being made at the Uncas-on-Thames Hospital.

K. Dr. Mulivhill and Assistant Vice President for Financial Resources, Joe Ann Shaffer, discussed the Health Center Proposed Budgets for 1989-90 which included the Capital and Operating Budgets.

L. Health Center administrative matters were reviewed by Assistant Vice President for Fiscal Services, Marc Fowler, who noted that the academic Health Center receives only one quarter of its operating budget as state support.

M. Sandra Harris, Associate Vice President for Institutional Advancement, reported on outreach and public relations advancements over the past year.

N. Dr. Leslie Cutler, Associate Vice President for Administration and Research, reviewed the past year's major activities including the Facilities Management Department, Personnel Department, and Telecommunications Studies.

O. Vice President Mulivhill discussed the University of Connecticut Health Center Expansion plan to construct several new buildings at the Health Center. The $126 million proposal includes new space for research, doctors' offices, administrators' offices and laboratories. The expansion would take place over the next ten years.

P. Sallie Giffen, Vice President for Administration, reviewed the University of Connecticut Capital Budget Request for 1989-90. A copy of the proposed budget is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.
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It was noted that the next meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Friday, July 15, 1988, at 10:30 a.m. at the Avery Point campus, Groton, Connecticut.

No further business appearing, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Otha N. Brown, Jr.
Secretary