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

Held at the Merlin D. Bishop Center, Storrs April 15, 1977

In the absence of Chairman Tasker, the meeting was called to order at 11:15 a.m. by Vice Chairman Frank D. Rich, Jr. Trustees present were: Mesdames Briscoe and Kronholm and Messrs. Brown, Carlson, Collins, Kleban, Kozloski, Nielsen, Rich, Stroh, and Wiggins. Trustees Tasker and Cunningham were present during the afternoon period of the meeting. Tax Commissioner Gerald Heffernan, representing Governor Grasso, was also present during the open session in the afternoon.

Trustees absent were: Governor Grasso and Messrs. Canzonetti, Jacobs, Shedd, Stewart, and Wilber.

University staff present included: President Ferguson, Vice Presidents DiBiagio, Hartley, and Wilson, Assistant Vice Presidents Napolitano and Wiggins representing Vice President Adams.

All actions taken were by unanimous vote of the Trustees present.

1. On a motion by Mr. Kleban, seconded by Mrs. Briscoe, THE BOARD VOTED to go into executive session for the purpose of considering matters concerning personnel and collective bargaining. The Vice Chairman stated that since the matters to be considered will require staff information, the minutes should reflect that President Ferguson, Vice Presidents DiBiagio, Hartley, and Wilson, Miss Wiggins, and Messrs. Bailey, Capra, Kimball, McGowan, and Napolitano were in attendance. Members of the Board present at this time were: Mesdames Briscoe and Kronholm, and Messrs. Brown, Carlson, Collins, Kleban, Kozloski, Nielsen, Rich, Stroh, and Wiggins. While in executive session, the Board took the following actions:
That the Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut recognizes the burden relegated to the students in light of the financial problems of the State.

In light of the magnitude of these burdens, we contend that efforts on the part of the State to recover some of the costs to students is both equitable and justifiable.

Moreover, we maintain that the current legislation which would return the cost of fringe benefits and retirement for University dining hall employees is reasonable and compatible with our convictions concerning the proper State commitment to our State University.

Acting on Mr. Brown's motion, seconded by Mrs. Briscoe, THE BOARD VOTED to adopt the above resolution. It was agreed that the Board's action would be brought to the attention of the legislature.

(D) On a motion by Mr. Nielsen, seconded by Mrs. Briscoe, THE BOARD VOTED to approve Promotion - Miscellaneous Titles for the following persons:

(1) Edward L. Decker - Pharmacy - Assistant Clinical Professor
(2) James E. Dugas - Pharmacy - Assistant Clinical Professor
(3) Arthur G. Lipman - Pharmacy - Associate Clinical Professor
(4) Ana Rother - Pharmacy - Research Associate II

(E) On a motion by Mr. Nielsen, seconded by Mrs. Briscoe, THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following resignations:

(1) Marie E. Beatini, Instructor in the School of Nursing, effective August 31, 1977. (3 years)
(2) Marcia Granucci, Assistant Professor in the School of Nursing, effective August 31, 1977. (3 years)
(3) Richard Grossi, Director of Medical School Fiscal Affairs, effective March 17, 1977. (3 years, 6 months)
(A) President Ferguson, Vice Presidents Hartley and Wilson, reporting on issues that pertain to personnel, commented in some detail on the following:

(1) The reorganization of higher education bill that has been approved by the Joint Committee on Education and is now being debated by the Government Administration and Policy Committee.

(2) The forthcoming meeting with the leadership of the Appropriations Committee to discuss the University's 1977-78 proposed budget and the impact of any cuts in the proposed budget.

(3) The meaning of the freeze on the filling of General Fund positions that the University administration had to impose this week, and what it could mean in the future.

(4) An analysis of the cost of the classified staff and the professional staff collective bargaining contracts.

(5) The danger of losing Law School accreditation by the American Bar Association unless the Accreditation Committee is reassured that the State has earmarked funds for capital facilities for the Law School.

(B) Following considerable discussion of the various issues in the President's report, Mr. Kleban presented the following motion:

That the Chairman and the Secretary of the Board of Trustees forthwith send a letter on behalf of the Board to all alumni of the University of Connecticut advising the alumni of the financial plight of the University; and further, to request that the administration contact the various local alumni associations and request of them that they publish the Board's letter to the alumni in the form of an open letter.

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Briscoe and THE BOARD VOTED to approve Mr. Kleban's motion.

(C) Mr. Brown, referring to the student initiated bill that calls for the State to assume financial responsibility for the retirement and fringe benefits of the University dining hall employees, informed the Trustees that the Institutional Policy Committee had voted to recommend Board approval of the following resolution:
(4) Jerome Harleston, University Educational Assistant I (Director, Afro-American Cultural Center), effective August 31, 1977. (3 years)

(5) Georgina Hendrick, Assistant Director in the Controller's Office, effective March 10, 1977. (13 years, 5 months)

(6) Dr. Randal B. James, Assistant Professor in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, effective July 31, 1977. (3 years, 2 months)

(7) Thomas D. Morgan, Director, Edwin O. Smith School and Associate Dean of the School of Education, effective August 31, 1978. (9 years, 1 month)

(8) Larry Naviaux, Specialist IV in the Division of Athletics, effective March 18, 1977. (4 years)

(9) James B. Randall, Assistant Professor in the Department of Oral Surgery, effective July 31, 1977. (3 yrs., 1 mo.)

(10) William B. Wiggins, Assistant Professor in the Department of History in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, effective August 31, 1978. (5 years)

Mr. Wiggins noted that two rather key people in terms of minority employees were listed on the list of resignations -- James Harleston, Director of the Afro-American Cultural Center and William B. Wiggins, Assistant Professor in the Department of History. In addition, Mr. Wiggins stated, with deep regret, that the University will also be losing Mr. Blackwell in English who has been very instrumental in assisting minority students. Mr. Wiggins expressed the hope that there would be an intense effort to replace him with another minority professor. President Ferguson, in response, expressed the administration's concern with the replacement issues.

(F) On a motion by Mr. Nielsen, seconded by Mrs. Briscoe, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following appointments:
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(1) Arthur A. Anderson, MD, Assistant Professor (VA Hospital) in the Department of Surgery (General). Non-pay, effective July 1, 1976.

(2) Edwin E. Carty, Jr. BS, Assistant Director, Division of Health Services, $17,400, effective February 28, 1977.

(3) Raymond W. Corcoran, Assoc., University Assistant Director (Assistant Controller and Director of Accounting) in the Controller's Office, $19,300, effective March 25, 1977.

(4) Jeffrey E. Danes, PhD, Assistant Professor in the Department of Speech, $13,500, effective September 1, 1977.

(5) Charles K. Francis, MD, Assistant Professor (Mt. Sinai) in the Department of Medicine, Non-pay, effective March 16, 1977.

(6) James G. Henkel, PhD, Assistant Professor of Medicinal Chemistry in the School of Pharmacy, $17,500, effective September 1, 1977.

(7) Arnold Katz, MD, Professor of Medicine, $55,000, effective May 1, 1977.

(8) Richard Kelley, LLB, University Assistant Director, Center for Administrative Services, $20,500, effective April 22, 1977.

(9) Alma Maldonado-Cordner, MA, University Educational Assistant I (Coordinator of CEMS Program), Department of Minority Programs, $11,500, effective March 25, 1977.

(10) Ian Mayo-Smith, PhD, Extension Professor in Extended and Continuing Education, Institute of Public Service, $24,500, effective February 22, 1977.

(11) Mark Patters, DDS, Assistant Professor in the Department of Periodontics, $28,500, effective July 1, 1977.
(12) Rita Pollack, MA, University Educational Assistant I in the Division of Student Affairs and Services, $10,780, effective March 28, 1977.

(13) Jonelle C. Rowe, MD, Assistant Professor in the Department of Pediatrics, $30,000, effective July 1, 1977. (Change in effective date)

(14) Marilyn L. Webster, BS, Assistant 4-H Extension Agent (New Haven County) in the Cooperative Extension Service, $10,865, effective April 8, 1977.

(15) Milton Wrobleski, University Assistant Director (Director of Internal Budgeting) in the Controller's Office, $19,040, effective March 25, 1977.

(G) On a motion by Mr. Nielsen, seconded by Mrs. Briscoe, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following leaves of absence:

(1) Ralph Bartram, Professor of Physics, sabbatic leave at full pay for the second semester of the academic year 1977-78.

(2) John Billing, Associate Professor in the Department of Physical Education, sabbatic leave at full pay for the second semester of the academic year 1977-78.

(3) Wallace W. Bowley, Professor of Mechanical Engineering and Orthodontics, sabbatic leave at half pay for the academic year 1977-78.

(4) Dr. Lucy M.S. Chang, Associate Professor of Biochemistry, leave without pay for the period April 1, 1977 through August 31, 1977.

(5) Ann Charters, Associate Professor in the Department of English, leave without pay for the 1977-78 academic year. For educational purposes.

(7) Margaret Higonnet, Associate Professor in the Department of English, sabbatic leave at half pay for the academic year 1977-78.

(8) Robert S. Langley, Associate Professor in the Department of Geography, sabbatic leave at full pay for the second semester of the academic year 1977-78.

(9) Robert Luyster, Assistant Professor in the Department of Philosophy, sabbatic leave at full pay for the second semester of the academic year 1977-78.

(10) Arthur J. McEvily, Professor and Head of the Department of Metallurgy, special leave with pay for the period March 18, 1977 through April 2, 1977.

(11) Dr. James O'Rourke, Professor and Division Chief of Surgery, Division of Ophthalmology, cancellation of sabbatic leave at full pay for the second semester of the 1977-78 academic year.

(12) Edward T. Pitkin, Professor of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, sabbatic leave at full pay for the second semester of the academic year 1977-78.

(13) Robert Schor, Associate Professor in the Department of Physics, sabbatic leave at half pay for the academic year 1977-78.


(15) Leonard Shedletsky, Assistant Professor in the Department of Speech, Stamford Branch, sick leave at full pay for the period January 27, 1977 through February 28, 1977.

(16) Tomm Shockey, Assistant Professor in the Department of Germanic and Slavic Languages, Hartford Branch, sabbatic leave at full pay for the second semester of the academic year 1977-78.
(17) Domina E. Spencer, Professor in the Department of Mathematics, sabbatic leave at full pay for the second semester of the academic year 1977-78.

(18) Frank Trainor, Professor of Biology in the Biological Science Group, sabbatic leave at full pay for the second semester of the academic year 1977-78.

(19) Albert E. Van Dusen, Professor in the Department of History, sabbatic leave at full pay for the second semester of the academic year 1977-78.

(20) Dr. Robert Volle, Professor and Head of the Department of Pharmacology, Health Center, cancellation of sabbatic leave for the academic year 1977-78.

(21) David Yutzey, Associate Professor in the Department of Psychology, sabbatic leave at full pay for the first semester of the academic year 1977-78.

(H) On a motion by Mr. Nielsen, seconded by Mrs. Briscoe, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following changes in title, promotions, and salary increases:

(1) Donald E. Rowe, from Specialist IV in the Division of Athletics to Specialist IV, Assistant Director of Athletics for Development and Associate Director of the Foundation, effective March 17, 1977.

(2) Ryszard J. Pryputniewicz, joint appointment in the Department of Mechanical Engineering for the 1977-78 academic year, with home base remaining in the Department of Orthodontics.

(I) On a motion by Mr. Nielsen, seconded by Mrs. Briscoe, THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following retirements:

(1) Kenneth Bradley, Associate Professor in the Department of Plant Science, effective October 1, 1977, with special leave at full pay from the beginning of the 1977-78 academic year to October 1, 1977. 30 years of service.

(2) Elisabeth Capron, Associate Professor of Social Work, effective October 1, 1977, with special leave at full pay from the beginning of the 1977-78 academic year to October 1, 1977. 11 years of service.
(3) Grace H. Doyle, Associate Professor of Social Work, effective October 1, 1977, with special leave at full pay from the beginning of the 1977-78 academic year to October 1, 1977. 9 years of service.

(4) Elizabeth P. Jordan, University Secondary School Teacher II at the Edwin O. Smith School, effective March 1, 1977, with special leave at full pay from the beginning of the spring semester of the 1976-77 academic year to March 1, 1977. 14 years of service.

(5) Helene Reschovsky, Associate Professor in the Department of Mathematics, effective October 1, 1977, with special leave at full pay from the beginning of the 1977-78 academic year to October 1, 1977. 27 years of service.

(6) Joseph E. Rousseau, Associate Professor in the Department of Nutritional Sciences, effective October 1, 1977, with special leave at full pay from the beginning of the 1977-78 academic year to October 1, 1977. 23 years of service.

(7) Harleigh B. Trecker, University Professor of Social Work, effective October 1, 1977, with special leave at full pay from the beginning of the 1977-78 academic year to October 1, 1977. 26 years of service.

(J) On a motion by Mr. Nielsen, seconded by Mrs. Briscoe, THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following Hospital resignation:

(1) James M. Sponzo, Manager, Dental Clinics, University Hospital Professional Class VII, effective May 19, 1977. (7 years)

(K) On a motion by Mr. Nielsen, seconded by Mrs. Briscoe, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following Hospital appointments:

(1) Nedra Caccomo, MA, University Hospital Nurse IV, in the Department of Obstetrics, $16,650, effective June 3, 1977.
(2) George Daneri, BSN, University Hospital Nurse II in the Department of Psychiatry (CRMHC), $12,710, effective April 18, 1977.

(3) Mary Fahey, RN, University Hospital Nurse II (Nurse Practitioner) in the Medical Employee Student Health, $13,180, effective April 4, 1977.

(4) Mary Harrison, MSN, University Hospital Nurse II in the Department of Psychiatry (CRMHC), $13,020, effective May 2, 1977.

(5) Gene Karmen, RN, University Hospital Nurse II in the Department of Psychiatry (CRMHC), $14,130, effective April 18, 1977.

(6) Edward W. Kloehn, MSW, University Hospital Medical Social Worker (University Hospital Professional Class 7) in the Department of Psychiatry, Day Treatment, $13,500, effective May 18, 1977.

(7) Morton Romano, MSW, University Medical Social Worker, (University Hospital Professional Class 7) in the Department of Psychiatry (CRMHC), $13,000, effective April 18, 1977.

(L) On a motion by Mrs. Kronholm, seconded by Mrs. Briscoe, THE BOARD VOTED to approve for purposes of the State Auditors a formal list of actions already taken on reassignments, appointments, salary increases, and leaves of absence without pay. The lists were authorized to be signed by the Secretary of the Board of Trustees. A copy of the lists is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

(M) Following a presentation by Vice President Wilson, on a motion by Mr. Nielsen, seconded by Mrs. Kronholm, THE BOARD VOTED to adopt the following resolution:

Contingent upon legislative approval of the pending collective bargaining contracts with the faculty and other professional staff units and upon the provision of the necessary funding by the State, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the faculties and other professional staff of those schools and divisions of the University who are not members of collective bargaining
units be eligible, during the next two fiscal years, for salary increases to be determined according to customary policies and procedures for salary adjustments at the University, provided that the total expenditure for such increases not exceed in each such school or division a sum to be established by applying to its faculty the equivalent of the terms and percentages of the faculty collective bargaining agreement, and to its professional staff the equivalent of the terms and percentages of the professional staff collective bargaining agreement.

2. Vice Chairman Rich declared a recess for lunch at 12:45 p.m. Mr. Kozloski left the meeting at this time. The meeting reconvened at 2:10 p.m. Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Tasker joined the meeting at this time.

3. Mr. Rich, referring to the minutes of March 11, 1977, Page 6275, Paragraph 9, requested that the minutes reflect -- "Mr. Rich registered in opposition to the action based on the survey that was taken of the student body which indicated that the majority of the students opposed the increase in the Student Activity Fee."

Mr. Wiggins, also referring to the paragraphs regarding the increase in the Student Activity Fee, asked that the minutes state that it is the intent of the FSSO to hire a general manager for WHUS.

On a motion by Mrs. Kronholm, seconded by Mrs. Briscoe, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the minutes, as amended, of the meeting of March 11, 1977 and the minutes of the special meeting on April 5, 1977.

4. Chairman Tasker introduced and welcomed Tax Commissioner, Gerald Heffernan, who was representing Governor Grasso. Mr. Tasker also announced that William Finch has been elected and will be a Trustee of the Board under the recently held student election.

5. The Chairman noted that the Trustees had received a communication expressing concern that the University holds stocks in corporations that are major investors in South Africa and that have played crucial roles in the maintenance of apartheid and white minority rule. Mr. Tasker asked the Budget and Finance Committee of the Board to take that matter under consideration in its review of endowment fund holdings and to report back to the Board in due course.
Mr. Wiggins, at a later time in the meeting, suggested that this matter should also be referred to the Institutional Policy Committee. In response, Mr. Tasker said that he would ask the Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee to be in touch with the Institutional Policy Committee should there be any educational policy matters involved. Mr. Brown indicated that he would like to be involved with anything that has to do with Africa and will expect to hear from the Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee.

6. President Ferguson remarked that he had shared with the Trustees in written form his concerns with respect to the current critical financial plight of the University. The Trustees have also been made aware of the extraordinary nature of a freeze on the filling of personnel which has been imposed this week. The President, underscoring his concern about the nature of the projected cuts in the Health Center, indicated that if these cuts are projected to the full level of the University, it will be essential to maintain the freeze for an indefinite period.

The President stressed that he would continue to present the reality of the University's current financial plight to the Board, the University community, and the State at large. President Ferguson said, "We must succeed in our efforts to obtain the minimum funds required to maintain quality."

Chairman Tasker, in his comments, noted that in the past two years the administration with the assistance of the Board did follow a program of cost effectiveness and dispensing with programs that could no longer be afforded under the stringent budgets. In conclusion, Mr. Tasker stated that there are no areas of any substance that the University can fall back on with respect to further reductions; and, if there are further reductions budgetwise then the mission of this University has to be changed in some fashion.

As an expression of Board concern, on a motion by Mrs. Kronholm, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, THE BOARD VOTED to adopt the following resolution:
BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the University of Connecticut expresses its full confidence in the President of the University of Connecticut and endorses his efforts to present to the people of the State of Connecticut full disclosure of the financial plight facing the University and to caution all concerned of the imminent danger confronting the University, unless immediate financial relief is forthcoming. FURTHER, that the University Administration, with the support of the Board of Trustees, has already taken all reasonable steps to operate in an efficient and effective manner consistent with the University's educational mission in fulfilling its role in the State of Connecticut.

7. President Ferguson presented, with his endorsement, the following recommendations by the Building Names Committee:

(1) That the Reading Room in the Life Sciences Building, Room 412, be named for Emeritus Professor of Biology, Edward Boettiger, in recognition of his distinguished contribution in neurophysiology and his personal contributions to the University's neurobiology program.

(2) That the Library in the School of Social Work be named in honor of University Professor Harleigh Trecker, in recognition of his leadership in the development of the School to its position today as one of the leading schools of social work in the nation.

On a motion by Mr. Kleban, seconded by Mr. Carlson, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the above recommendations.

8. The President called the Trustees attention to the Puerto Rican History Week and the remarkable series of events scheduled during the period of April 16th - April 23rd. He expressed the hope that the Trustees would be able to participate in some of the events scheduled during that week.

9. The President, referring to a long-term plan, indicated that the administration is working diligently to prepare for the May meeting at which time the administration planned to present its evaluation of the specific recommendations incorporated in the Brand Report. In the light of the current budget difficulties and of greater importance, the reorganization discussions which are now occurring within the General Assembly, the President noted that timing and the actions of the General Assembly may make it difficult for the administration to make such judgments.
Mr. Rich indicated that a number of Trustees had requested that the recommendations be postponed until the June meeting with the understanding that perhaps prior to the formal presentation in June, there could be a Committee meeting to discuss the proposals and some of the ramifications.

It was the consensus of the group that the revised time schedule would be well advised.

10. Mr. Nielsen, in his report as Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee, stated that the Committee had reviewed all of the proposed contracts and recommended approval to the Board. Mr. Rich reported that the Health Affairs Committee had also reviewed the four contracts pertaining to the Health Center and endorsed the Finance Committee’s recommendation.

On a motion by Mr. Nielsen, seconded by Mr. Carlson, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the contracts and agreements and authorized the President, Vice Presidents and Assistant Vice Presidents to sign the necessary documents on behalf of the University. A copy of the approved list of contracts and agreements is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

At this point, Mr. Rich noted that at the coming November meeting the Board will again review fees for the succeeding year. Mr. Rich requested that when the Budget and Finance Committee meets again to consider these matters this year that the Committee proceed from zero base and review all existing fees.

In response to this request, Mr. Nielsen stated that the request had been so noted.

11. Mr. Brown, reporting as Chairman of the Institutional Policy Committee, informed the Board that the Committee had voted to recommend approval of the University’s participation with Trinity College and the Hartford Graduate Center in a Master of Science in Engineering Science/Biomedical Engineering degree program. On Mr. Brown’s motion, seconded by Mr. Wiggins, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the University's participation in this program.

Mr. Rich informed the Trustees that the Health Affairs Committee had also voted endorsement of the University’s participation in the program.
12. Mr. Brown informed the Trustees that the Institutional Policy Committee had voted to recommend Board approval of the recommendation of the Edwin O. Smith School Board of Representatives of the School's participation in the Area Cooperative Special Education program. Acting on Mr. Brown's motion, seconded by Mrs. Kronholm, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the Edwin O. Smith School's participation in the Area Cooperative Special Education program.

13. Mr. Rich, reporting as Chairman of the Health Affairs Committee, stated that the Committee had devoted considerable time on the Vice President's report that the subcommittee on appropriations has recommended a .04% decrease from funding for the Health Center for the current year. This contrasts with the 2% increase recommended by the Governor and the compromise position of 4.5% reduced from the original 6% proposed by the Health Center Administration. This reduction is, of course, far greater than .04% when inflation is taken into account. It actually implies a reduction of approximately 8-10% from the current budget and would mean that no annual increments would be possible for faculty and staff; and further, that there would be no hiring of additional personnel. All other legislative activities are being followed closely by the Health Center administration and the Committee will be kept informed.

Another item considered by the Committee had to do with the Poison Information Center which the legislature assigned to the Health Center last year. Dean Schwarting reported on the current activities of the Poison Information Center; its service, educational and research objectives; and its future relationship with the National Emergency Medical Systems program. He outlined the organization of the Center and described roles of the staff, an advisory committee and consultants. The committee reviewed a typical monthly report on the number and nature of calls the Center receives. The Center provides the state with a much needed service and is impressive in its comprehensive program offerings.

The Committee also heard a status report on the Blue Ribbon Commission report. A legislative committee on education has proposed accepting the Blue Ribbon Commission report as a resolution. There will be a public hearing on this resolution Monday, April 18 at 10 a.m. at the State Capitol.
Mr. Rich, referring to the helpful role of the Health Center Advisory Council, stated that the Council had reviewed the Blue Ribbon Commission report at their last meeting and noted that there is no national precedent for making such a document a legislative act. The Council's public relations committee has been reactivated in order to help the Health Center dedication efforts.

14. After calling attention to the background material pertaining to the selection of a site for a permanent facility for the office of the Medical Examiner on the Health Center campus, Mr. Rich moved Board approval of a site within the service area of the Gun Club property. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stroh and THE BOARD VOTED to approve a site within the service area of the Gun Club property for a permanent facility for the Medical Examiner.

15. Reporting for Mr. Kozloski on the Capitol Area Consortium, Mr. Rich remarked that the Consortium is now defining the five-year plan. Mr. Rich also called the Trustees' attention to the article on the Consortium in the information section of the agenda material.

16. In his report on the recent Health Affairs-Hospital Committee meeting, Mr. Rich reminded the Trustees that University Trustees are also Trustees of the John Dempsey Hospital.

The financial statements indicated that for the month of February the John Dempsey Hospital sustained a loss of $86,580 after the application of the clinical subsidy of $83,000. This is explained in part by the fact that February is a 28 day month and that certain one-time expenses occurred in this period. The deficit was disappointing; however, in the overall total of the hospital budget, the operations after five months actually have not sustained a material deficit.

A committee has been appointed, to be chaired by Dr. Canzonetti, to review the hospital bylaws, as recommended by the State Department of Health. This committee will report back to the Health Affairs Committee at a later date.

Dr. Canzonetti reported on the mandated PSRO activities for the Hartford region, particularly as they relate to the participation of the John Dempsey Hospital. All area hospitals are now actively engaged in this activity, which could result in a model plan for other comparable regions in the nation.
At the Joint Conference Committee meeting, Dr. John Raye reported on the neonatology service, which is a unique regional service dedicated to the care of babies with physical difficulties at birth. Mr. Rich urged Trustees to visit the unit when they have an opportunity to be at the hospital.

17. Mr. Rich reported that the proposed contracts and agreements had been reviewed by the Hospital Committee and recommended for approval by the Board. On Mr. Rich's motion, seconded by Mrs. Kronholm, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the list of contracts and agreements and authorized the President, Vice Presidents and Assistant Vice Presidents to sign the necessary documents on behalf of the University. A copy of the approved list of contracts and agreements is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

18. Mr. Rich reported that the proposed staff appointments had been reviewed and approved by the Medical Board in accordance with the existing Bylaws. On Mr. Rich's motion, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the current list of staff appointments. A copy of the approved list is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

19. Mrs. Kronholm, reporting on the Commission for Higher Education meeting of April 5th, reported that the Commission concerned itself primarily with routine business: leases and contracts, scholarship awards, licensure and accreditation, etc. Apart from a procedural question involving the submission of a University lease for approval, there was no business of direct concern to the University.

20. On a motion by Mr. Nielsen, seconded by Mrs. Briscoe, THE BOARD VOTED to accept and/or approve the list of awards and donations. A copy of the list is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

21. Chairman Tasker, once again, reminded the Trustees to reserve the following dates:

(1) Wednesday, May 18th -- Health Center dedication
(2) Friday, May 20th -- Board meeting at Stamford
(3) Sunday, May 22nd -- Commencement

22. No further business appearing, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl W. Nielsen
Secretary