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

Held at Room 310, Commons Building, Storrs

March 13, 1981

The meeting was called to order at 9:13 a.m. by Chairman Andrew J. Canzonetti. Trustees present were: Mrs. Jorgensen, Messrs. Brown, Canzonetti, Catanese, Crisco, Cunningham, D'Oliveira, Dowling, Gamble, Krogh, Lowney, Rich, Shedd, Stroh, and White. Mr. Donen joined the meeting shortly after the call to order. Mr. Christopher Cooper represented Governor O'Neill.

Trustees absent were: Governor O'Neill, Mr. Kleban and Mrs. Kronholm.

University staff present were: President DiBiaggio, Vice-Presidents DiBenedetto, Gillis, Mulvihill, Napolitano, and Wilson, Attorneys Kleinman and McKenna, and Mr. Kimball.

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

A. On a motion by Mr. Krogh, seconded by Dr. Dowling, THE BOARD VOTED to go into Executive Session for the purpose of considering matters of personnel, litigation, and collective bargaining. The Chairman noted that the items to be considered required staff information and opinion and asked that the Minutes reflect that President DiBiaggio, Vice-Presidents DiBenedetto, Gillis, Mulvihill, Napolitano, Wilson, Attorneys Kleinman and McKenna, and Mr. Kimball were in attendance. All members of the Board noted above were present at this time. Items discussed and actions taken during Executive Session were as follows:

1. President DiBiaggio presented to the Board the recommendation that emeritus status be conferred upon Mr. Sumner M. Cohen, former Director of Residential Life. The President noted his support for this action as recommended by the Committee on Retirement, and as required by Article XV.I.5 of the Laws and By-Laws. On a motion by Mrs. Jorgensen, seconded by Mr. Catanese, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the award of emeritus status to Mr. Sumner M. Cohen.

2. The Board reviewed the latest recommendations on personnel matters pertaining to appointments, leaves of absence, promotions, awards of tenure, reassignments, resignations, and retirements, with the understanding that the vote on these personnel matters would be taken in Open Session.

It was noted that two personnel matters, one involving an employee at the Southeastern Campus and one involving an employee at the Health Center, might come before the Board at a subsequent meeting, depending upon the outcome of the appeals process.

3. The Board reviewed at length recommendations for terminal appointments and terminations.
  - a. On a motion by Mr. Crisco, seconded by Mr. White, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a terminal appointment for Mr. Walenty Cukierman, Assistant Professor of Germanic and Slavic Languages.
  - b. On a motion by Dr. Dowling, seconded by Dr. Lowney, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a terminal appointment for Mr. Barry D. Kolb, Assistant Professor of Mathematics - Hartford Campus.
  - c. On a motion by Dr. Lowney, seconded by Dr. Dowling, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a terminal appointment for Mr. Michael Laric, Assistant Professor of Marketing.
  - d. On a motion by Dr. Lowney, seconded by Mr. Rich, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a terminal appointment for Ms. Alberta Macione, Assistant Professor of Nursing.
  - e. On a motion by Dr. Lowney, seconded by Dr. Dowling, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a terminal appointment for Mr. Ahmet Tekiner, Assistant Professor of Economics - Southeastern Campus.
  - f. On a motion by Mr. Donen, seconded by Mr. Krogh, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a terminal appointment for Ms. M. Charlotte Ward, Instructor of English.
  - g. On a motion by Mr. Rich, seconded by Mr. Donen, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a termination for Mr. Kevin Hatton, Associate Extension Agent, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, effective July 1, 1981.

4. Vice-President Mulvihill reported that the search for a dean of the School of Pharmacy had been concluded and that he and the President recommended the appointment of Dr. Karl A. Nieforth, Professor and Associate Dean in the School of Pharmacy as Dean of the School of Pharmacy and Professor in the School of Pharmacy at a salary rate of \$48,000 on an 11-month basis, effective May 1, 1981. The Board agreed to add this item to the personnel list for action in Open Session.
  5. Vice-President Wilson reported on matters related to collective bargaining.
  6. Mr. McKenna reported on matters under litigation.
  7. Members of the administration, except for the President, were excused while the Board discussed the position of Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees. On a motion by Dr. Dowling, seconded by Mr. Krogh, THE BOARD VOTED to continue the current arrangement under which the Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees serves also as the Executive Assistant to the President, with an expression of appreciation for the work to date of the incumbent.
  8. No further business proper to Executive Session appearing, the Chairman declared the meeting recessed at 10:58 a.m.
- B. Chairman Canzonetti reconvened the meeting in Open Session at 11:09 a.m.
- C. On a motion by Mr. Gamble, seconded by Mr. Krogh, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the minutes of the meetings of January 9 and February 12 corrected as follows:
1. In the January 9 Minutes, line 1 of the final paragraph of G 1, page 6962, should be corrected to reflect that "Mr. Catanese registered in opposition to those fees described above in items b. and m. and to the Student Union Board of Governors fee described in item s."
  2. In the January 9 Minutes, attachment 4 incorrectly attributes a tuition proposal formulated by the Board of Higher Education to another constituent unit. The file copy of the Board Minutes will be corrected accordingly.
- D. The following persons made remarks to the Board on the topics noted:

1. Mr. James Deorio - student interest in University Governance
2. Mr. Wulf Losee - Student Conduct Code
3. Mr. John Luppino - Student Housing Policy
4. Mr. Donald Cafero - Student Housing Policy
5. Mr. Roland Richter - Student Housing Policy
6. Mr. Richard McCaulley - Student Housing Policy
7. Mr. Robert Schaffer - Student Housing Policy

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

1. On a motion by Mr. Shedd, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following items listed on the Consent Agenda:
  - a. Approval and/or ratification of the lists of University and Health Center Hospital contracts and authorization for the President, Vice-Presidents, Associate Executive Director, and Assistant Vice-Presidents 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. Acceptance and approval of the lists of awards and donations. A copy of the list is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.
  - c. Approval of the latest list of recommendations pertaining to Medical/Dental Staff appointments. A copy of the list is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.
  - d. Approval of the Honorary Degree criteria as recommended by the Committee on Honorary Degrees. A copy of the criteria is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.
  - e. Approval of Development Statement as recommended by the Community Relations Committee. A copy of the statement is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.
  - f. Approval of Giving Clubs as recommended by the Community Relations Committee. A copy of the Giving Clubs description is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.
  - g. Approval of By-Law revisions to Article X.L.15, LAWS and BY-LAWS: Employee Credits. A copy of the revised By-Law is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.
  - h. Approval of amendment to Article XI.2., LAWS and BY-LAWS: Repeal and Amendment. A copy of the amendment is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.

Mr. Crisco asked that the Minutes reflect the sense of the Board that the "notice of intent" required in Article XI.2. would include a description of the nature of proposed By-Law changes.

2. On a motion by Mr. Donen, seconded by Mrs. Jorgensen, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a formal list of the actions recommended by the President and the actions already taken by the administration on personnel matters pertaining to appointments, leaves of absence, promotions, awards of tenure, reassignments, resignations, and retirements, and authorized the Secretary of the Board to sign the necessary documents on behalf of the Board of Trustees. A copy of the approved lists is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.
3. The Chairman yielded the floor to Mr. Brown, who offered the following resolution which was seconded by Mr. Crisco whereupon THE BOARD VOTED its unanimous approval:

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Trustees deplores the murders and disappearances of the children in Atlanta;

That the Board requests the assistance of the Federal Government in the solution of the murders and disappearances;

That the Board encourages everyone associated with the University to make contributions to aid in the investigation and to help the City of Atlanta to defray expenses;

And to wear green lapel ribbons to show sympathy for the Atlanta families who have suffered from the unsolved murders;

And that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Mayor of the City of Atlanta as evidence of this Board's support and concern.

4. Chairman Canzonetti informed the Board that he had appointed Mr. Gerard Haviland to the Health Center Advisory Council on the recommendation of that group's Nominating Committee. Mr. Haviland will fill the unexpired term of Mr. John Doyle, who recently resigned due to a change in employment. On a motion by Mr. White seconded by Dr. Lowney, THE BOARD VOTED to endorse the appointment.

5. On a motion by Mr. Crisco, seconded by Mr. Donen, THE BOARD VOTED to appoint the Executive Secretary to the Canvassing Board for the Alumni Trustee Election.
  6. The Chairman reported that he had appointed Dr. Dowling as an alternate representative to the Coordinating Council.
- F. The Report of the President included a review of proposed state and federal legislation of major interest to the Board. The President also reminded the Board of activities planned for the University's Founders Day on April 21.

Following the President's review of legislative issues, Chairman Canzonetti reported on his recent meeting with Governor O'Neill.

- G. Mr. Brown's report for the Institutional Policy Committee included the following items:
1. On a motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, THE BOARD VOTED to change the name of the Department of Natural Resources Conservation, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, to the Department of Renewable Natural Resources, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, effective July 1, 1981.
  2. On a motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. D'Oliveira, THE BOARD VOTED to change the name of The University of Connecticut Oral History Project, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, to The University of Connecticut Center for Oral History, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, effective April 1, 1981.
  3. Mr. Brown moved, and Mr. Crisco seconded, the following proposed policy on the format of regular meetings of the Board:

Regular meetings of the Board will ordinarily begin with a noon luncheon. Luncheon guests will be invited by the Community Relations Committee. Executive Sessions will precede and Open Sessions will immediately follow luncheon.

Chairmen of Board committees who wish to schedule committee meetings during the morning of regular Board meeting days should make such arrangements through the Office of the Executive Secretary in order to avoid inadvertent overlap of committee

meetings. This policy permits the option of scheduling the annual meeting at which the full Board considers that single committee's agenda either on the Thursday evening schedule now in use or on the morning of a regular Board meeting day.

- a. Mr. Crisco proposed an amendment which would replace the first sentence of the proposed policy with the following sentence, "At least six regular meetings of the Board will be held with a noon luncheon." Mr. D'Oliveira seconded the amendment.
  - b. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the amendment. Mr. Catanese registered in opposition to the action.
  - c. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the policy as amended. Mr. Catanese registered in opposition to the action.
4. Mr. Brown moved, and Mr. Cunningham seconded, the following revised language of Article II.3. of the Laws and By-Laws:

The yearly schedule of regular meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be filed in advance in the Office of the Secretary of the State, as required by statute. Prior written notice of any change in the scheduled time or location of a regular meeting shall be published and filed as required by statute.

- a. Mr. Crisco proposed as a substitute motion the following, which was seconded by Mr. Donen:

This Board of Trustees shall meet every month except August.

- b. Mr. Brown asked that the Minutes reflect the understanding of the members of the Institutional Policy Committee that it is the sense of the Board to hold meetings monthly, except in August.

Dr. Canzonetti relinquished the chair to Mr. Rich and left the meeting at this time.

- c. The substitute motion failed. Mrs. Jorgensen and Messrs. Crisco, Donen, Krogh, Rich, and Stroh registered in support of the motion; Messrs. Catanese, Cunningham, Dowling, D'Oliveira, Gamble, Lowney, and White registered in opposition.

Mr. Brown asked to be recorded as abstaining, in deference to the instruction given him by his Committee, and in spite of his personal preference in favor of the substitute motion.

- d. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the By-Law change as originally proposed.

Mr. Stroh left the meeting at this time.

5. Mr. Brown presented the Committee's recommendations regarding student housing policies.
  - a. On a motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, THE BOARD VOTED that there be no change in the commuting policies administered by the Admissions Office for the Storrs campus, except that the Board repeal its policy requiring that freshmen at Storrs reside in dormitories.
  - b. On a motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Catanese, THE BOARD VOTED that the Administration prepare a formal proposal, for the consideration of the Budget and Finance Committee, for proceeding to seek to build apartment cluster student housing on University land, under the funding and construction mechanisms proposed in the Sharkey Report. Mrs. Jorgensen registered in opposition.
  - c. On a motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Donen, THE BOARD VOTED that the Administration prepare full plans and cost estimates for development of one or more organized group housing parks, so designed that these organizations might lease land and access to utilities and construct their own housing for their student members; these plans and estimates should be submitted to the Budget and Finance Committee. Mrs. Jorgensen asked to be recorded as abstaining from this action.
  - d. On a motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Catanese, THE BOARD VOTED that the University not attempt to lease existing apartment housing in the Storrs campus area, since this would simply deprive other students (especially graduate students) of the privately-operated housing they now occupy, and would not increase the available housing at all. Mr. Donen registered in opposition.

- e. On a motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Catanese, THE BOARD VOTED that the Administration continue for 1981-82 the use of the 279 additional beds which were temporarily provided in the dormitories for the 1980-81 academic year, in order that enrollments not be reduced and access to students cut, through reduction in the number of students housed on the Storrs campus. Mr. Donen registered in opposition to this action.

In presenting the recommendation, Mr. Brown noted the Committee's wish that the Minutes reflect the fact that the Institutional Policy Committee is not happy at the necessity of continuing the use of the 279 additional beds, and wishes to urge the Administration to press forward as quickly as possible to increase the number of beds available in total such that the University can return the existing dormitories to their normal capacities, without reducing enrollments or access.

Mr. Catanese asked that a report on this topic prepared by the Inter-Area Resident Council be made a part of the record. (A copy is attached to the file copy of the Minutes.)

Mr. Donen asked that the record reflect the language of the following substitute motion which he distributed to the Board, but upon which he sought no action:

That the Board of Trustees reaffirm its commitment to enrolling no less than 2300 freshmen at the Storrs campus each academic year with the understanding that the number of students assigned residence hall space in undergraduate dormitories will not exceed the dormitories' designed occupancy levels, and, that the Administration take such action as necessary to meet these goals by the beginning of the 1981-82 academic year.

- H. Mrs. Jorgensen reported on the January and February meetings of the Board of Higher Education. (The text of the reports is attached to the file copy of the Minutes.)

- I. Mr. Rich's report for the Budget and Finance Committee included the following:
1. On a motion by Mr. Rich, seconded by Mr. Donen, THE BOARD VOTED to approve granting of an easement for a transformer substation at the Southeastern Campus, Avery Point, Groton, Connecticut. (A copy of the recommendation is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.)
  2. On a motion by Mr. Donen, seconded by Mr. Catanese, THE BOARD VOTED to authorize the transfer of 1980-81 appropriations from Personal Services to Other Expenses in the amount of \$840,000 to meet energy and telephone costs for the current fiscal year. (A copy of the recommendation is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.)
  3. On a motion by Mr. D'Oliveira, seconded by Mr. White, THE BOARD VOTED to delegate authority to the Vice-President for Finance and Administration and to the Vice-President for Graduate Education and Research to execute certain patent agreements on behalf of the Board. (A copy of the procedures is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.)
  4. On a motion by Mr. Krogh, seconded by Dr. Lowney, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the Health Center Capital Budget Request. (A copy of the Budget Request is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.)
  5. Mr. Rich noted that the Committee had requested from the Administration a review of the budget for Centennial activities.
- J. Dr. Lowney's report on the Health Affairs and Health Affairs-Hospital Committees' activities included the following items:
1. Meetings on February 24 and March 3 were held to review the status of the Health Center's long-range plan.
  2. The 1981-82 Health Center Capital budget request has been approved by the Committee.
  3. The Committee has approved and recommended to the full Board an arrangement which will permit Dr. Archie Savage to serve as Affirmative Action Officer for the Health Center while discharging a similar assignment for Central Connecticut State College.

4. The Health Center administration has called to the attention of the Health Affairs Committee a potential problem with the existing angiography suite in which special diagnostic radiology procedures are undertaken. The Health Affairs Committee has concurred with the recommendation of the administration and medical staff that this unit should be replaced and has requested that the certificate-of-need process move forward for replacement of the angiography suite as soon as possible.
  5. Health Center Advisory Council - Mrs. Susan Kelly is serving as Acting Chairperson until the April meeting of the Council. She is replacing Mr. John Doyle, who has been appointed senior majority staff member of the U. S. Senate Committee on the handicapped.
- K. Mr. Crisco's report for the Community Relations Committee included the following items:
1. On a motion by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Donen, THE BOARD VOTED to reaffirm the objectives of the Community Relations Committee as previously endorsed by the Board. (A copy of the objectives is attached to the file copy of the Minutes.)
  2. Mr. Crisco recommended that the Chairman write a letter to the coach and to each member of the wrestling team, on behalf of the Board, congratulating the team on the success of its season, and further, that the Board request the Athletic Advisory Committee review its decision to discontinue wrestling as a varsity sport. On a motion by Dr. Lowney, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, THE BOARD VOTED to approve this recommendation.
- L. No further business appearing, the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Otha N. Brown, Jr.  
Secretary