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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
of the
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
of the
CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE
held at the College, December 16, 1931

Present:

Mr. Manchester, Chairman       Mr. Buckley
Mrs. Dadourian                  Mr. Greene
Mr. Fenton                      Dr. Woods
Mr. Hollister                   Dr. McCracken

Mr. Longley

(1) Minutes of the last meeting of the Board of Trustees approved as printed.

Remarks regarding traffic light as authorized by the last meeting of the Board. Reported that the Engineering Dept. are to submit a report as to the possibility of their building a light providing it can be done at less expense and meet the approval of the Highway Dept.

(2) Report of the Employment Committee

A report of the Employment Committee submitted by the President in the form of a report from William F. Cheney, Jr., Chairman. After considerable discussion voted to refer matter back to the committee with a special request that they define the items regarding sick leave and vacation.

(3) Report from Mr. Manchester on the cost of automobile travel and the mileage as paid by the College.

Voted that the cost of travel by automobile be reduced from 10 to 8 cents per mile. This new rate to apply to all divisions of the College, and that a copy of this recommendation be sent to the State Board of Finance and receive their approval.

(4) Request for water connections.

Voted that we approve Mr. King's application for water connections to his residence, subject to his granting the College right to lay a sewer and water line across his property, and that we give him the right of use of water only for his personal and family use.
(5) Radio connections in the Apartment House.

Voted that we approve Mr. Perry’s recommendation of an added expenditure of a small amount for outlets on which radios may be connected, thus preventing the necessity of having outside aerials on the building.

(6) Letter from a committee of the faculty

Voted to approve the recommendation of a Lamson Memorial Committee to include Professors Dodge, Hollister, and Mantor, and Mr. Fenton of the Board of Trustees, together with one representative of the Alumni Association.

(7) Voted that Dr. McCracken draft and send appropriate resolutions from the Board of Trustees to Mrs. Lamson and Arroll.

Voted that the rent of the cottage where Mrs. Lamson is now living be at the rate of $1.00 a month until the first of July.

(8) Voted that Dr. Gilman be permitted to accept the appointment to the visiting staff of St. Joseph’s Hospital.

(9) Voted that the leave of absence of Mr. J. S. Owens be postponed one year.

(10) Changes in staff

The President informed the Board that Mrs. Seckerson, half time appointment, Department needs full time. Mrs. Seckerson concurs in this recommendation of the Dept. and will not ask for reappointment.

Voted to adopt the recommendations of the President and that he be asked to confer with the Board of Control relative to Christie J. Mason, Instructor in Bacteriology, who has served 30 years with the College, is now 48 years of age and is in good health, and ascertain if it is possible to retire her, and if she may be allowed the allowance granted by the State. If the Board of Control concurs in this, that Miss Mason be retired at the end of her 30th year in service.

Voted to approve the appointment of an instructor for the second semester of this year in the English Dept.

(11) Voted that $1,000 be transferred from Contingencies to Physical Education.
INFORMATION

(1) Financial report by Mr. Longley

(2) Military training

The President informs the Board that he is desirous of appointing a committee to study the military training at the College.

(3) Moving of Experiment Station barn

The President informs the Board that the College is now getting figures for moving of the Experiment Station barn from its present location to a location nearer experimental field.

(4) Discussion regarding the desirability of the purchase of Beebe's Store.

(5) Report from the President relative to the plans of the College for February, 22, 1932.

(6) Report of Mr. Donahue's illness who was hurt at one of the recent football games. That Mr. Donahue has improved and is expected to leave the hospital shortly.

(7) Discussion relative to the needs of the Experiment Station for 1932 and 1933.

(8) Letter read by the President from the University of the State of New York relative to the approval of our College.

A. F. Greene
Secretary