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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
Held in Storrs, January 16, 1963

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Budds, at 10:30 a.m. Those present were:

Mrs. Sterling; Messrs. Benton, Bishop, Budds, Driscoll, Gill, Holt, Ryan Sanders, and Watson.

Also present: President Babbidge, and Vice Presidents Waugh and Evans.

All actions taken at today's meeting were by unanimous vote of those present.

1. Minor changes were made to correct typographical errors on pages 3105, 3112, and 3113 of the minutes of the meeting of December 19, 1962. New corrected pages are attached to these minutes and should be substituted for the pages originally circulated. With these corrections, the minutes of the meeting of December 19, 1962 were approved.
2. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following scholarships, financial aids and gifts and instructed the President to write appropriate letters of appreciation:
 - (1) \$150 Mary Rokahr Scholarship for 1962-63.
 - (2) \$800 Beatrice Fox Auerbach Foundation Scholarships for 1962-63
 - (3) \$60 Mrs. Elwood H. Fowler, Hamden, Connecticut, as an additional contribution to E. Charlotte Rogers Scholarship Fund.

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- (4) \$250 Sherman Baldwin, New York City, to provide financial aid to James McNamara.

3 THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following research projects to be carried on by the University and financed by the agency indicated:

- (1) \$15,900 National Science Foundation in support of research project entitled "Studies of Development Malformations in the Chick Embryo" under the direction of Dr. Walter Landauer, Animal Genetics Department.
- (2) \$13,500 National Science Foundation to support an "Undergraduate Science Education Program" under the direction of Dr. Hugh Clark, Department of Cellular Biology.
- (3) \$8,100 National Science Foundation in support of "Undergraduate Science Education Program" under the direction of Dr. John T. Stock, Department of Chemistry.
- (4) \$27,000 National Science Foundation to continue support of research project entitled "Theory of High-Energy Atomic Collisions" under the direction of Dr. Arnold Russek, Department of Physics.
- (5) \$24,000 Public Health Service grant in support of research on "Biochemical Studies of Canine Mastocytomas" under the direction of Drs. Kenyon and Nielsen, Department of Animal Diseases.
- (6) \$22,255 Public Health Service grant in support of research on "Chemical Differentiation of the Developing Lens" under the direction of Dr. John Papaconstantinou, Department of Zoology.
- (7) \$3,496 Public Health Service grant in support of research on "Terrestrial and Marine Members of Flavobacterium" under the direction of Dr. Robert C. Cleverdon, Department of Bacteriology.
- (8) \$1,000 Spalding Pharmaceutical Corporation to School of Pharmacy for use in research work involving student assistance and supplies.
- (9) \$5,000 Public Health Service grant in support of research on "Lipid Metabolism of Streptococci" under the direction of Drs. H. Patricia MacLeod and Robert G. Jensen, Department of Animal Industries.
- (10) \$8,567 Public Health Service grant in support of research on "Purification of Organic Medicinals by Zone Refining" under the direction of Dr. Paul Jannke, School of Pharmacy.

4. Mr. Donald Oat, chairman of a special Commission appointed by authority of the General Assembly to study the need for a branch of the University in the southeastern part of the state, appeared before the Board and discussed the

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report which his Commission has made to the Governor. This report recommends the establishment of a new branch of the University in Norwich to be in operation by September 1965. There was a long discussion concerning the numbers of prospective students, the size and cost of the physical plant, availability of site, the effect on other institutions of higher learning in the area and their attitudes toward the project, the time when a new branch might reasonably be expected to open, and the Board's announced policy of expecting the locality to make significant contributions of land and physical plant. Mr. Budds read a letter from the Council of the City of Norwich supporting the request for the new branch and giving reasons therefor.

THE BOARD VOTED to express its appreciation to Mr. Oats and to his Commission, and to assure him that the Board is determined to fulfill its obligation to meet the needs of the young people of Southeastern Connecticut, and to refer the report to the President for further study in the hope that he can present recommendations to the Board for their action at their next regular meeting.

In answer to a query from Senator Benton, the Board took the position, although without formal vote, that if a new branch of the University is to be established at this time, it shall be in the southeastern part of the state.

5. President Babbidge reported that he and the Professional Advisory Committee have begun to interview candidates for the deanship of the new Schools of Medicine and Dentistry. No word has yet been received concerning the plans of the state administration for including requests for capital funds for the Medical and Dental Schools in the Governor's budget.
6. Mr. Evans reported concerning real estate transactions which had been approved by the Board of Trustees at their meeting on November 21, 1962. (See Item 14, page 3099 of these minutes.) Under the statutes, such transactions require the approval of the Governor while the General Assembly is not in session.

Mr. Evans reported that the two land sales approved by the Board had been approved by the Governor and the sales had been consummated. The shortness of time had made it impossible, however, to secure the Governor's approval for the purchase of land in Noank. At the Governor's suggestion the Department of Finance and Control will submit a bill to the General Assembly to effect this purchase. The bill will have the approval of the Department of Finance and Control and the support of the Governor.

Incident to the discussion of these real estate transactions, the Board considered a number of other similar matters, including the availability of the Foley Farm of 90 acres for \$75,000 and some 4 acres west of the hangar and field house. The opinion was expressed that there should be further study of the feasibility of establishing a special fund for financing University real estate transactions. In the past, the University has retained the proceeds from sales of land which had originally been purchased from the Auxiliary Services Fund (6.4 account, under terms of Section 10-137 of the General Statutes), but proceeds from land sales

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have reverted to the state General Fund if the land had originally been purchased from the General Fund.

7. The President recommended that the Board amend its by-laws to enable the University Senate to establish its own committees and to designate their duties. This recommendation was responsive to requests from the Senate dated May 8, 1961 and February 12, 1962. The President submitted in writing the following recommendations for by-law changes:

- a. Change By-Law VII, 3, e (p 8), concerning the duties of the President, by striking out the words which here appear in brackets:
 - e. To appoint such (Senate and faculty) committees as he deems necessary, and define their duties.
- b. Repeal all of the present section X, F, 6, concerning committees of the University Senate and substitute the following:

The Senate may appoint and define the duties of such standing or special committees as it desires.

The Provost shall be an ex-officio member of all standing committees.

Each standing committee shall keep an accurate typewritten record of its proceedings and shall file copies thereof with the President, the Provost, and the Registrar. Reports shall be presented to the University Senate as often as the amount and nature of business warrants, and at least annually. A condensed report may be made at the discretion of the committee chairman unless a full report is requested.

The Curriculum Committee is empowered to act on all matters of routine, provided, however, that all proposed changes shall be submitted in writing to Senate members and shall not take effect until after the succeeding Senate meeting; and provided further that if any member considers that policy is involved in the matter under consideration, the matter shall be presented to the Senate in the usual way.

Special committees shall be considered as discharged, without formal vote, when their final reports have been made.

In accordance with Article XI, Sec. 2, of the Board's by-laws, the recommendation was tabled for action at the next meeting of the Board.

8. The Board voted to go into executive session for the consideration of matters of personnel. The following matters were acted on in executive session
- a.) THE BOARD VOTED to express its feeling of profound shock and sorrow at the recent deaths of two devoted members of the University staff Professors Harold Knauss, who was for many years the Head of the Physics

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Department, and Professor Hugh Greer, whose work as coach of basketball has been an outstanding example to the entire community. The university and the entire state owe a continuing debt to these men.

THE BOARD FURTHER VOTED to instruct the President to express its sense of indebtedness and irreplaceable loss to the families of Professors Knauss and Greer, and to note their passing in the official records of the Board.

b.) THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following resignations:

- (1) Marvin E. Heft, Jr., Associate Professor of Agricultural Engineering, effective December 31, 1962.
- (2) Julia M. Johnson, Resident Educational Counselor, effective December 15, 1962.
- (3) John F. W. Schulze, Club Agent, Hartford County, effective August 31, 1963.
- (4) Kenneth A. Spaulding, Associate Professor of English, effective September 15, 1963.

c.) THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following appointments:

- (1) Robert Lindsay Leonard, Ph. D., Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics and Farm Management, \$8880, February 1, 1963.
- (2) Philip R. Ransom, M.D., Associate University Physician, \$11,340, January 1, 1963. Replacing Dr. Hans Menco.
- (3) Gladys Irene Wiskochil, Resident Educational Counselor, \$2820, January 1, 1963. Replacing Ida Wheatley.

d.) THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following retirement:

- (1) Russell Anderson, County Agricultural Agent, Hartford County, effective June 30, 1963, after thirty-two years of continuous service. The President was requested to initiate the appropriate forms and to express to Mr Anderson, on behalf of the Board, sincere appreciation for the services he has rendered to the University and to the State.

e.) THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following changes in title:

- (1) Harold D. Gordon, Assistant Librarian, to Acting Librarian, effective January 1, 1963.

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- e.) (2) Stanley Seaver, Professor of Agricultural Economics and Farm Management, to Head of Department of Agricultural Economics and Farm Management, effective February 1, 1963.
- (3) Frances M. Tappan, Technical Director of the School of Physical Therapy, to Assistant Dean of the School of Physical Therapy, effective January 1, 1963.

f.) THE BOARD VOTED to receive and place on file the following requests for leave of absence:

- (1) Ella Dye, Associate Professor of Social Work, leave without pay for the period February 15, 1963 through December 15, 1963. To serve as Fulbright Lecturer at the School of Social Welfare, University of Melbourne. This leave is granted not for educational purposes.
- (2) Seymour Rigrodsky, Assistant Professor of Speech, sick leave with pay for one month commencing October 22, 1962 extended to expire January 2, 1963.

g.) THE BOARD VOTED to approve the list of appointments and salary increases presented for signature at the request of the State Auditors. The list was signed by the Secretary of the Board, Mr. J. Ray Ryan.

9. No other business appearing, the meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m. Following adjournment, and in accordance with its past custom of informing itself concerning various aspects of the University's work by informal meetings with university administrators, those members of the Board who could remain heard a very informative report from President Babbidge and the two Vice Presidents concerning student fees. Among other things, the report covered numbers of students and amounts of money involved, the statutory authority of the Board over charging fees and disbursing the income from them, the economic status of the families of our students, a comparison of our situation with that at other institutions, various kinds of fees now charged and the distribution of the income from them, an appraisal of the need for various sorts of financial aids, and the possible effects on our students and on our society of increasing the cost of education in a public institution. Since the Board was not in session, no attempt was made to reach final conclusions nor to take any action; but it was suggested that it would be helpful if the President would prepare such recommendations on the matter as may seem to him wise for presentation to and discussion at the next regular meeting of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Ray Ryan,
Secretary