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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
held in Storrs, July 20, 1955

Present: Mr. Belden
Mr. Bishop
Mr. Brock
Mr. Dudley
Mr. Engleman
Mr. Gill
Mr. Jorgensen
Mrs. Mackie
Mrs. Mahoney
Mr. Ryan
Mr. Shippee
Mr. Watson

1. The minutes of the meeting of April 22, 1955, having been mailed out, were approved without being read.

2. Election of Officers. THE BOARD VOTED to re-elect the following officers for the year July 1, 1955 to July 1, 1956:

   Mr. Lester E. Shippee - Chairman
   Mr. C. Raymond Brock - Vice Chairman
   Mr. J. Ray Ryan - Secretary

3. Committees. According to the laws and by-laws of the Board of Trustees, the Board of Trustees acts as a committee of the whole. Special committees are to be appointed by the Chairman following communications from Trustees to the President indicating committee appointment preferences. After these have been received, the Chairman of the Board will appoint Trustees to the following Committees:

   Special Finance Committee
   Special Liaison Committee
   Special Livestock Committee
   Special Scholarship and Loan Committee

4. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the appointment of Mr. Elmer Watson as Trustee representative on the All-University Diamond Jubilee Committee.
5. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following resignations:

(1) Vernon E. Anderson, Professor of Education, effective September 15, 1955.

(2) Henry A. Bent, Instructor in Chemistry, effective September 15, 1955.


(5) Marcia Carlsen, Departmental Assistant Junior Grade, Student Personnel, August 5, 1955.

(6) Joe T. Clayton, Assistant Professor of Agricultural Engineering, effective July 15, 1955.

(7) Allen Devinatz, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, effective September 15, 1955.

(8) Martha Dusenberry, Infirmary Nurse, effective September 6, 1955.

(9) Jean C. Ervin, Assistant Professor of Speech, effective September 15, 1955.

(10) Celestine Gilmore, Assistant Home Demonstration Agent, Middlesex County, effective July 31, 1955.


(12) H. C. Griffith, Instructor in Mathematics, effective September 15, 1955.


(14) Louise Johnson, Instructor in Clothing, Textiles and Related Art, effective September 15, 1955.


(16) A. L. Knoblauch, Director of University Extension, Summer Session, and Continuing Education, effective July 18, 1955.


5. Resignations (Continued)

(19) Dr. Kenneth Schenck, Associate University Physician, effective June 17, 1955.
(20) F. Presley Shannon, Assistant Professor of Dairy Husbandry, effective July 20, 1955.
(22) George Schmer, Librarian, School of Law, effective August 31, 1955.
(23) Irwin M. Stelzer, Instructor in Economics, effective September 15, 1955.
(24) Harold K. Street, Assistant Agricultural Editor, effective June 15, 1955.

6. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following appointments:

(1) Stewart Emory Ackerman, M.S., Assistant County Agricultural Agent, Tolland County, $4,560, May 1, 1955. Replacing L. H. Ruggles.
(2) Michael J. Ambrosino, M.S., Administrative Assistant, Division of Communications, $4,980, August 16, 1955. Replacing R. E. Parker.
6. Appointments (Continued)


(12) Rosemary A. Conzemius, M.S., Associate State 4-H Club Leader (Assistant Professor), $5640, September 1, 1955. Replacing Mary Jean Moms.

(13) Delvin L. Covey, Ph.D., Instructor in Foreign Languages, $4020, September 16, 1955. Replacing Robert J. Leslie.

(14) Joel B. Dirlam, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Economics, $5760, September 16, 1955. Replacing I. M. Stelzer.


(19) Felix Haas, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Mathematics, $5400, September 16, 1955. Replacing W. F. Chaney, Jr.


(22) Wilmot W. Irish, M.S., Assistant Professor of Agricultural Engineering, $3540, August 1, 1955. Replacing Joe T. Clayton.


6. Appointments (Continued)


(26) Harlan Charles Lamp, B.S., Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics, $5640, January 1, 1956. Replacing George Judge.

(27) Charles Eugene Linke, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Speech and Drama, $5400, September 16, 1955. Replacing Jean C. Ervin.


(30) Peter A. Moldauer, Ph.D., Instructor in Physics, $4020, September 16, 1955. Replacing Harold Forestat.

(31) Harold L. Myers, B.S., Assistant Agricultural Editor, $4200, September 1, 1955. Replacing Harold K. Street.


(33) Chester W. Obuchowski, Ph.D., Instructor in Foreign Languages, $4380, September 16, 1955. Replacing Arsene Croteau.

(34) Ralph W. Peterson, Ph.D., Instructor in Speech and Drama, $4020, September 16, 1955. Replacing Josephine Simonson.


(39) Anna May Salomon, B.S., Departmental Assistant Junior Grade, Psychology, $2940, July 1, 1955. Replacing Marion B. Rollin.


(44) Martha Jean Smith, B.S., Assistant Home Demonstration Agent, Fairfield County, $4020, August 1, 1955. Replacing Helen Clark.


6. Appointments (Continued)


(48) Samuel S. Stephenson, Jr., M.S., Assistant Professor of Industrial Administration, $6120, September 15, 1955. Replacing H. E. Smalley.

(49) Sydelle Sthool, M.A., Departmental Assistant Junior Grade, Institute of Public Service, $2940, August 1, 1955. Replacing Greta Prince.


(53) Philmore B. Wess, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Education, $6960, September 16, 1955.


(55) Lloyd Bruce Wilhelm, M.S., County 4-H Club Agent, Middlesex County, $5160, September 1, 1955. Replacing Normand Manning.

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

(1) Marcel Kassel, Associate Professor of English, to Acting Head of English Department, September 16, 1955 through June 15, 1956. Replacing Leonard F. Dean who will be on leave of absence.

(2) Carl Crane, Assistant Director of University Extension, to Acting Co-Director of University Extension and Summer Term in charge of non-college credit program, effective July 15, 1955.

(3) Stuart Manning, Assistant Director of University Extension, to Acting Co-Director of University Extension and Summer Term in charge of college credit program, effective July 15, 1955.

(4) Paul Putnam, Professor of Farm Management, to Acting Head of Department of Agricultural Economics and Farm Management, effective June 30, 1955.

8. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following requests for retirement:

(1) Wm. Fitch Cheney, Jr., Professor of Mathematics, effective September 15, 1955.

(2) Arsene Croteau, Professor of Foreign Languages, effective October 1, 1955.

(3) E. A. Perregaux, Head of Agricultural Economics and Farm Management Department, effective August 31, 1955.

The President was requested to initiate the appropriate forms and also to express to these staff members, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, sincere appreciation for the many years of loyal and effective service to the University and to the State.
9. THE BOARD VOTED to accept and place on file the following requests for leave of absence:

(1) John M. Brinnin, Instructor in English, first semester 1955-56. Research and writing.


(4) Howard W. Butler, Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering, leave without pay academic year 1955-56. Study for doctorate.

(5) Fred A. Cazal, Assistant Professor of History, revised request for leave without pay full academic year 1955-56 instead of first semester 1955-56. Research.

(6) Leonard F. Dean, Head of English Department, sabbatic leave 1955-56. To accept Ford Fellowship.

(7) Eric Doughty, Instructor in Agricultural Engineering, three weeks special leave with pay, summer 1955. To attend six weeks summer session, three weeks on special leave and three weeks on annual vacation time.


(10) Maynard C. Heckel, County Club Agent, Windham County, revision in request for sabbatic leave from academic year 1955-56 to: sabbatic leave from October 1, 1955 through March 31, 1956 and leave without pay from April 1, 1956 through May 31, 1956.

(11) Reuben Johnson, Assistant Director of Student Personnel, leave without pay, August 15, 1955 through July 1, 1956. To attend Army War College.


(13) John Kolega, Instructor in Agricultural Engineering, three weeks special leave with pay, summer 1955. To attend six week summer session, three weeks on special leave and three weeks on annual vacation time.
9. Leaves of absence (Continued)


(16) John P. Lukens, Assistant County Club Agent, Hartford County, June 6 through June 25, 1955. To attend summer school at University of Wisconsin. Three weeks on special leave.


(18) Satenig Sahjian, Associate Home Demonstration Agent, New Haven County, July 10 through August 28, 1955. To attend Columbia University. Three weeks on special leave, four weeks on annual vacation time.


(20) Isidore Silver, Professor of Foreign Languages, sabbatic leave academic year 1955-56. To accept Fulbright Scholarship.

(21) John L. Traugott, Instructor in English, leave without pay academic year 1955-56. To accept Food Fellowship.

(22) Dorothy Trepal, Special Research Technician in Rural Sociology, leave without pay commencing August 1, 1955 for two to three weeks.

(23) Marion Watson, Associate County Club Agent, Middlesex County, July 5 through August 13, 1955. To attend Cornell University workshop. Three weeks on special leave, three weeks on vacation time.

(24) Albert E. VanDusen, Assistant Professor of History, revised request for leave: Sabbatic leave full academic year 1955-56 instead of second semester 1955-56.


10. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following scholarships, financial aids, and gifts and instructed the President to write appropriate letters of appreciation:

(1) $450 from Charles H. Hood Dairy Foundation for scholarships as follows:
   $250 - College of Agriculture
   $200 - Ratcliffe Hicks School of Agriculture
10. Scholarships, etc. (Continued)

(2) $600 Connecticut Union of Telephone Workers Scholarship for 1955-56.

(3) $150 Curtis P. Gladding Memorial Scholarship for 1955-56.

(4) $1,000 Connecticut Vegetable Growers' Association Scholarship for 1955-56.

(5) $100 from Herman W. West Hartford, to be added to Emily Elise Wolf Memorial Scholarship Fund.

(6) $150 from Plainville High School for scholarship for Plainville student.

(7) $50 from Alpha Phi Omega to be used for scholarships purposes.

(8) $500 Interfraternity Council Scholarship for 1955-56.

(9) $300 Charles M. Cox Trust Fund Scholarships for 1955-56.

(10) $135 from Student Organization of School of Social Work to be added to Scholarship Fund.

(11) $150 Charles S. Leete Company scholarship for 1955-56.

(12) $300 Connecticut Pharmaceutical Association Scholarship for 1955-56.

(13) $100 from girls in Holcomb Hall to be used for scholarship purposes.

(14) $50 from Mr. John J. Mahoney, Boston, to be added to scholarship fund.

(15) $21.20 from Service League of New Britain to be added to previous donation from this organization for scholarship purposes.

(16) $200 from Archons to be used for scholarship purposes.

(17) $50 from Universal Craftsmen, Council of Engineers, to be used for scholarship purposes.

(18) $500 Edward A. Suisman Foundation Scholarship.

(19) $600 from Hartford Chapter of University of Connecticut Alumni Association for scholarship purposes.

(20) $200 Westinghouse Achievement Scholarship for 1955-56.

(21) $200 from Junior League of New Haven, Inc. to School of Social Work for scholarship purposes.
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10. Scholarships, etc. (Continued)

(22) $100 from Connecticut State Union of Colored Women's Clubs to School of Social Work for 1955-56 Scholarship.

(23) $4,000 to cover Philip Lauter Foundation scholarships for four years.

(24) $1,000 Connecticut State CIO Council Scholarships for 1955-56.

(25) $350 from Sumner Simpson Scholarship Fund of Raybestos-Manhattan Speakers Club to provide financial aid to Robert Sapack.

(26) $350 from Sumner Simpson Scholarship Fund of Raybestos-Manhattan Speakers Club to provide financial aid to Louis Euerle.

(27) $350 from Sumner Simpson Scholarship Fund of Raybestos-Manhattan Speakers Club to provide financial aid to Norma Wolski.

(28) $50 from Crusade Scholarships, New York, to provide financial aid to Matthew Bossman.

(29) $33 from Wilbur Cross High School to provide financial aid to Daniel Coughlin.

(30) $200 from the Will of Ella Thayer to provide financial aid to the following:

- Lynn Wiitanen  - $200
- Robert Miner    - 200
- Normand Bellerose- 200
- Dean Hogan      - 200

(31) $75 from Helping Hand Fund, Wethersfield Rotary Club, to provide financial aid to Stanley M. Bytrowski.

(32) $125 from Bloomfield Lions Club to provide financial aid to Joyce Keating.

(33) $200 from Slueman Foundation, Inc. to provide financial aid to Dorothy Billington.

(34) $250 from Philip Lauter Foundation, Inc. to provide financial aid to Wayne Davis.

(35) $250 from Autoyre Foundation to provide financial aid to Nicholas Daddona.

(36) $25 from Veteran Pharmacists Association representing annual Kreimendahl Memorial Prize to College of Pharmacy.

(37) $250 from Samuel C. Brody, Newton, Massachusetts, to be used for financial aid purposes.
10. Scholarships, etc. (Continued)

(38) $350 from Kiwanis Club of Westport to provide financial aid to Mary Ann Butner.

(39) $150 from Waterbury Chapter of University of Connecticut Alumni Association to provide financial aid to Elizabeth A. Desmairis.

(40) $125 from Waterbury Chapter of University of Connecticut Alumni Association to provide financial aid to Sandra Cook Chanson.

(41) $200 from Robert Z. Greene Foundation to provide financial aid to Philip G. Barber.

(42) $125 from Connecticut Society of Certified Public Accountants to provide financial aid to Charles H. Mott - $100
Walter Koski - $25

(43) $250 from the Edward S. Russell Memorial Scholarship Fund to provide financial aid to Peter Driscoll.

(44) $100 from the Business and Professional Women's Club of Milford, Connecticut, to provide financial aid to Phyllis Angell.

(45) $200 from Federated Garden Clubs of Darien Scholarship for 1955-56.

(46) Gift of subscription to the Modern Drug Encyclopedia annually to student showing unusual proficiency in practical and theoretical aspects of Dispensing Pharmacy by the C. G. Spalding Company of Branford.

(47) Gift of 133 missing and out-of-print folios of the famous U.S. Geological Survey Atlas to Department of Geology by Dr. Arthur A. Baker, Administrative Geologist.

(48) Gift of $11.00 from North Campus Judiciary Board to be used for financial aid purposes.

(49) Gift of six volumes of "American Medicinal Plants" to School of Pharmacy by Mr. Sanford Glassman, of New London.

(50) Gift of Angevine Acidity Milk Tester to Dairy Manufacturing Section of Animal Industries Department by various contributors who attended the January 1955 special short course held on the University campus.

(51) Gift of Birtcher Megason Ultrasonic Unit from The Birtcher Corporation, Los Angeles, to School of Physical Therapy.
10. Scholarships, etc. (Continued)

(52) $100 Nutmeg Hoo-Hoo Club Scholarship for 1955-56.

(53) $350 from Rotary Club of Medford, Massachusetts, to provide financial aid to Phyllis E. Stevens.

(54) $375 from Frank Gannett Newspaperboy Scholarships, Inc. to provide financial aid to Louis C. Olmstead.

(55) $250 from The Bedford Fund, Inc. to provide financial aid to Anthony T. Gilbertis.

(56) $100 from John L. Chapman Memorial Scholarship Fund to provide financial aid to Florence Rubin.

(57) Gift of set of twenty-four pictures from Parks Davis Company to School of Pharmacy.

(58) Gift of painting by David Langrock, New Haven, entitled "Rare Day in June."

(59) Gift of crystal calibrator from Metronix, Inc. to Electrical Engineering Department.

(60) Gift of $15.50 from Pharmacy Class of 1955 to be used for the purchase of a sundial for Pharmacy courtyard area.

(61) $75 from Miss Emily O. Krajeik, Stratford, representing annual Alice-Esther Garvin Memorial Prize to School of Pharmacy.

(62) $20 from Francis B. Cole, Elmwood, representing annual prize for window display contest sponsored by School of Pharmacy.

(63) $25 from Bridgeport Pharmaceutical Association representing Joseph Prokop Memorial Award to School of Pharmacy.

(64) $500 from Connecticut Society for Crippled Children and Adults, Inc. to School of Home Economics.

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

(1) $2000 from The Feeler Company to continue research fellowships in connection with project entitled "Investigation directed toward the efficiency of trichomonacidal preparations."

(2) $1000 from New Jersey Cooperative Breeders Association for research in Animal Diseases.

(3) $1000 Charles LeGeyt Fortescu Fellowship of American Institute of Electrical Engineers.
11. Research Grants (Continued)

(4) $375 from American Foundation for Pharmaceutical Education representing graduate fellowship for Eugene N. Greenblatt.

(5) $500 from B. F. Goodrich Chemical Company in support of research project being conducted by the Animal Industries Department.

(6) $1,560 from Ralston Purina Company representing a fellowship award to Donald R. Casorese.

(7) $2,260 from Social Science Research Council representing faculty research fellowship to Melford E. Spiro.

(8) $2,500 from American Dehydrators Association in support of research in connection with the feeding of dehydrated alfalfa to dairy animals, being conducted by Dr. Eaton of the Animal Industries Department.

(9) $500 from National Society of The Sigma Xi in connection with two research fellowships in support of research entitled "The fountain effect and heat conductivity in wide channels of Helium II."

(10) $3,000 from Charles H. Hood Dairy Foundation to Storrs Agricultural Experiment Station in support of the following research projects:

$500 - Title: "Covers for trench and bunker silos."

$2,250 - "Use of Antioxidant in dairy cow rations." This represents the first of six semi-annual installments on a total grant of $15,000.

12. THE BOARD VOTED to ratify approval of candidates for graduation which were approved by letter in May, 1955. A copy of the graduation program which contains the list of all graduates for the June 1955 Commencement will be filed in the Board minutes as a record of these graduates. Each Trustee has been mailed a copy of this program for the files of each Trustee.

13. THE BOARD VOTED to ratify approval of the annual operating budget for the year beginning July 1, 1955 expressed by letter in May, 1955.


The office of the University Registrar reports a 36 per cent overall increase over last year in the number of students taking courses for credit as compared with 1,320 in 1954. This figure includes those registered for the regular six weeks term and those registered for credit in five workshops. There is a 56 per cent increase in undergraduate summer enrollment which totals 1,105 this summer as against
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707 a year ago. Graduate students taking courses in the regular
summer term total 563, representing a 10 per cent increase over
the 512 enrolled last year.


Applications as of July 8, 1955 for admission in September of 1955
total 5965 as compared to 5248 on the same date one year ago.

Admission letters (Storrs) total 2851 as compared to 2562 one year
ago. Admission letters at the Branches total 396 as compared to
300 one year ago on the same date.

Paid fees - main campus - 1870 compared to 1725 a year ago on the
same date. Paid fees for September of 1955 indicate an increase
of 8½% over last year on the same date (July 8).

Admission letters for September of 1955 show an increase of 11%
over last year on the same date (July 8).

Applications for September of 1955 show an increase of 13%
aver last year on the same date (July 8).

16. Provost Waugh, Dr. Knoblauch (Director of University Extension,
including the Branches), and the President recommended to the Board
of Trustees that professional staff members at the Branches be
governed by the same appointment, promotion, and tenure policies
as apply to the professional staff members on the main campus
and at the off-campus professional schools.

THE BOARD VOTED to approve the recommendation.

17. Mr. L. C. Riccio, University Comptroller, recommended approval of
a request from the Connecticut Light and Power Company for a
right-of-way across the eastern end of the filter bed area to permit
them to "tie in" the new transformer station now being constructed
on the North Eagleville Road. Mr. Riccio advised that the
University will receive in the neighborhood of $750 for this right-
of-way, the amount to be determined on the same basis as payments
to private land owners in the area for similar right-of-way
privileges. The matter will be referred to the Attorney General
for review in connection with granting the right-of-way privileges
and the payment of money.

THE BOARD VOTED to approve granting this right-of-way to the
Connecticut Light and Power Company subject to review and approval
by the Office of the Attorney General.

18. The President reported to the Trustees on the matter of housing
University student nurses at Grace-New Haven Community Hospital
in New Haven. Dr. Albert W. Snook, Director of the Hospital,
advised the President on July 1, 1955 that apparently a plan has
been determined for housing "a minimum of one hundred and a
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maximum of one hundred and twenty University of Connecticut third and fourth year nursing students," A copy of this letter is made a matter of record in these minutes.

Dean Widmer and the President will keep in contact with Dr. Snoke to complete the final arrangements for the housing of University of Connecticut third and fourth year nursing students at the Grace-New Haven Community Hospital without obligating the State financially for:

(1) Constructing a dormitory for University of Connecticut nurses

(2) Remodeling facilities in New Haven, or

(3) Paying rent for the housing of student nurses in New Haven.

19. The President discussed a communication and resolution received from the Trustees of Quinnipiac and Larson Colleges. After discussion, THE BOARD VOTED to refer the matter to the Special Liaison Committee of the Board of Trustees.

20. The President advised the Board of Trustees of a visit to his office by Mr. Alfred M. Bingham, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Mitchell College in New London and by Mr. Moller, President of Mitchell College.

The subject matter of the conference was covered by a letter addressed by the President to Mr. Bingham on July 14, 1955. A copy of this letter is made a matter of record in the files of the Board.

21. The President reported to the Board of Trustees on several visits to his office by Mr. Clyde Keutzer, Director of the Hartford School of Music. The subject matter of these conferences is covered by a communication addressed by the President to Mr. Alfred C. Fuller, a Trustee, on July 14, 1955. A copy of this letter is made a matter of record in the files of the Board.

22. The President reviewed with the Trustees the Governor's directive requesting all State agencies to reduce annual operating appropriations (State funds) by 7% for the Personal Services appropriations for the current fiscal year. The President advised the Board that a communication was addressed to the State Budget Director on July 11, 1955. The subject matter of this letter was reviewed with the Budget Director and with the Budget Examiner for the University, Comptroller L. C. Riccio and Assistant Comptroller John M. Trail. As a result of this conference, another communication was addressed to the State Budget Director on July 19, 1955 by Mr. John M. Trail, Assistant Comptroller of the University.

THE BOARD VOTED to refer the matter to the Special Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees and authorized the Committee to review the entire operating program of the University and to confer with
appropria" State fiscal authorities when necessary. Any 
adjustments to be made in the financial and operating program 
of the University to be referred back to the full Board for 
decision and action.

23. The President discussed with the Trustees the recent announcement 
of a cooperative graduate engineering program of the United Aircraft 
Corporation and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. The President 
advised the Board that he and Mr. H. M. Horner, President of the 
United Aircraft Corporation were in correspondence regarding the 
University's graduate offerings which presently enrolls 61 engineers 
employed by the United Aircraft. Mr. Horner has invited the 
President to meet with him to review the matter and expressed support 
of the University's program and its continuation.

24. The President reviewed briefly the decisions of the 1955 Session 
of the General Assembly with respect to University requests. 
The following capital projects received approval by both houses:

HB2143. An Act amending an Act to authorize the State to issue 
bonds for the construction of self-liquidating faculty 
housing at the University of Connecticut replacing 
temporary faculty housing facilities.

HB2132. An Act authorizing the State to issue bonds to construct 
self-liquidating central commissary and commons facilities 
at the University of Connecticut. ($1,500,000).

HB2127. An Act authorizing the State to issue bonds for the 
construction of self-liquidating University 
secondary school ($1,200,000).

HB2131. An Act authorizing the State to issue bonds to replace 
temporary classroom buildings and to provide minimum 
educational plant facilities at the University of Connecticut 
to meet requirements of present educational programs and 
services.

New classroom facilities (social sciences, 
arts, humanities) ...................... $3,837,000.

Engineering facilities ..................... 1,313,100.

Central receiving and issuing warehouse ... 615,000.

To provide equipment for science and 
agriculture buildings .................. 943,000.

Poultry building ......................... 1,024,843.
HB2126. An Act authorizing the State to issue bonds for the construction of self-liquidating dormitories at the University of Connecticut ($1,500,000).

In the regular session—passed the House, failed to pass the Senate. In the special session, passed the Senate, failed to be introduced in the House.

HB2129. An Act authorizing the State to issue bonds for the construction of self-liquidating housing at the University of Connecticut for married graduate students and secretarial personnel. ($990,000).

In the regular session—passed the House, failed to pass the Senate. In the special session, passed the Senate, failed to be introduced in the House.

HB913. An Act authorizing the State to issue bonds to provide at the University of Connecticut (1) general classroom facilities and (2) a life science building to meet enrollment increases.

Did not receive committee approval.

The General Assembly approved State appropriations for the annual operating budget of the University based on adjusted estimated expenditures for the fiscal year which ended June 30, 1955.

Additions were made to provide for:

(a) Mandatory increases for the classified staff

(b) Merit increases for the professional staff equal to one step for each rank

(c) Approximately $68,000 in State appropriations for new positions.

25. The Trustees discussed the action of the General Assembly in transferring the Noank Lobster Hatchery to the University to be operated as a marine biology laboratory. The Trustees expressed doubt as to the assumption of this obligation by the University. Reference was made to testimony given at the legislative hearings to the effect that the six New England Land-Grant colleges, by action of the Boards of Control of these institutions, determined the special programs at each of the institutions which should be operated on a regional basis. This action included identifying the marine biology laboratory of the University of Rhode Island as a regional school. While information was not available as to the actual amount appropriated to the University for the operation of the Hatchery, it would appear that funds are inadequate to develop an effective program. The University would undoubtedly be criticized if the University is required to develop a marine
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biology laboratory and results prove to be negative rather than positive in re-establishing the fishing and lobster industries of the Connecticut coastal areas. It was also felt that the future would require increased funds which again might prove to be a source of criticism of the University.

THE BOARD VOTED to request the President to communicate with the Governor and express the Trustees' doubts as to the assumption of this obligation and to recognize, if possible, the University of Rhode Island marine biology laboratory as the regional laboratory.

26. The President presented the following list indicating unfinished business as indicated by a review of the minutes of the Board of Trustees for the past year:

1. Policy for naming of rooms or facilities in existing buildings. PP2239, Item 11.

2. Allotment of funds for institutional membership in the American Mathematical Society; purchase of reprints for staff members; payments to various learned journals of page charges for material which they publish which was written by members of our staff. PP2239, Item 12.


4. Collection of fines for parking and traffic violations within campus. PP2261, Item 12.

5. Compulsory Class Attendance. PP2200, Item 6 PP2275, Item 16.

6. Review of Revolving Fund Accounts for the sale of farm products. PP2172, Item 6 (1).


11. Student Health and Accident Insurance.

12. Correction of Minute of February 2, 1955. PP2260, third paragraph. Substitute "committee" for "administration".
The Board disposed of the following items:

Item 12. THE BOARD VOTED to correct the minute of February 2, 1955 substituting the word "committee" for "administration" on Page 2260, Paragraph 3, Line 1.

Item 11. This matter was discussed by Mr. Watson and THE BOARD VOTED to refer the matter to Mr. Riccio, University Comptroller, requesting him to contact the Hartford insurance agencies, setting forth the desirable features of a "Student Health and Accident Insurance" program, and asking the Hartford companies if they are interested in setting up such a program.

THE BOARD VOTED FURTHER to approve a voluntary student health and accident insurance program providing the University was in no way obligated to administer the program in any detail and without financial obligation to any degree.

Item 6. The President advised the Board of Trustees that since the preparation of the agenda, the lease for the Waterbury Branch has been signed with the approval of the Attorney General. The lease provides for an annual payment of $1.00 for the next ten years with an option to renew on the same basis for another ten years.

Item 5. The Trustees expressed grave concern that the question of compulsory class attendance had not yet been reviewed by the appropriate University agencies and a report made to implement such class attendance requirements as seem indicated, to be effective by the opening of college in September, 1955.

The Trustees were unanimous in their concern over the many public relations reactions that repeatedly come to their attention and feel that the University should require attendance at least on the part of all freshman and sophomore students.

THE BOARD VOTED to request the President to communicate through Provost Waugh with the appropriate faculty committees and to urge such consideration of the matter as will enable them to prepare a report to be presented to the Board of Trustees not later than August 15, 1955.

Other items will be referred to special committees of the Board of Trustees or individual Trustees as may seem indicated, looking forward to reports at early meetings of the Board.
27. Mr. Shippee, Chairman of the Board, presented to the Trustees a revised "Statement of Agreement of the State Board of Education and the Board of Trustees of the University of Connecticut."

After an explanation by Mr. Shippee, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the revised statement. A copy of this statement is made a matter of record in these minutes.

28. THE BOARD VOTED a salary increase of one step for the President, to be effective July 1, 1955.

29. The President advised the Trustees that the Executive Committee of the Graduate School and the Graduate faculty voted to award a Master of Education degree at the meeting on June 8, 1955. This action was taken to implement the recommendations of the Liaison Committee.

30. Mr. Watson reported to the Board of Trustees that he had filed with the Appropriations Committee of the 1955 General Assembly and the Budget Division, a letter prepared by the President which listed the capital projects approved by the Board of Trustees for construction during the biennium 1955-57 and to be financed from University Revolving Funds.

THE BOARD VOTED to approve of the action of Mr. Watson and approved of the suggestion that henceforth capital projects financed out of Revolving Funds be included as part of the budget presentations to the General Assembly at each session.

31. The President advised the Trustees that after consultation with the appropriate professional groups at the University of Connecticut, he prepared for the Commissioner of Public Works a priority listing of the new construction authorized for the University by the 1955 Session of the General Assembly.

Respectfully submitted,

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