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MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES
of the
CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE
held at
Storrs, Conn., June 9, 1928 at 2 P.M.

Present: Dr. Wood, Dr. Meredith, Mrs. Vinton, Messrs. Hollister, Hough, Buckingham, Manchester, Green, and Longley.

1. IT WAS VOTED: To approve of the entire action of the Executive Committee at their meeting of May 31, 1928.

2. The Comptroller reported that the finances of the College Division were in much better condition at the end of May than they had been the month before. The May report showed that the College Division was $9,504.24 under the allowance. It is quite probable, however, that the greater part of this will be used by the end of June.

3. The Comptroller reported that at a meeting of the State Board of Finance and Control on June 7, it was voted to appropriate $18,000. for completing four filter beds, laying the main sewer line from the old beds to the settling tanks, building one sludge bed, laying a drain line to carry surface water from the area north of the filters, and sodding the banks.

He further reported that there was need of additional funds for relaying the sewer line from the rear of the residence occupied by Dr. Sinnott to the new storage tank. This is a 6” line and should be replaced with an 8” to provide for the increased flow of sewage from faculty cottages both on the campus and the new development. The estimated cost is from $1500. to $1800.

IT WAS VOTED: To approve of this replacement and request the next General Assembly to appropriate money for this work.

4. The Comptroller submitted the resignation of Dr. E. W. Sinnott, Dean of the Division of Agricultural Science, effective September 1.

IT WAS VOTED: To accept Dr. Sinnott’s resignation, with an expression of deep regret.

5. President Beach recommended that Professor George H. Lamson be appointed Dean of Agricultural Science.

IT WAS VOTED: To approve the President’s recommendation.
6. The Comptroller reported that the state auditors had requested that deductions for college accounts be made from salaries. Because of the fact that a number of employees advance funds for traveling expenses, the Comptroller recommended a deduction only of unpaid bills of the previous month. Mr. Longley stated that this action had the approval of Commissioner Hall.

IT WAS VOTED: To deduct unpaid bills appearing on the books the 15th of the month from salary checks for the following month.

7. As the Poultry Department finds it difficult to secure entries to fill 140 contest pens, the Comptroller recommended that the number be reduced to 120 pens and that all entrants be required to pay the full fee of $30.00 before the entry is accepted.

Dr. Wood moved that the matter be left for conference between the Poultry Department and the Executive Committee, and it was so voted.

8. The Comptroller reported that several of the departments use their labor in dull times to make repairs to buildings. This work is far from satisfactory and often causes the department budget to be exceeded.

IT WAS VOTED: That all maintenance and major repairs be made by the College Buildings Department.

9. The Comptroller stated that since the Board of Trustees had voted to pay Professor White's railroad fare both ways to the annual meeting of the American Dairy Science Association at Madison, Wisconsin, Mr. Slate had written him that the Experiment Station was paying Miss Clapp's expenses to the official conference of Home Economics workers called for June 25-26-27 at Des Moines, Iowa. Mr. Longley suggested that a definite ruling be made in regard to travel allowances.

It was brought out that the conference in Des Moines was called by the federal government and that attendance was practically obligatory, whereas the meeting in Madison was one at which attendance was not compulsory and from which Professor White would probably derive as much benefit as the College.

IT WAS VOTED: To approve of Miss Clapp's travel expenses to Des Moines, Iowa.

10. At a meeting of the Trustees on November 2, 1927, the President was asked to secure from Mrs. Newton D. Barney approval to use a portion of the Dunham Fund for the purchase of chimes to be installed in the church tower. The President reported that he wrote Mrs. Barney but never received a reply.

It was the opinion of those present that Mr. Alsop should be asked to secure Mrs. Barney's consent before September.
11. The President suggested that there might be among the Extension workers a woman fitted to fill the position of Dean of the Division of Home Economics and Dean of Women, and the name of Edith L. Mason was brought up for consideration.

Miss Ella J. Rose, a former instructor, had previously been recommended both by Mrs. Hendrickson and Miss Dorothy Buckley.

IT WAS VOTED: To ask Mrs. Vinton to communicate with Miss Rose regarding the position and report her reaction at the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

IT WAS FURTHER VOTED: To give the Executive Committee authority to engage Miss Rose as Dean of the Division of Home Economics and Dean of Women if she would accept the position.

12. The Comptroller reported that a letter had been received from Mr. Fred Parker, General Manager of the Connecticut State Fair asking if the College desired space reserved the same as last year. The approximate cost of exhibiting at this Fair is $2000.

IT WAS VOTED: To exhibit at the Connecticut State Fair as usual.

13. A letter was read from Professor White stating that he had had an invitation from the Board of Directors of the Oregon State Fair to judge Jerseys at Salem, Oregon on Monday, September 24, and that he would very much like to be granted sufficient leave to enable him to fill this engagement.

IT WAS VOTED: To allow Professor White to judge at Salem on September 24, 1928.

14. The Comptroller reported that part of the roof was on the new classroom building and suggested that the insurance of $20,000. being carried on the building be increased.

IT WAS VOTED: To instruct Mr. Longley to increase the insurance on the new classroom building from $20,000. to $50,000.

15. Mr. Hough called attention to the motion passed at a previous meeting in regard to branding reactors. A statement was submitted showing that of the $4000. chargeable to service in connection with abortion testing last year, only about $1400. was covered by fees. Mr. Hough urged that if the extra cost of branding was worth while and in demand, the herd owners should be willing to pay enough for the department to go on with the work. The charge is now $1.00 for the initial test and 50¢ for each subsequent blood test. He suggested that the fees be doubled.

IT WAS VOTED: To double the fees as recommended by Mr. Hough.
16. IT WAS VOTED: To approve the College Division budget totaling $5,422,685.67 as recommended by the Executive Committee.

17. Mrs. Vinton called attention to the fact that the name plate on the William Henry Hall Dormitory was lettered:

    WILLIAM HENRY
    HALL DORMITORY

instead of

    WILLIAM HENRY HALL
    DORMITORY

as originally specified and approved by the Board.

IT WAS VOTED: That the name plate be changed to agree with the first recommendation.

The meeting then adjourned.

WALTER C. WOOD - Secretary