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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
held in Hartford, March 3, 1943

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| Present: Mr. Hollister | Mr. King |
| Mr. Spencer | Mrs. Dadourian |
| Mr. Fox | Mr. Jorgensen |
| Mr. McDonough | |

This meeting was called, as authorized by the Board action of December 16, 1942, for the purpose of discussing contracts with the War Department for the training of Army specialists at the University.

Board members attending thought it wise to take up the items on the agenda prepared for the meeting of February 17, which had to be cancelled. Since there were only six Board members present, the following actions were taken subject to the approval of absentee members. Absentee members were asked to approve or disapprove in writing the actions taken by the Board members who were present.

1. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the minutes of the meeting of December 16, 1942.
2. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following resignations:
 - (1) Leonard W. Ferguson, Assistant Professor of Psychology, January 21, 1943.
 - (2) Waldemar Hagen, Director of Vocational Counseling and Placement, Assistant Professor of Education, February 4, 1943.
 - (3) Wesley P. Judkins, Assistant Professor of Pomology, January 31, 1943.
 - (4) George L. Peterson, Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics, February 15, 1943.
 - (5) Maria S. Preston, Club Agent in Home Economics, effective between March 1 and April 1, 1943.
 - (6) Marion J. Stevenson, Instructor in Animal Diseases, February 15, 1943.
 - (7) Garry A. Miles, Instructor in Poultry Husbandry and Horticulture, 4-H Clubs, April 1, 1943.
3. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following appointments:
 - (1) Josephine Boublik, Graduate Assistant in Education, extension to August 1, 1943.
 - (2) Marjorie Carter, Assistant Instructor in Home Economics (Nursery School), February 1, 1943 - May 31, 1943. Fifty cents per hour.
 - (3) Frederick W. Dauch, Instructor in Law, \$180 for semester, effective February 1, 1943.

- (4) David Crawford, Instructor in English, annual salary \$2040, effective February 1, 1943 - June 30, 1943. Replacing John Jacobson.
- (5) Olga Elena de Cillis, Instructor in Psychology, annual salary \$3000, effective February 1, 1943 - May 31, 1943. Replacing Leonard W. Ferguson.
- (6) John P. Faude, Instructor in Insurance, \$220 for two semesters, effective January 4, 1943.
- (7) Henry M. Hansen, County Club Agent, annual salary \$2100, effective March 1, 1943. Replacing James T. Laidlaw.
- (8) Louis F. Nassau, Instructor in Law, \$180 per semester, effective February 1, 1943.
- (9) Dorothy Keith, Graduate Assistant in Education, extension to August 1, 1943.
- (10) Franklin W. Southwick, Assistant Professor of Pomology, annual salary \$2640, effective April 1, 1943. Replacing Wesley P. Judkins.
- (11) Thomas Thale, Instructor in Psychology, \$350 for semester, effective February 1, 1943 - May 31, 1943. Replacing F. A. Mote, Jr.
- (12) J. B. McKee Arthur, Defense Program Instructor, salary \$850, effective February 1, 1943 - June 30, 1943.
- (13) Arthur B. Conrad, Defense Program Instructor, annual salary \$3480, effective March 1, 1943 - July 1, 1943.
- (14) Ruth J. Bradley, Instructor in English, salary \$250, effective February 1, 1943 - May 31, 1943.
- (15) Norma Bess Holmes, Instructor in Music, annual salary \$2040, effective March 1, 1943 - June 30, 1943. Replacing Martin Burton.
- (16) Lore Marx, Instructor in Animal Diseases, salary \$1100, plus \$700 U. S. D. A., effective April 1, 1943. Replacing Marion J. Stevenson.
- (17) Robert B. Harris, Instructor in Engineering, salary \$2400, effective March 1, 1943. Emergency position for Army engineering training program.

4. THE BOARD VOTED to accept and place on file the following requests for leave of absence:

Military

- (1) Courtney C. Bishop, Instructor in First Aid, College of Pharmacy, effective July 1, 1942.
- (2) John Jacobson, Associate Professor of English, January 20, 1943.
- (3) John T. Merrill, Assistant Editor, January 16, 1943.
- (4) Douglas B. Wright, Instructor in Insurance, January 4, 1943.
- (5) William F. Henry, Instructor in Agricultural Economics, March 1, 1943.

Non-military

- (1) W. Harrison Carter, Jr., Professor of Economics, work with State OPA, February 1, 1943 - September 16, 1943.
- (2) Hugh W. Hunter, Assistant Professor of Physics, effective February 1, 1943 - January 31, 1943, special research, U. S. government.

- (3) Lawrence H. Amundsen, extension of leave for one year, special research, United States Government.

THE BOARD VOTED to table the request for leave of Mildred P. French, Professor of Home Economics and Director of Housing.

5. THE BOARD VOTED to exempt the following from the requirement of Military Science:
- (1) Herbert Dineen - Physical disability
 - (2) Michael Hourigan - Physical disability
6. THE BOARD VOTED to approve a salary increase for Raymond G. Bressler, Jr., from \$3540 to \$4080, effective February 1, 1943.
7. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following retirements:
- (1) Albert E. Moss, Professor of Forestry, effective February 15, 1943.
 - (2) R. I. Longley, Comptroller, effective March 31, 1943.

THE BOARD VOTED to instruct the President to address a resolution to each of these men expressing the appreciation of the Board for the many years of excellent service which they have rendered.

8. THE BOARD VOTED to award the degree of Bachelor of Laws to the following February graduates of the College of Law:

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| Raymond E. Blank | Hugh Arthur Hoyt |
| Francis B. Feeley | James F. McGrath |
| Arthur William Feinstein | Martin Anthony Rader |
| Walter A. Hayes | Herbert J. Bundock |

THE BOARD VOTED to award the degree of Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy to the following February graduates of the College of Pharmacy:

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| Pasquale Acampora | Philip David Feltman | Nathan Morton Zuboff |
| Frederick Joseph Altieri | Jack Gordon | Herman Eisenstein |
| Raymond Alton Austin | Earl Cyril Hitchcock, Jr. | Sidney George Nowick |
| Milton Bellin | Sydney Leventhal | William Joseph Ryan |
| Marvin Botwick | Marshal Merkin | Wanda Jennie Butler |
| Edward Clinton Burt | Vivian Lucille Radachowsky | |
| Daniel Anthony Camillieri | Anthony Ralph Russo | |
| Frederic William Casioppo | Bernard Harold Steinberg | |
| Leo Joseph Collins | Carmelo Vasquez | |
| Saul William Fudow | Domenic Verrastro | |

9. The President discussed with the Board the awarding of suitable certificates to those students taking the Engineering Technicians Course in Waterbury and other students enrolled in two year programs administered by the University Extension service.

THE BOARD VOTED to authorize the President to prepare suitable certificates recognizing those students who have completed two year programs in University Extension.

10. Mr. Spencer asked the President if a recent review had been made of the investments of University endowment funds. It was agreed that the President would prepare a summary of investments of all funds. This summary to be mailed to each Board member and the matter to be discussed at the next regular Board meeting.

The President mentioned that Miss Hicks has expressed concern over the fact that the \$200,000 of Ratcliffe Hicks money intended to finance the Ratcliffe Hicks dormitory was lying idle in the bank. She feels quite strongly that the \$200,000 should be invested. It was suggested by Mr. Spencer that the money be invested in Government bonds which would draw probably 1% or slightly less. It was agreed that the President would discuss the matter with the Attorney General and advise the Meriden trustees of the Attorney General's decision regarding the investment of these funds.

11. The President discussed with the Board the possibility of ignoring livestock quotas established by the Board some time ago. The food situation is such that every effort should be made to step up poultry, egg, pork, beef, milk, vegetable, and fruit production. After the emergency the old quotas will be re-established. The President explained that the Board had authorized putting farm operations on a self-supporting basis. This has been discussed with the Appropriations Committee, the Budget Department, and the Governor. A plan for putting production phases of the farm on a revolving fund basis is now being developed. It will be necessary to increase farm help if food production is to be stepped up. An attempt is being made to secure the appointment of fifteen conscientious objectors, five to be assigned to the farm, five to custodial work, and five to work in University kitchens.

THE BOARD APPROVED of the plans being made as outlined.

12. The President discussed with the Board the difficulties of securing well trained men to fill positions of Plant Superintendent and Supervisor of University Dining Halls. The President stated that it might be necessary, in order to secure qualified persons, to appeal to the Governor to approve selections found outside of the Merit System.
13. The President discussed the need for post-war scholarship funds. It was agreed that the President would prepare a summary of existing scholarships and his recommendations for a post-war scholarship plan. This material to be sent out to the Board members for their information and review and the matter to be discussed at the next regular meeting of the Board.
14. The President discussed several bills which are now before the General Assembly. He advised the Board that he had opposed passage of House Bill 61 entitled "An Act concerning Reimbursement of Towns for Loss of Taxes on State-Owned Property." The bill has now been reported unfavorably.

Several bills have been introduced having to do with entrance requirements and post-war construction at the University. Because of the sponsorship and the language of the bills, it was agreed that the President would express disapproval of the bills.

Several bills have been introduced which only indirectly affect the University. The Board advised the President to contact a few legislators regarding the bills but considered it unwise for the President to appear at the hearings to express disapproval.

15. The President informed the Board of the selection of the University by the War Department for the training of Army Specialists (Army Engineers). Details of the contract are not available.

THE BOARD VOTED to authorize the President to sign a "no profit, no loss, 4% plant depreciation payment" contract, and to sign other contracts relating to the training of Army Specialists for the War Department as the need arises.

The President has been invited to attend a meeting in Boston on Wednesday, March 10, to discuss with representatives of the War Department details of the engineering curriculum and details of the contract.

The President explained that the University has requested a gross budget for the biennium and that any Federal funds received for the training of Army specialists will go into the General Fund as reimbursement unless requests for specialized training exceed existing facilities, staff, and budget provisions. If this should happen, the State will add to the appropriations of the University out of funds received from the Federal government. The Board was of the opinion that "plant depreciation payments" should be earmarked when turned over to the State so these funds can be made available to finance post-war building and equipment replacement.

16. The President discussed the hearing of the University budget before the Appropriations Committee and presented each Board member with a summary of the material presented.
17. The President summarized the enrollment situation for the current situation.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. Dadourian, Secretary