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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
of the
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
of the
CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE
held at
HOTEL HEUBLEIN
Hartford, Conn.

on
Wednesday, May 19, 1926 at 11:30 A. M.

~~Present:~~ Mrs. Vinton Mr. King Mr. Wood
 Mr. Manchester Mr. Alsop President Beach
 Mr. Buckingham Mr. Brown Mr. Longley

1. The President submitted the financial statement for the period July 1, 1925 to May 1, 1926, as follows:

	Five-sixths Budget	Expended Against Budget	Over or Under Allowance
College Division	\$324,267.54	\$318,075.19	\$6,192.35 <u>Under</u>
Experiment Station	47,499.95	46,693.20	1,806.75 <u>Under</u>
Extension Division	113,166.31	107,291.40	5,874.91 <u>Under</u>

2. THE TRUSTEES VOTED: to approve of the following list of candidates for graduation June 12th, 1926; as recommended by the Faculty:

BACHELORS OF SCIENCE

In the Course in Agriculture

- Charles Tolman Baker
- Wilson Seymour Beardsley
- George Dexter Brigham
- James Gilder Conklin
- Robert Sterling Filmer
- Lincoln Arthur Gilbert
- Hugh Scott Greer
- William Harry Griffin
- Peter Joseph Hohn
- Earl Henry Jagoe
- Edward Keenan Kane
- William George Kielwasser
- Garry Almon Miles
- Milton George Moore
- Wallace Sheldon Moreland
- Edwin Waldemar Nelson
- Mason Hibbard Parker
- Joseph Rabinowitz
- Marshall Leslie Seymour

William Byers Tiebout
Harold William Wardle
Leslie Alfred Wilcox

In the Course in Agricultural Science

Gerald Drake Allard
Paul Edward Bitgood
Carl Bernard Brink
Benjamin Arthur Brown
Lewellyn Stokes Dibble
William Francis Donovan
Carl Lester Fienemann
Wright Daniel Gifford
Lyman Henry Hitchcock
John Randolph Kuhl
Sidney Lewis
David Leslie McAllister
William Makofski
Archibald Joseph Mann
Oscar Manfred Nanfeldt
Olive Louise Nase
Reginald Titus Putnam
Lewis James Quigley
Joseph Rosenblatt
Ernest Elmer Speers
Lawrence Clinton Stanley
Amadeo Herbert Trotta

In the Course in Mechanical Engineering

Revere Hanney Beebe
Raymond Elliott Beveridge
Leland Eugene Evans
Arnold Russell Griffin
Morris Kaplan
John Leidy Oberly, as of the class of 1923
Charles Worthington Phelps
Ernest Franklin Post, as of the class of 1925.

In the Course in the Teaching of Home Economics

Hanna Dorothea Benson
Margaret Demander
Irene Ellis
Ruby May Gold
Helen Morgan Grant
Margaret Anderston Hutton
Carrie Elizabeth Main
Florence Helen Matthews
Hildur Elizabeth Scholander
Elizabeth Campbell Service
Pearl Mauda Tiffany

MASTER OF SCIENCE

AMOS Geer Avery
Marshall Everett Coe
Albert Edmund Waugh

3. IT WAS VOTED: that Mr. Moss be granted two months leave of absence, one month with pay and one month without pay, for the purpose of superintending the installation of the water line under the direction of Mr. Saville, Engineer of the Water Commission.
4. IT WAS VOTED: that I. G. Davis be granted six weeks leave of absence during the summer of 1926 for the purpose of study at the University of Wisconsin, and additional leaves during the next three years not to exceed six months in the total.
5. The President transmitted the resignation of M. Estelle Sprague, Dean of Women, College Division, and Home Demonstration Agent, Extension Service.
- IT WAS VOTED: that a leave of absence be granted Miss Sprague to September 15th with salary and resignation to be accepted as of that date; the Secretary to write a letter of appreciation of her services and expression of regret as to her resignation.
6. THE BOARD VOTED: to approve of the appointment of David L. Green as Registrar at a salary of \$2,000 to begin August 15th, 1926, vice Mr. G. S. Torrey, resigned.
7. IT WAS VOTED: to authorize the President to engage an instructor in Bacteriology, and to fill the position made vacant by the resignation of Miss Sprague.
8. The President submitted a brief outlining the need of investigation in Home Economics and recommends that it be referred to the Joint Purnell Committee for consideration:

STATEMENT OF NEEDS FOR RESEARCH IN HOME ECONOMICS

1.

The most pressing need in the development of a home economics program for Connecticut is a thorough and concrete study of conditions as they actually exist in Connecticut farm homes. Neither extension workers, teachers, nor any other group working with the farm homes of this state can hope to attain the largest possible degree of success until they have based their programs and methods on a comprehensive knowledge of home conditions and standards of living in all sorts of farm homes. The first step in the development of a well-rounded and effective program for improving living conditions on the farm is, therefore, a study for determining in detail standards of living in the farm home.

Just as in agriculture, a sound unified program of teaching, extension, and research failed

to develop until basic researches were conducted in farm organization and management, so in home economics, studies of standards of living and home management must precede the effective application of present existing subject matter to the problems of the farm home.

2.

It is generally accepted fact that for the best results in both fields, teaching and research should go along side by side. Home Economics has not reached that stage of development already attained by the natural sciences and to a large degree by farm management and the agricultural sciences where teaching can be very largely based on well-established scientific conclusions. The teacher of home economics still finds it necessary to draw heavily on personal observation, experience, and opinion for the content of her courses. It is therefore particularly important that opportunity be created for teachers and graduate students to do original work in developing the subject matter of this science which is, in many respects, the most important of all sciences to the welfare of men.

3.

The insistent need for the development of research work in home economics is recognized by the Purnell Bill itself, by the Brief filed by the Association of Land Grant Colleges in support of the bill, and by the utterances of those other individuals and groups advocating the passage of the bill.

In the last analysis, not farm profits, but a more satisfactory life is the end of agricultural activity.

PROPOSED PROJECTS

- (a) Standards of living in farm homes in Connecticut.
- (b) Textile Analysis, i.e., study of household and clothing fabrics from the viewpoint of the consumer.
- (c) Time study in Household Operation.

9. The President reported progress in the preparation of plans and specifications for sewage disposal. A suitable site as regards soil texture has been tentatively selected on land owned by John Costello, 40 acres valued at \$4,000. Complete plans and specifications with estimates of cost are being prepared by Warren J. Scott, Department of Sanitary Engineering of the State Department of Health.
10. THE BOARD VOTED: to approve of the additions to the budget as recommended by R. I. Longley, Comptroller, as follows:

Business Office:

Painting Packard	\$95.00	
Office supplies and printing	411.37	\$506.37 ✓
(neither of these items was included in budget)		

Publicity:

To make up deficit caused by charge from Extension for two years cost of Extension Service News, \$800.		
Amount to make up deficit		500.00 ✓

Dairy Department:

To cover extra labor cost of clearing land	500.00	
Extermination of rats (Birchard System)	50.00	550.00 ✓

Forestry Department:

Purchase of tents and equipment for summer forestry camp		200.00 ✓
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Home Economics Dept:

To cover cost of extra janitor service not included in budget	442.35	
Living room furniture for Practice House not included	300.00	742.35 ✓

Library:

Purchase of books		300.00 ✓
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Vegetable Gardening:

Extension of water line to hot beds and installation of heater		150.00 ✓
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Insurance:

Additional premiums because of re-writing of schedule and reapportionment of coverage		2115.00 ✓
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Fuel & Light:

For the purchase of:		
500 fr. ton bit. coal @ \$7.46	3730.00	
200 gr. ton anth. coal @ \$13.95	2790.00	6520.00 ✓

Nurse & Medical Service:

To cover cost of special nurses to
 relieve Miss Peck and help in care
 of students confined to Infirmary ...\$189.50
 Extra Janitor service 149.56 \$339.06 ✓

Grounds Department:

To cover the cost of treatment of
 roadways by Highway Department 500.00 ✓

Farm Department:

Purchase of a portable conveyor for
 use at the Coal Trestle 600.00 ✓

\$12,922.78

11. The President reported that the Board of Control has authorized the College to install the return steam main line from the Dairy Building and Holcomb Hall without competitive bids.
12. IT WAS VOTED: that Mr. Longley be authorized to deed to the Storrs Congregational Church a plot of land on which the west end of the Community House now stands together with a plot 30 feet wide on the west side and 20 ft. wide on the north side, approximately 90 ft. x 60 ft. (5400 sq. ft.).
13. The President reported that Baccalaureate is scheduled for Sunday June 6th. The Community House is to be dedicated on that date. Commencement will be held on Saturday June 12th. The main tablet for the William Henry Hall Dormitory will be unveiled at this time.
14. IT WAS VOTED: to approve of the recommendation for the increase in salaries of Nelde L. Peck, College Nurse, from \$1850 to \$2,000; Ethel M. Carr, Manager of Dining Hall, from \$2400 to \$2650, effective July 1st, 1926.
15. The President reported that repairs and alterations to the Main Building, as recommended by Payne & Keefe and approved by the Board of Control, are in progress.
16. IT WAS VOTED: to petition the Board of Finance for approval to increase the maximum salary of secretaries and stenographers from \$1300 to \$1400 per year.
17. A letter was read from A. F. Hawes, State Forest Fire Warden, commending Professor Moss, Mr. Doppel, and students of the College for the valuable service rendered in connection with control of fire in Windham County May 12th, 13th, and 14th.

The meeting then adjourned.

WALTER C. WOOD - Secretary.