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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT held in Storrs, May 15, 1957

Present: Mr. Belden Mr. Marsh
Mr. Bishop Mr. Ryan
Mr. Brock Mr. Sanders
Mr. Fuller Mr. Schneller
Mr. Gill Mr. Shippes

Mr. Jorgensen

- 1. The minutes of the meeting of April 17, 1957, having been mailed out, were approved without being read.
- 2. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following resignations:
  - (1) Maurine Adelsperger, Junior Librarian, effective August 31, 1957.
  - (2) Edith Erickson, Resident Educational Counselor, effective April 23, 1957.
- THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following appointments:
  - (1) Donald William Friedman, M.S., Departmental Assistant Senior Grade, Division of Communications, \$4200, May 15, 1957. Replacing Charles Niles.
  - (2) Walter Leonard Harper, B.S., Instructor in Floriculture, \$4920, July 1, 1957. Replacing Laurette Swingen.
  - (3) Francis Rice Trainor, M.A., Instructor in Botany, \$4380, September 16, 1957. Replacing Jesse F. Clovis.
- 4. THE BOARD VOTED to receive and place on file the following requests for leave of absence:
  - (1) William A. Aho, Associate Professor of Poultry Science, special leave with pay May 15, 1957 through June 15, 1957, two weeks of which will be considered vacation time.

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- 4. Leaves of absence (continued)
  - (2) Karl Bosworth, Associate Professor of Government and International Relations, sick leave with pay April 5, 1957 through May 17, 1957.
  - (3) Joseph Summers, Associate Professor of English, sabbatic leave changed from first semester 1957-58 to full academic year 1957-58. To accept Guggenheim Fellowship to write and carry on research in England.
  - (4) Doris Thomas, Assistant Supervisor of Nurses, special leave with pay March 25, 1957 through April 9, 1957. Death in family.
  - (5) Cora Webb, Home Demonstration Agent, Tolland County, leave without pay June 24, 1957 through June 23, 1958. To accept appointment with International Cooperation Administration in Beghdad, Iraq.
- 5. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following scholarships, financial aids and gifts and instructed the President to write appropriate letters of appreciation:
  - (1) \$500 Westinghouse Achievement Scholarship for 1957-58.
  - (2) \$100 from The Hartford Engineers Club to establish annual award of \$100 to be given to engineering student in his junior year for use in his senior year. Based on need and academic performance.
  - (3) \$200 from The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis to provide financial aid to Phyllis Bartell.
  - (4) \$250 from the American Society of Mechanical Engineers to establish the "American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Hartford Section, Scholarship" for 1957-58. Based on high academic high school record in science and mathematics, character, citizenship and financial need.
  - (5) \$50 from Tantasque Regional High School, Sturbridge, Massachusetts, to provide financial aid to Clara Gendreau.
  - (6) \$25 from the Quota Club of Hartford to be used for scholarship purposes.
  - (7) \$100 for Bradford P. Blake Scholarship for 1957-58.
  - (8) \$450 from The Ekco Foundation, Inc. to provide financial aid to Nicholas Daddona.
  - (9) \$3400 from the United Aircraft Corporation Fellowship Fund to provide graduate scholarships in Engineering for second semester of 1956-57.
  - (10) Gift of fifty books from Mrs. Percy Marks, Hamden, to Waterbury Branch Library in memory of her husband, Percy Marks, former instructor at the Waterbury Branch.

6. Research Projects.

THE BOARD VOTED to accept 40 shares of National Lead Company stock valued at \$5000 and 13 shares of International Business Machines Corporation stock valued at \$7800 received by way of the Committee on Un-American Activities to support research on the influence of nationality groups on American governmental policies, to be conducted under the direction of Dr. Louis L. Gerson, Department of Government and International Relations.

THE BOARD FURTHER VOTED to approve the use of \$12,000 from the University Research Foundation funds or an amount equivalent to the value of the stock with the understanding that Mr. Riccio, University Comptroller, would dispose of the stock as soon as possible and reimburse the Research Foundation Fund.

7. The President presented data on the candidates for degrees. As of the date of the Board meeting, the complete list of candidates was as follows:

College of Agriculture	54
College of Arts and Sciences	427
School of Business Administration	286
School of Education	78
School of Engineering	130
School of Home Economics	51
School of Law	55
College of Insurance	4
School of Nursing	4 66
School of Pharmacy	76
School of Physical Education	8
School of Physical Therapy	27
School of Agriculture - One Year	Ó
- Two Years	45
Graduate School - Master's	330
- Doctor's	44
	Total 1681

THE BOARD VOTED to approve the list of candidates for degrees with the provision that the Registrar, the appropriate dean, and the Provost may withhold the name or names of any candidates who fail to meet all graduation requirements on or before graduation day.

It was agreed that each Trustee would receive a printed copy of the Commencement Program which carries the final listing of all candidates for degrees by name, degree, school or college, and special area training.

8. The President discussed the necessity for preparing an operating budget for the fiscal year 1957-58, the first year of the coming biennium. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the procedure outlined in the letter which he had prepared for the Deans and Directors. A copy of this letter is made a matter of record in the files of the Board of Trustees.

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9. The President presented appropriate forms for the security clearance of Trustees in connection with the classified research carried on by the University and financed from Federal funds. The Secretary of the Board was authorized to sign the appropriate documents.

- 10. Mr. Brock discussed the death on April 25, 1957 of the late Harry Manchester of Winsted who was a graduate of the University and served as an Alumni Trustee for thirty-two years. The President suggested that he be authorized to request Professors Garrigus and Hollister to meet with him for the purpose of preparing an appropriate resolution, a copy of which would be filed with the records of the Board of Trustees and copies sent to the family.
- II. The President referred to a communication received on April 25, 1957 from President Weller of Mitchell College, New London. The communication, having to do with a possible affiliation with the University, indicated a degree of uncertainty suggested by a request for a meeting of the Mitchell College Trustees and the Board of Trustees of the University.

The President advised the Board that he wrote President Weller on May 1 indicating that since there was a degree of uncertainty suggested by the request for a meeting of the Mitchell College Trustees and our Board, that the Trustees of the University were not concerned about any details of affiliation - that the responsibility for such determination rested with the authorities of Mitchell College and the local community.

12. The Trustees discussed at considerable length communications received from members of the Student Senate. The Trustees were unanimous in feeling that these communications, directed to the Trustees, were out of order and therefore it was not in order that the individual Trustees reply to them.

The Trustees were unanimous in the belief that student communications should follow established channels and if it became necessary for communications to go to the Trustees, that they should be formally presented to the Board by way of the President's Office.

13. The Trustees discussed at considerable length the matter of student fees. THE BOARD WOTED that the fee section of the catalog should be specific with respect to all fees established by the Board of Trustees.

THE BOARD FURTHER VOTED that the Student Activity fee should be \$10.00 and distributed as follows:

- \$4.00 per student to the Governing Board of the Student Union to finance appropriate Student Union activities
- \$6.00 per student to the Student Senate, to be distributed approximately as follows:
  - (a) \$5.00 to finance the student paper (THE CAMPUS), the Nutmeg and the Husky Network
  - (b) \$1.00 to finance activities related to student self-government.

#### 13. Continued

It was the sense of the meeting that the Nutmeg and the student paper should become self-supporting on the basis of subscriptions and advertising and that, in time, this should be achieved.

It was the sense of the meeting, also, that areas of responsibility should continue to be defined as at present and restricted in order to eliminate confusion and misunderstanding. Among the areas so defined are the following:

- (a) Intramural activities to be the sole responsibility of the School of Physical Education.
- (b) Intercollegiate athletics to the responsibility of the Division of Intercollegiate Athletics.
- (c) Student convocations and University auditorium activities to be the responsibility of the Auditorium Advisory Committee and the Auditorium management.
- (d) Debate and dramatic productions and the management of the Little Theatre related thereto to be the responsibility of the Department of Speech and Drama of the College of Arts and Sciences and the Auditorium management.
- (e) Livestock judging activities to be the responsibility of the College of Agriculture.
- (f) All musical organizations and the management of these organizations to be the responsibility of the Department of Music of the College of Arts and Sciences.
- (g) The management of the Student Union Building and of the activities related thereto to be the responsibility of the Student-Faculty Governing Board.

It was the firm feeling of the Trustees that the Board of Trustees has the responsibility for relationships and contacts with the State Government and with the General Assembly as indicated in the general statutes and the laws and by-laws of the Board of Trustees.

- 14. The Trustees discussed at considerable length the matter of fees.
  THE BOARD VOTED to proceed with the study of a tuition for non-resident students, and tuition and fee charges for in-State students before determining any adjustment of fees. It was felt that a rational and realistic approach should be made to the consideration of fee adjustments.
- 15. The President discussed his concern with respect to legislative difficulties having to do with the favorable reports of the Finance Committee of the General Assembly on House Bill 893, An Act amending Section 3293 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1949, and House Bill No. 912, An Act amending Section 3292 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1949. The Trustees were urged

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## 15. Continued

and agreed to do what they could to secure the passage of these two important bills.

16. The President reported on the necessity for exercising more firmness with respect to the financial operations of several fraternities in accordance with agreements assigning dormitory facilities for fraternity occupancy. Several fraternities are in serious financial difficulties due to failure to collect board money from members resulting in failure to meet financial obligations to the University and to vendors of food stuffs.

Respectfully submitted,

-s- J. Ray Ryan

J. Ray Ryan, Secretary