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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  
November 18, 1925 at 11:30 A.M.

Present: Mr. Manchester                      Dr. Wood  
          Dr. Meredith                         Mr. Buckingham

Mrs. Vinton  
Also President Beach, Mr. Longley, and Mr. Perry.

1. The President reported expenditures for the first four months of the fiscal year as follows:

	Budget 4 mos.	Expended Against Budget	Expenditures Over or Under Allowance
College Division	\$128,703.82	\$129,097.75	\$ 393.93 Over
Extension Div.	45,226.25	42,550.44	2,675.81 Under
Experiment Sta.	19,333.30	19,597.10	243.80 Over.

2. Internal Receipts and Federal Appropriations deposited with State Treasurer:

July 1st to Sept. 30	\$131,259.57
Received Oct. 1 to 31	63,096.66
	\$194,356.23

3. The President reported that the following statement prepared by A. E. Brown, Secretary of the Board of Finance, was submitted to the Board of Control in connection with request for an appropriation for equipment for the fruit storage building:

"In response to your request of this morning I have looked up the matter of request of the Connecticut Agricultural College for equipment of cold storage building and beg to report as follows:

"Your request to the State Board of Finance for construction, equipment, etc., filed during August or September, 1924, and published on page 68 of their report for 1925-27, does not contain an item for equipment of cold storage building. House Bill 475, the original of which is on file in the office of the Secretary of the State, and a copy of which I am enclosing, makes certain changes in your original request to this Board, among which is the addition of the following: "For equipment of cold storage building seventeen thousand five hundred and twenty-two dollars."

"At the hearing on H.B. 475 and other college matters, held before the Committee on Appropriations February 5th, 1925, you spoke as follows in regard to this item:-

"The last item is equipment for fruit storage. Two years ago we asked for an appropriation for building and equipment and we received an appropriation of \$35,000 for building and equipment. It was less than we asked for, but we drew plans for this building, reserving enough for equipment, and took the plans to the Board of Control and asked them if we should go ahead with this type of building. We had changed the construction and cheapened it. They inquired if it was satisfactory, and we said "No, it is not". They gave us authority to use the appropriation for the building, which is being done, and said when the appropriation was exhausted to come back and they would give us money for the equipment. But the legislature is now in session and you are the persons to ask, I assume."

"My quite definite recollection is that at the time the Appropriations Committee took up the College appropriations in executive session they considered the requests published in the Board of Finance report, rather than H.B. 475, assuming that bill was simply filed as additional protection - as is done in many cases - and covered the items published in our report. My minutes of the executive session of the Appropriations Committee at which the items for Construction at the College covered by Special Act 366 of 1925 were approved, and notes made by Mr. Covert on his Board of Finance report, would seem to corroborate this, as neither contain any mention of this request for equipment of cold storage building, as I think would be the case had the request been considered and voted down. All indications are that it was simply overlooked."

- 4. The Board of Control reported that they had no power to grant an appropriation for equipment for the cold storage building inasmuch as a request had been presented to the General Assembly of 1925 and no action had been taken by that body:

"At a meeting of the Board of Control on October 29, 1925, the matter of an appropriation for refrigeration equipment for the Connecticut Agricultural College was taken from the table.

"IT WAS VOTED: that, inasmuch as this appropriation had been requested of the General Assembly of 1925 and no action had been taken by that body, this Board had no power to grant such an appropriation, and, therefore, declined to act."

- 5. The President presented a summary of the value of services rendered and expenditures made in connection with the exhibit at the Charter Oak Fair:

	Value of Services Rendered	Amount of Expense	Total
Junior Club Exhibit	\$406.70	\$215.79	\$622.49
College Exhibit at State Department Building	63.45	157.97	221.42
Judging & Superintending	513.40	4.00	\$17.40
Live Stock & Dairy Exhibit			
Labor	592.00		
Transportation		602.62	
Feed		237.81	
Expenses		386.25	
	<u>1375.55</u>	<u>1504.42</u>	<u>1618.56</u>
Less Premiums			<u>2979.97</u>
Net Expenditures			<u>765.00</u>
			<u>\$2214.97</u>

6. The President submitted a copy of the resolution extending congratulations to the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station on the occasion of the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary:

"The Trustees and Faculty of the  
Connecticut Agricultural College  
extend their congratulations  
to the  
Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station  
on the occasion of the celebration  
of the Fiftieth Anniversary  
of the founding of the station, on Monday, October the twelfth,  
one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

"The anniversary celebration of an institution that has completed fifty years of successful work is a just reason for pride and satisfaction, to its board of control and to the members of its staff, but we feel that there is a special honor due to the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station in having inaugurated a movement for organized agricultural research that has been followed by every state in the nation.

"It is our hope that the institution, so well founded as to become an example, and so wisely directed as to attain such notable distinction, may continue its contribution for the future years.

Signed,

CHARLES L. BEACH,

for the Trustees and Faculty  
Connecticut Agricultural College."

7. The Building Committee reported that the following bids had been received for the erection of a new dormitory:

H. Wales Linn Company	\$184,848.00
Ferrington Building Company	221,792.00
Tracy Brothers Company	212,136.00
Eastern Engineering & Construction Co	211,000.00
Clark Construction Co.	192,941.00
Interstate Construction Co.	192,887.00
Central Engineering & Construc. Co.	184,486.00
T. J. Pardy Construction Co.,pany	206,481.00
Lawrence & Gee Construction Co.	214,000.00
Carlson & Terrell Company	199,115.00

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8. Inasmuch as the lowest bid was more than the amount appropriated by the Legislature for the erection of a dormitory, IT WAS VOTED: that the architect, Mr. Perry, be requested to prepare revised plans for a dormitory that could be erected for the money available.
  9. IT WAS VOTED: That bids on the revised plans be obtained from the original bidders.
  10. IT WAS VOTED: That the Executive Committee be authorized to enter into a contract for the erection of the dormitory within the limits of the available appropriation.
  11. The President submitted the following report regarding the filter beds
    - (a) The present filter beds are 40 feet wide, 240 feet long, and have a capacity for the disposal of about 30,000 gallons per day.
    - (b) Mr. Moss has recently computed sewage discharge at 75,140 gallons per day or about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  times the rated capacity.
    - (c) The following complaint has been received from the County Health officer, M. D. O'Connell, under date of February 3, 1925:

"I have had a number of complaints relative to a nuisance caused by the filter beds at the Connecticut Agricultural College and today I have had a committee of five who reside in the vicinity call upon me and complain bitterly of the conditions at the filter beds.

"I understand that you are in charge of these beds and I must ask that you take immediate steps to have any nuisance which may be created by them abated.

"Kindly attend to this at earliest convenience."

- (d) Professor Wheeler has estimated the cost of doubling the capacity of the present filter beds at \$5036.00.

IT WAS VOTED: That the President be requested to consult with the State Board of Health in regard to plans for enlarging filter beds.

12. The President reported that a request had been received from the Aetna Insurance Company "to honor payroll deduction requests made by employes on account of policies issued to them by the Aetna Life Insurance Company".

IT WAS VOTED: That the Board of Trustees do not approve of payroll deductions and the College Comptroller is advised not to act as a collecting agency for insurance companies or other business firms.

13. IT WAS VOTED: That the College Comptroller be instructed not to allow credit to employes of the College beyond 30 days.

14. IT WAS VOTED: to authorize an increase in the payment of 18 county workers at the rate of \$25 per month for six months beginning January 1st, 1925, amounting to \$3025.

The meeting then adjourned.

Walter C. Wood - Secretary.