Minutes, January 17, 1945

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
held in Hartford, January 17, 1945

Present:
Mr. Spencer
Mrs. Dadourian
Mr. Fox
Mr. King
Mr. Ryan
Mr. Eddy
Mr. Mitchell
Mr. Warncke
Mr. Jorgensen

1. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 10, 1944.

REPORTING

2. For the record it is reported that the following resignation has been accepted:

(1) L. Wayne Adams, County Agent (Farm Labor Program), November 19, 1944.

3. For the record it is reported that the following part-time and temporary appointments have been made:

(1) Rose Whelan Sedgewick, Instructor in Mathematics (AST Program), salary $1000 for the period December 11, 1944 - March 5, 1945.
(2) Charles G. Chakerian, Lecturer in Sociology, salary $360, effective February 1, 1945 - June 15, 1945.
(3) Dorothy Dowd, Assistant Instructor in Home Economics (Nursery School) seventy-five cents an hour, effective December 4, 1944 - June 15, 1945.
(4) Phyllis J. Hofmeister, County Agent (Farm Labor Program), annual salary $2400, effective November 15, 1944 - April 15, 1945.
(5) Thomas Thale, Instructor in Psychology, salary $350, effective February 1, 1945 - June 1, 1945.
(6) John G. Confrey, Assistant Professor in Business Administration, salary $300 for semester, effective February 5, 1945 - June 15, 1945.
(7) ESMFT Instructors and Supervisors for Summer and Fall 1944-45.

ROUTINE

4. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following resignations:

(1) J. Harold Lampe, Dean of Engineering and Professor of Electrical Engineering, March 31, 1945.
(2) Franklin W. Southwick, Assistant Professor of Pomology, January 31, 1945.
(3) Lura M. Odland, Assistant Instructor in Home Economics, January 1, 1945.
(4) Edwin L. Minard, Assistant Professor of Animal Diseases, February 15, 1945.
(5) Eric A. Walker, Associate Professor of Electrical Engineering, January 15, 1945.
5. **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the following appointments:

   (1) Henry C. Tenney, Assistant Director of Student Personnel in charge of Records, Registration and Admissions, annual salary $3480, effective January 1, 1945.
   
   (2) Catherine Campbell, Assistant Professor of Home Economics Education, annual salary $3240, effective January 22, 1945. Replacing Dorothy M. Leahy.
   
   (3) William L. Raymond, Jr., Instructor in Civil Engineering, annual salary $2400, effective December 1, 1944.

6. **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the following salary increases:

   (1) Bradford D. Crossmon, Assistant Professor of Farm Management, from $3240 to $3480, effective July 1, 1945.
   
   (2) Earle O. Osterhoudt, County Agent (Farm Labor), $2340 to $2520, effective January 1, 1945.
   
   (3) Stanley Seaver, Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics, $3000 to $3480, effective January 1, 1945.
   
   (4) Lloyd D. Matterson, Assistant Professor of Poultry Husbandry, from $2880 to $3120, effective January 1, 1945.

7. **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the return to the University of the following:

   (1) Wendell B. Cook, Associate Professor of Chemistry, from military service, December 11, 1944.

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

   (1) Stanley Seaver, Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics, work with War Department, on or about January 15, 1945, for six months.
   
   (2) Lawrence Penner, Assistant Professor of Zoology, part-time work at Harvard University in special war emergency course for Military Government Medical Personnel, effective January 1, 1945 - February 15, 1945.
   
   (3) Erwin L. Jungherr, Professor of Animal Diseases, secret work for War Department, 45% of time, effective February 1, 1945 - September 15, 1945.
   
   (4) Margaret Taylor, Assistant Professor of Law, January 8, 1945 - March 8, 1945. Married.
   
   (5) Lillis Knappenberger, Associate Professor of Home Economics Education, sick leave with pay, second semester 1944-45.

   (6) **THE BOARD VOTED** to extend for one year the leave of absence of Randolph Whaples. The decision as to whether he will leave his work with the War Food Administration in Connecticut for the same type of position in New York rests with Mr. Whaples.

9. **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the following changes in rank and title:

   (1) Catherine A. Hourigan from Laboratory Technician to Assistant Instructor, effective January 1, 1945.
   
   (2) Mary Surgenor from Laboratory Technician to Assistant Instructor, effective January 1, 1945.
10. THE BOARD VOTED that subject to the satisfactory completion of the various requirements, the following students as recommended by the various faculties be granted the degree:

H. Hume Mathews, LL.B., as of December 31, 1944, School of Law.

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11. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following exemptions from Military Science:

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<td>William Marholin</td>
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<td>Adolf Bernard Scaglia, Jr.</td>
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<td>Robert Ring</td>
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<td>Donald Martin</td>
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PDLICY

12. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the recommendation of the Comptroller's Office that Mr. Frederic C. Teich be appointed University architect.

13. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the recommendation of the Dean of Engineering that Charles H. Coogan, Jr., Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering do consulting work with the Maxim Silencer Company of Hartford, the amount of time to be devoted to this consulting work to be determined by the Dean of Engineering and the President of the University.

INFORMATION

14. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following gifts and instructed the President to write suitable letters of appreciation:
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1. New Britain Gridley Machine Division of the New Britain Machine Company (for engineering research fund) $2000
2. Crystal Research Laboratories (for engineering research fund) $300
3. Insurance books from Miss Rosamund Cruikshank of Business and Technical Branch of the Hartford Public Library

15. The President reported on withdrawals from the University during the current year:

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<td>Health</td>
<td>9</td>
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<td>Personal</td>
<td>12</td>
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<td>Employment</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>Transfer</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>Death</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>62</td>
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Graduating in February: 22

Men not yet registered: 63
Women not yet registered: 37

New Students for the Second Semester:

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<td>Readmissions</td>
<td>6 (Veterans)</td>
<td>11</td>
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<td>Entering Students</td>
<td>19 (Veterans)</td>
<td>9 (1 Veteran)</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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16. The President discussed the sale of the Gilbert Farm and the Gilbert stock as per arrangements made by the Attorney General and approved by the Probate Court.

17. The President read the following resolution passed by the Grange at their annual meeting. Similar resolutions have been passed by the Farm Bureau Federation, the Connecticut Dairymen's Association, the Connecticut Nurserymen, and the Connecticut Florists Association.
Resolutions Concerning University of Connecticut Passed by Connecticut State Grange at Annual Convention, January, 1945

Whereas one of the first acts of the Connecticut State Grange at its reorganization meeting in 1885 was a resolution endorsing and commending the Storrs Agricultural School and,

Whereas since that date the Grange has unceasingly fostered and encouraged the development of the institution at Storrs from its humble beginnings to the present great University of Connecticut and,

Whereas one of the primary purposes of the Grange has always been the improvement of its members and of rural society in general through the advancement of education and the extension of knowledge and,

Whereas the Grange looks upon the University of Connecticut as the capstone of the public school system of the State and the most available and effective opportunity for higher education open to the youth of Connecticut and,

Whereas the strictly rural setting of the University, although highly fortunate and desirable, imposes certain definite problems of housing, transportation, services and entertainment, therefore

Be It Resolved: That the Grange approves the request of the Board of Trustees of the University for authority to issue self-liquidating bonds for the construction of dormitories, a union building and an auditorium as being in the best interests of the State, and would point out the fact that the history of self-liquidating bonds issued to the University proves this to be a sound method of financing:

And Be It Further Resolved: That the Grange expresses its approval of any reasonable plan that may be worked out by the Board of Trustees for the improvement of transportation facilities to and from the institution and properly accessible points

And Be It Further Resolved: That as the best interests of the State demand that the health and physical welfare of all students attending the University be adequately safeguarded and as it is known that present infirmary facilities are inadequate, the Grange therefore desires to express its approval and support of the Trustees' request for $180,000 to construct a Student Health and Infirmary Building

And Be It Further Resolved: That as the best interests of the State, urban as well as rural, demand that the University maintain at all times an experimental and demonstration plant of dairy manufactures and as it is well known that the present plant is old, inadequate and little short of a disgrace to the State, the Grange therefore desires to express its approval and support of the Trustees' request for $180,000 to construct a new Dairy Manufactures building and recommends that this be named as a memorial to the late Dean E. G. Woodward

And Be It Further Resolved: That without expressing specific approval of all items in the Board of Trustees' budget, the Grange goes on record as endorsing a steady and reasonable expansion of the University's facilities to meet the educational needs of the youth of the State both in agriculture and in general and professional fields.

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18. The President discussed the difficulties in securing a dean to succeed the late Dean Woodward.

19. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the President's recommendation that H. A. Rollins be appointed Head of all Plant Industries at the University, effective as of this date. A salary increase of one step is to be effective as soon as the matter can be cleared in Hartford. The announcement of the appointment newspaperwise to be delayed until the appointment of a new dean is announced.

20. A number of bills to be introduced into the current session of the General Assembly was discussed. THE BOARD APPROVED introduction of the following bills:

1. Post-War Construction and Equipment.
2. Authorizing the exchange of students and faculty (urged by the Governor and the State Development Commission).
3. Authorizing the issuance of self-liquidating bonds for dormitories, a student union building and a University auditorium. Note: This bill is to be the Number 1 project of the Board of Trustees. All Board members are to do everything possible to secure the passage of this bill by contacting members of the legislature and others who may have influence in securing the passage of this bill.
4. Appropriation for a student health and infirmary building.
5. Appropriation of greenhouses destroyed by fire in November.
6. Appropriation for recruiting and placing farm labor (appropriation to be regarded only as a safeguard; probably no part of the appropriation will be used).
7. A bill reorganizing the Board of Trustees. It was agreed that the bill would attempt to accomplish two things:
   (1) Six year appointments instead of four.
   (2) A clarification of the duties, responsibilities and authority of the Board of Trustees.
8. Authorizing the Board of Trustees to establish a research fund.

The following bills will be introduced by other organizations:

2. Appropriation for the appointment of an Extension recreation specialist — introduced and sponsored by rural people.
3. Appropriation for a specialist in public health nursing — introduced and sponsored by State Medical Society and the Association of Public Health Nursing.
4. Compensation for Mr. Joseph Orlean Christian — to be introduced by the Compensation Commissioner. As a double check, the University will introduce a bill.
5. Appropriation for dairy manufacturing plant — to be introduced by Senator Brock of Hamden. This bill sponsored by the agricultural interests of the State.
6. Appropriation for Pharmacy Laboratory and Classroom Building — to be introduced and sponsored by the Connecticut Pharmaceutical Association.
The following bills were discussed but probably will not be introduced:

1. Authorizing the Board of Trustees to expand deferred maintenance funds. This authority is probably not necessary since it is already covered by Section 761e.

2. Authority to operate University busses for the benefit of students, faculty, and guests. The President is to secure advice from Mr. Joseph Alsop and the Public Utilities Commission before a bill on this matter is introduced.

3. Retirement of employees of the College of Pharmacy and the College of Law. The President will receive advice from the Attorney General's Office before deciding to introduce this bill.

21. The case of Professor T. K. Siegel was discussed. THE BOARD VOTED as follows:

"In view of the appeal of Mr. Siegel of the decision of the Federal District Court and the stay of judgment revoking his citizenship and in view of the inability of the Attorney General and the Board of Trustees to review the transcript of the evidence produced at the trial and the decision of the Judge, the Board of Trustees makes no change at this time in the status of Mr. Siegel as a member of the Faculty."

Respectfully submitted,

Lewis Fox
Secretary