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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
held in Storrs, May 27, 1949

Present:

Dr. Barker
Mr. Brock
Mr. Christensen
Sister Rosa
Mr. Ryan

Mr. Shippes
Mr. Suisman
Mr. Spencer
Mr. Staples
Mr. Warncke

1. The minutes of the meeting of February 23, 1949 having been mailed out, were approved without being read.

2. The board voted to accept the following resignations:

✓ (1) Barbara Bruening, Assistant Instructor in Animal Diseases, effective August 1, 1949.
✓ (2) Robert E. Butler, Instructor in English, effective September 16, 1949.
✓ (4) Tso Kan Chang, Instructor in Animal Genetics, effective July 1, 1949.
✓ (5) Frederick A. Ekeblad, Assistant Professor of Business Statistics, effective September 16, 1949.
✓ (6) George G. Fukui, Instructor in Bacteriology, effective September 16, 1949.
✓ (7) Dr. R.L. Gilman, University Physician, effective September 16, 1949.
✓ (8) Lois Griswold, Instructor in Poultry Husbandry, effective June 1, 1949.
✓ (9) Vincent Groupe, Associate Professor of Animal Diseases, effective May 16, 1949.
✓ (10) Joan H. Kramer, Assistant Instructor in Animal Nutrition, effective July 1, 1949.
✓ (11) Robert G. Leuffer, Assistant County Agent, effective May 1, 1949.
✓ (13) Donald Mercer, Instructor in Dairy Husbandry, effective July 1, 1949.
✓ (14) David T. Mount, Assistant Instructor in Animal Diseases, effective September 1, 1949.
✓ (15) Margaret C. Ohlander, Assistant Instructor in Floriculture, effective July 1, 1949.
✓ (17) Henry A. Ricciuti, Assistant Professor of Psychology, effective September 16, 1949.

Irene C. Capozza, Instructor (Infirmary Nurse), effective July 1, 1949.

Carol Engebretson, Instructor in Home Management, effective September 16, 1949.

Charles E. Osgood, assistant Professor of Psychology, effective September 16, 1949.

The BOARD VOTED to approve the following appointments:


4. William Otho Drinkwater, M.S., Instructor in Vegetable Gardening, annual salary $3540, including economic increase of $180, effective April 1, 1949. Replacing L.C. Curtis until June 1 and Grant Tellis thereafter.

5. Fred Irvine Elliott, B.S.A., Professor of Dairy Husbandry and Head of Animal Industries Department, annual salary $7200 (all inclusive), effective July 1, 1949. Replacing A.A. Spielman.

6. Stephen S. Friedland, B.A., Assistant Professor of Physics, annual salary $4380 (all inclusive), effective September 16, 1949. New position.

7. William S. Gaunye, B.S., Assistant Professor of Animal Industries, annual salary $4020, (all inclusive), effective July 1, 1949. Replacing Donald L. Mercer.


9. Walter R. Ihrke, Ph.D., Professor of Music and head of Department of Music, annual salary $6000 all inclusive, effective August 16, 1949. New position.


13. Arthur L. Schwarting, B.S., Associate Professor of Pharmacognosy, annual salary $6000 all inclusive, effective September 1, 1949. New position.


15. Roland Ward, Ph.D., Professor of Chemistry, annual salary $6000 all inclusive, effective September 16, 1949. New position.

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4. The matter of promotions and reappointments was presented by the President. The President was authorized to write the usual letters covering the matter of promotions and reappointments in accordance with the established policies of the Board of Trustees.

5. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following changes in rank or title:

   (1) Frank Devin Johanson, from Assistant Professor of Pomology to Instructor in Pomology, effective July 1, 1949. This change in title is made in order that he may continue graduate work until he completes work for the M.S. degree.

   (2) Reuben B. Johnson, from Acting Assistant Director of Student Personnel to Assistant Director of Student Personnel in Charge of Men, effective May 13, 1949. Succeeding Sumner A. Dole.

   (3) Harriet Kupferer, from Instructor in Physical Education to Assistant Professor of Physical Education, effective September 16, 1949.

   (4) A.A. Spielman, from Professor of Dairy husbandry and Head of Animal Industries Department to Associate Director of Storrs Agricultural Experiment Station, effective July 1, 1949. Succeeding W. L. Slate.


6. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following scholarships and gifts and instructed the President to write an appropriate letter of appreciation to the donors:

   (1) One scholarship of $100 known as George F. McCormack Memorial Scholarship to a qualified student from New London County by John H. James, of New London.

7. THE BOARD VOTED to approve an annual recurring expenditures budget for all schools, colleges, divisions, departments and institutes for the fiscal year 1949-50 similar to the budget for the current fiscal year, including such adjustments as have been approved and made throughout the current year. Adjustments to the budget for 1949-50 may be made later after the General Assembly has authorized operating funds for the University.

The President explained that it was necessary to have a budget set up for all University services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1949. Since the General Assembly will probably not approve operating budgets for all State institutions and agencies before June 8, it becomes necessary to set up a budget in order not to delay University operation.
8. The President reported on the progress of the self-liquidating bond issue bill (Substitute for S.B. 527). Both the House and the Senate of the State legislature have approved $5 million of self-liquidating bonds to be amortized over a period of thirty years. The President presented to the trustees copies of bond issue schedules and also a statement indicating the means of financing the schedules. The means of financing incorporated Board approval of fee allocations and revolving allocations for the purpose of amortizing bond issues carrying interest charges and covering the maintenance and operations of buildings financed under the appropriate bond issues. Copies of this material are made a matter of record in these minutes.

9. The President reported on "Minimum Building Needs" in the amount of $4 million. Both Democratic and Republican leaders in the General Assembly approved the $4 million for educational facilities at the University. However, the Democratic leaders desire that funds be derived from a State bond issue and the Republican leadership desires that the funds be made available in the form of direct appropriations from the General Fund. The funds must be made available regardless of their source in order to take care of students already registered for transfer from the Fort Trumbull, Hartford and Waterbury Branches.

10. The President reported on "Annual Recurring Budget" now under discussion in the General Assembly. The Republican leadership has presented a budget which provides for the following reductions for the University:

   1. 5% reduction in Contractual Services
   2. 5% reduction in Supplies and Materials
   3. 5% reduction in Educational Equipment
   4. 15% reduction in Capital Projects
   5. A reduction of $125,000 in Personal Services

11. The President reported on the continuation of grants to the University from the American Cancer Foundation. The amount of the present grant is $4,000 to finance research under the direction of Dr. Landauer in the field of Genetics.

12. The President presented to the trustees a resolution prepared by a Committee of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences on Professor Ferguson's retirement. The Board Voted to request the President to write an appropriate letter to Professor Ferguson expressing appreciation for the Board of Trustees for his many years of faithful service.

13. The President presented to the trustees a resolution prepared by a Committee of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences recognizing the completion of thirty years of service by Professor Arsene Croteau. The Board Voted to request the President to write an appropriate letter to Professor Croteau expressing the appreciation of the Board for his many years of faithful service. These resolutions are filed in the President's Office.

14. The President reported on a conference between the State Comptroller and the University Comptroller regarding fire insurance coverage and values of University buildings. The State Comptroller reports that insurance has been placed on "adjusted values."
15. The President informed the Board of Trustees that sixty-eight faculty and staff lots have been placed on sale for $850 (100' x 200').

16. The President advised the trustees that the University School of Social Work was accredited by the American Association of Schools of Social Work on January 27, 1949.

17. The President presented a list of candidates for degrees. The BOARD VOTED that subject to the satisfactory completion of the various requirements, the students as recommended by the faculty of the appropriate school or college be granted the appropriate degree or certificate.

18. The President presented recommendations from Colonel H.P. Hallowell, Commandant of the University of Connecticut ROTC, and Dean Gentry regarding changes in basic Military Science requirements. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following rules and policies as to Basic Military Science requirements:

"1. a. The General Rule. All physically fit male students 14-23 years of age who are enrolled as Freshmen or Sophomores and who are citizens of the United States are required to complete successfully two years of military training in the ROTC. (Page 46, University Catalog 1949)

b. Exceptions to the above Rule. (1) Exceptions may be made by the Board of Trustees. (Page 46, University Catalog 1949)

(2) The authorities of an institution may, in an exceptional case, for sufficient reasons, by the recommendation of the PMS & T, discharge a member of the ROTC from such course and from the necessity of completing the course of military training as a prerequisite for graduation. (Par. 23, AR 145-10)

DISCUSSION: In view of the contract between the University and the Department of National Defense, exceptions made by the Board of Trustees would only be in exceptional cases, and the Division of Military Science and Tactics is not interested in such exceptions. Recommendations for exceptions by the Division will fall into two groups. First group would be special cases each of which would be treated on its own merits and the sum total would not be large. The second group would be where a policy is established to cover a large number of similar exceptional cases. It is the belief that the requirement that an upper classman be required to take Basic Military Science seriously handicaps him in the proper planning of his advanced courses.

POLICY OF THE MILITARY SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

The PMS & T or of Air Science and Tactics will recommend discharge from the Basic Course, upon his request, of all accredited Juniors or Seniors. Such discharge not to affect the requirement that they must have successfully completed all work in Military Science up to the date of discharge as a prerequisite for graduation.
DISCUSSION: It is the function of the University to determine what constitutes an accredited Junior. The present requirement, is that he have 52 credits (62 in Engineering). It should be noted that the discharge from the ROTC requirement requires two things: First, recommendation by the PMS & T. Secondly, discharge action by the University authorities. "To keep the records straight" both actions should be taken positively and be a matter of record in case of any future dispute or inquiry.

RECOMMENDED IMPLEMENTATION OF THE POLICY: 1. Accredited Juniors and Seniors who have not completed the four semesters of the Basic Course should be informed at the time of registering by the registering officials that they do not have to complete the course unless they so desire. (If they express such desire they should be informed that their desire will be granted but that they must definitely understand it will be impossible for them to take the Advanced Course.)

2. After registering is completed, a list of the students who do not wish to take further Basic Military Science as indicated above should be forwarded to the PMS & T.

3. The PMS & T will write a letter to the President of the University recommending the discharge of such students from further Basic ROTC requirements.

4. The authorities of the institution, through the appropriate administrative channels, should issue a statement in writing announcing that the "following students, upon the recommendation of the PMS & T, and in conformity with appropriate Army Regulations, have been discharged from the Basic Course R.O.T.C. and relieved of the requirement of completing the Basic Course as a prerequisite to graduation."

SEQUENCE OF BASIC MS COURSES FOR STUDENTS ENTERING IN

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19. The President reported that he personally was making tax payments to cover meetings and meals served to trustees for meetings held at the Hartford Club. It was the sense of the meeting that the President should not be expected to pay tax assessments for trustees meetings.

20. The President discussed the future of the Fort Trumbull, Hartford and Waterbury Branches. He recommended that the Fort Trumbull Branch not be closed before June of 1950 and that the branch be closed as soon after June 1950 as possible. He further recommended that the Hartford, and Waterbury Branches be converted to Extension Centers beginning in September of 1950. THE BOARD VOTED to approve these recommendations.
21. The President discussed the interest of Fort Trumbull students in financing a part of the student activities building. The Board voted to approve the plan as set forth in a letter of May 23 to Peter Madorno and which is made a part of these minutes.

22. The President presented the request from the Women's Faculty Club that the Nursery School be named "The Lillis Knappenger Nursery Kindergarten School." The Board voted to request the President to express to the Committee appreciation for the interest of the group in the development of the University and to advise the Committee that educational buildings in accordance with Board policy will be identified functionally and that names of persons may in accordance with adopted policy be selected from time to time for dormitory or other housing facilities.

23. The Board discussed at considerable length the assignment of faculty housing to members of the faculty and to other University staff members. The Board voted to adopt the following policy: That after July 1, 1949, assignment of University housing to faculty and other employees of the University will not be continued for any employee in any University housing for a period to exceed six years unless domiciling of a staff member is required for the position occupied. This action becomes effective September 1, 1949 and is in no sense retroactive. An extension of the six-year limitation may be made by the Board of Trustees for good reason. The Comptroller of the University will be instructed to notify all staff members occupying University housing of this action.

24. The President presented the audit report of the State auditors. The covering letter to the audit is made a part of these minutes.

The President also presented supplementary reports on student activity funds. The Board voted to appoint Mr. Shippes and Mr. Ray Brock a committee of two to meet with the State auditors to review the audits of University accounts. The Committee was authorized to call for assistance from any member of the University administrative staff and any others who might be eligible. The committee was requested to report at any early meeting of the trustees.

25. The President presented a communication from Dean Gentry regarding the graduation status of William Seltenreich. The Board voted to accept Dean Gentry's recommendation that Military Science credit be not waived in the case of William Seltenreich. The Board further voted to delegate all responsibility to the appropriate University faculties for determining requirements for graduation and when such requirements have been properly met.

26. The President presented to the Board of Trustees a letter from Mr. Gant representing the Mansfield Board of Education. A copy of this letter is made a part of these minutes. The Board voted to approve deeding land, when authorized by the General Assembly, to the Town of Mansfield for the
purpose of extending the present Storrs Grammar School site required to provide an addition to the present building; the land so deeded not to exceed ten acres and to extend westward but not beyond the eastern line of the faculty lots recently offered for sale to members of the University faculty, and northward but not beyond the southern line of temporary buildings now occupied by the University. IT WAS FURTHER VOTED that as if and when these temporary buildings are removed by the University, the University would not build a permanent building on the site of the present two-story dormitory known as Building #13. IT WAS FURTHER VOTED to permit the Storrs Grammar School to use the present University road entering at the southern end of what is now known as the South Campus. IT WAS FURTHER VOTED that the Mansfield Board of Education would be required to defray such additional expenses as might be required to install larger water and sewer lines should the expansion of the Storrs Grammar School require new installations.

Respectfully submitted,

-a- J. RAY RYAN

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Secretary