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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

Held at the Merlin Bishop Center, Storrs

September 19, 1980

The meeting was called to order at 11:16 a.m. by Chairman Andrew J. Canzonetti. Trustees present were: Mrs. Jorgensen, Mrs. Kronholm, Messrs. Brown, Canzonetti, Catanese, Crisco, D'Oliveira, Donen, Dowling, Gamble, Kleban, Krogh, Lowney, Rich, Shedd, and Stroh.

Trustees absent were: Governor Grasso, Mr. Cunningham and Mr. White.

University Staff present were: President DiBiaggio, Vice-Presidents Adams, DiBenedetto, Gillis, Glasgow, Wilson, Assistant Vice-President Napolitano, Attorney McKenna, and Mr. Kimball.

All actions taken were by unanimous vote of the Trustees present, except as otherwise noted.

1. On a motion by Mr. Krogh, seconded by Mrs. Kronholm, THE BOARD VOTED to go into executive session for the purpose of considering matters of personnel and collective bargaining. The Chairman noted that the items to be considered required staff information and opinion and asked that the Minutes reflect that President DiBiaggio, Vice-Presidents Adams, DiBenedetto, Gillis, Glasgow, Wilson, Assistant Vice-President Napolitano, Attorney McKenna, and Mr. Kimball were in attendance. All members of the Board noted above were present at this time. Items discussed and actions taken during Executive Session were as follows:
 - a. The Board reviewed the latest recommendations on personnel matters pertaining to appointments, leaves of absence, promotions, awards of tenure, reassignments, resignations, and retirements, with the understanding that the vote on these personnel matters would be taken in the open session part of the Board meeting.

- (1) Chairman Canzonetti noted that he had proceeded to designate an Executive Secretary to the Board following the Board's authorization of the action at its August 27 meeting. After a full discussion of the role and duties of the Executive Secretary, it was the sense of the Board that the Chairman's proposed staffing arrangement reflecting a dual assignment be confirmed subject to review after six months to ascertain that the dual assignment does not inhibit full attention to the Board's needs as outlined in the job description for the Executive Secretary position.
 - (2) Mr. Crisco asked that the minutes reflect the Board's understanding that the newly-appointed Director of Development will serve as the administrative staff liaison to the Community Relations Committee.
 - (3) Mr. Donen asked that the minutes reflect the Board's cognizance that Item 47, page 7 of the personnel list reflected a salary budgeted against both General Fund and non-General Fund accounts.
- b. Vice-President Wilson reported on collective bargaining issues.
 - c. Attorney McKenna commented briefly on issues pertaining to litigation.
 - d. Chairman Canzonetti declared the meeting recessed at 12:21 p.m.
2. Chairman Canzonetti reconvened the meeting in open session at 2:06 p.m.
 3. On a motion by Mr. Krogh, seconded by Mrs. Kronholm, THE BOARD VOTED to approve, as circulated, the Minutes of the meeting of July 11, 1980.
 4. On a motion by Mr. Crisco, seconded by Mrs. Kronholm, THE BOARD VOTED to approve, as circulated, the Minutes of the meeting of August 27, 1980, with the following additions to the file copy of the Minutes:
 - a. Mr. Crisco's absence will be noted as due to illness;
 - b. A letter from Mr. Crisco to the Board which was read at the meeting will be made an attachment to the Minutes.

5. The Chairman's Report included the following:

- a. Reviewing the Board's action at its August 27 meeting which revised the format and schedule of Board meetings, the Chairman reported that several Trustees had subsequently expressed their concern that the Board had not made sufficiently clear to its members in advance of the action the precise nature of the change and the amendment in the Board's By-Laws, Regulations and Rules implicit in such a change. The Chairman expressed his willingness to entertain such further discussion of this matter as the Board might wish.

On a motion by Dr. Lowney, seconded by Mr. Donen, THE BOARD VOTED to rescind its August 27 action on the schedule of meetings.

Mr. Catanese and Dr. Dowling registered in opposition to the motion.

On a motion by Dr. Lowney, seconded by Mr. Donen, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following:

The Board of Trustees shall hold a regular meeting each month, except for the month of August. Five of these meetings shall be limited to public participation, contracts and agreements, personnel matters and business that may come before the Board. However, the Board shall spend most of its time in informal session at these meetings, devoted to the agenda of one of the Board's committees. One of these sessions shall be devoted to an agenda of the Board of Trustees of the John N. Dempsey Hospital.

Mr. Catanese registered in opposition to the motion.

In response to Dr. Lowney's suggestion, it was the sense of the Board that the five meetings to be scheduled alternately with regular meetings will be held from 6:30 ~ 9:30 p.m., and that a proposed schedule of regular and alternate meetings of the Board will be provided to Trustees prior to the October meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Rich, seconded by Mr. D'Oliveira, THE BOARD VOTED the following:

Regular meetings of the Board will be scheduled on the second Friday of the appropriate months at 9:00 a.m. Alternate meetings of the Board will be scheduled on the second Thursday of the appropriate months at 6:30 p.m., with the exception of the October, 1980 meeting which will be held on October 16 at 6:30 p.m.

Mrs. Jorgensen registered in opposition to the motion.

- b. The Chairman called attention to the Board committee assignments for 1980-81. Acknowledging the inadvertent omission of a vice-chairman for the Health Affairs Committee, the Chairman asked Mr. Krogh to serve in that capacity. Mr. D'Oliveira suggested that the Board's representative to the Board of Governors for the Central Naugatuck Valley Region Higher Education Center be noted on the list of committee assignments and Board representatives. A final copy of the list appears as Attachment 1 to these Minutes.

The Chairman reported new appointments and reappointments to The University of Connecticut Health Center Advisory Council. The Board expressed informally its support for the suggestion that the President of the UConn Parents Association be provided an ex officio seat on the Council. The list of Advisory Council appointments appears as Attachment 2 to these Minutes.

- c. On a motion by Mr. Rich, seconded by Mrs. Jorgensen, THE BOARD VOTED to receive the report of its Ad Hoc Committee on Goals for the Torrington Campus and to accept the report's recommendations. A full copy of the Ad Hoc Committee report is attached to the file copy of the Minutes.

During discussion of the report, the Chairman asked Messrs. Brown and Rich to serve as an oversight committee of the Board to monitor progress made between now and next September towards the goals stipulated in the report. Mr. Rich suggested that the Institutional Policy Committee might wish to receive interim progress reports on this topic.

Messrs. Kleban and Stroh left the meeting at this time.

- d. Mr. Rich called attention to the list of contracts on the Consent Agenda, and noted that the amount of the contract involving Systems and Computer Technology Corporation should read \$12,000 and not \$7,000.

On a motion by Mrs. Kronholm, seconded by Dr. Lowney, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following consent agenda items as listed in the agenda and incorporating the change described by Mr. Rich.

- (1) Approval and/or ratification of the lists of University and Health Center Hospital contracts and authorized the President, Vice Presidents, Associate Executive Director, and Assistant Vice Presidents to sign the necessary documents on behalf of the University. A copy of the approved lists of contracts and agreements is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.
 - (2) Acceptance and/or approval of the lists of awards and donations. A copy of the list is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.
 - (3) Approval of the latest list of recommendations pertaining to Medical/Dental Staff appointments. A copy of the list is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.
 - (4) The amendment to By-Laws Article III was removed from the table and approved. A copy of the amendment is attached to the file copy of the Board Minutes.
- e. On a motion by Mr. Rich, seconded by Mr. Donen, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a formal list of the actions recommended by the President and the actions already taken by the administration on personnel matters pertaining to appointments, leaves of absence, promotions, awards of tenure, reassignments, resignations, and retirements, and authorized the Secretary of the Board to sign the necessary documents on behalf of the Board of Trustees. A copy of the approved list is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.
- f. The Chairman noted with regret the passing of President DiBiaggio's father and expressed the deep sympathy of the Board. The Chairman expressed the Board's pleasure at Mr. Crisco's obvious return to good health following his recent illness.
- g. The Chairman reported that the Student Trustee Election Committee would be convened in the near future, under provisions of its bylaws approved last year by the Board.

6. The President's report included the following items:
 - a. The President described five institutional goals for the academic year. A copy of the President's presentation appears as Attachment 3 to these Minutes.
 - b. In describing the action he has taken on recommendations from the President's Advisory Committee on Athletics, President DiBiaggio said, "In July, I reported to you a number of recommendations made to me by the President's Advisory Committee on Athletics. Two proposals called for removing the sports of men's wrestling and women's ice hockey from our roster of institutionally supported athletic programs, effective this semester. I was not totally comfortable with the impact on students who had made a commitment to those sports and my purpose in describing the proposals in July was to provide a period of review and reaction before I made a final decision on the recommendations. A number of individuals subsequently contacted my office and I have discussed this matter further with Mr. Toner and with Mr. Pappanikou, Chairman of the Advisory Committee. As a result, I have decided to accept the recommendations of the committee with two modifications:
 - (1) The sport of wrestling will be continued for the current academic year, at which time it will be dropped from our intercollegiate program unless the Athletic Advisory Committee is persuaded by the record of the season to alter its recommendations.
 - (2) Women's ice hockey will be dropped from our intercollegiate program, but will be provided with equipment and uniforms necessary to allow the team to continue operating as a student club."
 - c. The President summarized recent discussions between the University administration and the Budget and Finance Committee of the BHE.
 - d. The President called to the Board's attention the calendar of Centennial year activities, with special reference to the Centennial convocation on September 23.
7. Mr. Rich's report for the Budget and Finance Committee recommended a series of actions, all of which were approved. On a motion by Mr. Rich,
 - a. seconded by Mr. Krogh, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a Credit Extension Delivery Surcharge as described in agenda Attachment G;
 - b. seconded by Mr. Gamble, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the organization and guidelines of the BOT Audit Subcommittee of the Budget & Finance Committee as described in agenda Attachment H;

- c. seconded by Mr. Donen, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a line item transfer within the Health Center's Budget as described in agenda Attachment I;
- d. seconded by Mr. Krogh, THE BOARD VOTED to approve an easement at the Southeastern Campus as described in agenda Attachment J;
- e. seconded by Mr. Donen, THE BOARD VOTED to authorize construction of a personal residence on land previously purchased from the University as described in agenda Attachment K;
- f. seconded by Mrs. Kronholm, THE BOARD VOTED to authorize the NERAC to enter negotiations with Connecticut DPW to identify additional space for NERAC's use, as described in agenda Attachment L;
- g. seconded by Mrs. Jorgensen, THE BOARD VOTED to authorize the President to report to the Board those contracts executed in excess of \$5,000 at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting (a change in the wording of the present policy), as described in the agenda Attachment M;
- h. seconded by Mr. D'Oliveira, THE BOARD VOTED to authorize an easement at the Greater Hartford Campus as described in agenda Attachment N;
- i. seconded by Mrs. Kronholm, THE BOARD VOTED to approve an exchange of land as described in agenda Attachment O;
- j. seconded by Mrs. Kronholm, THE BOARD VOTED to approve renovation plans submitted by the Willimantic Trust Company as described in agenda Attachment P;
- k. seconded by Dr. Lowney, THE BOARD VOTED to authorize the University administration to transfer appropriated funds from the Personnel Services to the Equipment and the Other Expense categories, as described in agenda Attachment Q.

A full description of each of these agreements is attached to the file copy of the Minutes.

Dr. Dowling left the meeting at this time.

8. Mr. Brown's report for the Institutional Policy Committee included the following items:
 - a. A proposed By-Law amendment permitting the awarding of honorary degrees had been tabled at the previous regular meeting for action at this time. Several comments on this proposal and suggested modifications have subsequently been received by the Committee, Mr. Brown said. Since the Committee has not had an opportunity to present these views to the President and to solicit his reaction, the

Committee recommended leaving the pending By-Law on the table until the next regular Board meeting.

- b. The Committee approved a draft response from the University administration to the Board of Governors of the Central Naugatuck Valley Regional Higher Educational Center commenting on proposed guidelines for the assignment of space in the Center.
- c. The Committee agreed to discuss dormitory occupancy at its next meeting in response to concern expressed by Vice-Chairman Donen.
- d. Following Mr. Brown's description of the Committee's recommendation, on a motion by Mr. Rich, seconded by Mrs. Kronholm, THE BOARD VOTED to ratify the 1976 Administrative Policy on Extra Compensation for University faculty teaching non-credit courses within the Division of Extended and Continuing Education. A copy of this document is attached to the file copy of the Minutes.

9. Reporting for the Health Affairs Committee, Dr. Lowney stated that the Committee had met with the deans of the Schools of Allied Health, Nursing, and Pharmacy in order that the Committee might be updated on the challenges confronting each of the Schools. The Committee assembled a list of topics for review which would be part of its agenda for the current year.

Hospital Director Malloy presented the Committee with a report on professional liability insurance which appears as Attachment 4 to these Minutes.

10. Reporting for the Health Affairs/Hospital Committee, Dr. Lowney noted that the Hospital Committee met on September 2 at which time it reviewed the financial status of the John N. Dempsey Hospital and Clinics, and approved an updated Utilization Review Plan and the Medical Care Evaluation Studies. On a motion by Dr. Lowney,
 - a. seconded by Mr. Rich, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the Mental Health Center contract as described in agenda Attachment T;
 - b. seconded by Mr. Donen, THE BOARD VOTED to ratify the Chairman's action in signing, on behalf of the Board, the agreement pertaining to a CT Scanner as described in agenda Attachment U.

Mrs. Jorgensen registered in opposition to the motion.

A full description of each of these agreements is attached to the file copy of the Minutes.

Messrs. Rich and Brown left the meeting at this time.

11. Reporting for the Community Relations Committee, Mr. Crisco noted that Committee members had met with representatives of the University's Institute for Social Inquiry regarding the feasibility of including questions in future public opinion polls conducted under the Institute's auspices. Mr. Crisco noted that the Committee's work on a Parents' Organization was in progress, and that the Board could expect a report at its next regular meeting.

On motions by Mr. Crisco,

- a. seconded by Mr. Donen, THE BOARD VOTED to authorize the Community Relations Committee to work with the administration to plan a "Futures Conference" as part of the University Centennial program which would bring to the campus authorities in a variety of fields;
 - b. seconded by Mr. Donen, THE BOARD VOTED that the University administration prepare within a reasonable period of time a development policy for the consideration of the Board.
12. Before entertaining a motion to adjourn, Chairman Canzonetti tested with the Board his understanding of the Board's intent revising its meeting schedule. Consensus appeared to favor the contention that any action items brought to or proposed by the Board at its "alternate" (as opposed to "regular") meetings should be of some compelling urgency.
 13. On a motion by Mr. Shedd, seconded by Dr. Lowney, THE BOARD VOTED to adjourn at 4:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Otha N. Brown, Jr.
Secretary