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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

held at the Hartford Branch, April 22, 1955

Present: Mr. Belden	Mr. Jorgensen
Mr. Bishop	Mrs. Mahoney
Mr. Brock	Mr. Marsh
Mr. Dudley	Mr. Shippee
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Suisman
Mr. Gill	Mr. Watson

1. The minutes of the meeting of March 16, 1955, having been mailed out, were approved without being read.
2. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following resignations:
 - (1) Helen Cronin, Infirmary Nurse, effective April 15, 1955.
 - (2) Charles H. Dickinson, Instructor in Mechanical Engineering, effective August 31, 1955.
 - (3) H. Lincoln Easterbrooks, Assistant Professor of Animal Diseases, effective April 30, 1955.
 - (4) Jeanette C. Gibson, Departmental Assistant Junior Grade, Department of Music, effective May 15, 1955.
 - (5) Anne Lovechio, Departmental Assistant Junior Grade, Department of Psychology, effective April 15, 1955.
 - (6) Margaret Manning, Library Assistant, effective August 15, 1955.
 - (7) George B. Maxey, Assistant Professor of Geology, effective September 15, 1955.
 - (8) Andrew J. McMullan, Jr., Instructor in Music, effective August 31, 1955.
 - (9) Robert E. Parker, Administrative Assistant, Division of Communications, effective May 15, 1955.

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- (10) Josephine Simonson, Instructor in Speech and Drama, effective September 15, 1955.
- (11) Richard F. Stinson, Assistant Professor of Floriculture, effective June 30, 1955.

3. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following appointments:

- (1) Doris A. Anders, B. S., Associate Professor of Home Economics, \$7260, June 1, 1955. Replacing Ruth R. Clark.
- (2) George Sylvester Geer, B. S., Associate County Agricultural Agent, New Haven County, \$4800, May 1, 1955.
- (3) Harold L. Musen, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Agronomy, \$5400, April 1, 1955.
- (4) Frederick Haddon Nelson, B. S., Assistant County Agricultural Agent, Hartford County, \$4560, May 1, 1955.
- (5) James Brian Quinn, MBA, Instructor in Marketing, \$5100, September 16, 1955. Replacing Frank Clark.
- (6) Florence S. Walker, M. S., Assistant Professor of Home Management, \$6600, June 1, 1955. Replacing Sidney Korando.

4. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following change in title:

- (1) Stanley E. Wedberg, Associate Professor of Bacteriology, to Head of the Department of Bacteriology, effective September 16, 1955. Replacing W. L. Kulp who is retiring on September 15, 1955.

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

- (1) Edwin G. Burrows, Professor of Anthropology, sabbatic leave second semester 1955-56. Travel and research.
- (2) Harold Halcrow, Professor of Agricultural Economics, leave with pay August 4, 1955 to September 11, 1955. To attend International Conference of Agricultural Economists at Helsinki, Finland.
- (3) Arthur Hawkins, Professor of Agronomy, sick leave with pay February 24, 1955 through March 28, 1955.
- (4) Robert G. Mead, Jr., Assistant Professor of Foreign Languages, sabbatic leave second semester 1955-56. Research in Mexico.
- (5) Maria S. Preston, Home Demonstration Agent, New Haven County, sabbatic leave with full pay from October 16, 1955 through April 15, 1956 and leave without pay from April 16, 1956 through May 31, 1956. Graduate work at Columbia University.

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- (6) Nick Rodis, Instructor in Physical Education, leave without pay April 15, 1955 through June 15, 1955. To conduct basketball clinics in Greece under the sponsorship of the State Department.
 - (7) Howard A. Rollins, Department Head, Plant Science, sick leave with pay February 14, 1955 through April 23, 1955.
 - (8) Isidore Silver, Associate Professor of Foreign Languages, sabbatic leave second semester 1955-56. Research in France.
 - (9) William P. Snavely, Assistant Professor of Economics, sabbatic leave second semester 1955-56. Research and writing.
6. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following scholarships, financial aids, and gifts and instructed the President to write appropriate letters of appreciation:
- (1) \$300 from Parent-Teacher Association of Connecticut for three scholarships to students in the School of Education for 1955-56.
 - (2) \$100 Bradford P. Blake Memorial Scholarship for 1955-56.
 - (3) \$300 from Service League of New Britain, Inc. for a scholarship at the School of Social Work for 1955-56.
 - (4) \$150 from A.Z.O. Connecticut Alumni Auxiliary for scholarship for 1955-56.
 - (5) Gift of two scholarships from senior students of the Ratcliffe Hicks School of Agriculture from funds derived from breakage fees, the scholarships to be of equal amount.
 - (6) \$2056.58 from the George E. McReynolds Memorial Fund Committee to establish the George E. McReynolds Scholarship Fund.
 - (7) \$100 from East Hampton Public Health Nursing Association Tuberculosis Fund to provide financial assistance to Miss Pauline Cilley.
 - (8) \$250 from Dorothy Stimson, Towson, Maryland, to provide financial assistance to Miss Barbara Clay.
 - (9) Gift of \$200 from George D. Hayes, Hartford, to be used for scholarship and financial aid purposes.
 - (10) Gift of \$22 from Thomas F. Flynn, Norwalk, to be used for scholarship and financial aid purposes.
 - (11) Gift of cutaway chain saw engine to Plant Science Department from R. H. Lewis, Homelite Corporation, Bloomfield.
 - (12) Gift of paintings and pastels by Elihu Vedder from The American Academy of Arts and Letters.

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- (13) Gift of purebred Aberdeen Angus heifer to Animal Industries Department from Mrs. Rachel Spieden, West Cornwall.
 - (14) Gift of two prizes from Connecticut Society of Certified Public Accountants to be awarded students in the School of Business, one for \$75 to an outstanding senior, and one for \$25 to an outstanding junior.
 - (15) Music Scholarship from Miss Elizabeth Hicks of Tolland in memory of her aunt, Miss Minnie Helen Hicks. This scholarship will be derived out of the net income from the Minnie Helen Hicks Scholarship Fund just established through stock certificates.
7. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following research projects to be carried on by the University and financed by the agency indicated:
- (1) Frederick Gardner Cottrell grant for \$2397.00 in support of project entitled "The Chemistry of Osmium. The mechanism of the Oxidation of Chloride Ion with Osmium Tetraoxide (VIII)" under the direction of Dr. R. Kent Murmann.
 - (2) Two faculty fellowships from The Fund for the Advancement of Education: Leonard F. Dean, \$4800; John L. Traugott, \$5960.
8. The President presented to the Trustees a communication received on March 23, 1955 from Rabbi Shalom Eisenbach, to which was attached a schedule containing the dates of Jewish Religious Holidays for the ten year period of 1955-1965.

After a discussion of the letter and the attached schedule, THE BOARD VOTED to request the President to forward the information to those charged with the responsibility for planning the University's academic calendar. It was further agreed that the schedule of Jewish Religious Observances would be distributed among the faculty members with advices not to schedule examinations on those dates.

9. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following transfers in accounts:
- (a) \$6,681.93, New lighting for Library, from 7301-K, Buildings and Improvements
 - (b) \$163.10, Completion of fields in new athletic area, from 6.4, Self-supporting Activities Fund
 - (c) \$5,363.89, Replacement of vertical underpinning on 'E' building, from 6.4, Self-supporting Activities Fund
10. The President advised the Trustees that bids for the completion of the University Auditorium, specifically the ground floor which will house the Little Theatre and the All-University Museum, were opened and the lowest bidder identified. At a meeting in the Budget Department, Mr. Riccio discussed the financing of the low bid. The Budget Director, the Deputy Budget Director, and the Budget Examiner,

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as well as the Commissioner of Finance, have approved of the University providing \$25,520.52 from 6.4 to complete the allotment necessary for the completion of this building. Other funds required will be provided from balances in several self-liquidating bond fund accounts (3.6, 3.7, and 3.8 - issues which included provisions for the construction of the Auditorium), as well as an earlier approval of \$162,600 reserved in the 6.4 account to provide sufficient funds to existing balances in the several self-liquidating bond fund accounts.

THE BOARD VOTED to approve the expenditure of funds as indicated in the preceding statement to cover the financing of this project.

11. Mr. Max Andrews, Director of the University of Connecticut Student Union, reported on the annual meeting of the National Association of Student Union Directors held at Greenbrier, West Virginia. He reported that the Conference rated the Union Governing Board organization at the University of Connecticut as the best form of control. The Conference also gave first place to the University of Connecticut for the organization of the activity program planned by and for the students.
12. Mr. Shippee, as Chairman of the Liaison Committee of the State Board of Education and the University Board of Trustees, reported to the Trustees regarding the many meetings of the Liaison group.

Mr. Shippee presented the following statement:

"TENTATIVE STATEMENT ON TRAINING SECONDARY TEACHERS
approved by the Liaison Committee

"Since secondary school enrollments will grow rapidly in the immediate years ahead, leading to an increasing demand for secondary school teachers, the Liaison Committee recommends that the staff of the School of Education of the University of Connecticut take immediate steps to increase the number of trainees for teaching in the secondary schools, and that the present programs for training secondary teachers in the Teachers Colleges be continued.

"The University is also urged to make plans looking toward the possible establishment of an intensive training program to prepare liberal arts graduates for secondary teaching. Since the Teachers Colleges have had several years of experience with the Intensive Program for College Graduates, it is suggested that they be called into consultation on the establishment of such a program. A joint recruitment effort might well be organized for the intensive program.

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"In the programs for training teachers at the University of Connecticut and at the Teachers Colleges emphasis shall be placed on recruitment of trainees for the areas of teaching where there is known need.

"The Liaison Committee further suggests that the staff of the Willimantic State Teachers College and the staff of the School of Education of the University explore the possibility of working together to increase the supply of teachers for which there will be a continuing demand."

After some discussion, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the statement.

13. Mr. Shippee presented the following statement which is to be discussed at the next meeting of the Liaison group scheduled for Monday, April 25, 1955:

"PROPOSED STATEMENT ON FIFTH YEAR FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS
For consideration at meeting on April 7, 1955

"Since present certification requirements call for every teacher to complete five years of collegiate work before receiving a standard certificate, and since there is a growing demand for a fifth year on the part of an increasing number of elementary and secondary teachers, programs leading to the Master's Degree should be offered in the teachers colleges for teachers in service. The offerings should include only such fields of specialization as are now given in the undergraduate program. Each college will participate only in those aspects of the program for which it has adequate, qualified faculty members and facilities for doing a quality job."

After considerable discussion, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the statement substantially as presented but granted the Trustees' Liaison Committee power to make such adjustments as may be indicated at the coming meeting.

14. Mr. Watson reported to the Trustees for the special Trustee committee appointed to discuss the question of Student Activity Fees. The following report was presented:

"At the Student Union Building on April 14 a Committee of Trustees (Messrs. Watson, Ryan, Belden, Mrs. Mahoney) conferred with a Committee of Student Leaders (Earl Capuano, Merritt O'Brien, Sonya Joll, James Rayball) regarding the activities fee. Following a prolonged discussion of the relation of the Student Senate and the Trustees and the allocation of student funds,

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it was agreed that the following recommendations be submitted to the Board of Trustees of the University of Connecticut:

1. That the Student Activity Fee be distinguished from the Student Union Fee and listed separately.
2. That the present allocation of \$6.00 for student activities under the jurisdiction of the Student Senate be continued as at present and that the \$6.00 fee not be altered in the future without discussions between the administration and the Student Senate.
3. That a chain of authority be established and made known to the Student Senate for its guidance.

"It was also agreed that the Student Senate will submit to the Trustees' Committee a budget for the coming year based on the present figure of \$6.00, together with a budget incorporating additions to the student program which the Student Senate may deem desirable."

THE BOARD VOTED to approve the recommendations as contained in the report.

15. THE BOARD VOTED that the minutes of the Board of Trustees record the fact that the Board has been appraised of the State Auditors' Report on the University for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954. The criticisms, summary and conclusions of the State Auditors were noted.

THE BOARD FURTHER VOTED to approve the action of the President who has indicated to the Co-Chairmen of the Appropriations and Finance Committees of the General Assembly his readiness to discuss the summary and conclusions contained in the report.

The Chairman of the Special Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees indicated that the Committee would be available at any time to participate in such discussions as may be scheduled.

The President agreed to mail to each Trustee the "summary and conclusions" section of the report.

16. Mr. George Dudley, because of a previous engagement, was unable to attend the meeting while it was still in session. He arrived at the Hartford Branch, the place of meeting, just as the Trustees were leaving following an inspection of the facility.

Mr. Dudley, at the meeting of the Board of Trustees held on February 22, 1955, was appointed Chairman of a special committee to review the Hartford County Farm Bureau proposal for changing the sponsorship of the Agricultural Extension Service. Mr. E. Lea Marsh and the Commissioner of Agriculture were also appointed to this special committee.

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Mr. Dudley is also President of the Connecticut Farm Bureau Federation and has participated in many discussions regarding the change in sponsorship of the Agricultural Extension Service. He came to the place of meeting prepared to recommend that the proposal of the Hartford County Farm Bureau be approved. A copy of this proposal is made a matter of record in these minutes.

Mr. Dudley advised that an immediate decision is imperative. The President advised Mr. Dudley that he would poll the Trustees by telephone. This has been done and the Trustees are recorded in favor of the special committee's recommendation that the "proposal of the Hartford County Farm Bureau" be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

By
A. N. Jorgensen

For
J. Ray Ryan,
Secretary