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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
held in Storrs, February 25, 1953

Present: Mr. Belden Mr. Hook Mr. Ryan
 Mr. Bishop Mr. Jorgensen Mr. Staples
 Mr. Brock Mrs. Poses Mr. Suisman

1. The minutes of the meeting of January 26, 1953, having been mailed out, were approved without being read.
2. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following resignations:
 - (1) Benjamin Bernholtz, Instructor in Mathematics, effective March 15, 1953.
 - (2) Winifred A. Jennings, Resident Educational Counselor, effective February 13, 1953.
 - (3) Marian Lowe, Associate Professor of Social Work, effective September 16, 1953.
 - (4) Elmer Luchterhand, Instructor in Sociology, effective April 5, 1953.
 - (5) Mary Jean Moss, Assistant 4-H Club Leader, effective April 15, 1953.
 - (6) George A. VanHorn, Assistant Agricultural Editor, effective March 21, 1953.
3. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following appointments:
 - (1) J. Benjamin Beyrer, M. A., Associate Professor of Social Work, \$5760, September 16, 1953. Replacing Luna B. Brown.
 - (2) John Huntington, Advanced Register Tester (Departmental Assistant Junior Grade), \$2940, March 1, 1953. Replacing Charles Moody.
 - (3) John P. Lukens, B. S., Assistant County Club Agent, Hartford County, \$4380, February 16, 1953. Replacing James J. Wilson.

3. (4) Dean Ranstead Malsbary, Ed.D, Assistant Professor of Education, \$5400, February 1, 1953. Replacing Frank Ash.
4. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following changes in title:
 - (1) Charles H. Coogan, Jr., Acting Dean, School of Engineering, February 1, 1953 to July 15, 1953, in absence of Dean Castleman.
 - (2) Francis A. Ryan, Acting Head, Department of Poultry Husbandry, March 1, 1953 to September 1, 1953, in absence of Dr. Singaen.
5. THE BOARD VOTED to accept and place on file the following requests for leaves of absence:
 - (1) Elizabeth A. Bogert, Instructor in Physical Education, leave without pay, September 16, 1953 for one year. Work towards doctorate.
 - (2) Hamilton D. Eaton, Associate Professor of Animal Nutrition, sabbatic leave January 1, 1954 to July 1, 1954. Advanced study.
 - (3) Harriet Kupferer, Assistant Professor of Physical Education, sabbatic leave first semester 1953-54. To complete doctorate.
 - (4) Harry J. Marks, Assistant Professor of History, sabbatic leave second semester 1953-54. Study and research.
 - (5) George B. Maxey, Assistant Professor of Geology, leave without pay extended for academic year 1953-54. Special mission to Libya.
 - (6) H. James Rockel, Associate Professor of English, sabbatic leave second semester 1953-54. Study and research.
 - (7) Howard A. Rollins, Professor of Horticulture. Extension of leave for one month from April 1, 1953 to May 1, 1953. Work in Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations, Beirut, Lebanon.
 - (8) Carolyn L. Widmer, Dean, School of Nursing, sabbatic leave summer 1953. Research in South America.
6. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following scholarships and gifts and instructed the President to write appropriate letters of appreciation:
 - (1) Eight scholarships of \$200 each for year 1953-54 from The Beatrice Fox Auerbach Foundation, as follows:
 - 2 - College of Pharmacy
 - 1 - School of Law
 - 1 - School of Nursing
 - 1 - School of Home Economics
 - 1 - School of Business Administration
 - 1 - College of Arts and Sciences (Chemistry Major)
 - 1 - College of Agriculture

6. (2) One scholarship of \$300 for five year period from The Borden Company Foundation to School of Home Economics, known as the Borden Home Economics Scholarship.
 - (3) \$150 Scholarship from Pharmaceutical Society of Hartford County for second semester of academic year 1952-53, known as the Curtis P. Gladding Scholarship.
 - (4) \$49.78 representing income from Ratcliffe Hicks Trust "A" Account, to be used for scholarships.
 - (5) \$50 gift from Connecticut Council of Engineers for a worthy student of Engineering.
 - (6) Gift of Hydrocollator Master Unit from Chattanooga Pharmal Company to School of Physical Therapy.
 - (7) Gift of Portable Royal Typewriter to College of Pharmacy for new dispensing laboratory from Class of 1950.
 - (8) Gift to College of Pharmacy of Delta products and hand tools for small scientific equipment shop by Mr. Paul J. Jannke, staff member.
7. The President presented a recommendation from the Faculty Senate with reference to a new policy interpretation of ROTC attendance by students discharged from the University for either scholarly or disciplinary reasons who may, after a probationary period, be readmitted to the University. The Federal authorities have ruled that students so discharged and reinstated may not continue regular enrollment in the Air Force ROTC. This action, of course, is entirely within the scope of the Federal authority and does not interfere in any way with University autonomy in academic matters and in determining the requirements for University degrees. After a careful consideration of the matter, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the Faculty Senate recommendation, which is "any student who would otherwise be required to take courses in National Defense but who is ineligible for full standing in ROTC courses as far as National Defense regulations are concerned, may be excused from this University requirement by action of the Provost."
 8. The President advised the Trustees of several suggestions that have been received with reference to a name for the new stadium now under construction. Several sports writers of the State have also suggested names of former athletes and coaches. After a review of the situation, IT WAS VOTED to name the new stadium "Memorial Stadium" to memorialize all former athletes of the University who have served in the armed forces of the country. The details of an appropriate dedication and plaque will be reviewed by a special committee appointed for the purpose.
 9. IT WAS VOTED to appoint George S. Paul as Director of the Labor-Management Institute to succeed Mr. Myron Clark, retired. The University policy with reference to tenure in connection with the assignment of administrative duties and responsibilities will be recognized as in all other administrative appointments.

10. The President presented to the Trustees a request from Mr. Joseph J. Zambo, a representative in the Connecticut General Assembly from Ashford. Mr. Zambo called on Comptroller L. C. Riccio and indicated that he was representing University employees residing in the Town of Ashford. He strongly urged that the University make alterations in Storrs and Koons Halls to provide water on the second and fourth floors for the convenience of the janitors assigned to these buildings. No funds are available for this purpose since they are now educational buildings, and the funds for this purpose must be appropriated by the General Assembly. It is estimated it will cost at least \$3000 to make these alterations. These specific alterations should be made but it will be necessary to secure State funds from the General Assembly for this purpose. Representative Zambo will be so advised.
11. The President presented a recommendation from Comptroller L. C. Riccio for approving the expenditure of \$50,000 (6.4 funds) to finance the moving of houses and the preparation of the new site for the new men's dormitories which should start on or shortly after May 1, 1953. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the recommendation.
12. The President briefly reviewed the situation with reference to admissions for September 1953.

Final Report on Admissions - February 1953 (Spring Semester)

Number of applications submitted	617
Number submitted this date one year ago	513
Number of veterans applying	230
Percentage of veterans to all applicants	37.3
Refusals to date	67

This indicates a twenty per cent increase in the number of applications over those received last year as of the same date.

Applications Submitted for September 1953

	<u>Men-Freshmen</u>	<u>Men-Transfer</u>	<u>Women-Freshman</u>	<u>Women-Transfer</u>	<u>Total</u>
Connecticut	770	40	410	19	1239
Out-of-State	198	21	295	16	530
	<u>968</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>705</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>1769</u>

The above table indicates a 58 per cent increase in Connecticut applicants as of a year ago on the same day, and a decrease in out-of-state applicants of 37 per cent as of a year ago on this date.

The School of Social Work in Hartford has reported a 100 per cent increase in applications for the School of Social Work for next September.

12. The President distributed an analysis of the Governor's budget recommendations as they affect the University. THE BOARD VOTED to call an

adjourned meeting for Monday, March 2, at two o'clock in the office of the Chairman, James W. Hook, at the United Illuminating Company Building in New Haven for the purpose of reviewing the budget proposals.

14. C. Raymond Brock advised the Trustees of a financial analysis he had requested for the Special Finance Committee. This analysis was prepared by Comptroller L. C. Riccio and Assistant Comptroller John M. Trail, and shows the financial development of the University for the last ten year period. The Special Finance Committee, composed of Messrs. Brock, Shippee, and Watson, recommended that copies of this analysis be prepared for each of the Trustees and that a one page chart or line graph be prepared to supplement the report, showing trends in State appropriations during the last ten year period, corrections for the change in purchasing value of the dollar, funds other than State appropriations, enrollments, and related material. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the recommendation of Mr. Brock.
15. The President advised the Board of Trustees of two bills scheduled for hearing in the Hall of the House at 1:30 p.m. which seemed to indicate that the President's presence at the hearing was essential. The President addressed himself to a discussion of Senate Bill No. 277 -Commission concerning Post-High School Education, and House Bill No. 1013 - Creating a Board of Higher Education. The President suggested that he make the following statement. There was considerable discussion of the statement but it was agreed that the President should make a brief statement, addressing himself to these two bills but advising the committee that the Board would prepare a carefully worded statement later after a more careful study of the bills should the committee request the statement. It was also agreed that the President, or others on the administrative staff of the University, and Trustees would be willing to discuss these proposals with the committee if invited to do so. The following statement was discussed and is subject to revision:

STATEMENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT.

Copies of the two bills, Senate Bill No. 277 and House Bill No. 1013, were not available to the President until Wednesday, February 18. It was not possible for the Board of Trustees to discuss these two bills before February 25 when the Board held its February meeting, which was the scheduled date for the hearing on these bills.

There has been too little time to study these two proposals thoroughly. From a cursory study of the bills, it is clearly evident that they are both concerned with post-secondary or higher education.

Public higher education has long been a subject of concern to the General Assembly. The University has appeared before committees of the General Assembly regarding reorganization of higher education, and has done so periodically since 1933.

The Trustees of the University do not feel that they should take a position with reference to these bills solely from the standpoint of retaining the present Board of Trustees and, thereby, retaining their

membership on this important Board. However, the Trustees of the University of Connecticut urge that the committee, in studying the two bills referred to, give careful consideration to the following:

1. Assurance that the State University is recognized as a Land-Grant State University and that the functions, services, and programs of the State University be fully recognized and preserved.
2. Eliminate any suggestion of a threat to the continuation of any of the State-supported institutions of higher learning, and that every consideration be given to the role of teacher education at the four Teachers Colleges, leading to a strengthening of these institutions to make them more effective in meeting the higher education needs of the State.
3. Recognize the outstanding contributions the private institutions of Connecticut have made to the economy and culture of the State and to preserve their independence as private institutions.
4. Eliminate needless duplication of services on the part of the five State-supported institutions of higher education.
5. Secure reasonable coordination and integration of existing programs and services offered by the five institutions and between the State Board of Education and the Higher Education authority of the State.
6. Develop an immediate and long range program which will provide better higher educational opportunities for more of our youth and adults and at a lower cost than will otherwise be possible.

In whatever recommendations the committee makes to the General Assembly, the committee should recommend that the State Board of Education should retain its functions and responsibilities for:

- a. The certification of teachers, and
- b. The accreditation of institutions of learning at all levels.

It is also urged that the committee recognize the importance of the State Board of Education remaining as the State's Board of Vocational Education for the purpose of cooperating with the Federal government in the promotion and administration of vocational education.

Our cursory examination of the two bills before this committee indicates that neither bill is satisfactory in accomplishing the above. Therefore, we urge the committee to consider the entire matter very carefully and to develop a bill which will best serve the State of Connecticut and all of its people.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Ray Ryan
Secretary