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MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF THE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF  
THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT  
held in Storrs, January 15, 1958

Present:	Mr. Benton	Mrs. Mackie
	Mr. Bishop	Governor Ribicoff
	Mr. Brock	Mr. Ryan
	Mr. Budda	Mr. Sanders
	Mr. Donahue	Mr. Schneller
	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Shippee
	Mr. Gill	Mr. Watson
	Mr. Jorgensen	

1. The minutes of the meeting of November 20, 1957, having been mailed out, were approved without being read.
2. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following resignations:
  - (1) Mary Curran, Infirmary Nurse, effective January 9, 1958.
  - (2) Richard J. Dundas, Instructor in Engineering and Assistant Registrar, Waterbury Branch, October 5, 1957.
  - (3) Lila Martin, Assistant Home Demonstration Agent, Windham County, effective February 20, 1958.
  - (4) S. F. Ridlen, Associate Professor of Poultry Science, effective February 1, 1958.
3. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following appointments:
  - (1) Patricia Ruth Giess, B.A., Departmental Assistant Senior Grade, Marine Research Laboratory, \$3720, February 1, 1958.

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- (2) David G. Gosslee, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Agricultural Experiment Station, \$8700, March 1, 1958.
- (3) Mary McEachern Gushee, M.S., Assistant Professor of Mental Health, \$6660, February 1, 1958 (Federal Grant).
- (4) Donald Francis Wetherall, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Botany, \$6180, September 16, 1958.
- (5) Harriet Wilcoxson, M.A., Assistant Professor of Public Health Nursing, \$6180, February 1, 1958.
- (6) Mary Woodward, Infirmary Nurse, R.N., \$3840, January 10, 1958.

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

- (1) Charles A. Fritz, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, to Acting Head of the Department of Philosophy for the period February 1, 1958 through June 15, 1958.
- (2) Mary L. Greenwood, Associate Professor of Foods and Nutrition, to Acting Head of the Department of Foods and Nutrition for the academic year 1957-58.
- (3) Jack H. Lamb, Professor of Speech and Drama, to Acting Head of the Department of Speech and Drama for the period February 1, 1958 through January 31, 1959.
- (4) Zenon S. Malinowski, Associate Professor of Marketing, to Acting Assistant Dean, School of Business Administration, for the academic year 1957-58.

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

- (1) Grace Donnelly, Library Assistant, leave without pay December 15, 1957 through December 28, 1957.
- (2) Charles F. Helmboldt, Professor of Animal Diseases, sabbatic leave for six months at full pay starting October 1, 1958. Advanced study.
- (3) Eagon F. Kenton, Assistant Professor of Music, sabbatic leave first semester academic year 1958-59. Research and writing.

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- (4) D. R. Malsbary, Assistant Professor of Business Education, sabbatic leave second semester academic year 1958-59. Research and writing.
  - (5) Agnes Shaw, Infirmary Nurse, sick leave November 14, 1957 through December 13, 1957.
  - (6) Jack E. Stephens, Assistant Professor of Civil Engineering, sabbatic leave for academic year 1958-59. Work for Ph. D.
  - (7) Marion Watson, Associate County Club Agent, Middlesex County, sabbatic leave September 16, 1958 through September 15, 1959. Work for Master's.
  - (8) Lawrence Webster, Associate Professor of Accounting, sabbatic leave second semester 1957-58. 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) \$200 from Connecticut Association of Insurance Agents, Inc. to cover the G. Burgess Fisher Memorial Scholarship for 1957-58,
  - (2) \$250 from Philip Lauter Foundation, Inc. to cover Philip Lauter financial aid for the second semester of 1957-58,
  - (3) \$100 from Scott Paper Company to provide financial aid to Jean L. Weed.
  - (4) \$8 to School of Social Work as a contribution to the Ellen E. Ogren Memorial Scholarship Fund as follows:

Joseph G. Anton	\$3
Claire Piche	5
  - (5) \$500 from Elks National Foundation to provide financial aid to Phyllis Stevens.
  - (6) \$75 from Wesleyan University Scholarship Committee to provide financial aid to Herman Cooper.
  - (7) \$50 to Hartford Branch from Latin Club of Hartford Public High School to provide financial aid to Ligita Strele.

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- (8) \$200 from New Hampshire Federation of Women's Clubs to School of Social Work for scholarship purposes.
- (9) \$100 from George Davis Bivin Foundation, Inc. to provide financial aid to Robert A. Page of the School of Social Work.
- (10) \$73 from Civitan Club of Simsbury to provide financial aid to Laura Ann Zera.
- (11) \$100 from George Davis Bivin Foundation, Inc. to provide financial aid to Alice Sarkesian of the School of Social Work.
- (12) \$50 from Harvest Festival Scholarship Committee of the James Hillhouse High School to provide financial aid to Nelda V. Paterson.
- (13) \$100 from Putnam Lodge No. 574, B. P. O. Elks, to provide financial aid to David E. Johnson.
- (14) \$200 from W. J. Munson Fund to provide financial aid to Barbara Brooks Rudder.
- (15) \$75 from Wesleyan University Scholarship Fund to provide financial aid to Judith L. Angell.
- (16) \$200 from the Harriet M. Faunce Trust of the National Bank of Wareham, Massachusetts, to provide financial aid to Virginia Morrow.
- (17) \$50 from Harvest Festival Scholarship Committee of the James Hillhouse High School to provide financial aid to Stuart G. Rosen.
- (18) \$50 from Miss Janet A. Swanson, Bronxville, New York, to be added to scholarship fund.
- (19) \$1000 from Connecticut Society for Crippled Children and Adults, Inc. to be added to the Easter Seal Scholarship Fund.
- (20) \$200 from National Bank of Wareham to provide financial aid to Gail Tyback.
- (21) \$50 from Mr. C. M. Doede, President, Quantum Incorporated, to be added to scholarship fund.
- (22) Gift of Coello painting from Mr. Morton Downey.
- (23) Gift of Minisonic apparatus from Mr. E. C. Cattel, Stamford, to School of Pharmacy.

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(24) Gift of 215 sets of "A History of Pharmacy in Pictures" from Parke, Davis and Company to School of Pharmacy.

(25) \$200 from Stamford High School to provide financial aid to James Giblin.

7. The President advised the trustees of the creation of a "Brien McMahon" lecture series to be sponsored by a member of the Board of Trustees, former U. S. Senator William Benton. Senator Benton has offered to finance a 6-year series at the University and will provide \$2500 annually for the lectures which will bring to the University campus some of the outstanding figures in public and academic life.
8. Mr. Brock, Chairman of the Special Finance Committee, presented the minutes of the meeting of the Special Finance Committee held on December 11, 1957. These minutes are made a matter of record in the files of the Board of Trustees.
9. The reading of these minutes resulted in considerable discussion of the question of University fees.

Governor Ribicoff objected vigorously to an increase in fees for in-State students as inconsistent with the State's responsibility for adequately supporting its institution of public higher education. In his discussion he referred to declining employment in the State and the denial of higher education to our qualified Connecticut youth by way of raising costs beyond the student's ability to pay.

The Governor also voiced objection to the legislation passed by the 1957 session of the General Assembly which required that half the cost of academic buildings authorized in this session be financed from student fees. He expressed the hope that this provision in the legislation would be rescinded in the 1959 session of the General Assembly.

THE BOARD VOTED, because of the present economic conditions including the employment situation, not to increase the basic tuition fee to in-State undergraduate students at the present time, final action on this fee to be postponed for about a year. IT WAS FURTHER VOTED that when a meeting is scheduled for a discussion of tuition fees, it should be so indicated in the call for that meeting.

10. THE BOARD VOTED to increase the out-of-State fee to \$560 per year, effective with the college year beginning September 1958. The out-of-State fee is not to apply to "regional students" admitted

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under the Board's approved statement of policy on admissions recommended by the New England Board on Higher Education.

11. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the recommendation of Provost Waugh, W. B. Young, Dean of the College of Agriculture, and A. A. Spielman, Associate Director of the Storrs Agricultural Experiment Station, that Professor H. F. Kuschner of the U. S. S. R. Academy of Science be invited to carry out tests as a result of assertions of some Russian scientists that they can modify the genetic constitutions of organisms by the experimental manipulation of metabolic factors. This invitation must be extended with the understanding that the project will be carried on without cost to the University and, furthermore, that Professor Kuschner will receive clearances by the appropriate Federal agencies for admission to the United States and for carrying on scientific investigations in the United States.
12. Mrs. Mahoney, who was unable to attend the meeting because of an important meeting of the National Council of Catholic Women in Washington, mailed a report on the matter of "compulsory class attendance" which had been referred to Mrs. Mahoney and to Mr. Watson. The special committee recommended that the Board not rescind its action on compulsory attendance for students enrolled in the 100's courses. The committee believed that "the experience of one year is scarcely adequate to base a decision" ... for rescinding the action.

THE BOARD VOTED to accept the recommendation of the committee.

13. The statement on "Residence", tabled at the November 20, 1957 meeting, was taken from the table.

THE BOARD VOTED to adopt the statement on "Residence", effective September, 1958.

14. The President presented to the Board of Trustees a statement of policy recommended by the New England Regional Board on Higher Education.

THE BOARD VOTED to approve this statement of policy. This statement and the correlative information is made a part of the records of the Board of Trustees.

15. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the report of the Special Senate Election Committee and approved the following changes which will require changes in Section X F 1 of the Laws, By-Laws, and Rules of the Board of Trustees as follows:

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1. That in addition to the existing eligibility requirements for elected membership in and voting for the members of the University Senate, tenure shall also be required for eligibility.
2. That the number of elected members of the Senate be changed from three times the number of members of the Provost's Council to the following:

The number of elected members shall be four times the number of members of the Provost's Council with a maximum of sixty members, except that, if the number of members of the Provost's Council is twenty or more, the number of elected members shall be three times the number of members of the Provost's Council.

16. The President presented a report on the existing "University Personnel Structure". This statement is made a matter of record in the files of the Board of Trustees. It was the sense of the meeting that no changes in the existing structure relative to the administration of "classified personnel" should be or could be made at this time.
17. The President presented a communication from L. C. Riccio, University Comptroller, requesting Board approval to complete transactions on the purchase of property as indicated below:

White property, Ledgebrook area. Purchase of land and building, approximately \$26,000 (per appraisal). 6.4 Rental Property.

Kirkpatrick property, on East Road in Mansfield and on Route #195. Land and buildings, approximately \$25,350 (per appraisal). Approximately eighteen acres. 6.4 Plant Science.

Mason property, on Route #195 in Mansfield. Front piece consisting of a lot roughly 150x150 feet and one dwelling, approximately \$34,000 (per appraisal). The rear piece of approximately one acre and a small dwelling, approximately \$14,000 (per appraisal). General Fund.

Wright property, north of the orchard. Consisting of 2 1/2 acres, approximately \$3,000 (per appraisal). General Fund.

Copeland property, off Route #195 in Mansfield. Consisting of a five-room dwelling and approximately 1/3 of an acre of land, approximately \$20,000 (per appraisal). General Fund.



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Kerwin property, on Route #195 in Mansfield. Consisting of a parcel of land of 79 feet on Route #195 and a depth of 229 feet, and a 9-room dwelling, approximately \$29,000 (per appraisal), General Fund.

THE BOARD VOTED to authorize Mr. Riccio to proceed in the acquisition of the properties indicated but within the funds as authorized, namely, up to but not exceeding \$50,000 from 6.4 in accordance with Public Act No. 423, and \$60,000 of General Funds authorized by the 1957 General Assembly (Special Act No. 671), and as provided in the deeds to staff members (Ledgebrook and Willowbrook faculty residential areas).

18. The President presented a communication from L. C. Riccio, University Comptroller, recommending an increase of \$20 per year or \$10 per semester in dormitory rates.

THE BOARD VOTED to approve Mr. Riccio's recommendation, the new rates to become effective beginning with the school year 1958-59.

19. Comptroller L. C. Riccio recommended an increase in rental housing rates (faculty and staff) of \$5 per month beginning in September of 1958.

THE BOARD VOTED to table this recommendation for additional information from Mr. Riccio.

20. THE BOARD VOTED to authorize L. C. Riccio, University Comptroller, to sign an agreement between the University and the Town of Mansfield regarding the maintenance and right of way of the South Eagleville Road.

21. The President recommended that the Board devote a full meeting in the near future to review and appraise the programs and services of the University in the light of:

(a) Future needs for providing higher education to an increasing number of our qualified youth

(b) Costs of present programs and services

(c) Changes in the industrial, agricultural, and professional needs of our state

(d) The need, if any, for changing emphases in present programs and services

(e) Our responsibilities to recognize and serve the national interest as well as the state's interest

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It was the sense of the meeting that the Board of Trustees devote time to a discussion of these matters.

## 22. The President distributed to the Trustees the following items for the information of the Board:

- (1) Copies of the Second Report of the President's Committee on Education Beyond the High School.
- (2) University Newsletter, December, 1957.
- (3) University Bulletin - School of Pharmacy.
- (4) PHARMA CONN.
- (5) Fee statement report.
- (6) Statement - Higher Tuition vs. Equal Opportunity.
- (7) Tuition charges at Land-Grant colleges and state universities.
- (8) Crash Programs Not the Answer.
- (9) Statement - Federal Scholarships.
- (10) Statement - Federal Fellowships.
- (11) "Education - The Foundation for Freedom and National Strength," by Marion B. Folsom, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare.
- (12) Resolution of American Association of Land-Grant Colleges and State Universities.
- (13) Washington Report - by Russell B. Thackrey, Executive Secretary, American Association of Land-Grant Colleges and State Universities.
- (14) Salary data for presidents, deans and faculty in Land-Grant colleges and state universities.
- (15) Summary of Methods of Financing Academic Buildings - By American Association of Land-Grant Colleges and State Universities.

## 23. A proposed recommendation concerning an increase of the President's salary maximum was fully discussed. Recognizing

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the Board has full jurisdiction in such salary matters, it was the unanimous opinion the maximum be increased. No definite amount was decided upon at this time. The timing of such an event poses a problem and after some discussion, and due to the lateness of the meeting, it was suggested we pursue this subject at our next Board meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

-s- J. Ray Ryan

J. Ray Ryan, Secretary