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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
held in Hartford, November 16, 1949

Present:	Mr. Brock	Sister Rosa	Mr. Suisman
	Mr. Engleman	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Warncke
	Mr. Hook	Mr. Shippee	Mr. Watson
	Mr. Jorgensen	Mr. Staples	

1. The minutes of the meeting of September 21, 1949, having been mailed out, were approved without being read.
2. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following resignations:
 - (1) J. Louis Cooper, Associate Professor of Education, December 10, 1949. To accept position in Education Division of The Institute of Inter-American Affairs as Co-ordinator of their teacher training program at Guatamala.
 - ✓ (2) Roxie Belle Diver, Instructor in Physical Education, November 15, 1949.
 - (3) Frederick P. Fischer, Associate Professor of Electrical Engineering, February 1, 1950. Position at University of Buffalo.
resignation letter Rec. 11/16/50
3. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following appointments:
 - ✓ (1) John Evan Dever, M. S., Research Associate, Institute of Public Service, annual salary \$4440, November 1, 1949.
 - ✓ (2) M. Jeanne Kahnke, B. S., Assistant Professor of Animal Diseases, annual salary \$4020, October 16, 1949.
 - ✓ (3) Ralph J. Kochenburger, D. Sc., Assistant Professor of Electrical Engineering, annual salary \$5100, February 1, 1950.
 - ✓ (4) Rolf W. Larson, M. S., Assistant Professor of Education, annual salary \$4200, February 1, 1950.
 - (5) Robert E. Parker, B. S., Instructor, Editorial Office, annual salary \$3600, August ~~X~~, 1949.

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- (6) Eugene J. Reiner, B. A., Assistant Instructor in Chemistry, annual salary \$3360, October 1, 1949.
 - ✓ (7) George E. Whitham, B. S., County Agricultural Agent, Windham County, annual salary \$4200, November 1, 1949.
4. THE BOARD VOTED, in accordance with Board policy, to accept and place on file the following requests for leave of absence:
- ✓ (1) Erben Cook, Instructor in Mathematics, sabbatic leave with half pay, academic year 1950-51. Study for doctorate.
 - ✓ (2) William T. Gruhn, Professor of Education, sabbatic leave with half pay, academic year 1950-51.
 - ✓ (3) E. L. Jungherr, Professor of Animal Diseases, sabbatic leave with full pay November 1, 1950 to May 1, 1951. To work at Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Washington, D. C.
 - ✓ (4) Richard Stinson, Assistant Professor of Floriculture, leave without pay, September 16, 1950 to September 16, 1951. Study for doctorate.
5. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following scholarships and gifts and instructed the President to write appropriate letters of acceptance and appreciation to the donors:
- (1) Connecticut Pomological Society, annual scholarship of \$100 to a senior majoring in Pomology.
 - (2) Dr. George C. St. John, former headmaster of Choate School, donated to Mechanical Engineering Department a hot air pumping engine No. 1087 manufactured by The American Machine Co., Newark, Delaware.
 - (3) The E. I. DuPont de Nemours & Co., Wilmington, Delaware, \$1000 to the Poultry Department of Storrs Agricultural Experiment Station for the study of synthetic amino acids in poultry rations.
 - (4) Sidney Ellis of the Ellis Coat Company, Manchester, Connecticut, \$500 to be awarded to three specific individuals.
 - (5) The Suisman Foundation Incorporated, \$500 to be awarded to three specific individuals.
 - (6) Connecticut Consumers Finance Association, one scholarship of \$125 and one scholarship for \$75 to students designated by Dean Ackerman.

6. THE BOARD VOTED to appoint Fred D. Weed of Bethel, Connecticut, Director-at-Large of The Connecticut Poultry Producers, Inc.
7. THE BOARD VOTED to approve salary adjustments and increases as presented.
8. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the transfer of \$10,000 from the 6.4 Account to the Sheep Barn Project with the understanding that reimbursement will be made at the end of this fiscal year from the Sheep Fund Account receipts.
9. THE BOARD VOTED to transfer \$45,000 from the 6.4 Account to finance additional unanticipated cost of rock excavation on the faculty housing site. It is understood that reimbursement will be made from unused "contingencies" established for other self-liquidating construction on the campus.
10. The President advised the Trustees that, at the present time, the Comptroller's Account #8.202 has a free balance of \$1949.47. This balance is insufficient to finance a change order to the Charter Oak Construction Company in the amount of \$4453.67 on Project B/A-D-48 -- Sewage Disposal Plant. THE BOARD VOTED to approve a transfer of \$3990.00 which remains in Account #8.347 -- Construction of Two Wells, (balance remaining from first contract), to Account #8.202. The original source of funds in these two projects was from Appropriation Account B-7301Y -- Structural Replacements & Major Improvements.
11. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the charge of \$22,000 covering rock excavation and grading north of the gymnasium and swimming pool to Comptroller's Account #8.325 - Project D-76 -- Military Science Building construction. The balance in this construction account is sufficient to cover the amount of the change order.
12. The President discussed the background of the present football situation. It was the sense of the meeting that unfortunate timing of pressures arising from anonymous and outside sources made it necessary to initiate a study of the athletic situation at this time. It was also the sense of the discussion that the amount of attention given to the matter by some students and the general public was undeserved and has led to considerable bad publicity and disservice to the University. THE BOARD VOTED unanimously to approve a study of the situation as outlined by the President in his communication of October 15. This statement of the proposed study is made a part of these minutes.

THE BOARD ALSO VOTED unanimously to approve the following membership of the Study Committee:

Trustees: Mr. Edward A. Suisman
Mr. J. Ray Ryan

Students: Mr. Frank Dezenzo (nominated by the Athletic
Mr. George Bleuher Club of the University)

Alumni: Mr. Harold Watson
Mr. Meyer Ellovich

Faculty: Mr. C. J. Gladfelter
Mr. W. H. Kinsey
Mr. P. L. Putnam
Mr. Walter Stemmons
Mr. W. B. Young

Mr. VanBibber, Director of Division of Intramural Sports and Inter-Collegiate Athletics, was appointed as an ex-officio non-voting member of the Committee and will appear only on call by the Committee to provide such information and technical assistance as may be required.

THE BOARD FURTHER VOTED that the Committee should not be enlarged but that the Committee was privileged to invite in anyone (faculty, student or alumni, or any others) who might be helpful in making a complete study of this situation and in the writing of a statesmanlike report to be prepared.

13. Proposed revisions of the laws and by-laws had been mailed out to the Trustees prior to the meeting. THE BOARD VOTED to give Mr. Hook, Chairman of the Board, authority to work with Dean Gentry of the University and with the President to prepare the revised laws and by-laws for early publication.
14. The President discussed with the Trustees the administrative rule regarding firearms at the University. THE BOARD VOTED that no student shall be permitted to have a firearm or firearms of any kind on the main campus or any of the off-campus centers of the University and in any of the buildings of the University, and that the only firearms at the University will be those under the responsible charge of the R.O.T.C. and the University Security Division. Failure to abide by this policy shall be grounds for immediate dismissal of any student.
15. On December 15, 1948, the following action was taken by the Board of Trustees: "THE BOARD VOTED to accept Mr. Ryan's recommendation that the University of Connecticut accept telephone calls at the University Security Building reporting fires in the Town of Mansfield, the person accepting the call in the Security Building to phone notifying the first person on a list to be submitted by First Selectman Beebe. The University will not assume any responsibility for sounding alarms nor will the University assume responsibility for any failure to adequately cover fires taking place in any part of the Town of Mansfield. IT WAS FURTHER

VOTED that the University would provide this limited service until July 1, 1950, at which time the entire matter should be reconsidered."

Mr. Ray Ryan reported that it was now possible for the Town of Mansfield to arrange for fire alarm service as proposed with the Willimantic Fire Department. IT WAS FURTHER VOTED to instruct the University Comptroller to advise the Mansfield town officials that the University of Connecticut would discontinue providing the town with twenty-four hour fire alarm service as soon as arrangements were made with the Willimantic Fire Department to provide this service.

16. Mr. Shippee made a brief but reassuring report on his meeting with the property owners in the neighborhood of the recently purchased residence to house our School of Social Work. Mr. Shippee's assistance in meeting with the property owners is greatly appreciated by the Board and the administration of the University.
17. The Trustees discussed union activities at the University. It was the sense of the discussion that all problems affecting the classified service as to hours of employment, wages, classifications, etc. should be determined on the State level and not on the institutional level, since this policy has been operative since the establishment of the State Personnel Department and since it appears to be so stated or implied in the State statutes.
18. Information.

The President provided the Trustees with information regarding the following:

- A. Summer Conference Schedules - Enrollments and Fees.
- B. Comparative enrollment data for the current academic year.
- C. Statute passed by the 1949 Session of the General Assembly authorizing "Exchange students and Exchange faculty."
- D. Copies of the 1949 Student Handbook.
- E. Copies of Labor-Management Institute announcements for Stamford, Hartford, and Waterbury.
- F. Copies of the President's Administrative Report to the Governor as required by statute.
- G. Action of the Engineers' Council for Professional Development continuing the accreditation of Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering programs at the State University.
- H. Enrollment reports for the Hartford College of Insurance.

Respectfully submitted,

-s- J. Ray Ryan
Secretary