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

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held in Hartford, October 15, 1947

Present:

Governor McConaughy
Dr. Barker
Mr. Eddy
Mr. Christensen
Mr. Ryan
Mr. Shippee

Sister M. Rosa
Mr. Spencer
Mr. Suisman
Mr. Warncke
Mr. Jorgensen

1. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the minutes of the meeting of June 25 and the special meeting of August 15.
2. Mr. Spencer was reelected vice president and chairman of the Board. Mr. J. Ray Ryan was reelected secretary. The following were elected to the Executive Committee: Mr. Spencer, chairman: Mr. Shippee, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Suisman, Mr. Christensen.
3. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following resignations:
 - (1) W. H. Griggs, Assistant Professor of Pomology, effective October 15, 1947.
 - (2) Richard H. Jaquith, Instructor in Chemistry, effective September 15, 1947.
 - (3) Sylvia Levin, Infirmary Nurse, effective September 1, 1947.
 - (4) Helen R. Moseley, Instructor in Genetics, effective October 1, 1947.
 - (5) Paul Pfuetze, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, effective August 6, 1947.
 - (6) Claude A. Parton, Instructor in Physical Education, effective August 31, 1947.
 - (7) Laura Revel, Infirmary Nurse, effective August 9, 1947.
 - (8) Meredith Runner, Assistant Professor of Zoology, September 12, 1947.
 - (9) H. M. Scott, Head of Poultry Husbandry and Professor of Poultry Husbandry, effective November 1, 1947.
 - (10) Robert H. Sproat, Instructor in English, effective September 15, 1947.
 - (11) Moises Tirado, Instructor in Foreign Languages, effective September 15, 1947.
 - (12) Lawrence Willson, Assistant Professor of English, effective September 15, 1947.

4. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following appointments:

- (1) Grace A. Aspray, Assistant Professor of Home Economics, annual salary \$3180, effective September 16, 1947, replacing Vivian Anderson Putnam.
- (2) Clark Bailey, Assistant Director of University Extension, annual salary \$3420, effective September 1, 1947, replacing M. Jay Blaha.
- (3) Allen B. Barton, Instructor in Civil Engineering, annual salary \$2940, effective September 1, 1947, replacing W. A. Johnson.
- (4) Thomas S. Baskett, Assistant Professor of Wildlife Management, annual salary \$4500., effective September 1, 1947, replacing Maurice Alexander.
- (5) Robert K. Benson, Instructor in Electrical Engineering, annual salary \$2940, effective September 1, 1947, new position.
- (6) Francisco J. Cardona, Instructor in Philosophy, annual salary \$3060, effective September 16, 1947, replacing Paul E. Pfuetze.
- (7) William E. Chappell, Assistant Professor of Vegetable Gardening, annual salary \$3900, effective September 16, 1947, replacing Albert E. Wilkinson.
- (8) Hugh Clark, Assistant Professor of Zoology, annual salary \$3900, effective September 22, 1947, replacing Meredith Runner.
- (9) Walter C. Collins, Instructor in Poultry Husbandry, annual salary \$3180, effective August 25, 1947, new position.
- (10) Guillermo Cotto-Thorner, Instructor in Foreign Languages, annual salary \$2940, effective September 16, 1947, replacing M. Tiredo.
- (11) Carlson E. Crane, Assistant Director, Division of University Extension, annual salary \$3420, effective September 16, 1947, replacing M. Jay Blaha.
- (12) Wendell Davis, Instructor in Mechanical Engineering, annual salary \$2820, effective September 1, 1947, new position.
- (13) Joaquin B. DeCastro, Instructor in Foreign Languages, annual salary \$3060, effective September 16, 1947, replacing Eduardo Pagan-Tomei.
- (14) Elizabeth A. Donnan, Assistant Instructor in Genetics, annual salary \$2040, effective October 27, 1947.
- (15) Hamilton D. Eaton, Assistant Professor of Animal Industries, annual salary \$4020, effective August 1, 1947, replacing J. C. Shaw.
- (16) Carlton W. H. Erickson, Assistant Professor of Education and Director Audio-Visual Aids Center, annual salary \$4320, effective September 1, 1947, replacing David E. Strom.

- (17) George E. Frick, Instructor in Agricultural Economics, annual salary \$3300, effective September 1, 1947, new position.
- (18) Sol L. Garfield, Assistant Professor of Psychology, annual salary \$4500, effective September 16, 1947, new position.
- (19) Nicolas Golub, Instructor in Foreign Languages, annual salary \$2940, effective September 16, 1947.
- (20) Sol Gordon, Instructor in Psychology, annual salary \$3060, effective September 16, 1947, replacing George Boguslavsky.
- (21) Janice Johnson, Infirmary Nurse, annual salary \$2160, effective September 16, 1947, replacing Mrs. Sylvia Levin.
- (22) Harry D. Kerrigan, Associate Professor of Accounting, annual salary \$4440, effective September 16, 1947.
- (23) Fred J. Khouri, Instructor in Government and International Relations, annual salary \$3060, effective September 16, 1947, new position.
- (24) Marjorie C. Kircher, Instructor in Art, annual salary \$3060, effective September 16, 1947.
- (25) Robert G. Lauffer, Assistant County Agent (Windham County) annual salary \$2700, effective August 1, 1947, replacing Howard Johnson.
- (26) Robert K. McCandliss, Instructor in Physics, annual salary \$3180, effective September 16, 1947, new position.
- (27) Walter C. McKain, Jr., Associate Professor of Rural Sociology, annual salary \$5160, effective November 1, 1947.
- (28) Helen Patricia MacLeod, Instructor in Dairy Industry, annual salary \$2460, effective July 15, 1947, replacing Mr. Blackman.
- (29) Andrew J. McMullan, Jr., Instructor in Music, annual salary \$3660, effective September 1, 1947, replacing Freeman W. Meyer.
- (30) Doris McTigue, Instructor in Mathematics, (College of Pharmacy), annual salary \$2520, effective September 16, 1947, new position.
- (31) Donald N. Mercer, Instructor in Animal Industry, annual salary \$3060, effective August 16, 1947, replacing L. S. Minor.
- (32) Fay Moeller, Assistant Professor of Family Living, annual salary \$3540, effective September 16, 1947, replacing Lisbeth Macdonald.
- (33) Earl H. Newcomer, Associate Professor of Botany, annual salary \$4980, effective January 1, 1948, new position.
- (34) Linnea V. Paavola, Assistant Registrar (School of Law), annual salary \$2400, effective July 15, 1947, replacing A. M. Ramenda.

- (35) Mary Frances Parmelee, Instructor in Child Development, annual salary \$2580, effective September 16, 1947, new position.
 - (36) Russell C. Potter, Instructor in Dairy Manufacturing, annual salary \$2940, effective October 6, 1947.
 - (37) Alice E. Riley, Assistant Instructor in Chemistry, annual salary \$2520, effective September 23, 1947, replacing Richard Jaquith.
 - (38) Pearl A. Gilmore, Assistant Professor of Textiles and Art, annual salary \$3060, effective September 16, 1947, replacing V. Anderson.
 - (39) Sidney Schmukler, Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics, annual salary \$4020, effective September 16, 1947, replacing L. J. Atkinson.
 - (40) Susanne Schulse, Professor of Social Work, (School of Social Work), annual salary \$4740, effective September 15, 1947, new position.
 - (41) Homer Sherwood, Associate Professor of Insurance and Assistant Dean of College of Insurance, annual salary \$4080, effective September 3, 1947, new position.
 - (42) Ralph J. Slate, Assistant Instructor in Animal Industries, annual salary \$2520, effective October 16, 1947, replacing Catherine T. Dellea.
 - (43) Richard W. Thompson, Associate County Club Agent (Middlesex County) annual salary \$2700, effective August 16, 1947, replacing Edward Palmer.
 - (44) Stanley C. Vance, Assistant Professor of Industry, annual salary \$3660, effective September 16, 1947.
 - (45) James L. Weber, Instructor in History, annual salary \$3060, effective September 16, 1947, new position.
 - (46) James H. Whitaker, Instructor in Agricultural Engineering, annual salary \$3300, effective September 16, 1947, new position.
 - (47) Edgar P. Wyman, Assistant Professor of Forestry, annual salary \$4020, effective August 16, 1947, replacing Dr. N. W. Hosley.
5. THE BOARD VOTED to accept and place on file the following request for extension of leave: James S. Owens, Professor of Agronomy, November 1, 1947 - October 31, 1948.
6. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following change in rank or title:
- (1) John H. Elliott, from Instructor to County Agricultural Agent, salary from \$3540 to \$4020, effective September 1, 1947.

7. THE BOARD VOTED to accept the following scholarships or gifts and instructed the President to write a letter of appreciation to the donors:
- (1) Morris Pecking Company Scholarships - gift of \$1000. Scholarships will be in the amount of \$250 each and will be available to students in the College of Agriculture with preference given to students majoring in the field of Animal Production.
 - (2) Sears Roebuck Scholarship Fund - \$360 to continue. \$360 awarded in scholarships last year.
 - (3) Charles H. Hood Dairy Foundation, \$200. to finance a Hood Scholarship at the University of Connecticut during the coming year.
 - (4) The Connecticut State Association of Life Underwriters, Scholarship: "One scholarship \$150 for a senior who is a major in the field of life insurance in the School of Business Administration.
 - (5) Fannie Dixon Welch Memorial Scholarship, \$100 to junior or senior woman having a major in Government and International Relations on the basis of character, citizenship and promise of leadership in the field of government. Given by the Connecticut Federation of Democratic Women's Club in memory of Fannie Dixon Welch.
 - (6) Five hundred dollars from the Safeway Stores, Incorporated, to be used in paying out-of-state travel expense in connection with the wholesale milk delivery study being made by the Agricultural Economics Department. To be set up in a separate account since the unexpended balance is to be refunded to Safeway Stores at the end of the fiscal year.
 - (7) Fifty odd geodes to Geology Department from the Reverend J. G. Waggoner.
8. THE BOARD VOTED to award the LL.B. degree to Philip J. Piccola, October 15, 1947, and the President was authorized to write the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hartford County in order that Mr. Piccola might qualify for admission to the bar.
9. THE BOARD VOTED to table the request for a donation of fifty dollars (\$50.00) toward the construction of a waiting station in Eagleville.
10. The President discussed the Board's policy regarding the sale of faculty homes in the two faculty residence developments and requested that the Board review the intent of the Board of Trustees with reference to the development of these faculty residence areas. THE BOARD VOTED to reaffirm the policy as originally adopted to the effect that in the sale of homes built by members of the faculty on land sold by the University with the reversion clause, the first opportunity to purchase should go to active members of the faculty. The President was instructed to advise Miss Elsie Trabue and the Storrs Congregational Church of this action.
11. THE BOARD VOTED to approve the nomination of Fred D. Weed of Bethel as Director at Large for the Connecticut Poultry Producers, Inc., for the year July 1, 1947 - June 30, 1948.

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12. The President advised the Board of Trustees that he had prepared and submitted an administrative report to the Governor as of September 1, 1947. This type of report is now required by statute. Copies of this report will be mailed to the Trustees in the very near future. The following letter was received from Mr. Armstead:

"GEORGE BROOKS ARMSTEAD
83 Stillwold Road
Wethersfield 9, Conn.

October 11, 1947

"Dr. Albert N. Jorgensen, President
The University of Connecticut
Storrs, Connecticut

Dear President Jorgensen:

"Perhaps you will recall stopping in the corridor at the Capitol, one day earlier this week, when you asked if the University report had been received and I reported it came in good time and was appreciated.

"That was an understatement, due to the presence of a third party.

"I want you to know that I think your report the most skillfull and most interesting I ever have read from any State department. But it is far more than that.

"It is one of the most convincing documents in support of State-financed education on the university level I ever have seen.

"This is to suggest that, perhaps, you could find funds to either print or mimeograph this report for wide distribution in the State. The volume of combined reports we are about to print will reach State and town officials - that is about all.

"I think your report should be in the hands of every student matriculated in your several schools; also in the hands of all the educators - from top to bottom - in the public school systems.

"After all, what the Legislature does for the University depends to a great degree upon what is the sentiment regarding the University "at the grass roots." And, perhaps more important, in the urban centers where grass is crowded out but the bulk of our youth grows apace.

"Your report gets right down to fundamentals, and in terms the common man can understand, which is not always the case with such documents. I believe it should be given very wide distribution. For my own part, I am deeply grateful for all the thought and skill which went into its preparation.

"Sincerely,

/s/ GEORGE B. ARMSTEAD"

13. Governor McConaughy requested that the bids on dormitories be discussed before it became necessary for him to leave to attend another meeting. The Board discussed the matter at great length. Careful consideration was given to all aspects of the matter discussed in the President's Office by Mr. F. C. Teich, the architect, Mr. Appell, vice president of the Fuller Construction Company and the head of the Estimating Division of that Company. It became apparent that it would be impossible to have new permanent dormitories available by September, 1948. THE BOARD VOTED to instruct the President to review with the Governor the background of the dormitory situation and the State's commitment to "veterans" enrolled in the several "branches" of the University and to discuss two alternatives with him:

1. Since the State assumed responsibility for the education of G.I.'s under Public Acts 16 and 346, it will be necessary for the State to notify at least seven hundred enrolled G.I.'s that it now becomes necessary for the State to default on its commitment to them with reference to continuing their education on the Storrs campus at the beginning of the junior year because it is not now possible to construct permanent dormitories at present prices and in time for occupancy by September 1, 1948. The University is ready and anxious to organize and administer the educational program for veterans whenever facilities are made available.
2. The State should provide funds for additional temporary housing for a minimum of seven hundred students, one small dining hall and kitchen, one small class-room building, and office facilities for twenty-four instructors. The temporary facilities must be available by August 1, 1948.

While the second alternative is not completely satisfactory, it is considered to be the more acceptable from all points of view than Alternative I. The President was also instructed to provide the Governor with estimates as to cost and possibilities with reference to liquidating the expense of this temporary construction out of rental income. The liquidation of this expense was not to be charged in any amount to income from other income producing activities since this would jeopardize the University's program for carrying the debt service on existing self-liquidating projects and on future permanent construction to be financed by means of self-liquidating bonds already authorized or to be authorized.

14. A copy of the President's convocation address to students and faculty is made a matter of record in these minutes.
15. A copy of the University's travel policy statement is made a matter of record in these minutes.
16. The President presented to each Trustee a copy of the Faculty News Bulletin.
17. Copies of the report of the College of Insurance were distributed to the Trustees.
18. Copies of the report of the School of Law were distributed to the Trustees.

19. The President presented enrollment summaries for the year 1946-47, the current year and a predicted summary for 1948-49. This enrollment material was presented as part of the discussion material regarding dormitory needs.
20. Copies of a letter regarding the need for reorganizing the "business operations" of the University were distributed to the Trustees.
21. The President reported on the success of the first summer Institute on Labor Management Relations and advised the Trustees of many favorable reactions to the "attitude of neutrality" as evidenced in the University's administration of this Institute.
22. The President presented copies of "The Powers and Functions of the University Senate" a report of the Faculty Committee on the revision of the Laws and By-Laws of the Board of Trustees and the Rules and Rules and Regulations of the Faculty Senate. Copies of this report carried written references to the chapters and sections of the printed Laws and By-Laws affected by the recommendations. THE BOARD VOTED to table the report for consideration at a later meeting. The President will attempt to secure sufficient copies of the printed Laws and By-Laws to supply each trustee. These printed copies will be forwarded to the Trustees in advance of the next meeting. The Trustees were urged to study the recommendations for the next regular meeting.
23. The President reported on the need for class room and offices for the School of Social Work. Additional facilities expected to be provided by the Hartford Board of Education did not become available. Temporary quarters have been secured on a rental basis until November 1. Other rental quarters must be located prior to November 1.
24. The President reported on a visit to Mr. Fred T. Bedford of Green's Farms. Mr. Bedford wishes to provide in his will for the transfer of his dairy farm to the University. The property to be transferred to the University would include two double houses, two single houses, all the farmland, all of the equipment, a modern dairy barn and dairy manufacturing plant, a barn recently constructed for the housing of all young dairy cattle and the entire pure bred Guernsey herd of approximately eighty head. The estimated value was stated to be about \$300,000. It is Mr. Bedford's hope that the University will indicate an interest in this property and that the University will hold the property for a period not to exceed twenty years after which time the University will be free to dispose of all of this property if doing so will be in the best interests of the University. Mr. Bedford indicated a willingness to establish a trust fund to guarantee any loss during the twenty year period growing out of the operations and the ownership of the property. THE BOARD VOTED to authorize the President to write Mr. Bedford to indicate the Trustees' interest in Mr. Bedford's plan as outlined to the President and as presented to the Trustees.
25. The President reported on a conference with Attorney General Hadden, and Assistant Attorney General Rago regarding the form of a lease for the development of a business center to serve the University community. The "lease form" prepared by Judge Rago was presented to the Trustees and discussed. THE BOARD VOTED to instruct the President to work with the Attorney General and the State Comptroller as a committee with power to decide on the terms of the lease and ~~the amount of the income~~
or sale.

~~to be derived from leases in connection with the development of a business center to serve the University community.~~ *Corrected 7/27/48 per Pres. J. Ryan (E.K.)*

26. Mr. Eddy and Mr. Ryan discussed rumors to the effect that plans were in process to tear down Whitney House and possibly Harvey, Rosebrook and the old Farrell House. A small group is interested in seeing one or more of these houses retained and one of them restored and furnished with period furniture. With housing conditions so acute on the campus, Dr. Jorgensen stated that no buildings capable of shelter were being considered for demolition. Mr. Spencer stated that the furnishing of an old colonial house with period furniture had considerable merit as an educational function in Homemaking, especially if the group were to arrange for the furnishing with no expense to the State.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Ryan

J. Ray Ryan
Secretary

Because of the Land-Grant College meetings scheduled in November, the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Wednesday, December 17, at the Hartford Club at 11:00 a.m.