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# UNIVERSITY OF MAINE - BOARD OF TRUSTEES

#### Minutes

## Board Meeting

January 20, 1968

PRESENT: President L. M. Cutler, A. H. Benoit, F. C. Brown, Miss L. M. Cormier, R. H. Cutting, Mrs. L. A. Pierce, Jr., W. G. Robertson, O. H. Smith; ABSENT: R. N. Haskell, H. H. Hauck, W. T. Logan; Administration: President Edwin Young, Vice President for Academic Affairs H. A. Peck, Assistant to the President J. M. Clark, Director of Student Services R. B. Cobb, Director of Public Information and Central Services H. A. Keyo, Director of Physical Plant F. S. McGuire, and Clerk Edith Wilson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES. It was moved, duly seconded, and

VOTED: To approve the minutes as distributed for the meetings as listed below; to approve all recommendations and ratify all action taken as recorded in said minutes, copies of which are filed herewith.

- a. Educational Policy and Research Committee,
   November 21, 1967
- b. Physical Plant Committee, November 21, 1967
- c. University Stores Committee, November 21, 1967
- d. Board of Trustees, November 21, 1967 and January 3, 1968

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1. Educational Policy and Research Committee. Mr. Benoit reported.
  - a. The Committee, continuing its interest in the effectiveness of teaching, heard a report on the Continuing
    Education Division and expressed the desire to encourage a more systematic procedure for the evaluation of
    teaching effectiveness throughout the University. The
    Committee realizes this is a very difficult area but
    the effort to establish procedures is in itself an
    emphasis on the importance of teaching.
  - b. Graduate Programs. Dr. Peck reported that an evaluation is under way of the Doctoral programs which have been established for a few years. The Committee considered such a review timely and worth while as the Board faces decisions regarding the distribution of limited funds.

- . c. Freshmen Seminars. The Committee was informed of an experimental program in the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture in which seminars were organized providing for ten or twelve freshmen to meet weekly with a faculty member receiving one credit in the humanities with a "pass" or "fail" grade. The Committee expressed enthusiasm for this effort on the part of the University . to assist freshmen in finding themselves on a large campus.
- . d. New Course. Upon the recommendation of the Committee, it was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: To approve Ec 175, Industrial Organization in Business Administration, effective Spring Semester 1968.

- 2. Physical Plant Committee. Mr. Cutting
  - · a. Federal Land. Mr. Cutting reported that the Federal Government wishes to erect on the campus a research facility for their use but which requires ownership of an acre of land. The Committee considered this an added resource for the University as well as for the State. It was moved, seconded, and

That the University convey one acre of land to the United States Government for the purpose of constructing a building for soil and water research, the conveyance to contain a reverter clause returning the land to the University if, and when, it is no longer used for said purpose. The location is to be in the vicinity of the Forestry building with the exact site determined by the University Facilities Planning Committee.

• b. The Sprague Property in Bangor. The Committee was informed of a legacy from the estate of Mrs. Adelbert W. Sprague including a house and lot with whatever prints there may be in the house, at 217 Union Street in Bangor.

After careful review of this property and evaluation of the prints, it seemed evident that the University could make no use of the property. Therefore, it was moved, seconded, and

> VOTED: To join with the Merchants National Bank, as Trustees of the Estate, in the sale of the Adelbert W. Sprague real estate at 217 Union Street in Bangor, Maine.

• c. The Architects for Darling Center Project. On the recommendation of the Committee, it was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: To authorize the selection of the architectural-engineering firm of Jackson & Moreland in Boston to proceed with modest master planning of the development at Darling Center and the construction of a pier facility needed immediately.

AUTHORITY TO AWARD DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES. Upon the recommendation of President Young, it was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: To confer as of January 20, 1968 the appropriate degrees and/or certificates in course upon those students properly recommended by the deans and faculties of the respective Colleges, Schools and Divisions and whose names are listed in the Official Program of the 132nd Commencement, a copy of which is attached hereto.

PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS. Dr. Peck reported that this is the time of year when promotions and reappointments are made for the ensuing year. The list as presented carries the recommendations of the appropriate department heads and deans and has been approved by the President. On these recommendations, it was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: To approve all personnel recommendations as listed under date of January 20, 1968, a copy of which is filed herewith.

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS. Dr. Young stressed the importance of private giving noting the generosity, for instance, of Albert Conley, an alumnus; of the Max Kagan Foundation through their frequent gifts; of the community interest in Augusta, as evidenced by the gifts of the American Association of University Women; of the increasing list of companies participating in matching gifts of their employees to the University; and the gifts of citizens in the Portland area to the library at UMP. It was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: To accept with appreciation all grants, bequests and other gifts as listed under date of January 20, 1968, a copy of which is filed herewith.

NAMED PROFESSORSHIP. President Young reported receipt of securities worth over \$100,000 from Nicolas M. Salgo, Chairman of the Board of Bangor Punta Corporation, for use in the establishment of the Named Professorship in Business Administration. In recognition of this unusual contribution and upon the President's recommendation, it was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: To accept with deep appreciation this gift of \$100,000 from Mr. Salgo and to establish therewith the Nicolas M. Salgo Professorship in Business Administration, effective July 1, 1968.

► REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES. Mr. Cobb reported that the women students organized as a French House and living in the Alpha Tau Omega House have been moved as a unit to Knox Hall where a couple of wings have been set aside for this French speaking group of students.

The ATO fraternity, which was discontinued in 1965 by the Alumni of the Braternity, is being reinstated, and a small group of new members are serving as the nucleus for the revival of the fraternity on the campus. They will be living in the fraternity house this spring semester although dining in Stodder Hall.

NEW FRATERNITIES. The Inter-Fraternity Council has been studying the enrollment figures and the desirability of bringing new fraternities to the campus. Out of a rather large number of interested fraternities they are seriously considering a group of eight as desirable and free from discriminatory clauses. During the next few months representatives will be on the campus for discussion of possible colonization.

TREASURER'S REPORT. It was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: To record receipt of the annual report of the Treasurer for fiscal 1967.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT. President Young commented briefly on progress in various matters.

- 1. The efforts over the past few years to encourage more young people in the State to go to college seem to be effective as evidenced by the increasing numbers applying for admission to the University. As the financial situation of the University tightens, this pressure for admission makes a difficult but challenging situation.
- 2. The new dormitory Knox Hall, the dining hall and the Zoology building are all ready for occupancy. The Forestry building and the buildings at Portland are all progressing reasonably on schedule.

- 3. <u>Dow Field</u>. Applications and planning are going ahead for the best possible use of buildings which we may secure in the Dow Field Complex.
- 4. Oceanography: The Research Institute of the Gulf of Maine.

  At the November meeting it was reported that several Maine institutions had formed a consortium for the study of oceanography. Recently the 2nd Special Session of the 103rd Legislature appropriated \$50,000 to the University to direct this new cooperative effort, naming it The Research Institute of the Gulf of Maine. Darling Center and Southern Maine Vocational-Technical Institute are planning to share the use of a vessel now owned by SMVTI. This makes the erection of a pier at Darling Center of great importance.

Dr. Cutler offered the audience an opportunity to ask questions.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned after calling attention to the fact that the next regular meeting will be April 17, 1968.

Edith G. Wilson Clerk of the Board