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UNIVERSITY OF MAINE - BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes

Board Meeting

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Board Mtg

PRESENT: L. M. Cutler, H. L. V. Anderson, A. H. Benoit,
L. R. Brown, Miss Lucia M. Cormier, R. N. Haskell, Mrs. Jean
Campson, S. W. Wernick, N. Y. Wessell; Absent: V. Currier,
L. H. Cutting, W. T. Logan, Jr., J. H. Page, Mrs. Helen
Pierce, W. G. Robertson; Staff: W. C. Libby, C. O. T. Wieden,
L. L. Fowle, A. J. Mraz, H. W. Gordon, S. L. Freeman,
S. McGuire, H. A. Keyo, Clerk Miss Edith Wilson and the Press.

Mr. Cutler called the meeting to order and introduced
Mr. Bernard Rines, Mayor of Gorham. Mr. Rines welcomed the
Board of Trustees, meeting in Gorham for the first time in
history. Gorham too is in a period of transition since it
is the first year of a Town Council form of government.
Mr. Rines expressed the hope that both projects would succeed
and that the Board of Trustees would return to meet in Gorham
soon again.

Mr. Cutler responded to Mr. Rines by expressing good wishes
to the Town and appreciation to Dr. Brooks and his staff
for the arrangements for the Trustee Meeting.

The minutes were approved. It was moved, 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. on June 12, 1968
 - Educational Policy Committee
 - Physical Plant Committee
 - Board of Trustees
- b. on August 7, 1968 - Executive Committee
- c. on August 20-21, 1968
 - Executive Committee
 - Board of Trustees
- d. on September 17-18, 1968
 - Educational Policy Committee
 - Public Information Committee
 - Physical Plant Committee
- e. on October 8, 1968 - Executive Committee

2. Report of Committees:

a. Educational Policy Committee. Mrs. Sampson reported that the Committee had met twice in pursuance of their study of the public service programs of the University.

b. Public Information Committee. Mr. Benoit reported.

1) Concerning the program for spreading information about the budget request to the legislature, the Committee has a two-phase program.

a. First to inform the staffs, faculties, and close friends of the various units of the University. Through these regional meetings on the budget request, it is hoped to identify local individuals who may be helpful in carrying the information to the general public and to the legislators later. During these briefings, each campus should be encouraged to explain those portions of the request related to their locality, but to relate their needs to the total needs of the system.

b. Later on, to hold meetings throughout the State for legislators and other public-minded citizens in order to answer questions and give information.

It was moved, seconded and

VOTED: To approve of the program proposed by the Public Information Committee.

c. Physical Plant Committee. Mr. Haskell reported.

1) The Ira C. Darling Center. The Committee reviewed the master plan for the development for the Ira C. Darling Center prepared by the engineering firm of Jackson and Moreland of Boston. On the recommendation of the Committee it was moved, seconded and

VOTED: To approve the general development plan proposed by Jackson and Moreland, subject to later study of detailed proposals as they are presented.

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The first phase of this development program is the construction of a 120-foot steel and treated wood dock and approach pier. On the recommendation of the Committee, it was moved, seconded and

VOTED: To approve the preliminary plan submitted by Jackson and Moreland for the pier construction, subject to adjustments which may be necessary to keep the cost within available funds.

- 2) Augusta Campus. The Committee reviewed an imaginative proposal for land use for the Augusta Campus made by a leading firm in this field, Sasaki, Dawson, DeMay of Watertown, Massachusetts. On the recommendation of the Committee, it was moved, seconded and

VOTED: To approve the Sasaki, Dawson and DeMay general development plan for the Augusta Campus.

- 3) Augusta Building. The Committee reviewed the preliminary plans submitted by the architects Bunker and Savage of Augusta. With \$1,100,000 for "land and classroom building of Augusta" appropriated, and a possibility for receiving \$400,000 in a federal grant, the total development costs may reach \$1,500,000. The building plan seems adequate for the current enrollment and possibly for as many as 500 students, although the library space would be exceedingly crowded at that time. Upon the recommendation of the Committee, it was moved, seconded and

VOTED: To approve the preliminary plans for the Classroom Building in Augusta as presented by Bunker and Savage.

- 4) Physical Education Complex in Orono. The Committee reviewed the report of the very competent architectural firm of Perry, Dean and Stewart of Boston regarding the physical education and recreation needs of the Orono campus. The plan is a long-range one covering the estimated needs for the next 20 years. Because of the size and cost, the project has been split into four phases.

The 103rd Legislature authorized \$1,900,000 for the first phase of the Physical Education Plant. It was noted that the recommendation of the architects is to build two pools to facilitate simultaneous teaching, physical education and recreational swimming by both men and women. The 103rd Legislature Appropriations Committee informed the University that the intent of their appropriation was for pool facilities. It was moved, seconded and

VOTED: To approve the preliminary plans of the physical education project, including two swimming pools plus other facilities.

No action was taken regarding the over-all plan or future phases.

- 5) Chemical Engineering Building. During the planning stage, the academic committees have raised their estimate of needed space from 48,000 to 63,000 sq. ft. At the same time federal funds have been somewhat restricted. Hence the proposal for the building is to split it into three phases. Phase 1 provides for a one-story laboratory building, plus part of a three-floor classroom-office building. On the recommendation of the committee it was moved, seconded and

VOTED: To approve the preliminary plans for phase one of the Chemical Engineering Building, using the \$1,400,000 appropriated, plus the \$250,000 applied for from a federal grant, the site to be across the street from the electrical engineering building

- 6) The Williams Property - Orono. Following a report by Mr. McGuire on the negotiations with Professor Williams regarding his property abutting the Orono Campus in the vicinity of the athletic field grandstand, it was moved, seconded and

VOTED: To authorize the exchange of three small parcels of University land in the southwest outer residential area of Old Town for property owned by Professor Williams consisting of approximately one and three-quarter acres of land at the end of Charles Street in Orono.

7) Applications for Federal Grants for Construction Projects.

- a. Under Section 204 of the HEF Act and on the recommendation of the Committee, it was moved, seconded and

VOTED: To file three requests with the State Commission for grants to aid in the construction of the following qualified projects, in the order indicated.

<u>Priority</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Amt.</u>
1	Classroom Building (This is an application for a supplemental grant)	Farmington	\$70,000
2	Chemical Engineering Building	Orono	\$250,000
3	Physical Ed-ucation Building and Pool	Orono	\$250,000

- b. Under section 203 of the HEF Act it was moved, seconded and

VOTED: To file a request with the State Commission for a federal grant to aid in the construction of the classroom building in Augusta in the amount of \$400,000.

- d. Search Committee. Dr. Wessell reported considerable progress in the search for both Chancellor and President. The list has now been pared from over one hundred to a few highly qualified and interested persons.

3. Personnel. On the recommendation of Mr. Libby and Mr. Wieden, it was moved, seconded and

VOTED: To approve all recommendations concerning personnel as listed under date of October 24, 1968, a copy of which is filed herewith.

4. Report of the Co-Finance Officers. Mr. Fowle reported on the following matters:

- a. Farmington Dormitory. Authorization has been received to proceed to advertise for bids for the new dormitory, with the understanding that a bill is to be introduced in the 104th Legislature to provide for repayment of these bonds out of income from all dormitories at Farmington, rather than just from this new one.
 - b. The election by State College employees was held, and the great majority of them elected to stay with the State's personnel system.
 - c. Following the last meeting of the Board, the Co-Administrative Officers and Finance Officers selected the Maxwell Wakely Company to study the personnel retirement policies now existent in the University system, and to prepare recommendations for changes in the State laws, if desirable, in time to present to the 104th Legislature. The firm was also requested to study leave policies and other related matters for a report prior to July 1, 1969.
5. Representation on the University Foundation. Dr. Cutler reported the appointment of the members of the Finance Committee to serve as active members of the University of Maine Foundation. It was moved, seconded and

VOTED: To confirm the appointment of Messrs. Haskell, Currier and Robertson as active members of the University of Maine Foundation.

The next meeting of the Board will be at the call of the Chairman. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Edith G. Wilson
Clerk, Board of Trustees