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UNIVERSITY OF MAINE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

February 8, 1974  
Augusta, Maine

Joint Committee  
Board of Trustees/State Board of Education

PRESENT: Jean Sampson, Lucia Cormier, Kenneth Ramage, Sylvia Lund, Inge Foster, John Ezhaya, Carroll McGary, Donald McNeil, Elwood Padham, Herbert Fowle, Lloyd Jewett, Stanley Freeman, Sally Holm and Clerk Margaret Dexter.

The need to resume more frequent meetings of the Joint Committee was discussed with the following topics listed as items for discussion.

1. Lewiston Proposal
2. Budget Information Exchange
3. Better Communications
4. Review Screening Committee Activities
5. Teacher Education
6. Teacher Supply
7. Maine Education Commission and the 1202 Commission

Maine Education - 1202 Commission. The Joint Committee discussed the inadvisability of rushing into a 1202 type commission or the Maine Management and Cost Survey proposed Maine Education Commission at the Special Session of the 106th Legislature. There was agreement that a statewide planning commission was advisable and the Joint Committee VOTED affirmatively on the following motion by Miss Cormier:

VOTED: to endorse the concept of a statewide planning commission for higher education. The State Board of Education and the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine offer their services for further study of such a commission to be joined by representatives of the private colleges, Maine Maritime Academy and the proprietary schools providing full representation of all post secondary education in the planning stages.

It was decided that Mrs. Lund and Mrs. Sampson would release the above resolution to the news media.

Opinions of how such a Commission should be structured varied from a planning and coordinating body to an agency with responsibility for all programs and allocation of all finances.

Community College Services. The replication of the York County Community College Services in the Lewiston Auburn area was discussed. Identity of the service was discussed as a major problem. One suggestion was to change the name to Androscoggin County Community College Services. Other problems include providing additional counselling and daytime offerings for full time students.

Means for making programs more visible in the Lewiston Auburn area were discussed. Problems of duplicating with University of Maine at Portland Gorham and the University of Maine at Augusta were questioned as was the possibility of reduced enrollment at Portland Gorham and Augusta because of an expanded service in Lewiston Auburn.

York County Community College Services. The group discussed the York County Community College Service which is offered cooperatively by the Department of Educational and Cultural Services and the University of Maine. A \$30,000 cost overrun was questioned. It was explained that the cost of leasing facilities was higher than expected (\$45,000) and enrollment was not up to expectation. It was decided to have Edward Hinckley and some representative from the University look over the York County operation and report to the Commissioner and the Chancellor.

The Joint Committee decided to meet again in Augusta on April 19, 1974 at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment.

Margaret R. Dexter  
Clerk, Board of Trustees