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UNIVERSITY OF MAINE - BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Minutes

Board Meeting

January 22, 1966

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

President Cutler welcomed Miss Lucia M. Cormier, whose appointment he considered fortunate for the Board.

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 24, 1965
- b. Finance Committee, November 23, 1965
- c. Maintenance and Control Committee, November 23, 1965
- d. Board of Trustees, November 23 & 24, 1965

CONFIRMATION OF MAIL VOTES. In the interim since the meeting on November 24, 1965 there were three votes conducted by mail or telephone. It was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: To record unanimous votes for the following:

- a. To authorize the University Treasurer to request the Treasurer of the State of Maine to obtain bids and issue bonds in the amount of \$6,000,000 for Construction of Housing as voted by the 102nd Legislature and ratified by referendum on November 2, 1965.
- b. To authorize the University Treasurer to request the Treasurer of the State of Maine to obtain bids and issue bonds in the amount of \$6,970,000 for Capital Improvements as voted by the 102nd Legislature and ratified by referendum on November 2, 1965.
- c. To approve the suggested general location of the Multi-purpose and Science buildings in Portland.

- APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS. Dr. Cutler reported the appointments he had made since the last meeting. It was moved, duly seconded, and

VOTED: To ratify the following appointments:

- a. Miss Cormier to the Educational Policy and Research and the Public Relations Committees.
 - b. Mr. Benoit to the Steering Committee for Long-Range Planning.
 - c. Mrs. Pierce and Dr. Cutler to the Committee for the Inauguration which is planned for April 21.
- AUTHORITY TO AWARD DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES. Upon the recommendation of President Young, it was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: To confer as of January 22, 1966 the appropriate degrees and/or certificates in course upon those students properly recommended by the deans and faculties of the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Education, Life Sciences and Agriculture, Technology and of the Graduate School, and whose names are listed in the Official Program of the 126th Commencement, a copy of which is attached hereto.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Educational Policy and Research Committee. Upon the recommendation of the Committee by Chairman Arthur Benoit, the following action was taken.

- a. Dividing the History and Government Department. It was moved, duly seconded, and

VOTED: To approve in principle the division of the Department of History and Government, establishing a Department of History and a Department of Political Science.

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- b. The Master of Science in Agriculture. It was moved, duly seconded, and

VOTED: To terminate the granting of the Master of Science degree in Agriculture, effective immediately.

- c. The Ph.D. degree in Clinical Psychology. It was moved, duly seconded, and

VOTED: To authorize the Department of Psychology to offer a program in Clinical Psychology leading to the Doctor of Philosophy degree.

- d. A doctoral program in Education. It was moved, duly seconded, and

VOTED: To approve the degree of Doctor of Education at such future time as the College of Education, the Graduate Faculty and the Board of Trustees shall agree that an appropriately documented proposal has been submitted and approved.

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- Mr. Benoit also reported that progress was being made in developing the closed-circuit television connections between Orono and Portland campuses with the hope that a branch connection may be made to Augusta. The expectation is that this circuit will be functioning in September 1966.

2. Maintenance and Control Committee. Chairman Cutting reported that the Committee recommends the following items:

- a. The Housing Complex. The Committee reviewed the architect's drawing of, and the recommended location for, the housing complex of three dormitories and a dining facility. It was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: To approve the general designs for this group of buildings, and the location directly east of Androscoggin Hall in the northeast area of the campus.

- b. Applications under the Higher Education Facilities Act of 1963. In August the Board voted to apply at this time for a grant for the Science building on the Portland campus. It will not be feasible to complete plans for this facility in time to meet the application due date. It was moved, duly seconded, and

VOTED:

- a. To rescind the vote of August 20, and
- b. To authorize the Administration to apply instead under appropriate titles of the Acts for grants for renovations in Carnegie, Aubert, and Winslow Halls.

c. The request for University land. The Trustees have several requests concerning University land, and since there is a Bill before the Special Session of the 102nd Legislature requesting the transfer of title from the State of Maine to the University of Maine of certain tracts of so-called University land, the following actions were recommended.

- 1) The request from the U.S.D.A. It was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: That, contingent upon the requested transfer of title of land from the State of Maine to the University, the University deed a tract of land of approximately one-half acre on the Aroostook Farm in Presque Isle, Aroostook County, to the United States Government as a building site for greenhouses and a headhouse for cooperative research with the Entomology Research Division of the Agricultural Research Service of the United States Department of Agriculture. This building site is to be conveyed in fee simple to the United States of America and its assigns, without cost.

- 2) The City of Presque Isle. In developing a recreation project the City of Presque Isle desires to include a portion of the Aroostook Farm. On the recommendation of the Committee, it was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: That, contingent upon the requested transfer of title to the land from the State of Maine to the University, the University deed to the City of Presque Isle certain mutually agreed upon tracts of the Aroostook Farm which are not of use to the Agricultural Experiment Station.

- 3) The leasing of land to Fraternities. The Committee recommends that the Board reaffirm its vote taken last June and later rescinded as illegal. It was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: That, contingent upon the requested transfer of title of land from the State of Maine to the University, the University grant to the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Alumni Commission and to the Lambda Chi Alpha Alumni Corporation a 50-year lease with the usual University restriction that the land revert to the University if it ceases to be used to house students in accordance with University regulations. Should the undergraduate chapter of either fraternity cease to exist, this restriction would not preclude the relevant alumni group's renting the house to the University or to another fraternity.

- d. A work of Art. There is a plan developing to provide a work of art for the court of the new Zoology building. Upon the recommendation of the Committee, therefore, it was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: To accept with appreciation the gift of an anonymous donor of a work of art to be created on commission by the artist Mrs. Buell Mullen. It will be executed in steel and cost approximately \$20,000 installed in the court yard of the Zoology building.

PERSONNEL. Dr. Peck mentioned the promotions and called attention to the excellent qualifications of Dr. Viessman who will be the Director of the new Maine Water Resources Center. On the recommendation of President Young and Dr. Peck, it was moved, duly seconded, and

VOTED: To approve all recommendations concerning personnel as listed under date of January 22, 1966, a copy of which is filed herewith.

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS. On motion made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To accept with appreciation all grants, bequests and other gifts as listed under date of January 22, 1966, a copy of which is filed herewith.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER. It was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: To acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's report for the year ending June 30, 1965, a copy of which is attached hereto.

REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT. Dr. Peck reported briefly on the recruitment activities for qualified faculty, and also mentioned that student applications were running somewhat higher than last year.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT. President Young reported on the following matters:

1. The use of Dow Field. Mr. Peck has been attending meetings in Bangor of the group studying the use of Dow Field. Various members of the faculty and administration are working on the best ways to use the facilities at Dow in the fall of 1968. It would seem that the dormitories would have a capacity of about 1600, and there is under consideration the possibility of holding some classes and possibly even a laboratory on the Base. It is expected that bus service will be provided for students who need to commute to the Orono campus.

2. Implications of federal legislation

- a. There will be increased financial aid for students. It is also possible that the University may secure a grant under Section 408 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 in order to take the leadership in the State in encouraging young people to make full use of their educational talents.
 - b. The money to support research is helpful but grants require some matching funds, hence must be considered in relation to the total operating budget.
 - c. President Young has arranged to meet with the Maine congressional delegation in Washington to discuss more fully the various legislative items.
3. On the recommendation of President Young, it was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: To adopt the Resolution authorizing the filing of an application for a federal grant for An Urban Renewal Technical Advisory Service for the Local Public Authorities in Maine.

4. President Young presented the problem of balancing the budget for 1966-67. After thorough study by the staff and curtailment wherever possible while at the same time attempting to maintain the quality of education and services, he regretfully concluded that it would be necessary to raise out-of-state tuition from \$800 to \$1000 a year. Even with the generous amounts appropriated by the 102nd Legislature, it is still not possible to balance the operating budget and increase salaries a minimum amount to keep in the competition. It was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: To regretfully increase the out-of-state tuition from \$800 to \$1000 a year, effective September 1966.

- RECOGNITION OF RECENT BOARD MEMBER. On motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to adopt the following resolution in appreciation of the distinguished service of Mrs. Beatrice Johnson Little, and to send a certificate so worded:

IN RECOGNITION of efforts in the cause of higher education for MAINE and of devoted and loyal service as a Trustee of the University of Maine from September 6, 1951 to November 24, 1965, this certificate of appreciation is presented to BEATRICE JOHNSON LITTLE who is hereby recognized as one of that distinguished company of men and women who have similarly served.

- THE DEDICATION OF CLARENCE COOK LITTLE HALL. President Young reported that the Alumni Association would join the Trustees in planning for the dedication of Little Hall on Alumni Day, Saturday, June 4, 1966.

The Trustees were reminded that the Founders' Day dinner is scheduled for February 25th.

The next regular meeting of the Board will be April 20, 1966.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Edith G. Wilson
Clerk of the Board