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UNIVERSITY OF MAINE - BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OPEN MEETING

June 8, 1970 at Machias

PRESENT: Chairmen, L. M. Cutler, H. L. V. Anderson, A. H. Benoit, H. R. Brown, V. P. Currier, R. H. Cutting, R. K. Haskell, S. T. Hughes, J. H. Page, W. G. Robertson, Mrs. Jean Sampson, N. Y. Messall. Absent: Miss L. M. Cormier and W. T. Logan, Jr.; Staff: D. R. McNeil, S. L. Freeman, Jr., H. L. Fowie, Jr., A. C. McGuinness, W. N. Roberson, E. S. Godfrey, W. C. Libby, K. T. H. Brooks, E. A. Olsen, A. U. Parvis, S. F. Salwak, F. S. McGuire, L. J. Jewett, L. A. Sennett, J. H. Fox, V. F. Massey and Clerk, JoAnne Magill.

Approval of Minutes. It was moved, seconded and

VOTED: to approve the minutes of the meetings of April 9, 10, 1970 as distributed and corrected:

Educational Policy Committee (as corrected)  
Public Information Committee  
Finance Committee  
Physical Plant Committee  
Honorary Degree Committee  
Closed Executive Session  
Executive Session (as amended)  
Open Meeting

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Educational Policy Committee.

Department of Oceanography. On the recommendation of the Committee, it was moved, seconded and

VOTED: to approve the creation of a Department of Oceanography within the Graduate School of the University of Maine at Orono, effective July 1, 1970.

New Programs. Mrs. Sampson presented eight new programs with the Committee's endorsement. She observed that these had been closely studied and carefully screened, and that they had been developed within the framework of campus missions defined by the Board in December, 1969. It was further noted that there had been considerable redirection of present University resources to accommodate these proposals, and that they can be initiated within the limits of the approved budget.

It was moved, seconded and

VOTED: to approve the following new programs:

UMO, South Campus  
Associate of Arts (General Studies)  
Associate of Science (Law Enforcement)

UMP  
Bachelor of Arts (Philosophy)  
Bachelor of Science (Criminal Justice)

Presque Isle  
Bachelor of Science (Secondary Education)

Gorham  
Bachelor of Arts (Theatre and Speech)  
(with the deletion of the proposed  
expansion of the program to establish  
studies in speech pathology.)  
Master of Science in Education (Elementary  
and Secondary Reading)

Farlington  
Bachelor of Arts (Liberal Arts)

Appointment Authority - Academic and Professional Personnel.

It was moved, seconded and

VOTED: to approve the adoption of a policy on  
appointment authority for academic and  
professional personnel, a copy of which  
is attached to these minutes.

Physical Plant Committee

Mr. Page reported that the Committee had reviewed the status  
of current construction and recent land acquisition.

On the recommendation of the Physical Plant Committee it was  
moved, seconded and

VOTED: that the land reservation between Sigma  
Nu Fraternity and the University be lapsed as  
of June 8, 1970.

Dr. Cutler expressed to President Lincoln Sennett the appreciation  
of the Board for the gracious hospitality extended to the Trustees  
by the host himself, and by the faculty and their guests who had  
joined the Board for dinner the evening before. He further  
commended President Sennett for his contribution to Machias, to  
Washington State College, and the University of Maine.

On the recommendation of the Chancellor, it was moved, seconded and

Unanimously VOTED: to name President  
Lincoln A. Sennett President Emeritus,  
effective October 1, 1970.

Mr. Benoit offered the following resolutions which were unanimously  
ADOPTED by the Board:

RESOLVED:

The Board of Trustees of the University of Maine wishes to express its deep gratitude and sense of appreciation to Kenneth T. H. Brooks who has served the past ten years as President of Gorham State College. President Brooks' outstanding record speaks for itself. He has guided the destiny of Gorham during the decade which saw the institution grow and rise in stature. We have been extremely fortunate, and will continue to be fortunate, in having him serve the University in future years. His dedication and enthusiasm are qualities we are fortunate to have.

RESOLVED:

The Board of Trustees of the University of Maine wishes to express its deep gratitude and sense of appreciation to Edward S. Godfrey for his services to the University and for his exceptional fortitude and leadership in his most recent assignment as Acting Provost at the University of Maine at Portland. He stepped into the breach on some difficult situations and has performed them all admirably. He will be leaving his post with our continued thanks.

Nominating Committee. In the absence of Chairman Robertson, Mr. Cutting presented the following slate of officers in the name of the Committee:

To serve until the next annual meeting:

For Chairman, Lawrence M. Cutler  
For Vice Chairman, Mrs. Jean Sampson

With Mrs. Sampson presiding as Chairman Pro-tem, it was moved, seconded and

VOTED: to accept the slate of officers as presented and to elect the nominees as presented.

Finance Committee.

It was moved, seconded and

VOTED: to accept with appreciation the terms and conditions of all scholarships and awards listed under date of June 7, 8, 1970, a copy of which is filed herewith.

REPORT OF THE CHANCELLOR

State of the University. Dr. McNeil commented on the crises and tensions in evidence on the University's Campuses in recent months, with emphasis on the effectiveness of the administrative staff's adherence to a policy of measured response to avoid bloodshed and to keep the University open. He commended the patience and good judgment of the Campus administrators.

Mr. Haskell offered a resolution which was UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED:

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Trustees assembled this day in Machias express their personal appreciation of the actions of the Administrative heads of the various institutions, the faculty, the Chancellor and his staff, and of equal importance, the student bodies of our Campuses.

Referendum Plans.

The Chancellor reviewed the University's planning and progress in the campaign to elicit support for the upcoming bond issue. He noted that it will take a sustained effort to bring about a successful conclusion.

Carnegie Grant. Dr. McNeil has had notification of a \$15,000 grant from the Carnegie Foundation in support of the Higher Education and Planning Commission. The Chancellor was appreciative that the Governor and legislative leaders of both parties had endorsed the University's application. It was moved, seconded and

VOTED: to accept with appreciation the Carnegie Grant of \$15,000 in support of the HEP Commission.

Campus drinking, FSC. Dr. Freeman reported that the regulations for the use of alcoholic beverages proposed by Farmington State College have been reviewed and found to conform with Trustee guidelines. President Olsen was notified on May 22, 1970 that the regulations were acceptable and that he could implement them as campus policy.

Each residence hall and fraternity house is required to have appropriate house governments and judiciary boards to administer the campus regulations.

No action was required.

Trustee Regalia. Dr. Freeman announced that each Campus President will arrange to provide caps and gowns for Trustees in attendance at academic ceremonies.

Joint Committee with the State Board of Education.

Mrs. Sampson reported that the Committee had discussed cooperative planning for two year programs. The major recommendation from that

meeting proposed the appointment of a six member coordinating committee, composed of three staff members, each, from the University and the State Department of Education. The committee would screen all proposals for two year programs on the basis of criteria which will be developed by staff from both institutions, and subject to the approval of the University's Board of Trustees and the State Board of Education. Once these procedures are established, all two-year program will be submitted to the coordinating committee to be processed and reported to both Boards.

Two additional suggestions were reported from this meeting:

- 1) that the Chancellor and the Commissioner of Education should meet prior to the preparation of biennial budget requests, to review such items as data on manpower training needs, an updated report on facilities from the Higher Education Facilities Commission, and new programs.
- 2) The University and neighboring units of VTIs will be encouraged to seek ways of cooperating and the Joint Committee will ask for periodic progress reports from both institutions.

Mr. Haskell offered a motion which was seconded and

VOTED: to commend with appreciation the actions of the Trustee's representatives on the Joint Committee and

Further, to approve all action taken.

COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD. It was moved, seconded and

VOTED: to confirm the reappointments to Trustee committees, a copy of which is attached hereto.

Institute for College/University Administrators. The University has been invited to participate in an Invitational Conference on "Relationships Between the President and the Board" to be held in Kansas City, Missouri in September. Dr. Wessell will be one of the major speakers. Plans were made for the Chancellor and the Chairman of the Board to attend.

Acceptance of Gifts.

It was moved, seconded and

VOTED: to accept with gratitude all grants, bequests and other gifts listed under date of June 8, 1970, a copy of which is filed herewith.

Mr. Page announced that he had accompanied President Salwak and members of the faculty and staff from ASC to a meeting in New York City, held under the auspices of Educational Facilities Laboratories, Inc., an arm of the Ford Foundation. EFL provides advice and assistance in the development of new concepts in educational facilities. President Salwak and his staff are exploring the possibility of a library-educational resources building, and EFL has agreed to provide consultant service on the Aroostook Campus, to absorb travel expenses for the staff to visit similar facilities around the country, and other related costs.

The Chancellor summarized the situation at Portland-Gorham in terms of the need for interim administrative leadership between July 1, 1970 and such time as the Presidency can be filled. With the approval of the faculty, administrative and student groups on both Campuses, Dr. McNeil presented recommendations for temporary appointments to the Portland-Gorham administrative staff. It was moved, seconded and

VOTED: to approve the following temporary appointments for the University of Maine at Portland-Gorham, effective July 1, 1970:

William J. MacLeod, Acting President  
Robert M. York, Acting Dean of Instruction  
George P. Connick, Academic Planning Officer

Adjournment.

JoAnne Magill  
Clerk, Board of Trustees