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UNIVERSITY OF MAINE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 19, 1974
Bangor, Maine

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APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Date Sept 25, 1974
By: Margaret R. Dexter, Clerk
Margaret R. Dexter

Public Meeting

PRESENT: Chairman Lawrence M. Cutler, Francis A. Brown, John C. Donovan, Stanley J. Evans, Stephen T. Hughes, Susan R. Kominsky, Robert R. Masterton, Carroll R. McGary, James H. Page, Carlton D. Reed, Jean Sampson and Nils Y. Wessell. Staff: Donald R. McNeil, Stanley L. Freeman, Herbert L. Fowle, Jr., Sally V. Holm, Francis S. McGuire, George M. Shur, Barnett I. Shur, Richard A. Eustis, Harry W. Gordon, Lloyd J. Jewett, N. Edd Miller, Howard R. Neville, Einar A. Olsen, Stanley F. Salwak and Richard J. Spath. Press and Public.

Chairman Cutler convened the meeting and called for the Finance Committee report.

Legal Counsel. On motion of Mr. Page which was seconded, the Board voted unanimously to retain the law firm of Bernstein, Shur, Sawyer and Nelson of Portland as legal counsel for the University for Fiscal Year 1974/75 at a retainer of \$30,000 for the year.

Investment Management. Mr. Page announced that the contract retaining Putnam Capital Management, Inc. as University Endowment Fund managers was being prepared. He also reported that the Finance Committee had examined preliminary preparations for the 107th Legislature Budget Request.

Gifts, Grants and Awards. Mr. Page moved that the Board accept with gratitude all gifts, grants and awards filed under the dates June 18 and 19, 1974. The motion was seconded and voted. A complete listing of gifts, grants and awards is appended to the file of these minutes.

Staff and Presidential Salaries. On motion of Mr. Page which was seconded, the Board unanimously voted the following staff and presidential salaries:

Augusta	\$31,000
Farmington	31,000
Fort Kent	31,000
Machias	31,000
Orono	37,400
Portland-Gorham	36,300
Presque Isle	31,000
Freeman, Stanley L.	31,500
Fowle, Herbert L.	31,500
McNeil, Donald R.	42,000

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Operating Budget. Mr. Page reported that the preliminary report on the operating budget indicates not only that the budget continues to be balanced but that the surplus should be sufficient to remove the 1973 deficit. He commended the administration.

Medical Education Planning. Dr. Wessell asked all members of the Board to attend a meeting with members of the Maine medical community and the deans of the Vermont School of Medicine, Dartmouth Medical School and Tufts Medical School.

Dr. Coon outlined the objectives, history and steps being taken to establish a medical school. A copy of his report is appended to the file of these minutes.

Trustee questions included: contracting for Basic Science, cost factors and value to the state, the need for space and total health care program including allied health.

Dr. Coon advised trustees that contract spaces for Basic Science may not be adequate for Maine's needs. He stated that the enthusiasm for a curriculum approach to medical education is not great. The medical school is "the glue" which holds the health care programs together, Dr. Coon stated. He talked about the education of non-physicians now going on in the state.

Mrs. Kominsky stated that she felt the state and the University would lose by contracting. Other Trustees asked that a decision on the medical school be made in July so that applications could be made for funds and accreditation. Mr. Fowle cited the economic impact of federal funds which would be expended in the state. Dr. Coon mentioned the upgrading in quality of medical and educational facilities.

Student and Faculty Members of Committees. The Chairmen of the four standing committees thanked the faculty and student members of their committees for their year of service.

Instate Tuition for Faculty Children. Reporting for the Educational Policy Committee, Mrs. Sampson moved Board approval on behalf of faculty at UNO and the Chancellor's Office continuation of the University's participation in the tuition program for faculty children in cooperation with the New England Land-Grant Institutions (except Vermont) through June 30, 1976. The motion was seconded and voted.

Physical Plant Committee. Mr. Hughes reported for the Committee and stated that several building projects were behind schedule because of the inability to get materials on time.

Mr. McGuire. Mr. Hughes presented the following resolution:

Francis S. McGuire, for twenty-eight years you have cared for and maintained the brick and mortar and ivy of the University of Maine, always keeping in mind the environment for learning that execution of your duties created.

You've been Director of Physical Facilities for the merged University. You've built and cared for buildings and land with a present value of \$180,000,000. The locations are varied and the problems at times have seemed insurmountable.

Challenge would be a suitable description of your career. Challenges faced and met successfully.

One of your first assignments was to create an instant campus. You did. You converted the Naval Air Station at Brunswick into a campus when returning veterans over-filled the Orono campus after World War II. You served there as Director of Business and Physical Plant Operations.

Returning to the University of Maine at Orono as Director of Physical Plant in 1948, you continued your supervision of the Brunswick campus. You brought your experience to Orono to augment the degree in engineering which you earned there in 1931.

That experience included duties as an official of the Deer Island Granite Corporation and service with the Navy in World War II. You continued in the Naval Reserves and retired in 1968 after serving as commanding officer of the U.S.N. Construction Battallion in Bangor.

Meanwhile at the University of Maine, you established the maintenance reserve fund at the Orono campus and have worked diligently since then not only for the beauty of all of our campuses but for their safety and careful maintenance.

You've watched the University grow and your job grew with it. You accepted challenge after challenge and found the means to bring our campuses up to their present level of beauty and efficiency to serve students of all ages throughout the state.

Our best wishes to you, Mac McGuire, for many, many happy years of retirement.

Mr. Hughes moved that the resolution be incorporated into the minutes. The motion was seconded and unanimously voted.

Chancellor's Report. Dr. McNeil told the Board that the Administration was not ready to recommend a tuition policy yet. The problems, Dr. McNeil stated, are in the data base needed to determine the direction which the University should take on tuition. He stated that he had put his \$100,000 contingency fund into the Systems Development Program to improve program budgeting in the University.

Dr. McNeil outlined the system used to allocate Part II of the Educational and General Budget to the campuses.

The Chancellor told the Trustees that for several years, indirect cost allowance money included in federal grants has been accumulating. He announced that \$10,000 each had been allocated for research at Orono and at Portland Gorham.

The individual presidential conferences between the Chancellor, Vice Chancellors, the Presidents and their staff members have produced good results, Dr. McNeil stated. He cited improved communication between Chancellor's staff people and presidential staff people, progress on mission statements, progress on presidential evaluations and progress on Chancellor's staff evaluations.

Dr. McNeil thanked Mr. McGuire for his years of service to the University and announced that Vivian Massey, executive secretary to the Clerk of the Board, was leaving the University to become state coordinator of the Vista Program for Indians. He also announced a September 1 to January 1, 1975 sabbatical for Dr. Stanley L. Freeman to study Higher Education Planning.

Bangor Student Health Service. On motion of Mr. Hughes which was seconded, the board unanimously voted to reaffirm its authorization for the administration to provide student health services on a contract basis approved by University Counsel for post-secondary institutions in Bangor and to authorize the administration to enter into a contract, approved by University Counsel, for rental of space at the Bangor City Nursing and Health Center.

Background for the proposal is appended to the file of these minutes.

Faculty and Student Members of Board Committees. On motion of Mr. Hughes which was seconded, the board voted to name the following Faculty members and students to the four standing committees of the Board:

Faculty Members

John Steinbaugh, UMPI - Educational Policy Committee
Neil Murphy, UMO - Finance Committee
John Quinn, UMF - Physical Plant Committee
Walter Schoenberger, UMO - Student Affairs Committee

Student Members

Kathy Doheny, UMO - Finance Committee
Douglas Gillespie, UMO (Bangor) - Physical Plant Committee
Pamela Kelley, UMA - Student Affairs Committee
Richard Curtis, UMPI - Educational Policy Committee

Maine Post Secondary Education Commission. Dr. McGary reported that the Maine Post Secondary Education Commission had met June 6, 1974. It was an organizational meeting, Dr. McGary stated. Subjects addressed included orientation and procedures for future meetings. Starting in September, Dr. McGary said, the Commission will meet monthly and reports will be made on its deliberations.

Informal Sessions. Dr. McNeil asked that an informal discussion be scheduled for 7 p.m. July 23 to discuss issues facing the University in the future. Mr. Hughes objected to a memorandum from the Chancellor to Board members stating some of the issues which the Board might wish to discuss at these sessions. His objection was that the letter seemed to be an agenda. There was consensus that the letter did not constitute an agenda and would be used for future informal sessions.

Nominating Committee. Dr. Wessell presented the following report of the nominating committee:

Honorary Chairman - Lawrence M. Cutler
Chairman - Jean Sampson
Vice Chairman - James H. Page
Clerk - Margaret R. Dexter

Dr. McGary moved that nominations cease and that the Clerk be directed to cast one ballot for the slate as presented. The motion was seconded and unanimously voted.

Mrs. Sampson assumed the chair.

Adjournment.

Margaret R. Dexter
Clerk, Board of Trustees