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UNIVERSITY OF MAINE
BOARD OF TRUSTEESMarch 24, 1976
Bangor, MainePublic Meeting

PRESENT: Chairman James H. Page, Stanley J. Evans, Francis A. Brown, John C. Donovan, Susan R. Kominsky, Winthrop C. Libby, Robert R. Masterton, H. Sawin Millett, Jr., Cynthia A. Murray-Beliveau, Kenneth H. Ramage, Carlton D. Reed, Jr., Elizabeth S. Russell, Artemus E. Weatherbee and Nils Y. Wessell. Staff: Patrick E. McCarthy, Robert B. Binswanger, Stanley L. Freeman, Jr., JoAnne R. Magill, Mary Ann Haas, Barnett I. Shur, Richard A. Eustis, Robert S. Oberg, Kenneth T. Winters, Einar A. Olsen, Lloyd J. Jewett, Arthur S. Buswell, N. Edd Miller, Howard R. Neville, Stanley F. Salwak, Richard J. Spath, B. Russell Smith and Ruth Mraz.

Chairman Page called the meeting to order. The minutes of January 28, 1976 were approved as circulated.

On motion of Mr. Masterton which was seconded, the Board VOTED to go into executive session to discuss a personnel item.

Mr. Page reconvened the public meeting.

Chancellor's Report. The Chancellor spoke to the Board on four major areas of information about the University: size, cost, priorities and staffing. A copy of that report is appended to the file of these minutes.

Resignation. Chancellor McCarthy announced that Stanley L. Freeman, Jr. has resigned as Vice Chancellor for Public Service to accept a Professorship in Education at the University of Maine at Orono in the fall.

Both the Chancellor and Chairman Page thanked Dr. Freeman for his service to the University since the merger.

Committee Reports.Personnel and Employee Relations Committee.

Union Dues. Mr. Brown reported that the Committee had received a report on litigation on the University decision to cease payroll deductions for union dues.

5-Month Plan. Mr. Brown also reported that the Committee had reviewed progress toward preparation for collective bargaining as outlined in the 5-month plan.

Appointment UMFK. On motion of Mr. Brown which was seconded, Board unanimously VOTED to appoint Timothy Brooks as Dean of Student Affairs at the University of Maine at Fort Kent effective July 1, 1976 at an annual salary of \$18,000.

Student Affairs and Personnel and Employee Relations Committees.

Student Participation in Collective Bargaining. Reporting for the Committee, Ms. Kominsky announced that the Student Affairs Committee was asked to discuss implementation of student participation in the collective bargaining process.

Student Affairs Committee.

General Financial Aid Policy. Ms. Kominsky moved Board approval of a General Financial Aid Policy:

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine supports a general financial aid policy for the undergraduate student which recognizes that scholarship awards are a function of financial need and that at each campus priority be established for determining scholarship eligibility on the basis of the student's financial need. It is further understood that the student with financial need is, and remains, eligible for scholarship assistance during the normal period of time in which a student is expected to complete his program.

This general financial aid policy will not apply to specific scholarship programs which contain limiting criteria; rather, those scholarships shall be awarded within the established guidelines of the particular program or as specified by the donor.

The motion was seconded and VOTED. A copy of the proposal is appended to the file of these minutes.

UMF Pub. On motion of Ms. Kominsky which was seconded, the Board VOTED to approve the establishment of a pub in the Student Center at the University of Maine at Farmington; that a Class A Restaurant License be held jointly by the Trustees of the University of Maine and ARA Slater Food Service, currently under contract to UMF for food service.

Physical Plant Committee.

Student Housing. Mr. Ramage reported that the Committee had recommended that the staff prepare a general policy statement on student housing.

Sports Arena. On motion of Mr. Ramage which was seconded, the Board VOTED to amend its action of January 28, 1976 relative to the multi-purpose sports arena by deleting the name of Daniel F. Tulley Associates and substituting the name "Creative Building Systems, Inc." as contractors for the Harold Alfond Sports Arena.

Land Lease. Mr. Ramage moved that the Board authorize the lease of approximately 70 acres of land in Chapman, Maine from Harold Glidden for an amount of \$1,500.00 per year for use by the Agricultural Experiment Station, University of Maine at Orono.

The motion was seconded and VOTED. A copy of the proposal is appended to the file of these minutes.

Traffic Regulations. On motion of Mr. Ramage which was seconded, the Board VOTED to adopt the University of Maine at Farmington motor vehicle rules dated February 10, 1976 and the University of Maine at Portland-Gorham motor vehicle rules dated February 17, 1976. Copies of these regulations are appended to the file of these minutes.

Finance Committee.

Endowment Fund Income Objective. Mr. Masterton reported that the Finance Committee met with representatives of Putnam Capital Management, Inc., managers of the University Endowment Fund. He moved that the Board set \$375,000 cash income as the 1976/1977 goal for the endowment fund with any additional income to be reinvested with the fund. The motion was seconded and VOTED.

Gifts and Funds. On motion of Mr. Masterton which was seconded, the Board VOTED to accept with gratitude all gifts and funds listed under the dates March 23 and 24, 1976. A complete listing is appended to the file of these minutes.

Second Century Fund Audit. Mr. Masterton reported that the Finance Committee had reviewed an audit of the Second Century Fund at UMO and that the Committee had noted a cash flow problem and had requested a report to clarify this problem prior to committing funds for the project and prior to signing a contract.

Employee Insurance Program. A representative of Unionmutual briefed the Finance Committee on rising costs of employee health insurance benefits and the need to increase premiums for next year as well as a previously agreed-to retroactive payment not to exceed 16% for this year.

Mr. Masterton further reported that the Committee had asked the staff to get additional bids on the present level of benefits.

Budget Status. The Chairman reported that the Finance Committee had reviewed the Unrestricted Funds Status Eight Month Report and a Balance Sheet for February. Both reports are appended to the file of these minutes.

Passenger Vehicles. Mr. Masterton stated that the Committee had reviewed a report on University-owned passenger vehicles and had requested additional information.

UMPG Orientation Fee. On motion of Mr. Masterton which was seconded, the Board VOTED to authorize a \$10 mandatory Orientation Fee at UMPG to be assessed all incoming, full-time day freshmen; that all incoming, full-time day transfer students be assessed a \$5 fee to be effective with the fall semester 1976.

Faculty Children Tuition Program. Mr. Masterton moved that the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine approve an extension of the Faculty Children Tuition Program as presently constituted for a one-year period ending August 1977. Other participating institutions are the land-grant Universities of Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut. The motion was seconded and VOTED. Voting for the measure were: Mr. Brown, Mr. Masterton, Ms. Murray-Beliveau, Dr. Wessell, Mr. Libby, Mr. Reed, Mr. Millett, Dr. Donovan, Dr. Russell, Mr. Ramage, Ms. Kominsky and Dr. Evans. Mr. Weatherbee was opposed.

Personnel. Mr. Masterton reported that the Board had received the resignation of Herbert L. Fowle, Jr. as Vice Chancellor for Business and Financial Affairs. Mr. Masterton moved that the Board accept with regret the resignation of Herbert L. Fowle, Jr., and that it wishes to thank Mr. Fowle and to recognize the significant service of the former Vice Chancellor for Business and Financial Affairs and to express the appreciation of the entire Board. The Board also recommended that Mr. Fowle receive remuneration for two months' accumulated vacation. The motion was seconded and VOTED.

New MPBN General Manager. Mr. Page introduced Thomas P. Strauss, new General Manager of the Maine Public Broadcasting Network, and welcomed him to the University.

Educational Policy Committee.

Promotions and Tenure. Dr. Donovan moved:

that the Board of Trustees approve the promotions and appointments to tenure for UMA, UMF, UMFK, UMO, UMPG and UMPI.

that tenure and promotion to the Associate Professor level be granted Mrs. Bernice Murphy at the University of Maine at Machias.

that University legal counsel be requested to explore the status of teachers at the Campus School at the University of Maine at Machias.

The motion was seconded and VOTED. A copy of these recommendations is appended to the file of these minutes.

Graduate Education. Dr. Donovan reported that the Educational Policy Committee had requested a written recommendation for discussion at the May Meeting on "Planning for Graduate Education at UMO, 1975-1980".

Health Education. Dr. Donovan reported that the Committee had requested that the staff define the role of the Health Sciences Institute and to take such steps as may be necessary to reorganize the institute. The staff is requested to present at the May meeting (1) a plan of action for the Institute, (2) a long-range, comprehensive health plan; and (3) a reaffirmation of Trustee commitment to health education.

Finance and Educational Policy Committees.

Financial Exigency. Dr. Donovan told the Board that the Committee had reviewed a progress report on formulation of a financial exigency policy and that the policy will be presented at the May meeting.

Finance and Physical Plant Committees.

PBS Satellite Interconnection. Mr. Ramage reported that the Committees had voted to recommend Board approval for MPBN to participate in the PBS Satellite Interconnection System. He moved that the Board:

- (1) endorse the proposed satellite interconnection system, and
- (2) authorize a commitment of not more than \$25,000 from grant funds to the PBS Board of Governors towards the implementation of the satellite interconnection system.

The motion was seconded and VOTED. A copy of the proposal is appended to the file of these minutes.

UMA Farmhouse Addition. On motion of Mr. Ramage which was seconded, the Board VOTED to authorize the construction of a small addition to the original Farmhouse Building at the University of Maine at Augusta to provide added space for the business and student services functions.

Voting for the motion were: Mr. Brown, Mr. Masterton, Ms. Murray-Beliveau, Dr. Wessell, Mr. Libby, Mr. Reed, Mr. Millett, Dr. Donovan, Dr. Russell, Mr. Ramage, Ms. Kominsky and Dr. Evans. Opposed was Mr. Weatherbee. A copy of the proposal is appended to the file of these minutes.

Small Animal Facility, UMO. Mr. Ramage moved that the Board of Trustees authorize the construction of a "Small Animal Facility" on the University of Maine at Orono campus for a cost not to exceed \$275,000. Funds for this construction are to come from Federal Grants, the Agricultural Experiment Station and UMO Research Funds. The motion was seconded and CARRIED. Voting for the measure were Mr. Brown, Mr. Masterton, Ms. Murray-Beliveau, Dr. Wessell, Mr. Libby, Mr. Reed, Mr. Millett, Dr. Russell, Mr. Ramage, Ms. Kominsky and Dr. Evans. Opposed were Dr. Donovan and Mr. Weatherbee.

Foundation Grant. Speaking for the Board, Mr. Page congratulated President Miller on securing a grant from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation for the Center for Research and Advanced Study at UMPG to develop a project to assist in starting new and small businesses in the state.

Finance and Student Affairs Committees.

Tuition Proposal. On motion of Mr. Masterton which was seconded, the Board VOTED to consider setting tuition according to the following schedule, with final action on the proposal to be taken at a special meeting of the Board on April 21, 1976, which will allow time for substantive reaction and discussion by those who can provide useful input to the University on this difficult decision.

- 1. For implementation Fall 1976

	In-State		Out-of-State	
	As Voted January 1976	Proposed	As Voted January 1976	Proposed
Law School	\$700	\$900	\$1850	\$2350
<u>Graduate Students</u>				
UMO	\$675	\$775	\$1850	\$2050
UMPG	\$600	\$700	\$1600	\$1800

	In-State		Out-of-State	
	As Voted January 1976	Proposed	As Voted January 1976	Proposed
<u>Undergraduate Students</u>				
UMA	\$550	\$550	\$1600	\$1800
UMF	\$550	\$550	\$1600	\$1800
UMFK	\$550	\$550	\$1600	\$1800
UMM	\$550	\$550	\$1600	\$1800
UMO (4 year)	\$675	\$675	\$1850	\$2050
UMO/BCC (2 year)	\$550	\$575	\$1600	\$1825
UMPG	\$600	\$600	\$1600	\$1800
UMPI	\$550	\$550	\$1600	\$1800

2. For implementation June 1, 1976

CED/SS	\$25	\$30
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Regional Student Exchange Program. As one of the first steps in a design for overall enrollment control for out-of-state students' participation in the Regional Exchange Program at the University of Maine, the following recommendations in regard to the University of Maine Law School were moved by Mr. Masterton:

1. That the Board approve immediate notification to the other New England states through the New England Board of Higher Education that the University of Maine School of Law program will be withdrawn from the Regional Student Program effective September 1, 1978. Law students participating in the Regional Student Program prior to the effective date shall continue to pay in-state tuition rates.

2. That the Chancellor and President of the University of Maine at Portland-Gorham explore alternatives for enrollment control of regional student participation in the Law School with the Current Activities Subcommittee of the New England Board of Higher Education, and that such exploration may include, but not be limited to, establishment of enrollment quotas or development of contractual arrangements between participating states.

The motion was seconded and CARRIED. Voting for the motion were Mr. Brown, Mr. Masterton, Ms. Murray-Beliveau, Dr. Wessell, Mr. Libby, Mr. Reed, Mr. Millett, Dr. Donovan, Dr. Russell, Mr. Weatherbee, Mr. Ramage and Dr. Evans. Ms. Kominsky was opposed.

ad hoc Academic Planning Committee.

2 Conclusions. Dr. Wessell reported that the ad hoc Committee had met twice and had arrived at two conclusions: (1) that the "One University" premise needs to be defined, and (2) that more complete, up to date data is needed in formulating recommendations for the Board.

Legislative Order. Mr. Page announced that if Trustees had questions about a Joint Order HP 2181, as amended, relating to the operation of the University of Maine, that President Jewett would be available to answer those questions after the meeting. A copy of the Joint Order is appended to the file of these minutes.

Nominating Committee. Mr. Page announced that the Executive Committee had selected Francis A. Brown, Cynthia A. Murray-Beliveau and Nils Y. Wessell to serve on the Nominating Committee.

Police Officers Appointed. On motion of Dr. Evans which was seconded, the Board VOTED to approve the appointments of Thomas F. Reynolds, Wayne Bunting and Terry A. Burgess as police officers at the University of Maine at Orono in accordance with Private and Special Laws, Chapter 532, Section 8-A, effective March 24, 1976.

Ratification of Finance Committee Action. Mr. Masterton moved that the Board ratify a vote on an interim action by the Finance Committee regarding a note by Kennebec River Pulp and Paper Company

The Finance Committee on February 12, 1976:

Resolved, that Harry W. Gordon as Treasurer of this Institution is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to deliver said note of Kennebec owned by this Institution to Kennebec for cancellation upon the payment to this institution or its agent of an amount equal to 5% of the principal amount of said note, and

be it further

Resolved, that said officer of this Institution or such agent as he may authorize is hereby directed to do any and all acts and things, and to execute and deliver any and all documents, instruments and papers in order to accomplish the surrender and cancellation of said Kennebec note, subject to the payment by Kennebec in full satisfaction thereof of an amount equal to 5% of the principal amount of said note, as said officer or said agent shall deem necessary or proper.

The motion was seconded and VOTED.

Ratification of Executive Committee Action. Dr. Evans moved that the Board ratify an action by the Executive Committee at its meeting February 27, 1976, as follows:

To designate contracting officers:

The Treasurer of the University is hereby designated the "Contracting Officer" for the University and is designated as signatory for all documents which commit the University of Maine. In the absence of the "Contracting Officer", the Director of Accounting, the Director of Personnel, and the Director of Physical Facilities are authorized to sign documents within their respective areas of responsibility on behalf of the University of Maine.

Furthermore, each Campus Student Aid Officer, or in his absence, the Chief Campus Business Officer, shall be authorized to sign College Work Study Agreements on behalf of the University as long as the agreement form as approved by University Legal Counsel is used.

The motion was seconded and VOTED.

Dr. Evans moved ratification of the Executive Committee VOTE taken February 27, 1976, to amend the policy on residence status:

Change designee who has final authority to determine residence status from Vice Chancellor for Business and Financial Affairs to Treasurer.

The motion was seconded and CARRIED.

Special Meeting. There will be a special meeting of the Board of Trustees April 21, 1976.

Next Meeting. The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be May 25 and 26, 1976.

Adjournment.

Margaret R. Dexter
Clerk, Board of Trustees