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November 29, 1977
Farmington, Maine

CLERK: _____

EDUCATIONAL POLICY COMMITTEE

PRESENT: Nils Y. Wessell, Chairman pro tem, Patricia H. DiMatteo, H. Sawin Millett, Susan R. Kominsky, Artemus E. Weatherbee, Daniel J. O'Leary and Frank F. Doran. Other Trustees: James H. Page, Stanley J. Evans, Ellen W. Platz, Elizabeth S. Russell and Robert R. Master-ton. Others: Becky Fisher, John Quinn, Jamie Eves and Mike McGovern. Staff: Patrick McCarthy, Robert Binswanger, Mary Ann Haas, Richard Spath, Donald Beattie, Arthur Buswell, Einar R. Olsen, Edd Miller, Howard Neville, Thomas Strauss, Ford Campbell and John Blake. Guests: Harlan Philippi, and John Rosser. Wayne Reilly.

Nils Y. Wessell, Chairman pro tem, convened the meeting.

Update. Vice Chancellor Binswanger briefly reviewed academic affairs items of interest to the committee, pertaining to patents and copyrights, tenure, Indian educators, UMOSG, accreditation, NEBHE and the Marine Center.

PBS Task Force. Dr. Stanley Evans reported on progress of Task Force negotiations between WCBB and MPBN, briefly explaining reasons for the formation of the Task Force and its plans for the future.

Academic Planning. Dr. Binswanger reported on the activities of the various committees which have been established by the Board to implement Green Book recommendations: Structure - a report on Portland/Gorham will be issued in December; Faculty Development - a faculty and a professional salary study is being designed; Health Science Education - Dr. Rosser to give report at present meeting; Library Service - interim report in March; Graduate Education - Orono Dean has accepted assignment; Teacher Education - third report in preparation; MPBN - the plan of action has been developed; Public Service - Task Force report for Cooperative Extension has been submitted; Access - staff to be appointed to examine community colleges; Research and Development - Portland/Gorham and Orono to be focal points; University Professorship - project to be postponed until 1978; VTI's - this item is on the agenda for the Joint Boards meeting and a report will be issued at a later date. Daniel O'Leary inquired whether any students had been appointed to the various committees and was informed that most of the activities include student participation.

College of Education. Dr. Harlan Philippi, Professor of Education at Portland/Gorham and Director of Program Planning for the College of Education outlined the process by which his task force is implementing the recommendations listed in the Green Book. The task force reviewed the subject, identified the tasks to be undertaken and the constituency groups to be contacted. Representatives from teacher associations, secondary schools, private colleges and Vocational Technical Institutes have been invited to share their expertise and eight task teams have been formed. Each campus president has been

consulted and campus visits have been completed. The Planning Authority will end when its recommendations and final report are made.

HERC. President Olsen initiated the discussion of the Health Education Resource Center, explaining that the purpose of the program, which began on the Farmington Campus, was to focus upon health problems in the state; UMF has been successful in obtaining a Kellogg Foundation grant for a four year period, with the promise of external funding, if it is needed. President Olsen then introduced Dr. John Rosser, Executive Director of the Maine Health Education Resource Center, who described the specific functions of the program. He introduced those of his colleagues who were present at the meeting: Lynn Duby, Dick Walker, Miriam Campbell, Dick Reynold, Margery Love, Joan Adams and Dave Fearon. He described the structure of the Program's Advisory Board of Directors as consisting of an advisory group within the campus, community health officials, physicians and school health officials. This Board's responsibilities include the development and implementation of the various plans of the Center. Dr. Rosser noted that it is hoped that the program will not remain limited to the Farmington campus, but will eventually become operative on other campuses within the system. Various components of the program include: a hospital base, whose purpose is to educate patients who have returned for follow-up of their illnesses. Hospitals currently involved are Eastern Maine Medical Center, Stevens Memorial, Kennebec Valley and Mid Coast Memorial. The program is hoped to eventually diffuse to other locations; a school base, which involves teaching children basic health techniques and nutritional information in conjunction with the Department of Human Services; business and industry, which attempts to educate workers in self protection techniques to diminish insurance needs; Department of Human Services, which provides funding for third party payments; demonstrations and models at various program sites; outreach to specific populations regarding nutritional information; education of policymakers to the needs of the health program; use of media, in an effort to enhance outreach. These programs would necessarily effect the field of education, initiating new academic programs on the Farmington campus. A four man evaluation team is currently attempting to examine achievement of goals, system-wide penetration, evaluation of a variety of organizations already in the state and the organizational process as a whole. Dr. Rosser stated that over a four year period HERC has received 1½ million dollars from the Department of Human Services to further involvement with 112 school systems across the state. He explained that local resources will be utilized, with HERC providing a source of training and assistance. This effort will be a cooperative one between HERC, the Department of Education and the Department of Human Services. Dr. Rosser further stated that HERC will encourage industry involvement and that it is also interested in a pilot project whose purpose will be to determine whether HERC can assist in the education of legislators in decision making on health issues. In response to a question as to whether HERC plays a monitoring role in health legislation, Dr. Rosser explained that HERC only analyzes the issues but does not vote pro or con. It was felt that HERC was unique for the Farmington campus and that an excellent outreach potential has been established. President Olsen was commended for his acceptance of the program to the Farmington campus.

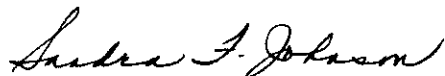
S.A.T. Report. The Trustees were given a report for informative purposes.

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It was felt that this material might have implications for the Board at a future time.

Adjournment.



Sandra F. Johnson
and
Mary E. Phillips
for
JoAnne R. Magill
Clerk of the Board