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UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM  
Board of Trustees

University of Maine at Presque Isle  
March 26, 1987

Educational Policy Committee

PRESENT: Chairman Patricia Schroth, Eve M. Bither, Geneva A. Kirk, Richard Marshall, Richard Morin, Harrison Richardson, Stewart N. Smith and James A. Storer. Staff: Chancellor Robert Woodbury, Richard Bowers, Barbara Leondar, James Roach, Frederic Reynolds, Harlan Philippi, Dale Lick (part of meeting) and Harry Kerr for Judith Sturnick. Press and Public.

Chairman Patricia Schroth convened the meeting.

Bachelor of Science in Construction Management Technology - UM. President Lick presented the recommendation. He was accompanied by Dr. Gregory Brown, Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Professor Peter Messier, Department of Civil Engineering Technology. Dr. Lick reported that the program was designed to prepare professional managers for the construction industry which has become increasingly complex and which is in need of personnel who have some background in science, engineering, and modern technologies. The curriculum was based on consultations with the industry. The focus of the first two years is technical and the second two years are oriented to management. The President indicated that UM already has a foundation for the program in its School of Engineering Technology and the industry expects to provide some scholarship support. Trustee Smith noted that the Board has been concerned that program development be incorporated into the budget process and in the future the Trustees will consider new programs only twice a year. Although the development of this program was initiated before the Board set up its new rules, Dr. Smith was interested in Campus plans for funding the program. The President reported that the technology portion of the proposal is already in place and new expense for the last two years would include added faculty, equipment and labs. The additional resources needed would be relatively small. If the Campus gets no new program money this year, funding for this proposal would come through reallocation. Faculty Representative Carol Ann Hall raised a question about the teaching of safety practices and was advised that these concerns are addressed in the curriculum as part of the courses on methods and equipment. After further discussion and on motion made and seconded, it was VOTED to forward the program to the Board with a recommendation for approval.

School of Nursing, UM. Chancellor Woodbury indicated that the nursing program offered at Orono as an extension of the USM program has reached the stage where separate accreditation is needed and the recommendation was intended to prepare for that eventuality and establish the program within the appropriate administrative organization at the University of Maine. During discussion, President Lick responded to questions of interest from the Trustees and on motion made and seconded, the Committee VOTED to recommend Board approval of this item.

Lobster Institute, UM. Last November the Board approved the establishment of the Lobster Institute at the University of Maine, subject to further review of the Bylaws of the Institutes' Advisory Board, and revised bylaws for the Institute were being submitted for review at this meeting. President Lick reported that the lobster industry was enthusiastic about the institute concept and that the Maine Department of Marine Studies was supportive as well. During discussion, Professor David Dow, Director of Marine Outreach and Dr. Robert Wall, Director of the Center for Marine Studies, were present to support the recommendation and respond to any questions Committee members might have. Mrs. Schroth announced that a major presentation on the marine studies area had been scheduled for the public meeting a bit later in the day. After discussion, the revised bylaws were forwarded to the public meeting for action.

Master of Science in School Psychology, USM. Provost Helen Greenwood, Dorothy Moore, Dean of the College of Education, and John Sutton, Chairman of Human Resource Development, presented the recommendation for this new program which was designed to educate professionals who would provide psychological examiner services to the public schools of Maine. Mrs. Bither reported that this kind of program is urgently needed to provide trained examiners for Maine schools. In response to questions from Dr. Smith, Vice Chancellor Bowers indicated that the proposal was very solid and had been thoroughly reviewed at all stages of the development process. After discussion and on motion made and seconded, the proposal was forwarded to the Board for action with the Committee's recommendation for approval.

Master of Science in Statistics, USM. In addition to Provost Helen Greenwood, Associate Provost Stephen Reno and Professor Bhisham Gupta were present to support the recommendation. Vice Chancellor Bowers indicated that the program was well-suited to the needs of the Southern Maine area and that it would also strengthen the mathematics area that will serve USM's expanded engineering programs. President Philippi noted that the program had been developed with the support of the community. On motion made and seconded, the proposal was forwarded to the Board for action with the Committee's recommendation for approval.

Adjournment .

JoAnne R. Magill  
Clerk