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**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

Held at the University of Connecticut Law School
Blumberg Hall, 55 Elizabeth Street, Hartford, Connecticut

July 19, 1996

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Rome. Trustees present were: Mmes. Bailey, Ferris, and Leonardi; Messrs. Abromaitis, Bellafiore, Jacobs, Heist, Napolitano, Saslow, Stewart, and Treibick. Governor Rowland was represented by Mr. David O'Leary. Trustees who participated by phone were: Mmes. Berry and Smith and Messrs. Berkley and Cicchetti and Downey.

Trustees absent were: Mr. Sergi.

University staff present were: Chancellor and Provost for University Affairs Emmert, Chancellor and Provost for Health Affairs Cutler, Vice Presidents Wiggins, Allenby, and Jones, Attorney Shapiro, and Mr. McFadden.

All actions taken were by unanimous vote of the Trustees present, except as otherwise noted.

Chairman Rome noted that this special meeting had been called for the purpose of taking action on a recommendation from the Advisory Search Committee for President.

On a motion by Mr. Heist, seconded by Mr. Abromaitis, **THE BOARD VOTED** to go into Executive Session at 9:06 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter. Trustees noted above, as well as the following Advisory Search Committee members, were present for this discussion: Gregory Anderson, Judith Bridges, Kristine Byron, Brian Collins, Gary English, Michael Fahey, Roger Gelfenbien, Thomas Giolas, Peter Halvorson, Mary Hanley, G. Michael Howard, Ann Huckenbeck, Harry Johnson, Sharon Kipetz, Russ Knisel, Uwe Koehn, David Marks, Michael Martinez, Lew Perkins, Willena Price, Ron Pugliese, Barbara Redman, The Honorable M. Jody Reil, Angela Rola, Bernard Schilberg, Patrick Sheehan, Thomas Suits, Ronald Taylor, James E. Walker, and Thomas Weinland. Irene Conlon, Richard Bachoo, the consultant, John Kuhnle, and Executive Secretary of the Board of Trustees, Mr. McFadden also attended.

There being no further business proper to Executive Session, the meeting was reconvened in Open Session at 9:35 a.m.

Chairman Rome offered a brief summary of the search process and expressed his appreciation to the Advisory Search Committee for their commitment, their time, and the expertise and professionalism they brought to the search process. Chairman Rome also introduced John Kuhnle, Managing Vice President, Education Practice, from Korn/Ferry International, the firm retained to advise during the search. Mr. Kuhnle commented on

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the search process and the qualifications of the chosen candidate, Dr. Philip E. Austin. Several Trustees spoke favorably about the search, and indicated their support for the candidate chosen.

On a motion by Chairman Rome, seconded by Mr. Abromaitis, **THE BOARD VOTED** to appoint Philip E. Austin as the thirteenth President of the University of Connecticut effective on September 1, 1996, or on a later mutually agreed upon date and at a salary to be established by the Board of Trustees at a later time. Other aspects of Dr. Austin's employment will also be established at a later time.

Chairman Rome appointed a compensation committee to be chaired by Mr. Berkley to finalize details of Dr. Austin's employment. Trustees Berry and Abromaitis will also serve on the committee.

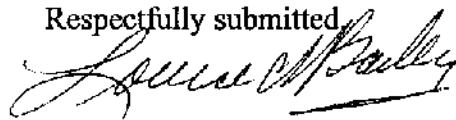
At this time, President-elect Philip E. Austin and Dr. Susan G. Austin were escorted into the room and introduced by Chairman Rome. President-elect Austin spoke briefly about his vision for the future of the University and the UConn 2000 initiative. He then introduced his spouse, Dr. Susan G. Austin, who expressed her pleasure at the appointment and her entry into the UConn family.

Chairman Rome informed the audience that a reception would be held at 12:30 p.m. at the Alumni House on the Storrs campus to introduce President-elect Austin to UConn administrators, legislators, and other constituencies of the University.

The Drs. Austin were then escorted to the Hartranft Building for a press conference.

On a motion by Mrs. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Napolitano, **THE BOARD VOTED** to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted



Louise M. Bailey
Secretary

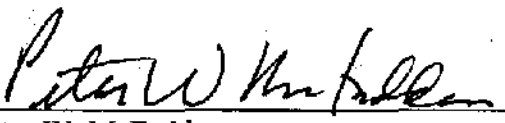
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Peter W. McFadden
Executive Secretary


Date

