University of Connecticut DigitalCommons@UConn

Agendas and Minutes

Board of Trustees

6-11-1993

Minutes, June 11, 1993

Follow this and additional works at: http://digitalcommons.uconn.edu/bot_agendas

Recommended Citation

"Minutes, June 11, 1993" (1993). *Agendas and Minutes*. Paper 179. http://digitalcommons.uconn.edu/bot_agendas/179

This Article is brought to you for free and open access by the Board of Trustees at DigitalCommons@UConn. It has been accepted for inclusion in Agendas and Minutes by an authorized administrator of DigitalCommons@UConn. For more information, please contact digitalcommons@uconn.edu.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

Held at the University of Connecticut Health Center Farmington, Connecticut Administrative Services Building June 11, 1993

The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m. by Chairman Rome. Trustees present were: Mrs. Carrozzella, Messrs. Altschuler, Blum, Otha Brown, George Brown, Canzonetti, Carter, Kleban, Leone, Mika, Rich, Saslow and Treibick.

Trustees absent were Dowling, Ferrandino and Lawrence.

University staff present were: President Hartley, Vice President and Provost Tighe, and Interim Vice President and Provost Cutler, Vice Presidents Wiggins and Jones, Attorney Shapiro.

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

No audience members addressed the Board during the public session.

Chairman Rome reminded Trustees that the main purpose of the meeting was to consider as a Committee of the Whole, the agenda of the Health Affairs Committee. Before turning to that agenda, Chairman Rome called upon Trustee Leone for an announcement.

Budget and Finance Committee Chairman, Dan Leone, reminded Trustees that a <u>special meeting of the Budget and Finance</u>
Committee has been scheduled for Friday, June 18, 1993 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the University of Connecticut Law School, Hosmer Building, Blumberg Hall, 55 Elizabeth Street, Hartford, and that all Trustees are invited to attend.

On a motion by Mr. George Brown, seconded by Mrs. Carrozzella, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the minutes of the meetings of April 16, 1993 and May 14, 1993.

- A. The Report of the President included the following items:
 - 1. President Hartley gave an <u>update on the students who</u>
 <u>had contracted menningitis</u>. Jennifer Slyman, Immata
 Discalla, and Titi Nguyen are all doing well and expect
 to return to UConn in the fall.

The President applauded the cooperation and support of Health Services, the State Department of Health, and the members of the University community, most notably, the Department of Residential Life, and expressed his appreciation to Vice President Wiggins for their excellent response.

- 2. President Hartley gave an update on his budget strategy. The President noted that at the time of the last Board meeting, the AAUP had not ratified the contract and that it has now been ratified and supported by the AAUP membership and the General Assembly. The President reported that the total budget strategy was in place for the operating budget for the biennial 1993-94 and 1994-95 and included a 3% increase in wages. President Hartley was very encouraged by the Legislature's support.
- 3. Commencement 1993 was an outstanding occasion for the University of Connecticut. Approximately 5,400 degrees were awarded at five different Commencement ceremonies. Seven distinguished individuals were awarded honorary degrees, and we were pleased to have as our Undergraduate Commencement Speaker, CBS correspondent Randall Pinkston, and Dr. Torsten Wiesel as our Graduate Ceremony Speaker. Ron Howard also received an honorary degree at the undergraduate ceremony. Thomas J. Meskill, Chief Judge, United States Second Circuit, gave the School of Law address, and Geraldine T. Morrow, D.M.D., immediate past president of the American Dental Association, addressed the graduates of the School of Medicine and Dental Medicine at their ceremony on May 27.

The honorary degree recipients were honored at a dinner held at the Benton Museum following the Graduate Ceremony, and included Samuel Birnbaum, who received his honorary degree at the Health Center, Peter Raven, Torsten Wiesel, Harry Gampel and Judge T. Emmet Clarie.

4. On May 28 the <u>Health Center</u> hosted the <u>first Annual</u> <u>Academic Chairs Dinner</u> to honor the donors who funded the chairs and the outstanding faculty who occupy those chairs.

7848 K

- 5. Enrollment is stable. We will continue to monitor the next two years closely, since they are the remaining declining periods of high school graduates in the State of Connecticut. The freshman class is targeted at 2,000 students, and we are encouraged by current enrollment. The Orientation staff does an outstanding job of educating our students and exciting them about UConn and all it has to offer.
- 6. President Hartley noted that UConn would be hosting the K-9 Olympics for the second year on June 27. The K-9

Olympics is sponsored by the Connecticut State Police, municipal police and Fidelco, and is a day long activity of competitive events for German Shepherds.

- 7. On June 2 the President attended a workshop where the Hartford Courant hosted the Associated Press which is revising a code of ethics for journalists. A series of meetings are being held across the country where managing editors of major publications and selected public officials meet to debate what constitutes ethical issues and how best to handle them.
- 8. The President noted that the search, chaired by Provost Tighe, for a <u>Vice President for Institutional</u>
 Advancement, has scheduled interviews during the summer. We are hopeful that a Vice President for Institutional Advancement will be on board by September.

President Hartley reported that five-year evaluations of Provost Tighe and Vice President Jones had been completed, and their appointments renewed for an additional five years. President Hartley praised Provost Tighe and Vice Presidents Jones and Wiggins for their outstanding work. Trustees also expressed their appreciation to the Vice Presidents for their outstanding performance and commitment.

The President announced that after a lengthy and extensive search, Les Cutler, Interim Vice President and Provost for Health Affairs, had been appointed the permanent Vice President and Provost for Health Affairs at the Health Center. Trustees expressed their gratitude to Dr. Cutler for his stewardship as Interim Vice President for Health Affairs and Provost during the past year, and congratulated him on his new position.

Chairman Rome then turned the Chair over to Trustee Canzonetti who represented Dr. Dowling, Chairman of the Health Affairs Committee. He called upon Dr. Leslie Cutler, Vice President and Provost for Health Affairs, to discuss the current status and future plans for the Health Center. A copy of Dr. Cutler's remarks is attached to these minutes for information.

7848-2

Dr. James Kennedy, Dean of the School of Dental Medicine, presented a report which focused on the role of improving a health profession academic program in the availability and quality of care in the community. A copy of Dr. Kennedy's report is attached to these minutes.

7848-t

Dr. Peter Deckers, Interim Dean of the School of Medicine, presented a verbal annual report on the School of Medicine. A more detailed report of Dr. Deckers' presentation is attached to these minutes.

4848-9

Andria Martin, Interim Hospital Director, John Dempsey Hospital, focused her presentation on the financial and operational highlights of 1992-93 and on the new programs and opportunities for growth in the health care industry. A summary of her report is attached to these minutes.

1848-ju

Mr. Larry Wilder, Associate Vice President for Finance at the Health Center, presented highlights of the Health Center biennial budget. A copy of the Health Center Biennial Budget is attached to these minutes.

Marta Smith, Director of Uncas on Thames Hospital, reported on current outpatient activity and utilization. Inpatient activity was profoundly affected by negative publicity and uncertainty, and the return to full capacity is sluggish. Additional remarks are attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

At the conclusion of the reports, Dr. Canzonetti presented three items for Board discussion and approval which follow:

- On a motion by Dr. Canzonetti, seconded by Mr. George Brown, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the transfer of up to \$10,000 for the 1993-94 fiscal year from University Dentists, School of Dental Medicine, to the University of Connecticut Health Center Finance Corporation to fund functions consistent with Section 10a-257 of the Connecticut General Statutes. Monies will be transferred to the UCHC Finance Corporation on an as-needed basis during the fiscal year. Background information listed as agenda Attachment R is attached 1848 attached to the file conv of the Research to the file copy of the Board minutes.
- On a motion by Dr. Canzonetti, seconded by Mr. Leone, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the transfer of up to \$1,188,000 for the 1993-94 fiscal year from University Physicians, School of Medicine, to the University of Connecticut Health Center Finance Corporation to fund functions consistent with Section 10a-257 of the Connecticut General Statutes. Monies will be transferred to the University of Connecticut Health Center Finance Corporation on an as-needed basis during the fiscal year. Background information listed as agenda Attachment S is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

1848 8

On a motion by Dr. Canzonetti, seconded by Mrs. Carrozzella, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the transfer of up to \$270,000 for the 1993-94 fiscal year from Uncas-on-Thames Hospital to the University of Connecticut Health Center Finance Corporation to fund functions as set forth in Section 10a-250 et seq. of the Connecticut General Statutes. Monies will be

transferred to the University of Connecticut Health Center Finance Corporation on an as-needed basis during the fiscal year. Background information listed as agenda Attachment T is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

- B. The Report of the Chairman included the following items:
 - 1. Chairman Rome discussed the Stamford downtown initiative and directed Trustee attention to the resolution at their places for consideration.

On a motion by Mr. Treibick, seconded by Mr. Saslow, THE

BOARD VOTED to add to the agenda an item regarding the

Stamford downtown initiative. The motion appears below as

amended. Additions are underlined, deletions are

bracketed. A copy of the original motion prior to

amendment is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

On a motion by Mr. Rome, seconded by Mr. Rich, THE BOARD VOTED to acknowledge and endorse the local effort to raise \$10-\$15 million for UConn's Stamford Initiative as a designated institutional capital campaign priority. The campaign will be conducted in cooperation with the Storrs Development Office [and under the supervision of the Development Steering Committee chaired by the Provost] to insure coordination with other UConn Programs [with funds specifically designated for UConn being deposited in the University of Connecticut Foundation]. Trustee Richard Treibick is designated to serve as the Board's representative on the Development Subcommittee of the Stamford Area Advisory Committee.

Trustee Leone questioned, in reference to an attached letter from Whitey Heist, President and Chief Operating Officer of Champion Corporation, whether the intent of this resolution was that the funds will be managed in accordance with the last paragraph of the letter attached which states that a separate capital campaign account would be set up to receive the funds. Further, that consultant expenses and staff will be paid directly, consistent with current practice, and funds designated for local endowments, scholarships, and other monies not used for project expenses would be transferred to the Foundation to be administered for the Stamford campus. Mr. Leone questioned whether it was the intent of the resolution that it be conducted in that manner. Mr. Rome noted that the intent of the amended motion was to respond to the letter from Champion and to all of the things happening in the Stamford community including with their legislative liaisons who are excited about the possibility of being able to move the campus to a downtown location.

Chairman Rome responded that the last paragraph of that letter prompted the amended language to the resolution, and that the question Mr. Leone posed was a question

that Trustee Treibick would report back to the Board on since he will serve as the Board's representative on the Stamford Area Advisory Committee.

Chairman Rome noted that his suggestion was that the funds had to be administered in conjunction with the Development Office to allow Trustee Treibick and the Development Office to coordinate the manner in which the funds would be managed. He further noted that the Board would not take control of or authorize any arrangement that would create problems for the University directly or indirectly in terms of fund raising.

Trustee Frank Rich informed the Board that this was his last meeting, and thanked the Board for their support over the years. Several Trustees expressed their regrets at Mr. Rich's departure, and recalled Mr. Rich's many contributions and accomplishments as a vital and committed member of the Board of Trustees.

- C. Chairman Rome noted that the next meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Friday, July 9, 1993, at 10:30 a.m. at the University of Connecticut, Avery Point, Groton, Connecticut. (Please note: the time of this meeting was subsequently changed to 1 p.m.)
- D. No further business appearing, the meeting was adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

tha N. Brown, Jr.

Secretary