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

Held at University of Connecticut at Storrs
United Nations Room, Student Union #306
Storrs, Connecticut
April 10, 1992

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 p.m. by Chairman Andrew J. Canzonetti. Trustees present were: Ms. Nadolny, Messrs. Altschuler, Blum, George Brown, Otha Brown, Dowling, Haskew, Kleban, Lawrence, Leone, Rich, Saslow and Stroh.

Trustees absent were: Mrs. Carrozzella, Messrs. Carter, Rome, and Acting Commissioner Campbell.

University staff present were: President Hartley, Vice President and Provost Tighe, Interim Vice President for Health Affairs and Provost Cutler, Vice Presidents Wiggins and Jones, Attorney Shapiro and Mr. McFadden. Mr. Herndon represented the Governor.

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

The following persons addressed the Board on the following topics:

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| Julie Lewin | Animal Rights |
| Linda Drake | Budget |
| Michele Nellenbach | USG Constitution |
| Chris Long | USG Constitution |

I.A. On a motion by Mr. George Brown, seconded by Ms. Nadolny, **THE BOARD VOTED** to go into executive session at 2:30 p.m. for the purpose of discussing matters of personnel, litigation, and collective bargaining. The Chairman noted that based on the advice of counsel, only the staff members whose presence was necessary to provide their opinion would be permitted to attend executive session. All members of the Board noted were present.

Items discussed during Executive Session were as follows:

1. Pending litigation was reviewed. President Hartley, Attorney Shapiro and Mr. McFadden were present during this discussion. Vice President and Provost Tighe, Interim Vice President for Health Affairs and Provost Cutler, and Dean Giolas were also present for this discussion.

2. Personnel matters were discussed. President Hartley, Vice President and Provost Tighe and Interim Vice President for Health Affairs and Provost Cutler, Attorney Shapiro, Mr. McFadden, and Dean Giolas were present during this discussion.

Executive Session ended at 2:50 p.m., and the meeting was reconvened in Open Session at 2:55 p.m.

II. A. The Report of the Chairman included the following items:

1. One correction to the minutes was noted. Mr. Blum was reported to be absent. Let the record show that Mr. Blum was present at the meeting. On a motion by Mr. Otha Brown, seconded by Mr. Leone, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 20, 1992.

2. On a motion by Mr. Leone, seconded by Mr. Kleban, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the following items listed on the Consent Agenda:

a. Approval of the lists of University contracts and agreements and authorization for the President, Vice-Presidents, Vice President and Provosts, Associate Vice-Presidents, Associate Provosts, Assistant Vice Presidents and Assistant Provosts, Controller and Associate Controller to sign the necessary documents on behalf of the University.

A copy of the approved lists of contracts and agreements is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes. 7753a

b. Acceptance and approval of the lists of awards and donations. A copy of the lists is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes. 7753b

c. Approval of the latest list of recommended Medical/Dental Staff appointments. A copy of the list is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes. 7753c

d. Release of Requirement of Board Approval for the Mortgaging of Property located at 2 Eastwood Road, Mansfield, Connecticut. A copy of the background information is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes. 7753d

e. Finding of No Significant Impact - BI-D-956-1 Multi-Project Environmental Assessment. A copy of the background information is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes. 7753-E

3. Dr. Canzonetti praised the Provost's Office for their excellent work during the PTR process and in the preparation of the list for tenure, promotion and reappointment.

Dr. Canzonetti called upon Provost Tighe who introduced Ms. JoAnn Basley, Administrative Assistant, and noted that due to her reliability, initiative, and discretion, a very difficult and time consuming process is completed each year on time with a minimum amount of disruption to the routine of the Provost's Office.

On a motion by Ms. Nadolny, seconded by Mr. Saslow, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a formal list of the awards of tenure, promotions, sabbatic leaves, changes in salary, and moving expenses as recommended by the President and as listed on the personnel list. A copy of the approved list is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes. 7753-F

4. Dr. Canzonetti reminded Trustees of the Faculty-Trustee Dinner scheduled for this evening and noted that the reception was being hosted by the School of Allied Health Professions in honor of its 20th anniversary. The dinner will begin at 6 p.m. at the Connecticut State Museum of Natural History.

5. Dr. Canzonnetti congratulated Student Trustee Susan Nadolny on her acceptance into the Presidential Management Internship Program in Washington, D.C., and expressed his appreciation for her dedicated service and commitment to representing student concerns. Ms. Nadolny will resign effective July 1, 1992.

Since Ms. Nadolny's term was to end October 1, 1993, two student Trustees will be chosen during the current election. One member will fill Susan's unexpired term; the other member will serve the regular two-year term beginning November 1, 1992.

6. Chairman Canzonetti requested that Trustees mark their calendars with the Commencement dates. The graduate ceremony at which honorary degrees are conferred is scheduled for Saturday, May 16 at 3:30 p.m. in the Jorgensen Auditorium.

   The first undergraduate ceremony will take place on Sunday, May 17 at 10 a.m., and the second ceremony at 3 p.m. Both ceremonies will be held in the Gampel Pavilion.

   The Law School ceremony is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Sunday, May 17 at the Law School. The UConn Health Center graduation ceremony is scheduled for Thursday, May 28 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

B. The report of the President included the following items. President Hartley directed Trustee attention to agenda **Attachment H.** 7753 G

1. President Hartley reported on the overwhelming success of the 100 Years of Women banquet held recently at the AquaTurf in Southington. The facility was filled to capacity with over 800 guests. Dr. Hartley praised the committee, led by Cindy Adams as Chair, for its excellent work during the past year.

   Dr. Hartley noted that numerous awards were presented in recognition of women's accomplishments, and expressed the hope that women would continue to be recognized for their outstanding achievements and service to the University of Connecticut.

2. The President indicated that the budget strategy presented to the Trustees in January was still being followed as indicated. He has met with faculty, deans, department heads, University Senate, alumni, unions, and student leaders and continues to reinforce that strategy. The next Board of Trustees meeting includes a Committee Meeting of the Whole of the Budget and Finance Committee. A more detailed budget planning strategy for FY 92-93 and FY 93-94 will be presented at the special meeting of the Budget and Finance Committee scheduled for June 19. 7753-Q

   The President reassured the Board that the overall strategy for addressing the projected $30 million dollar deficit for the coming year is in place, and all plans are consistent with that strategy.

3. The President reported on the status of the higher education reorganization plan, and noted that he had met with several key senators who informed him that the regional campuses were not to be considered for closing or consolidation and would be removed from the reorganization plan.

4. President Hartley reported that he had personally visited all five regional campuses this semester. Since the news of the retention of the regional campuses, morale at those campuses is much improved. The President praised student leaders for their proactive role and continuous support.

5. The first Open House, hosted by the Department of Admissions, was held on April 4 to welcome new students, familiarize them with the University and its faculty, and to influence their attendance in September. Approximately 1800 guests attended the April 4th Open House, and another Open House is scheduled for April 11. The public reaction to the Open Houses has been extremely positive, and plans are to schedule them each year. Freshman admission is targeted at about 2100 students.

6. President Hartley reported that he met with Governor Weicker on April 8 and 9. On the ninth, the topic was tutorials and ways in which the University and other higher education units can work closely with urban schools, particularly middle schools, to prevent dropouts. Many UConn students are currently involved in tutorial programs as volunteers who also serve as role models for these youths.

   On April 8 President Hartley and Les Cutler met with Governor Weicker at his request to reaffirm his commitment to the UConn Health Center and to assisting it in becoming one of the leading academic health centers in the nation. The Governor challenged UConn to identify its research priorities and strengths in the form of a mission statement that links our research and clinical programs to enhance both elements of our Health Center. The report will be presented to the Governor in December.

   President Hartley thanked John Herndon for his support and encouragement while a plan for the future and options for discussion are being developed.

7. On April 9 President Hartley met with the Health Center department heads in the School of Medicine and later with the entire Health Center faculty to reaffirm his personal support for the Health Center, and to indicate his support for Les Cutler as the Interim Vice President and Provost of the Health Center.

   The President also discussed the timetable for the Vice President and Provost of Health Affairs search. President Hartley expects to appoint a search committee of approximately twelve members by mid to late June, and to complete the search by Spring 1993 with the successful candidate on board by July 1, 1993. An accelerated search is also possible if candidates emerge quickly. The President noted that he welcomed suggestions from the faculty as well as Trustees regarding criteria, process, names of committee members to serve, etc.

   The search for a Dean of Medicine is also being initiated. President Hartley has named Les Cutler to chair the committee and to appoint its members before the end of April. It is expected that the search will be completed by the end of 1992 with the new Dean on board by early 1993 or not later than July 1, 1993.

   An Interim Dean of Medicine will also be required since Dean Eugene Sigman's retirement is effective June 30. Dr. Cutler will appoint an Interim Dean to serve with Dr. Sigman before he retires. President Hartley reported that faculty at the Health Center have pledged their support for the candidate of Dr. Cutler's choice.

8. April has been designated "Asian-American History Month" and "Latino Awareness Month" at UConn, and many programs are scheduled during the month to celebrate our diverse heritage.

9. President Hartley reported that renovations of several campus buildings are in progress. There are currently 260 different facilities projects including the Library, the Castleman Engineering Building, and south campus dorms with a total value of $210 million.

10. The President noted that Trustees had requested earlier that the Deans be invited periodically to give presentations on their programs, and that Dean Gray was present today to advise them about new developments in the School of Fine Arts.

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President Hartley then called upon Provost Tom Tighe who described Dean Gray's outstanding career and contributions to arts, education and society at large.

Provost Tighe noted that in recognition of Dean Gray's efforts in establishing strong international cultural links, he has been honored by the government of Mexico with the Flag of Mexico Award and by France with the Chevalier de L'Ordre des Arts et Lettres. Last month Italy named him a Cavaliere of the Order of Merit for his work in organizing exchanges with the Theatre of Rome and for the establishment of the Leonardo Center at UCLA.

Provost Tighe then introduced Robert Gray, new Dean of the School of Fine Arts.

During the past nine months, Dean Gray has concerned himself with faculty and program development, and in extending the fundraising capacity of the School. He reported that he has also pursued a wider outreach program for the School and much stronger contacts with other cultural institutions in the state and elsewhere. The goal in both cases is to give the School the greater visibility that its excellent programs in art, music and dramatic arts deserve.

In addition to these endeavors, Dean Gray has formulated plans for a new center of arts technology, expansion of present programs into the Stamford area, and has taken an active part in plans for the extensive renovation of the Drama-Music complex, now scheduled to begin next year.

C. Dr. Lawrence reported that the Student Life Committee met on April 7, and the agenda of the meeting was dedicated to the discussion of the Undergraduate Student Government Constitution which is listed on the agenda for Board approval.

On a motion by Dr. Lawrence, seconded by Mr. Saslow, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the revised Undergraduate Student Government Constitution and Bylaws. Background information listed as agenda **Attachment I** is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

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Dr. Lawrence also expressed his appreciation to Student Trustee Susan Nadolny for her dedication and commitment to student issues as a member of the Student Life Committee.

D. Chairman Kleban reported that the Ad Hoc By-Law Committee had concluded its last meeting and were now in a position to report its recommendations. Mr. Kleban noted that the committee had reduced the redundant by-laws that presently exist into streamlined by-laws and standing orders. Attorney Shapiro will circulate a set of the proposed by-laws and standing orders to the Board to be discussed at a subsequent Board meeting.

Dr. Canzonetti reminded the Trustees that all by-laws must sit on the table until the second subsequent meeting. Therefore, no action could be taken until July.

Mr. Saslow questioned whether a Trustee who has served on the Board for eight years might be designated a "Trustee Emeritus" in recognition of service. Mr. Kleban and Attorney Shapiro noted that the Board is established by statute, and that the Board would have no statutory power to award such a designation.

E. Chairman Otha Brown reported on the following items:

1. Mr. Brown reported that the committee had discussed in detail the Department of Defense's prohibition against commissioning homosexuals in relation to the campus ROTC programs and that no Board action was required at this meeting, but that the resolution would be presented to the full Board at the May meeting.

2. On a motion by Mr. Otha Brown, seconded by Mr. Leone, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the change in title in the program description for the Bachelor of Fine Arts in General Drama to Bachelor of Arts in Theatre Studies. Background information listed as agenda **Attachment J** is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

3. On a motion by Mr. Otha Brown, seconded by Mr. George Brown, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the elimination of the Business Education Degree Program within the School of Education. Background information listed as agenda **Attachment K** is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

4. On a motion by Mr. Otha Brown, seconded by Mr. George Brown, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the establishment of the Center for Actuarial Studies in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Background information listed as agenda **Attachment L** is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

F. The report of the Budget & Finance Committee was given by Mr. Leone and included the following items:

1. Mr. Rich noted that a correction to Attachment M was necessary. The fiscal years of 1990-1991 for Multi-Family Houses should have read (column 1) 1991-92 Rent, not 1990-91, and (column 2) 1992-93 Rent, not 1991-92.

   On a motion by Mr. Leone, seconded by Mr. Rich, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the rental rates for Residential and Commercial Properties for FY 92/93. Background information listed as **Attachment M** is attached to the file copy of the Board agenda. 7753-L

G. Dr. Dowling's report for the Health Affairs Committee included the following items:

1. Dr. Dowling reported that the committee reviews the quality of care at the John Dempsey Hospital each month, and that quality remains high.

2. Dr. Dowling also reported on the meetings of the Joint Conference Committee of the John Dempsey Hospital and the Health Affairs Committee of the Board.

3. On a motion by Dr. Dowling, seconded by Mr. Leone, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the proposed House Staff Stipends for 1992/93 as presented. Background information listed as agenda **Attachment N** is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes. 7753 M

H. Dr. Canzonetti noted that the next meeting of the Board of Trustees includes a Committee Meeting of the Whole of the Budget and Finance Committee and is scheduled for Friday, May 8, 1992, at 10:00 a.m. at the Stamford Center for the Arts, Stamford. A full Board meeting will follow this committee presentation.

I. No further business appearing, the meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Otha N. Brown, Jr.
Secretary