MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING

March 24, 1967

The Board of Regents met at 2 p.m. in the Board Room on campus. Committee meetings were held during the morning beginning at 9 a.m.

Present were Regents Ellis, King, Powell, and Shefelman; President Odgaard, and Secretary Hongojani. Also present were Dr. Thieme, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Harlock, and Dr. Waldo. Regents Drumbell, Rosellini, and Willis were absent; and Mr. Wageman was also absent.

Due regular and usual notice of this meeting had been given to the press, radio, television, and the public by Mr. Irwin S. Blumenfeld as appears from his affidavit in the files of the Secretary's office.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the February 24, 1967 meeting of the Board of Regents were approved as circulated to the members of the Board in advance of this meeting.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Personnel Recommendations

In response to President Odgaard's recommendation, the Board of Regents approved the following personnel recommendations:

(Personnel recommendations to be copied in their entirety in the permanent minutes.)

In the discussion of the above recommendations, Vice President Thieme commented on a number of the items including the change of status for Dr. Lyle Jensen, Professor of Biological Structure, who will become Professor of Biological Structure and Associate Dean of the Graduate School. Professor Spencer A. Roselby who has been serving as Acting Director of the School of Art, was named the new Director of the School, and Professor Norman Johnston was promoted from Assistant Dean to Associate Dean of the College of Architecture and Urban Planning. The personnel recommendations also included the annual list of promotions for the members of the faculty for 1967-68.

Gifts and Grants

Upon President Odgaard's recommendation, the Board of Regents accepted with thanks the following gifts and grants totaling $6,060,391.32:

(Gifts and grants to be copied in their entirety in the permanent minutes.)
University representatives and the project engineer, Mr. J. J. Millegan, have carefully analyzed these claims and have negotiated with the contractor a recommended settlement of $38,015 as fulfillment of these claims. Funds for this budget adjustment are available in the 1965-67 Capital Budget Unallocated Reserve.

Upon the recommendation of the Buildings and Grounds Committee and the administration, the Board of Regents authorized an increase in the budget for the Marine Sciences Building - Pier and Staging Area from $646,926 to $678,643.

In the absence of Regent Willis, Regent Ellis presented these items for the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

Educational Policy Committee

Graduate Degree Program

Approval of graduate degree programs in the field of computer science have been requested by the Dean of the Graduate School after careful review by the appropriate faculty members and administrative officers. Supporting documents were presented for the information of the Board.

Upon the recommendation of the Educational Policy Committee and the administration, the Board of Regents authorized the faculty of the Computer Science Committee to offer a graduate program leading to the degree of Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy in the field of computer science for a provisional period of five years to expire on June 15, 1972 unless other action is taken.

Change of Name for the College of Forestry

It has been recommended by the Dean of the College of Forestry that the name of the College be changed to the College of Forest Resources. The change of name would reflect the broader interests of the College of Forestry as forest studies have evolved beyond the traditional forest management. It would thus relate the College of Forestry at the University of Washington to strong forestry schools nationally which have an academic concern for such areas as wood science technology, pulp and paper technology, forest recreation and aesthetics, wildlife resources, range resources, general resource conservation, and land use.

Upon the recommendation of the Educational Policy Committee and the administration, the Board of Regents adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the name of the College of Forestry be and it is hereby changed to the College of Forest Resources, effective July 1, 1967.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT wherever the Legislature has assigned duties or granted powers to the Dean of the College of Forestry or to the College of Forestry, that those duties be deemed to be assigned and the powers deemed
B. Educational Policy Committee

Graduate Degree Program:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is the recommendation of the administration that the following degree programs be approved:

1. Authorization to the faculty of the Computer Science Committee to offer a graduate program leading to the degrees of Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy in the field of computer science for a provisional period of five years to expire on June 15, 1972 unless other action is taken.

JUSTIFICATION FOR RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approval of these degree programs has been requested by the Dean of the Graduate School after careful review by the appropriate faculty members and administrative officers. A copy of his letter of March 8, 1967 is enclosed.

ENCLOSURE

1. Copy of letter from Dean McCarthy
To President Charles E. Odegaard

Executive Offices

Subject: Recommendation for new degree program for Doctor of Philosophy and Master of Science in the field of computer science

Dear President Odegaard:

(1) The faculty of the Computer Science Committee has requested authorization to offer a graduate program leading to the degrees Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy in the field of computer science.

(2) Rapid advances in computer technology in recent years have given rise to a demand for trained personnel to operate and help design computers having ever-increasing capabilities. According to a report published in February, 1966, by the National Academy of Sciences, "... operation of computers and instruction in their use by self-taught amateurs will be less and less acceptable and the pressure for properly trained personnel for these and other matters connected with computers is growing sharply." To meet this need, graduate programs in computer science have been instituted by a number of universities throughout the country; however, the NAS report continues, "the production of graduates from these programs at the doctoral level is yet so small as to be negligible in comparison with the need." West of the Rocky Mountains, only Stanford, Washington State University, and the University of California at Berkeley currently offer programs leading to graduate degrees specifically in the field of computer science. If the proposed program were not initiated, the University of Washington would be able to utilize the excellent facilities of the Computer Center to help fulfill a vital national and local need for computer scientists.

(3) The proposal has been given careful review by members of the faculty and by administrative officers. A copy of the review procedure used is attached herewith, and copies of the proposal and various related papers are also transmitted to you at this time.

(4) The ad hoc Computer Science Graduate Degree Committee, appointed by the Dean of the Graduate School to carry out the initial review, recommended approval of the proposal. The names of the members of this Committee are: Professor Ernest M. Henley (Physics), Chairman; Professor Richard E. Pierce (Mathematics); Professor Austin V. Eastman (Electrical Engineering); and Professor Juris Hartmanis (Chairman, Department of Computer Science, Cornell University).

(5) Copies of the proposal were sent on September 25, 1966, to the graduate deans of the four other public institutions in the State of Washington: Washington State University; Central Washington State College; Eastern Washington State College; and Western Washington State College. Responses received have been thoughtful and entirely favorable to the initiation of the proposed program.
President Charles E. Osgaard

March 3, 1967

(6) Subsequent reviews by the Group III, Group VI, and Group VII Operating Committees and by the Graduate School Executive Committee concurred with the recommendation that the program be approved.

(7) I have approved the proposed program leading to the degrees Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy in the field of computer science, and I now recommend that the President and the Board of Regents approve this subject program and degree for a provisional period of five years to expire on 15 June 1972 unless other action is taken.

Yours very sincerely,

/s/ E. C. Lingafelter

for Joseph L. McCarthy
Dean

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Attachments