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HWA NAN COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
ANNUAL MEETING  
Room 900, 150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.  
May 7, 1943

*Miss Edna Ambrose	Dr. L. O. Hartman
Mrs. A. E. Beebe	*Mrs. Lynn Harould Hough
*Mrs. J. D. Bragg	Mrs. Anna E. Kresge
*Miss Bettie Brittingham	*Miss Elizabeth M. Lee
Dr. Frank Cartwright	*Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon
Miss Elizabeth Congdon	*Mrs. J. Wesley Masland, Treas.
Mrs. Dorr Diefendorf	Mrs. J. W. Mills
*Mrs. Ralph E. Diffendorfer,	Mrs. Thomas Nicholson
Vice-Chairman,	*Mrs. Leon Roy Peel
*Miss Henrietta Gibson	*Miss Faye H. Robinson
Mr. J. C. Haley	Mrs. S. W. Rosenberger
Mrs. Helen Bourne	*Mrs. H. E. Woollever

The names with asterisks denote those present. Regrets were received from several. There were also present President Wu Yi-Fang of Ginling College, Miss Betty Ling (a former student at Hwa Nan and now attending Westminster Choir College), Mrs. W. Plumer Mills and Mr. C.A. Evans.

The meeting opened with prayer by Mrs. L. R. Peel.

B-61 VOTED that the Minutes of the annual meeting held May 5, 1942 and those of the meeting held December 4, 1942 be approved.

Miss Betty Ling was introduced and brought what word she had received from college friends. Miss Ambrose had just received a letter from Miss Marion Cole, a member of the staff at Hwa Nan College, so reported some of the latest news that she had at hand. Mrs. Peel read the report very recently received from President Wang and also the report from the Board of Directors.

B-62 VOTED that duplicate copies be made of the reports from the Board of Directors and other important reports as they come. (Copies of the Board of Directors' report are being sent with the Minutes.)

By common consent, Mrs. J. W. Masland continues as our representative on the Planning Committee of the Associated Boards of Christian Colleges in China.

Mr. C. A. Evans made the following statement regarding the post-war Planning Committee:

A report from the Associated Boards stated that a Post War Planning Committee had been organized and the first meeting had been held May 4th. The thought back of this venture was a study of present educational conditions in China and what might be the most desirable set up after the

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war. Many things might be suggested but it was stated that eventually all decisions must be made in China.

Mrs. Masland gave the report of the treasurer. (Copy enclosed.)

B-63 VOTED that the report of the treasurer be received with thanks and placed on file.

Copies of the field Budget for 1943-44 were studied and it was noted that the amount requested from the Associated Boards exceeded regular income by approximately U.S. \$72,000.00. It was revealed that this excess had been pared down as certain items referred to moving back to Foochow as well as transporting equipment to Nanping. As this seemed inconsistent, the Associated Boards settled upon \$41,237.50 as a more equitable figure. Another figure of \$50,000.00 had also been suggested.

B-64 VOTED that we accept the budget as received from President Lucy Wang and make it the basis for consideration by the Committee on Emergency Askings.

Three thousand copies of a new Hwa Nan College booklet have been printed.

B-65 VOTED that we recommend the new leaflet for distribution by each Board member with the suggestion that the last blank page be used for a written personal message by the Board member to the possible donor.

Will each Board member kindly inform the Associated Boards of Christian Colleges in China, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City, how many copies he will take and send out to prospective donors? Please do this as soon as possible.

The question of an Administrative Budget was brought up. Several hundred dollars were spent this last year yet no item for such work has occurred in our budget. Mr. Evans reported what other colleges were doing. He also showed that such expense brought in more funds. It was thought that for a reasonable amount at first, we might consider \$1,500.00.

B-66 VOTED that we have an item of \$1,500.00 as Administrative Expense to be paid by the share of the Woman's Division of Christian Service on the Hwa Nan budget.

Discussion next followed regarding Miss Betty Ling's itinerary in the colleges in October and November this coming fall, and the cost for such. Mr. Evans felt it practically would finance itself if set up right. If not, approach might be made to the Scholarship Committee of the Associated Boards.

B-67 VOTED that the plan for the itinerary for Miss Betty Ling be left to the Promotional Committee in consultation with Miss MacKinnon.

Dr. Wu Yi-Fang, President of Ginling College, was introduced. Dr. Wu, recently arrived in this country, was asked to give us the latest word she could about Hwa Nan. She spoke of the long visit Dr. Lucy Wang had with her last summer. She paid high tribute to Hwa Nan College for the fine contribution the college had made not only in leadership training for the Methodist Church in Fukien Province but also for farther fields, both church

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and government work. Dr. Wang is a member of the Fukien Provincial People's Party. She has led the students in the work they have done with farming communities. Dr. Wu pointed out that a new situation has arisen in China concerning education of women. In the beginning, primary education was stressed, then Normal Training, later coeducation. Of late the Ministry of Education recognized that women are not getting what they should in coeducational schools and that special consideration should be given to the education of women. Therefore, Christian women's colleges are in a special position to make a unique contribution in training women for the home, and for the community as well as for careers. We have a strategic position. We must help women take their places in community affairs as well as professional lines.

Mrs. Lynn Harold Hough gave a report of the work of the Executive Committee of the Associated Boards. The report follows:

Annual Report to the Trustees of Hwa Nan College  
of its representative on the Executive Committee of the  
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China.

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In thinking through this brief report I have been trying to imagine the eager anticipation of President Wang and her faculty as they await word of those activities of the Executive Committee especially related to Hwa Nan College.

They must have felt deep satisfaction in the election of Professor William P. Fenn in November 1942 as a special field representative in China of the College Boards. He has been released for this work until January 1944 by the University of Nanking and the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. Already he has visited Hwa Nan's new home at Yenping and his first-hand knowledge of existing conditions and sympathetic interpretation of immediate needs have been expressed by cable to the Executive Committee, suggesting an increase in the budget from \$50,000. to \$70,000.

It was reported from the Minutes of the United Committee in London meeting November 20, 1942, that £120,000 had been sent to Madame Chiang to allocate in consultation with the British Ambassador and the First Secretary of the Embassy. From this fund a grant of £25,000 was made to "Christian Institutions of Higher Learning", Hwa Nan receiving £1,000 as its share. Only those in Miss Wang's position can appreciate the full meaning of this timely gift.

The newly organized Planning Committee which grew out of the conference held in December of the Committee on Christian Character, Staff and Curriculum is one of great importance for all the colleges, as it will be closely related to the Post-War Planning Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference. As Dr. Decker has stated in his report, the major decisions must be made in China, but we must all "be ready to act promptly when the opportunity for rehabilitation comes." Under the leadership of Mrs. J. W. Masland who represents Hwa Nan on this committee let us renew our pledge of loyal support to Miss Wang.

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Very interesting data was reported during the year regarding the Sino-American Inter-Cultural Program. Though the Christian Colleges are involved only indirectly and unofficially they have unparalleled opportunity for Christian service both to the Chinese and to America. Should it be possible for Miss Wang to visit the States, her contribution to the spirit of this movement would be invaluable. We thank Mrs. Way-Sung New for her fine work among American Colleges this past year. We need Miss Wang too.

In closing, I would like to pay tribute to the activities of the Promotional Staff of the Associated Boards. Their efforts never cease. As trustees of Hwa Nan in America we may not all be able to approach mission boards, churches and educational foundations for large sums, but we can re-dedicate ourselves to greater individual effort with a prayer that Miss Wang and her faculty and students may become increasingly aware of our earnest support.

Respectfully submitted,

Blanche T. Hough (Mrs. L.H.)

B-68 VOTED that the report of our representative of the Executive Committee of the Associated Boards be received with appreciation.

Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon reported for the Scholarship Committee.

Katherine Liu -	\$ 75.00	Trip south and summer at Tuskegee (1942) from W. Div. of Christian Service
	\$300.00	from W. Div. for work at Merrill-Palmer School, 1943-44.
	\$400.00	from University of Nanking for study at Merrill-Palmer, 1943-44.
Pearl Wong	\$300.00	Study at University of Southern California, 1942-43 from W. Div.

B-69 VOTED that we accept the report of the Scholarship Committee.

Miss Ambrose gave the report of the Promotional Committee. The report ended with the resignation of Miss Ambrose, which the Board felt would be a keen loss, hence it was.

B-70 VOTED that the report of the <sup>Promotional</sup> Scholarship Committee be accepted with the exception of the final paragraph.

Report of Chairman of Promotion - May 7, 1943

Your chairman of Promotion has done practically nothing during the past year. It was just a year ago that the pamphlet on Hwa Nan came out.

Mr. Cameron was a great help with this. Together we went over the list of subscribers and prospects. This has never been a satisfactory or productive list

I tried to get in touch with known friends of Hwa Nan in various parts of the country, and asked for names of women who would serve on this committee and who would in their own churches and communities arouse interest in our college.

Most of the women were too much occupied to take this on.

Respectfully submitted,  
Edna Ambrose

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Only once this past year did the Committee on Christian Character, Staff and Curriculum meet. This was held at such a time that Miss Robinson could not attend. Inasmuch as those present had heard Professor <sup>Jan Dusen</sup> give the excellent report during the meeting of the Associated Boards, and inasmuch as this splendid report has been mailed to each of you, each Board member is urged to read this report very carefully.

- B-71 VOTED that the above report of the Committee on Christian Character Staff and Curriculum be accepted.
- B-72 VOTED that from funds held by Mrs. Masland, we pay the 1942-43 assessment to the Associated Boards of Christian Colleges in China and that beginning June 1, 1943, we send quarterly amounts.
- B-73 VOTED that the letter from Mr. Paul Wiant be referred to the Executive Committee of the Hwa Nan Board of Trustees for further consideration.
- B-74 VOTED that the following report of the Nominating Committee be accepted:

Officers of the Board of Trustees

- Chairman - Mrs. Leon Roy Peel
- Vice-Chairman - Mrs. Ralph Diffendorfer
- Secretary - Miss Faye H. Robinson
- Treasurer - Mrs. J. Wesley Masland

Executive Committee

- Four officers of the Board of Trustees
- Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon, Executive Secretary
- Mrs. A. E. Beebe

Scholarship Committee

- Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon, Chairman
- Mrs. Leon Roy Peel
- Mrs. Lynn Harold Hough

Promotional Committee

- Miss Edna Ambrose, Chairman
- Miss Bettie Brittingham
- Mrs. Thomas Nicholson
- Mrs. J. W. Mills
- Miss Henrietta Gibson

Nominations to Committees of the Associated Boards

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| Executive Committee                                      | Mrs. Lynn Harold Hough              |
|  | Alternate - Mrs. A.E. Beebe         |
| Committee on Christian Character<br>Staff and Curriculum | Miss Faye H. Robinson               |
|  | Alternate - Miss Henrietta Gibson   |
| Committee on Promotion                                   | Miss Edna Ambrose                   |
|  | Alternate - Miss Bettie Brittingham |

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Committee on Finance

Mrs. J. Wesley Masland  
Alternate - Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon

The secretary was instructed to cast a ballot for the above nominations, which was done.

- B-75 VOTED that the matter of the date of the next annual meeting be referred to the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees.
- B-76 VOTED that greetings be sent to absentee members of the Board of Trustees.

Mrs. Diffendorfer led in the closing devotional period.

The meeting was adjourned with the request that each member of the Board of Trustees feel the responsibility of enlisting new friends for Hwa Nan.

Respectfully submitted,

Faye H. Robinson, Secretary

Report of Treasurer

of

Hwa Nan Board of Trustees - May 2, 1942 to May 5, 1943

The last report rendered to the Board of Trustees covered the period from August 23, 1941 to May 2, 1942. The Trustees requested the books of the Treasurer to be audited and a copy of the audit filed with the Minutes of May 5, 1942.

The books of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of Hwa Nan College were audited, covering the period from October 5, 1940 to May 31, 1942. Prior to August 30, 1941 the funds for Hwa Nan College were held with the W.F.M.S. Funds in a separate Ledger Account designated for Hwa Nan College. The W.F.M.S. is likewise the custodian of an endowment fund for Hwa Nan College, income to apply on maintenance, and of a restricted fund raised for a specific building need in 1937. Due to conditions in China, it was deemed advisable to hold the building fund invested with the Endowment Fund, and also to use that income toward maintenance of the College until such time as the Fund may be used for the purposes for which it was raised. This income amounts to \$1156.00 per year. The principal held in these two funds is \$38,350.00. The current income is a part of the receipts of the Woman's Division and is not reported under the Board of Trustees receipts.

The Auditor's report, as of March 31, 1942, shows a balance in the Board of Trustees reserve account of ..... \$15,205.04  
 To May 1, 1943, we have received, to apply on emergency needs, from the Associated Boards ..... 14,917.80  
 For current needs ..... 1,460.50  
 Total to be accounted for \$31,583.34

July 15 we paid to the Woman's Division, to transfer to Hwa Nan College..... \$10,000.00  
 Leaving a balance May 5, 1943 ..... \$21,583.34

This balance includes \$15,205.04 in the Reserve Account; \$4,917.80 in the Emergency Fund; and \$1,460.50 for the Current Needs.

The conflict of fiscal years is confusing. The appropriations of the Associated Boards for the year ending June 30 was \$20,000.00, on which we have received \$14,917.80. The College year ends March 31. The Woman's Division year on the Field, up to this time, has been December 31, but beginning with May, 1943, will end May 31, 1944.

In order then to give a total review of the appropriations for Hwa Nan College we list first appropriations of the Woman's Division for Hwa Nan College for the calendar year 1942 ..... \$18,685.00  
 This includes ..... 7,300.00 Missionary salaries  
 975.00 Missionary travel  
 10,410.00 Current Work (which includes \$1156.00 - income on endowment.)

The second appropriation from the Associated Boards for the year ending June 30, 1943 is \$20,000.00.

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The Woman's Division reports appropriations for 1942, and special gifts received, amounting to \$55.00, were paid in full to the College for the calendar year of 1942. For the fiscal year ending March 1943 of the College, the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees through the Woman's Division has forwarded in January 1942 (in advance) \$5,000.00 and in July 1942 \$10,000. Mail has been infrequent, so it has been impossible to learn what balance, if any, is due from the Board of Trustees to complete payments to the College budget. The report of President Wang, just received, states the College year closed without a deficit, for which we are grateful. We report, therefore, the following funds held in the United States for Hwa Nan College:

Endowment and restricted funds .... \$38,350.00  
Income at 3% forwarded through the Woman's Division for the regular current appropriation.

CHECKING ACCOUNT - Industrial Trust, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Trustees Fund .....	\$ 114.73
Current Needs A.B. ....	1,460.50
Emergency Funds A.B. ....	<u>3,424.77</u>
Total (no interest) .....	\$ 5,000.00

SAVINGS ACCOUNT - Reserve Funds @ 1% int. .... \$12,456.54

W.F.M.S. - Invested Funds

Reserve .....	\$ 2,748.50
Emergency .....	1,493.03
Hwa Nan Special .....	5,668.17
Building Payne .....	<u>704.43</u>
Total @ 3% int. ....	\$10,614.13
Total amount held .....	\$28,070.67

Respectfully submitted

Mrs. J. Wesley Masland  
Treasurer



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Industrial Trust Co., Philadelphia  
checking account - - - - - \$647.39

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society  
Investments

Maintenance Funds - - - - - \$10,836.40  
Special Field Funds - - - - - 9,660.91  
Building Fund - - - - - 893.86  
Kresge Fund - - - - - 5,838.21  
\$27,229.38

Endowment Funds of Hwa Nan are held by the  
Woman's Division of Christian Service

\$38,555.00 - income used for app ropriations  
32,030.30 - income held for Special Field Fund

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. W. Masland, Treasurer