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YENCHING UNIVERSITY--BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Minutes of Emergency Meeting of Members and Former Members Resident in
Chungking

TIME: February 8 (Sunday), 2:00 p.m. 1942

PLACE: 2 Tai Chia Hsiang, residence of alumnus Chen Shu-Ching

PRESENT: H.H.Kung (Y.P.Mei proxy), Chairman, D.W.Edwards, Kao Feng-Shan, V.K.Mei-Nyi, Wu-Hsieh Wan-Ying (Wu Wen-Tsao proxy), Chü Shih-Ying (H.C.Chang proxy)
Also attending: Y.P.Mei, W.T.Wu, H.C.Chang, C.H.Hsia, Chen Yao-Sheng

Chen Shu-Ching, and Shen Chang-Huan.

PRAYER: Meeting was opened with prayer led by the Chairman.

REPORTS: Reports were made by Messrs. C.H.Hsia and Chen Yao-Sheng representing the Chungking Alumni Association and by Dr. W.T.Wu representing faculty in Chungking on the preparatory work that had been done on the project of reopening the University.

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VOTED: BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMITTEE ON REOPENING OF THE UNIVERSITY

That the Emergency Board of Directors undertake the project of reopening Yenching University in free China and that a Board of Directors Committee on Reopening of the University be organized with the following members:

Directors (resident in free China) Alumni Association Faculty Officers Members Miss Grace Boynton*l from National Assn. *H.H.Kung (Chairman) 11 *Y.P.Mei(Secretary) 1 Ħ Chungking *1 *D.W. Edwards (Treasurer) *W.T. Wu 11 J.B. Tayler 11 Chengtu *C.H.Fo1 11 *Kao Feng-Shan

*V.K.Mei-Nyi Wu-Hsieh Wan-Ying Chü Shih-Ying

VOTED: That an Executive Committee of the Common Reopening of the University consisting of nine members be organized. (* in the above given list indicate the nine members of the Executive Committee.)

VOTED: That in order to facilitate the work preparatory to the reopening of the University, an Office on Preparations be set up which will also attend to receiving teachers and students coming to free China and cultivating alumni, and That Dr. Y.P.Mei be asked to serve as Director of the Office.

VOTED: That preparations for the reopening of the University should aim a combined College of Arts and Letters and Public Affairs with combined departments, and that when such a college is found to be not feasible a graduate institute may be considered.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF YENCHING UNIVERSITY

TIME: Monday, Sept. 14, 1942, 12 o'clock noon.

PLACE: Dr. H. H. Kung's residence, Chungking.

I. PRAYER: Rev. Kao Feng Shan was asked to lead in prayer.

2. ROLL CALL: Dr. H. H. Kung *Governor Chang Chun of Szechuan Province

*Dr. Y. T. Tsur

Mr. Dwight W. Edwards
Mr. C. H. Fei

*Mrs. Min Yi Wang Chen
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EBD I. VOTED that the report of the Director of the Office for Re-opening the University be accepted and that a vote of thanks be given to Dr. Mei and his associates for their hard work and fine results.

4, ELECTION OF OFFICERS: The following were elected officers of the Board of Directors:

H. H. Kung, President C. H. Fei, First Vice-President Dwight W. Edwards, Second Vice-President H. C. Chang, Secretary

ORGANIZATION OF SUB-COMMITTEES: The following sub-committees were organized and members elected respectively as follows:

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Finance Committee:

Dwight W. Edwards, Chairman C. H. Fei James A. Hunter Mrs. Min Yi Wang Chen Chin-Hsiung Hsia

6. TERM OF MEMBERSHIP:

EBD 2. VOTED that, inasmuch as the present Board is emergency in nature, the term of all members serving on the Board be made to expire as soon as the original Board will be again in a position to function, and that if this emergency period should last longer than two years, another election should be held of all members on the Board at the end of the two-year period with the proviso that all members be eligible for re-election.

7. EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION to organizations and individuals for contributing to the re-opening of the University:

EBD 3. VOTED that letters of appreciation be sent to the following for their respective contributions:

a) Board of Trustees for liberal grants for cur-

rent, initial and promotional expenses.
b) China Foundation for contribution of NC\$60,000.00 towards initial expenses.

c) Board of British Indemnity Funds for contribution of NC\$30,000.00 towards initial expenses.

d) Board of Journalism Scholarship Fund in Memory of Chang Chi-Luan (deceased Editor of the Ta Kung Pao) for contributions of NC\$100,000.00 towards the Department of Journalism.

e) Ministry of Social Affairs for contribution of

f) National Relief Commission for contribution of NC 120,000.00 towards travel and relief subsidy to faculty and students.

g) Dr. H. H. Kung for contribution of NC\$10,000.00

h) Szechuan Provincial Government for contribution of NC\$10,000.00 and for making available a school building for the use of Yenching.

i) Methodist Mission for permission to use the buildings of the Girls! Middle and Primary Schools in Chengtu at a nominal rent.

j) American Red Cross for contribution of five large bales of blue cloth for students' uniforms.

8. AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION of the University:

EBD 4. VOTED that, inasmich as Yenching University in Chengtu is on a temporary basis, the Constitution of the University be not amended, although the present scope of the University is on a much reduced basis.

9. ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS of the University:

EBD 5. VOTED (a) that Dr. H. H. Kung be asked to continue to serve as the Chancellor of the University;

(b) that President J. L. Stuart be asked to continue to serve as the President of the University and

sity and
(c) that during the absence of both the Chancellor
and the President from the University, Dr. Y. P.
Mei, Dean of the College of Arts and Letters, be
asked to serve as the Acting Chancellor and Acting President.

10. APPROVAL OF THE BUDGET:
EBD 6. VOTED that both the budget of current expenses for
the year 1942-43 and the budget for initial
expenses be approved as presented. (The
budget is herewith appended.)

11. PLAN OF FACULTY TREATMENT:

EBD 7. VOTED to approve the plan of faculty treatment as presented by the Office on Re-opening the University. (The original plan is in Chinese. An abridged English translation is herewith appended)

12. FUNDS FOR STUDENT RELIEF AND AID

EBD 8. VOTED that the estimates for student relief and aid be approved s presented and that efforts be made to raise the required amount of NC\$305,000,00

13. EARLY RELEASE OF DR. J. L. STUART:

EBD Q. VOTED that the Board register its unanimous hope that

President J. L. Stuart may early regain his freedom and resume his responsibilities in the University, and that the Board of Directors be requested by cable to find ways and means to facilitate
Dr. Stuart's early release.

14. TERMINATION OF COMMITTEE AND OFFICE ON RE-OPENING YENCHING UNIVERSITY:

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responsibilities and that a vote of thanks be
taken for the services that these groups have
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ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 3 p.m.

Secretary pro tem.

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Monday, May 24, 1943 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Dr. Kung's Residence, Chungking

Place:

Present: Dr. H. H. Kung (Chairman)

Mr. H. C. Chang (Secretary)

Mr. H. C. Fei

Gov. Chang Chun

(Dr. Dison Pu proxy)

Mr. D. W. Edwards

Dr. Y. T. Tsur

Dr. Kao Feng-Shan

(H. C. Chang proxy) Mrs. Chen Wang Min-Yi

Mrs. Ruth Cheng Chen

(Ruth Cheng proxy)

Dr. T. C. Greene

Mr. Hsia Chin-Hsiung

(Rev. E. B. Copland proxy) Dr. Y. P. Mei (by invitation)

Absent:

Dr. Shuhsi Hsu

Dr. E. D. Spicer

Dr. S. Y. Chu

Mr. J. A. Hunter

Opening Prayer

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Dr. Kao Feng-Shan.

Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as read by the secretary.

Compliments from Board of Trustees

Dr. Mei reported that in the correspondence from the Board of Trustees there. had been repeated expressions of appreciation of the efforts on the part of the Board of Directors in reopening Yenching in Chengtu. It was

VOTED that a reciprocal expression of appreciation and gratitude for the generous support from the Board of Trustees to Yenching University in Chengtu be sent to New York.

Acting President's Report and Faculty and Students' Statistics

Copies of the Acting President's report and Faculty and Students Statistics were distributed and read at the meeting. Members present studied these facts and data with a good deal of interest and it was

VOTED to accept the Acting President's report for the academic year up to date with statistical tables appended, and to express the appreciation of the Board of Directors for the successful effort in reestablishing the University during the past year on the part of the Acting President and the whole faculty and staff.

Financial Reports

Mr. Edwards distributed copies of the "Treasurer's Statement" of the Committee for Reopening Yenching University, March 12, 1942 - May 15, 1943.

The Acting President distributed copies of the University balance sheet as of

April 30, 1943.

The Acting President distributed also copies of summary University budget for 1942-1943 as revised in Nov. 1942, and explained that from the total budget including initial and current expenses for the year 1942-43 a considerable balance is expected when the financial year closes at the end of June. This is mainly due to (1) the late start of the University, (2) the very small group of faculty and staff at the beginning of the year, and (3) considerable amounts of unexpected income

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during the year.

VOTED That these financial reports be accepted and that the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board together with the University Treasurer be requested to work out a final financial statement at the end of the financial year and to submit the same to the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors.

Constitution of the Board of Directors

VOTED to accept the instructions of the Ministry of Education with regard to the wording of the Constitution of the Board of Directors and to amend the Constitution of the Board accordingly.

Large Donations towards the Support of the University

The Acting President reported that toward the support of the University specially large and generous sums have come from the following sources:

(1) UCR U. S. \$95,000

(2) British China Aid Fund b 3,200

(3) Central Relief Commission N. C. \$620,000

VOTED to send a letter to each of these organizations expressing the gratitude of the Board of Directors for their generous support of Yenching University in Chengtu.

Relief to Faculty and Staff in Peking

The increasing hardship and desperation of members of the University who were unable to leave Peking were noted with concern, and the various efforts towards sending them relief that had already been made but without success were also reported. It was

VOTED that efforts at trying to send relief to Yenching members in Peking be continued.

Organization of the Women's College Administrative Committee

VOTED to approve the report on the organization of the Women's College Administrative Committee with the following membership:

Ex-officio Members:

Chairman of Board of Directors:

Dr. H. H. Kung

Women Members of Board of Directors:

Dr. Eva D. Spicer

Mrs. Ruth Chen Cheng

Mrs. Chen Wang Min-Yi

University Administrative Officers:

Dr. Y. P. Mei

Mrs. Chen Wang Min-Yi

Coopted Members:

Madame Feng Yu-Hsiang

Mrs. Cheer Shou-Nan

Miss Tsai Kuei

Miss Annie Thexton

Principal Fan Chiung-Ying

Reception of Faculty and Students from Peking

VOTED that in view of the fact that Yenching University was closed in Peking about a year and a half ago, that Yenching University in Chengtu has been in operation already for almost a year, and that the University income becomes increasingly inadequate to meet the current needs, the following principles be adopted in receiving faculty and students from Peking:

(1) Concerning students:

a. that financial assistance for students' travel from Peking be limited to this summer.

b. that students arriving from Peking be allowed to register in the University as far as possible. Those students who cannot be registered in the University be sent to other institutions either as transfer students or as guest students.

c. that only a limited number of new students be admitted this summer

in order to make room for old students from Peking.

to students from Peking be granted d. that scholarships and aid according to the financial ability of the University.

Concerning faculty and staff: (2)

a. that ranking professors of long standing in the University be appoint-

ed in the University in Chengtu whenever they arrive.

b. that other members of the faculty and staff who henceforth arrive from Peking and for whose services the University has no special need be expected to find work elsewhere, with the assistance of the University if needed.

Strengthening of the Teaching Program

VOTED that in view of the specially large number of faculty and students of the

Department of Physics from Peking, this department be re-established,

that the question of reestablishing the other departments be postponed for (2) later discussion,

that mature professors be appointed to the faculty to strengthen the existing (3)

Departments,

that plans of cooperation with the other Christian Universities in Chengtu be (4) worked out in order to achieve efficiency and economy in the academic program of the University.

Budget for 1943-44

VOTED

that the budget for 1943-44, as presented by the University Administration (1) (total for current budget N.C. \$4,964,400 and total for special expenses N.C. \$1,500,000) be approved.

that within the present total for current budget, the contingency item be (2) brought up to 10% thereof, the necessary cuts to be left with the University

Administration.

that during such difficult times, economy be achieved wherever possible, and (3)that the Board of Directors be consulted as to ways and means for meeting the deficit.

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Building and Space in Chengtu

The Acting President reported on the acute problem and uncertainties regarding housing of the University due to (1) soaring rent for property and extreme real estate activities in Chengtu, (2) great difficulty in securing additional building space, and (3) large numbers of students arriving from Peking.

The Chairman's Remarks

In closing the meeting, the Chairman made a speech which may be sumarized as follows:

(1) that he was greatly gratified by what he saw in the University during his re-

cent visit to Chengtu.

(2) although the University in Chengtu is new and operating under very difficult circumstances, the achievement is already remarkable and very promising, for which the Board should express its appreciation to the hard-working faculty and staff.

(3) Yenching has often been regarded as the leader of Christian Universities in China and during the next decades of international reconstruction, Yenching should make an outstanding contribution towards the realization of the Principle of Ta-Tungism in the New World, beginning with Sino-American understand-

ing and friendship.

(4) Dr. Stuart who has done so much for Yenching should be especially remembered at this time. And the best expression of our affection and respect for Dr. Stuart is for us to double our efforts in making the Christian spirit, as exemplified by Dr. Stuart's life and work, real and effective in carrying on our University. The educational task is one that requires hard work and persistent devotion. Let us one and all rededicate ourselves to this invaluable enterprise of Yenching University.

ADJOURNED

H. C. Chang (Secretary) English Translation by Y. P. Mei

MINUTES OF THE THIRD MEETING OF

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF YENCHING UNIVERSITY IN CHENGTU (Translation of Official Minutes in Chinese)

Time: Place: Present: Wednesday, January 12,1944. 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Dr. Kung's Residence, Coungking Dr. H. H. Kung (Chairman) Mr. H. C. Chang

(Secretary) Mr.H.C.Fei

Mr.D.W.Edwards Dr. Kao Feng-Shan Mr. Rowland Cross

Mrs. Chen Wang Min-Yi

Mrs. Ruth Cheng Chen
Mr. Hsia Chin-Hsiung
Gov. Chang Chun
Dr. Y. P. Mei(by invitation)
Dr. Y. T. Tsur
Dr. Shuhsi Hsu
Dr. T. C. Greene Absent:

The Chairman opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as circularized.

Welcome to Mr. Rowland Cross

Dr. Mei reported that the Field Committee of the American Board Mission had notified the Poard of Directors their wish to ask Mr. Rowland Cross to be their representative on the Yenching Board in the place of Mr. J. A. Hunter who has taken up residence in Sian.

The Board expressed cordial welcome to Mr. Cross as representative of the American Poard Mission on the Board of Directors.

Letter from British China Aid Fund Committee

Dr. Mei read the letter of from the British China Aid Fund Committee in reply to the letter written them from the Board of Directors under the date of August 5th., 1943.

Letter from United China Relief Committee

Dr. Mei read a letter of from Dr. Lennig Sweet of United China Relief Program Counittee in reply to the letter from the Board of Directors to the U.C.R. under the date of August 5th., 1943.

American Red Cross Cloth

Dr. Mei reported that the University had been in receipt of a gift of blue cloth from the American Red Cross which was found a very timely relief by faculty and students from occupied territory in the University. The Foo Shing Trading Corp. was instrumental in arranging for the transportation of the cloth from Kunming into Chengtu.

Meeting of Women's College Administrative Committee

Dr. Mei reported that a meeting of the Women's College Administrative Committee of the Board of Directors was held on September 25th., 1943.

Acting President's Semester Report

copies of the Acting President's Semester Report with faculty and student statistics were circularized and discussed. It was VOTED that the Board accept the Acting President's Report of the work of the University for the current semester with gratification for the smooth development of the institution.

Audited Financial Statement 1942-43

Copies of the audited financial statement of the University of 1942-43 were distributed and studied. It was VOTED that the audited statement for 1942-43 be accepted and that permission be given to carry over the balance of NCX834,609.64 into the current year.

Post-war Planning of Christian Universities

Dr. Y. P. Mei reported on the recent developments and activities of the Council of Christian Higher Education in China along lines of post-war planning for 13 Christian universities and colleges.

Revised Budget 1943-44

were distributed. It was VOTED that the revised budget for 1943-44 be approved.

A cademic Cooperation with Benedictine Fathers

VOTED that we welcome the cooperation of the Benedictine Fathers for the period of the war in joining the faculty of Yenching. We welcome their contribution to the educational work and to the spiritual life of the students. Such cooperation should be within the established procedure of the University.

Financial Outlook and Proposed Campaign

Dr. Mei discussed the financial situation of the University and pointed that

1) at the end of the first year after the reopening of the institution in Free China, the University was able to close its books with a considerable balance;

2)at the end of the current year, it is hoped to be able to balance the University's accounts with the balance from 1942-43 carried over to the present year, but

3) financial difficulties are anticipated after the year 1943-44. The chief reasons are approximately stable income over against ever increasing expenditure due to rising cost. A financial campaign for a very considerable sum seems to be the only solution to the difficulty. It was

Chairman's Lunch for Members of the Board

The Chairman again played host at a lunch sarved at the end of the meeting which was much enjoyed by members present.

Place ADJOURNED. 120, 1964 7:307- 10:00 P.M.

H. C. Chang (Secretary) English Translation by Y. P. Mei.

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U. C. Chang (Secretary)
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Extendings

Time: Friday, May 26, 1944 7:30 - 10:00 P.M. Place: N.C.C. Office, Chungking

	Executive Committee	Finance Committee
Present:	H. H. Kung (C. H. Fei proxy) D. W. Edwards	D. W. Edwards C. H. Fei Chen Wang Min-yi
Absent:	Chang Hung-Chun (in U.S.A.) Kao Feng-shan (out of town) Ruth Cheng Chen (Sick leave)	Rowland Cross (out of town) Hsia Chin-Hsiung

In attendance were also Y. P. Mei, and Wei Yung Ching who had just arrived from America, and was on his way to the University in Chengtu.

Acting President's Report

Dr. Mei distributed copies of and read the Acting President's Report of the academic year 1943-44. He also discussed tables on student registration and graduation, as well as the statement of financial conditions of the University of April 30, 1944.

VOTED to receive the Acting President's Report and the appendices.

Budget of 1944-45

Dr. Mei distributed copies of Summary of Preliminary Budget, 1944-45, and discussed the contents. This budget presents an estimated total income of L.C.\$20,550.000 and an estimated total expenditure of L.C.\$30,312,590 with a deficit of L.C.\$9,762,590. Since the estimated deficit is so large and several relevant factors in the situation are still too vague, it was found not possible to take any definite action on the matter at this date and it was

VOTED to ask the University administration to keep working on the budget along the following principles with the hope of reducing the budget within manageable limits, and to keep the Board posted through its Finance Committee:

1. That drastic retrenchment be effected.

2. That possible sources of income be further explored.

3. That development of relevant factors in the situation be carefully watched and studied.

Time of Meeting of Board of Directors

In view of the fact that an unusually large number of members of the Board are out of town at this time, and in view of the fact the financial situation is far from being clear, it was recommended that the meeting of the full Board be not called at this time and be planned for early next fall.

The meeting adjourned.

Y. P. Mei Secretary pro tem



Time:

Wednesday, January 3, 1945.

12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Place:

National Women's Association, Chungking.

Present:

Dr. H. H. Kung (Mr. C.H. Fei proxy)

Mr. C.H. Fei (Chairman)

Mr. D. W. Edwards (Dr. Lennig Sweet proxy)

Dr. Shuhsi Hsu

Mrs. Chen Wang Min-Yi Mr. Hsia Chin-Hsiung

Dr. Y. T. Tsur (Mr. Y. S. Djang proxy) Mr. H. C. Chang (Mr. Y. S. Djang proxy) Dr. T. C. Greene (Mr. Harry B. Price proxy)

Mrs. Ruth Cheng Chen

Acting President Y. P. Mei (by invitation)

Absent:

Gov. Chang Chun Mr. Chang Heng Chiu Dr. E. D. Spicer

Dr. S. Y. Chu

Luncheon

Lunch was served at the People's International Relations Association Restaurant.

Opening Prayer

After lunch the Chairman called the meeting to order and asked Dr. Lennig Sweet to lead in prayer.

Election of Secretary of the Meeting

Mr. Y. S. Djang was elected secretary of the meeting in the absence of Mr. H. C. Chang, Secretary of the Board who is now in America.

Welcome to New Members

The Chairman in his opening remarks extended a hearty welcome to members and their proxies who attended the Yenching Board of Directors' meeting for the first time.

Greetings to Chairman of the Board

Recalling the hospitality and facilities offered by Dr. H. H. Kung, Chairman of the Board, at the previous meetings of the Board, members present at this meeting unanimously agreed to sending a message of appreciation and greetings to Dr. Kung who was now in New York and Dr. Sweet was asked to transmit a message by cable.

Minutes of the Informal Meeting of the Board of Nov. 4, 1944

VOTED that the minutes of the Informal Meeting of the Board which had been mimeographed in Chinese and distributed to members by mail be accepted and that the following actions be ratified:

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(1) That an Endowment Committee be organized to be responsible for the \$10,000,000 Endowment Fund from the Financial Campaign.

(2) That the principle for investment of the Endowment Fund be adopted.

(3) That the matter of electing a Faculty representative to take a lecture tour to America be referred to the University Council with power, which subsequently elected Acting President Y.P. Mei.

(4) That the terms of service of members on the Board be determined.

(5) That steps be taken for the preparation of a plan for post-war University rehabilitation.

Minutes of the Joint Meeting of the Executive Committee and the Finance Committee of the Board of May 26, 1944

VOTED that the minutes of the joint meeting of these 2 Committees of the Board copies of which had been distributed to all members be accepted.

Acting President's Annual Report

The Annual Report for 1943-44 had been prepared by the Acting President and distributed to all members of the Board by mail. The report was in Chinese and contained 24 pages with a number of tables appended.

VOTED to accept the Acting President's Annual Report for 1943-44.

Audited Annual Financial Statement of 1943-44

The accounts of the financial year of 1943-44 for the University had been audited by Mr. Laurence Todnem and Mr. William Small and the Auditors' Statement, showing an Excess of Income over Expenditures of \$311,431.64 for the year ended June 30, 1944. The net Surplus on June 30, 1944 was \$1,090,906.98 representing the excess of all Assets over Liabilities, the former including Supplies on hand amounting to \$959,040.69. Copies of this Statement had been distributed to all members of the Board. VOTED to accept the Auditors' Statement for 1943-44.

Faculty and Student Statistics for Fall, 1944

Acting President Mei distributed copies of Faculty and Student Statistics
for the current semester showing a total of 380 students and 87 Faculty and
Staff members.
VOTED to receive these statistical tables.

Recent condition of the University and its Faculty

Acting President Mei supplemented the material in writing already distributed with a verbal report on the recent condition and events of the University and Mr. Harry B. Price who had just arrived from America made a brief statement of the recent condition of the members of the Trustee and Faculty in America.

Financial Campaign

President Mei reported for the Financial Campaign Committee that the Campaign had been very successful, that the total receipts to date came quite close to the goal of \$10,000,000; that it would surely go over the top in the next few days, and that, excepting Kunming, all other local committees are winding up their affairs. The Financial Campaign Committee should like to have the approval of the Board for its discontinuation after it has duly wound up all matters connected with the Campaign.

VOTED that the request of the Financial Campaign Committee be approved.

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Organization of the Endowment Committee

Acting President Mei reported that according to the Constitution of the Endowment Committee the following members had been elected:

Representatives of the Board of Directors - Mr. C.H. Fei

Mr. Hsia Chin-Hsiung

Representatives of the University Faculty - Acting President Y.P. Mei (ex officio)

Professor Cheng Lin-Chuang

Chungking Alumni Representative Chengtu Alumni Representative

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- Mrs. Chen Wang Min-Yi - Mr. Yang Kang-Tsu

Bi-Annual Conference of Council of Christian Higher Education
Acting President Mei reported that a bi-annual conference of the C.C.H.E. had been called for early April in Chungking.

Acting President Mei's Lecture Trip to America

Acting President Mei reported on the procedure and result of election by the University Council of a Faculty representative to take the lecture tour to America at the invitation of the State Department. Dr. Mei further stated that in view of the present military situation he had decided to spend the next 2 or 3 months in the University and consider starting on the trip sometime in the Spring.

A letter from the Chungking Alumni Association addressed to the Board of Directors on the subject was read.

After much discussion it was

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VOTED that action on the matter of the trip to America of the Acting President and proper arrangement for carrying on the University Administration during his absence be postponed and that, if necessary, decision should be made before the next meeting of the Board, the Acting President be asked to consult with the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors.

University Budget for 1944-45

VOTED to approve the University Budget for 1944-45 copies of which had been distributed to all members showing a total expenditure of \$24,437,870, a total income of \$24,286,500, leaving a deficit of \$115,370 for the year which may be covered by the surplus from the last two financial years.

The Financial Campaign Committee recommended that the interest accruing from the Campaign Fund during the last few months totaling around \$3,000,000 be given to the University as a Faculty Welfare Fund.

VOTED to accept the recommendation of the Financial Campaign Committee and to ask the University Administration to be responsible for the proper investment and the use of this fund.

Endowment Fund from the Financial Campaign

VOTED that all the contributions collected during the Financial Campaign be regarded as a Sinking Fund and that the Endowment Committee be made responsible for its proper investment.

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Terms of Service of Members on the Board

According to the action taken by the Board at its Informal Meeting of Nov. 4,

1944 and ratified by the Board at this meeting, members of the Board proceeded
to draw lots to determine the terms of service of members on the Board. The
results were as follows:

Term expiring Sept., 1945:

Dr. H. H. Kung Dr. Y.T. Tsur Gov. Chang Chun

Term expiring Sept., 1946:

Mr. C. H. Fei Mrs. Chen Wang Min-Yi Mr. Hsia Chin-Hsiung

Term expiring Sept., 1947:

Dr. Shuhsi Hsu Mr. H. C. Chang Mr. D. W. Edwards

(Mission Board representative members and alumni representative members of the Board were not included in this procedure.)

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

(Signed) C. h. Fei Y. S. Djang, Secretary pro tem

(English translation by Y.P. Mei)