MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA

The Board of Trustees of the University of South Alabama met in the conference room of the Administration Building of the University on the 14th day of August, 1970, commencing at 11 a.m.

There were present: Messrs. L. W. Brannan, Jr., Ernest G. Cleverdon, Mylan R. Engel, Aubrey Green, W. Ray Lolley, H. E. Jackson, John Tyson, Mrs. Antoinette Watson, Dr. J. Mac Bell, Jr., Dr. W. F. DeShazo and President Frederick P. Whiddon.

Absent were: The Honorable Albert P. Brewer, Dr. Ernest Stone, Mrs. Earl Goodwin and Messrs. E. L. Brantley, Arthur Cook, Roland Cooper and Charles Woods.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Cleverdon, who called on Dr. DeShazo to lead the Trustees in an invocation for devine guidance.

Mr. Cleverdon discussed briefly the minutes of the meeting of June 8, 1970, which were mailed to the Trustees prior to the meeting and upon the motion of Mr. Engel, seconded by Mrs. Watson, the minutes were unanimously approved.

President Whiddon presented the budget for the fiscal year, 1970-71, which was prepared by the Budget Committee consisting of Dr. Howard M. Phillips, Dean of Academic Affairs, Dr. Franklyn Sweet, Dean of Administration, and Mr. John Compton, Comptroller. Mr. Cleverdon stated that the Executive Committee had reviewed the budget and recommended its approval by the Board of Trustees.

The President was requested to leave the meeting and after discussion and upon the motion of Mr. Lolley, seconded by Mr. Tyson, it was unanimously approved that the President's salary be raised to \$35,000.00 annually, his house and car allowance increased to \$7,200.00 annually and his miscellaneous expense account to \$6,000.00 annually, effective as of September 1, 1970. Thereafter the President returned to the meeting.

Upon the motion of Mr. Engel, seconded by Mr. Jackson, the Board unanimously approved the budget for the fiscal year, 1970-71, as submitted and adjusted to provide for the increase in the President's compensation, the budget totaling \$6,039,226.00, which does not include the cost of the Computer

Center, sponsored research and staff benefits such as long term disability, group insurance, social security tax and TIAA-CREF.

Dr. Whiddon spoke on the possibility of a Flight Training School at the University of South Alabama. He said that if the Board approved the establishment of this school, it could be completely supported by the ROTC program and the Civil Air Patrol with \$25,000.00 from each. He said further that it is estimated that student fees and tuition would pay for the aircraft and that there are 50 students who have indicated interest in enrolling in the program.

After much discussion, Mr. Cleverdon appointed a committee consisting of Mr. John Tyson as Chairman, Mr. L. W. Brannan, Jr. and Dr. W. F. DeShazo as members, to study the program and report its findings to the Board as soon as practical.

Upon the motion of Mr. Engel, seconded by Mr. Tyson, it was unanimously approved that if the report from the Committee was favorable, the Executive Committee would be authorized to establish the Flight Training School.

Dr. Whiddon commented on the possibility of a Pollution Control Center on campus and stated that both industry and conservation had requested such a Center. He stated that it would involve testing of the waters in the area for which the University's research vessel could be used. Funds for the operation of the Center would come from the State Administrative Emergency Funds and they could be made available immediately.

Upon the motion of Mr. Engel, seconded by Mr. Brannan, it was unanimously approved that the Pollution Control Center be set up and that Dr. Ferd Mitchell, Head of the Department of Physics, be designated as its Director.

Dr. Whiddon stated that as he had been authorized by the Board of Trustees to proceed with speed to inaugurate the medical school, a news conference had been set for this afternoon at three o'clock in the Life Science Building auditorium for the purpose of announcing its immediate beginning. He said the exact location of the Mobile school would be decided later with full consultation with the Board of Trustees but that the facilities on campus would serve for the undergraduate programs.

Upon the motion of Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Engel, a Screening Committee to Select a Dean of the Medical School, as suggested by President

Whiddon, consisting of Dr. Michael DeBakey, President, Baylor University College of Medicine in Houston, Texas, Dr. Alton Oschner, Oschner Foundation, New Orleans, Louisiana, Dr. William Maloney, Dean, Tufts Medical College, Boston, Massachusetts, and Dr. Arthur Richardson, Dean, Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia, was unanimously approved.

A telegram from Governor Brewer which was received by Senator Engel on August 14, 1970, was read by President Whiddon and is as follows:

"I am pleased to announce that I have today released a grant of \$250,000.00 to the University of South Alabama to finance planning for the new medical school. As I said in my statement in March of this year, this initial planning money will provide the impetus for future growth of this much needed facility. I am proud to play a part in the development of fine medical education in our State. Please accept my very best wishes for the future of this school."

Upon the motion of Mr. Tyson, seconded by Mr. Jackson, the immediate creation of the medical school at the University of South Alabama, with the first year class to begin in the Fall of 1973 with not less than 60 students, was unanimously approved.

After considerable discussion, upon the motion of Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Engel and unanimously approved, the acquisition of the Mobile General Hospital as a part of the planning and establishment of the medical school was authorized and the President was directed to work out an agreement to acquire title as soon as possible to the Mobile General Hospital, the agreement subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees.

There being no further business and upon the motion duly made, seconded and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Ernest G. Cleverdon, Vice Chairman

ATTEST:

Mylan R. Engel, Secretary