FACULTY REPRESENTATION ON THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

(Board of Trustees Meeting, June 29, 1975)

... The Board discussed a request for faculty representation on the Board of Trustees which was one of the questions arising from the Conference Group meetings. The question of faculty representation had also arisen at a monthly meeting of the faculty of the College, and the President reported to the Board of Trustees that members of the teaching faculty wished to have a teaching faculty representative on the Board of Trustees.

In the discussion which followed, a number of objections to this proposal was raised. One of the objections concerned whether the election of a member of the teaching faculty to serve on the Board of Trustees would be equitable against the fact that members of the administrative faculty, the large staff of the College, the students, and other groups such as the alumni were not similarly represented. It was reported that at least some members of the student body felt that there should be a student representative on the Board of Trustees, and comment was also made concerning whether the meetings of the Board would be open to nonparticipating visitors.

The Board of Trustees discussed these questions further, but it did not take action to support faculty or student representation, indicating its wish to study these matters further.