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BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING

AND

REGENTS COMMITTEE MEETINGS

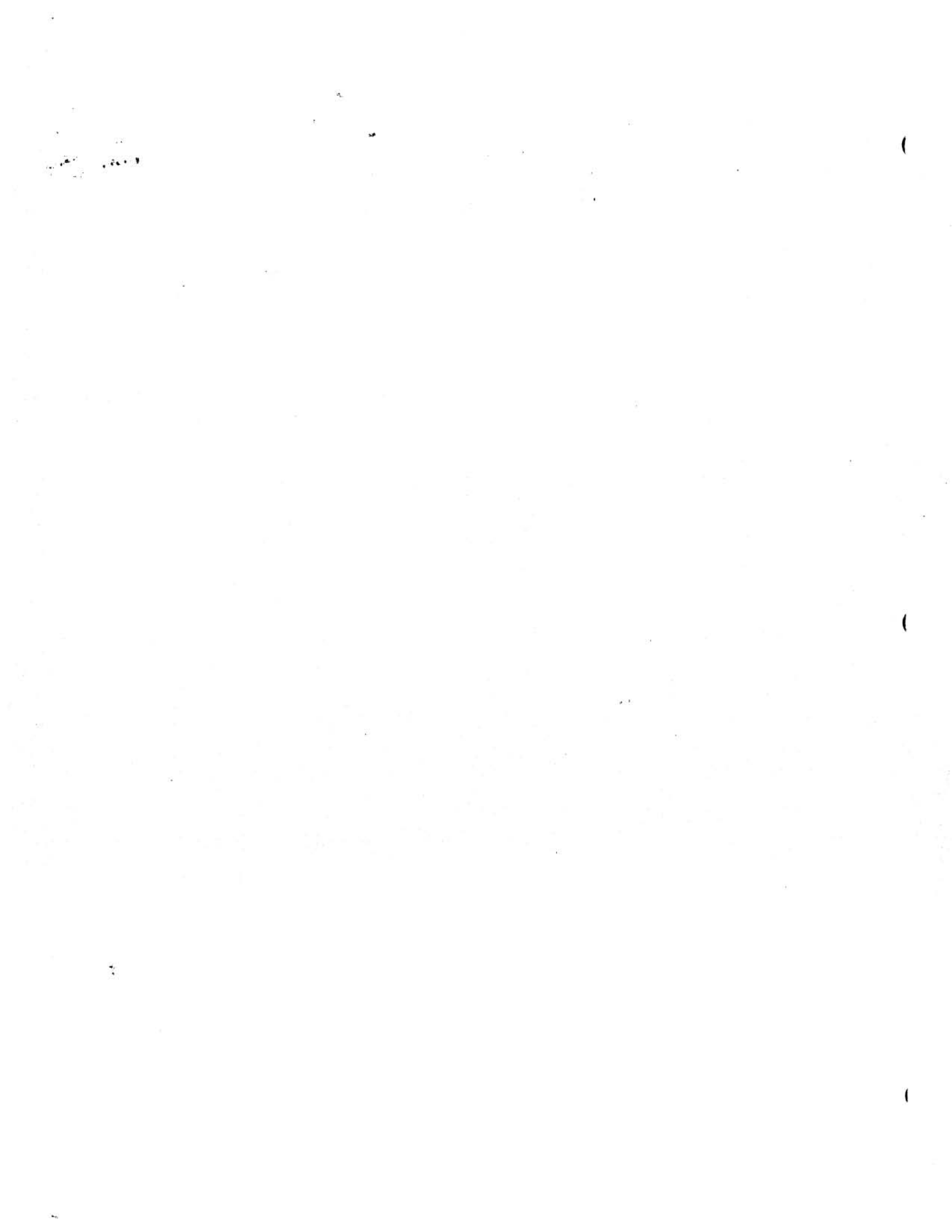
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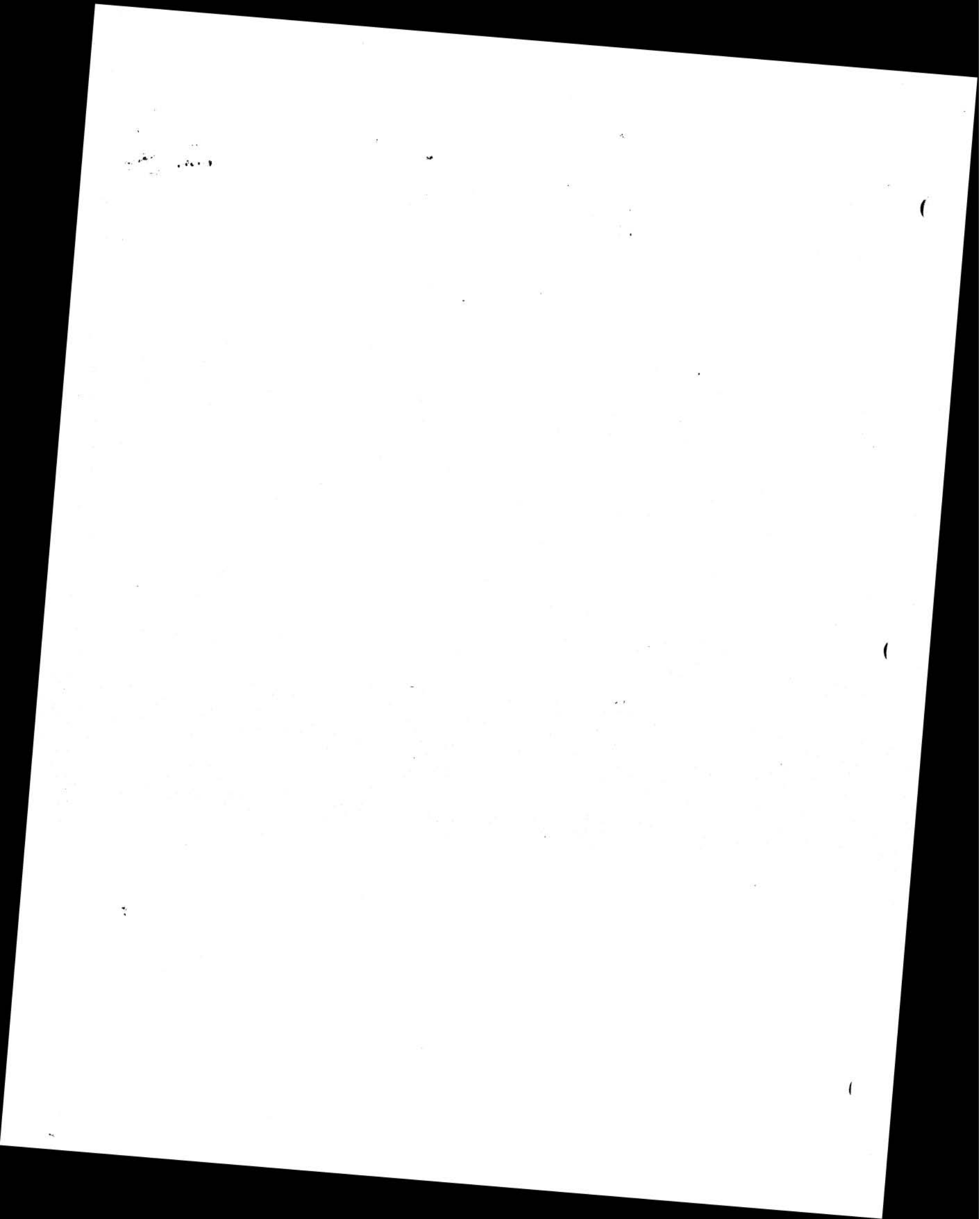
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and Regents Committee Meetings

August 9, 1976

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BOARD OF REGENTS

Ad Hoc Committee to Study 1977-79 Legislative Request

July 23, 1976

A meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee to Study the 1977-79 Legislative Request was held on Friday, July 23, 1976, at 10:15 a.m. in the Regents' Room, 238 Morrill Hall.

Regents present: Regent Thrane, presiding; Krenik, Latz, Lee, Malkerson, Moore, Peterson, and Unger.

Staff present: Vice Presidents Bruning, French, Kegler, and Wilderson; Messrs. Berg, Fletcher, Linck, Preston, Robb, Wilson, and Wollstein.

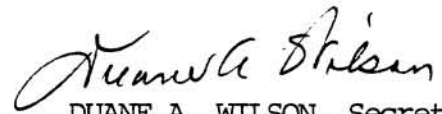
Student Representative present: Thomas Carlson.

Chairman Thrane indicated that the purpose of the committee was to further study the administration's proposed Legislative Request for the 1977-79 biennium, including enrollment controls, and to make a recommendation to the Board of Regents at the August 9 meeting of the Board.

Vice President Kegler presented documentation to the committee in answer to a few of the concerns expressed at the July Board of Regents meeting. He proceeded to discuss with the committee the procedure for arriving at the figures used in the Legislative Request, and the basis for them.

The committee recessed at 12:10 p.m. and reconvened at 1:15 p.m. to continue discussion of the 1977-79 Legislative Request. Discussion continued until 3:00 p.m., at which time Chairman Thrane adjourned the meeting with instructions to Central Administration to provide data or documentation for concerns expressed by committee members at the meeting, to be presented at the next meeting of the committee, scheduled for Tuesday, August 3, 1976.

Voted to adjourn.

  
DUANE A. WILSON, Secretary

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

BOARD OF REGENTS

Ad Hoc Committee to Study 1977-79 Legislative Request

August 3, 1976

A meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee to Study the 1977-79 Legislative Request was held on Tuesday, August 3, 1976, at 10:15 a.m. in the Regents' Room, 238 Morrill Hall.

Regents present: Regent Thrane, presiding; Krenik, Latz, Malkerson, Moore, Peterson, and Unger.

Staff present: President Magrath; Vice Presidents Brinkerhoff, Bruning, French, Kegler, Koffler, Wilderson, and Deputy Vice President Hueg; Messrs. Berg, Linck, Pearlstein, Robb, Tall, Wilson, and Zander.

Student Representative present: Thomas Carlson.

President Magrath advised that after further scrutiny of the proposed Legislative Request, he recommended the following additions for consideration of the committee:

Crookston	\$ 37,000
Waseca	160,000 *
Agricultural Research	248,000
Freshwater Biological Institute	8,000
Bureau of Business Research	12,000
Industrial Relations Education	12,000
Rochester Center	13,700
General College - HELP	84,000
Geological Research	200,000
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TOTAL	\$774,700

\* To correct a mechanical error in the original preparation of the Legislative Request.

Vice President Kegler reviewed materials developed in response to questions raised at the July 23 committee meeting.

Regent Unger inquired as to a mechanism to implement enrollment controls to which President Magrath responded that plans and procedures would be developed in consultation with the units most involved, College of Liberal Arts (CLA), General College (GC), and University of Minnesota, Duluth (UMD). He further indicated that such plans and procedures would be submitted to the Board of Regents for review.

In response to questions regarding the impact of campus enrollment controls within the University of Wisconsin system and the resultant possibility under provisions of the Minnesota-Wisconsin reciprocity agreement of increased enrollment pressures from both Minnesota and Wisconsin students, President Magrath replied that discussion would need to be held with University of Wisconsin officials to develop policies to see that no imbalance occurred.

After a discussion regarding other institutions and systems likely to be the alternatives to University enrollment, Regent Latz observed that the Board of Regents was considering a Legislative Request containing enrollment controls at the University of Minnesota without a policy or mechanism that is explicit as to student entry into other systems. Regent Krenik noted that Regents' concerns were also administrative concerns, and that he had faith that the University administration could develop procedures to implement a plan of enrollment controls and procedures to advise students, denied admission to the University because of enrollment controls, of institutional alternatives.

Regent Malkerson offered the following resolution to be recommended for adoption by the Board of Regents:

"RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the President, the proposed Legislative Request, as amended, for the 1977-79 biennium of \$411.1 million be approved to provide for a total systemwide student enrollment (headcount) of approximately 59,000 for the academic year 1977-78, and a student enrollment of approximately 60,000 for the academic year 1978-79, and with the understanding that the tuition rate be maintained at approximately 24 percent of the cost of instruction."

Regent Krenik seconded the motion.

Regent Latz indicated he would vote against the resolution because (1) the committee had not studied the space utilization report and there was no conclusion that space for additional classes later in the day was not available, and (2) he didn't agree with one of the methods of developing the Legislative Request, i.e., that it was developed partially to meet the perceived response of the Legislature rather than to identify the real needs of the University.

In response to questions from Regent Unger, Vice President Kegler indicated that an increase in tuition rates in the past had not affected University enrollment materially, but that there was no experience to indicate any enrollment pattern if the University tuition increased dramatically compared to tuition increases at other institutions and systems.

The resolution carried on a 5 to 1 vote.

Student Representative Thomas Carlson indicated that students were concerned with what appeared to be a sizeable increase in tuition in the Legislative Request, but that he had no solution to the problem.

Regent Thrane declared that the ad hoc committee had fulfilled its charge, and adjourned the meeting.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Duane A. Wilson".

DUANE A. WILSON, Secretary



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

BOARD OF REGENTS

Committee of the Whole

August 9, 1976

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Board of Regents was held on Monday, August 9, 1976, at 10:05 a.m. at the University of Minnesota Landscape Arboretum.

Regents present: Regent Sherburne, presiding; Regents Goldfine, Krenik, Latz, Lee, Malkerson, Moore, Peterson, Rauenhorst, Thrane, Unger, and Utz.

Staff present: President Magrath; Vice Presidents Brinkerhoff, Bruning, French, Kegler, Koffler, Wilderson, and Deputy Vice President Hueg; Messrs. Berg, Brown, Frederick, Heller, Imholte, Linck, Miller, Pearlstein, Robb, Sahlstrom, Tall, Tierney, and Wilson; and Dr. Jeanne Lupton.

Student Representatives present: Thomas Carlson, Roxann Goertz, and Jeffery Nelson.

PERSONNEL ITEMS

President Magrath presented for approval the following personnel appointments:

Vivian Barfield, Director of Women's Intercollegiate Athletics  
Phillip H. Coffman, Dean of the School of Fine Arts, Duluth  
Vincent Bilotta, Director of Alumni Relations

President Magrath introduced Dr. Coffman and Mr. Bilotta to the committee, and the committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of the personnel items as presented by President Magrath.

AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA  
AND THE UNIVERSITY OF TURKU

Vice President Koffler presented for approval two agreements between the University of Minnesota and the University of Turku, Finland. He advised the committee that the Council on International Education had recommended approval of these agreements in order to maintain the cooperative program which exists between the Turku scholars and the scholars at the University of Minnesota.

After discussion, the committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of the agreements between the University of Minnesota and the University of Turku, Finland.

#### 1977-79 LEGISLATIVE REQUEST

Regent Thrane, Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee to Study the 1977-79 Legislative Request, presented the following resolution:

"RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the President, the proposed Legislative Request, as amended, for the 1977-79 biennium of \$411.1 million be approved to provide for a total systemwide student enrollment (headcount) of approximately 59,000 for academic year 1977-78, and a student enrollment of approximately 60,000 for the academic year 1978-79, and with the understanding that the tuition rate be maintained at approximately 24 percent of the cost of instruction."

Regent Thrane pointed out that the amendment referred to in the resolution pertained to a number of positive adjustments to the proposed Legislative Request that were made by President Magrath and approved by the ad hoc committee at its August 3, 1976 meeting.

In a statement to the committee, Regent Thrane pointed out that the resolution was adopted by a 5 to 1 majority vote of the committee. She also identified many of the issues studied by the committee and indicated a majority of the committee believed that the administration's plan of controlled enrollments was the soundest course of action to follow at this time.

President Magrath emphasized that the enrollment controls contained in the request are completely separate and should not be identified with the ongoing study to recommend a "student access" policy.

He indicated that discussions would be held with the University of Wisconsin officials to consider the potential enrollment patterns under the Minnesota-Wisconsin reciprocity agreement with enrollment controls at both the University of Minnesota and the University of Wisconsin systems.

President Magrath also indicated that he intended to explore with the Higher Education Advisory Council the possibility of developing an institutional referral service to assist qualified students unable to enroll at the University to enroll at another institution.

In response to questions on the implementation of enrollment controls, President Magrath announced that he would solicit the recommendations of the administrators of the affected units and present a plan of implementation for consideration of the Board of Regents at the October or November meeting.

A lengthy discussion followed, with every Regent participating and speaking to certain issues. Regent Goldfine requested that the tuition issue be identified in the Legislative Request as one which the Regents

may wish to make a further recommendation. He indicated he was concerned about a dramatic rise in tuition rates and hoped that some way might be found to decrease the tuition increase implicit in the legislative request. He further indicated that Regents might consider requesting the Minnesota Legislature to provide additional funds to partially offset the approximate nineteen million dollars expected from tuition income.

President Magrath advised that the actual tuition rates were not under consideration at the moment and were not a part of the Legislative Request, and that the administration would prepare a precise proposal with budgetary implications to be reviewed by the Board at the September meeting.

After further discussion, the resolution, with the stipulation that the tuition issue be reviewed further, was adopted by a majority vote of the Committee of the Whole, with Regents Latz and Rauenhorst casting negative votes.

#### LIABILITY INSURANCE

Vice President Brinkerhoff presented the following resolution to the committee relative to institutional liability insurance:

"Resolved that, inasmuch as the Board of Regents is aware of the recent decision of the Minnesota Supreme Court, which, effective August 1, 1976, abolished the defense of sovereign immunity, and therefore deems it necessary to protect the University in the event of claims made possible by that decision, the Vice President for Finance and Development is hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all documents, contracts, agreements, etc., required in implementing a program of liability insurance for the corporation, and

"Resolved further, that he is authorized to complete negotiations to secure a Bank Letter of Credit in favor of the Insurance Company of North America covering the unpaid portion of the premium due on the Legal/Professional Liability Policy, and to designate such securities as he deems appropriate to serve as security to the bank or banks providing said Letter of Credit, and

"Further, that he is authorized to segregate on the books of the Corporation such Reserve Assets as he deems appropriate to guarantee the payment of any added premium which may become due as a result of a retrospective adjustment of the premiums for said Legal/Professional Liability Policy."

In response to a question, Vice President Brinkerhoff informed the committee that the members of the Board of Regents were covered by a separate policy entitled "Directors and Officers Liability Insurance Policy" which covers the Regents for claims against them either individually or collectively.

After discussion, the committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of the resolution.

SPACE UTILIZATION REPORT

Vice President Brinkerhoff distributed to members of the committee an update on the space utilization study. Due to lack of time, this item was held over for discussion at the Physical Plant and Investments Committee meeting in September.

Voted to adjourn at 12:05 p.m.

  
DUANE A. WILSON, Secretary

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

BOARD OF REGENTS

August 9, 1976

A meeting of the Board of Regents was held on Monday, August 9, 1976, at 12:05 p.m. at the University of Minnesota Landscape Arboretum.

Regents present: Goldfine, Krenik, Latz, Lee, Malkerson, Moore, Peterson, Rauenhorst, Sherburne, Thrane, Unger, and Utz. President Magrath presided.

Staff present: Vice Presidents Brinkerhoff, Bruning, French, Kegler, Koffler, Wilderson, and Deputy Vice President Hueg; Messrs. Berg, Brown, Frederick, Heller, Imholte, Linck, Miller, Pearlstein, Robb, Sahlstrom, Tall, Tierney, and Wilson; and Dr. Jeanne Lupton.

Student Representative present: Thomas Carlson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regent Lee submitted the following proposed amendment to the Physical Plant and Investments Committee minutes for July 8, 1976:

"Chairman Lee requested information on the purchasing procedures for equipment and furnishings for the University. Vice President Brinkerhoff stated that his office had that responsibility and he would respond in detail at the next meeting of the committee.

"Regent Lee asked that a list of successful and unsuccessful bidders for equipment and furnishings for the past year be included in the information."

The Board of Regents voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the following meetings:

Committee of the Whole - July 8, 1976

Physical Plant and Investments Committee - July 8, 1976 (as amended)

Faculty and Staff Affairs Committee - July 8, 1976

Educational Policy and Long-Range Planning Committee - July 8, 1976

Student Concerns Committee - July 8, 1976

Committee of the Whole - July 9, 1976

Board of Regents Meeting - July 9, 1976

Ad Hoc Committee To Study 1977-79 Legislative Request - July 23, 1976

Ad Hoc Committee To Study 1977-79 Legislative Request - August 3, 1976

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Regent Sherburne reported that the Committee of the Whole voted unanimously to recommend approval of the following actions and resolution:

- (a) Approval of the following personnel appointments as presented by President Magrath:

- (1) Vivian Barfield, Director of Women's Intercollegiate Athletics
- (2) Phillip H. Coffman, Dean of the School of Fine Arts, Duluth
- (3) Vincent Bilotta, Director of Alumni Relations

- (b) Approval of two agreements between the University of Minnesota and the University of Turku, Finland, filed supplement to the minutes, No. 21,206.

- (c) Approval of the following resolution re Liability Insurance:

"Resolved that, inasmuch as the Board of Regents is aware of the recent decision of the Minnesota Supreme Court, which, effective August 1, 1976, abolished the defense of sovereign immunity, and therefore deems it necessary to protect the University in the event of claims made possible by that decision, the Vice President for Finance and Development is hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all documents, contracts, agreements, etc., required in implementing a program of liability insurance for the corporation, and

"Resolved further, that he is authorized to complete negotiations to secure a Bank Letter of Credit in favor of the Insurance Company of North America covering the unpaid portion of the premium due on the Legal/Professional Liability Policy, and to designate such securities as he deems appropriate to serve as security to the bank or banks providing said Letter of Credit, and

"Further, that he is authorized to segregate on the books of the Corporation such Reserve Assets as he deems appropriate to guarantee the payment of any added premium which may become due as a result of a retrospective adjustment of the premiums for said Legal/Professional Liability Policy."

A motion was unanimously passed approving the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole.

Regent Sherburne further reported that the committee, by a 10 to 2 vote, recommended approval of the following resolution, with the stipulation that the tuition issue be reviewed further, and that the administration

prepare a precise proposal for consideration of the Board of Regents in September that might reduce the tuition increase implied in the Legislative Request: "

"RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the President, the proposed Legislative Request, as amended, for the 1977-79 biennium of \$411.1 million be approved to provide for a total systemwide student enrollment (headcount) of approximately 59,000 for academic year 1977-78, and a student enrollment of approximately 60,000 for the academic year 1978-79, and with the understanding that the tuition rate be maintained at approximately 24 percent of the cost of instruction."

A motion was passed by a majority vote of the Board of Regents approving the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole.

Voted to adjourn at 12:15 p.m.

  
DUANE A. WILSON, Secretary

