

INFORMAL MEETING  
of the  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
January 20, 1965

The Trustees met at Kellogg Center for dinner at 6:15.

After dinner Dean T. K. Cowden, Dean of Agriculture, and Director N. P. Ralston, Director of the Cooperative Extension Service, met with the Trustees to give the background of the reasons for their recommendation to transfer Harold L. Sparks, Extension Director for Cass County, to Agricultural Agent at Large, effective February 1.

A delegation from the Cass County Extension Advisory Committee including

Mr. Frank Nevins of Dowagiac  
Mr. Lee Dodd of Niles  
Mr. Carl Davis of Edwardsburg  
Mr. Kenneth Peterson of Niles  
Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hardy of Jones  
Mr. Lowell McMillan of Jones  
Mr. LaVerne Hazard of Cassopolis  
Mr. M. Shug of Vandalia

Delegation  
from Cass  
County pro-  
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fer of Harold  
Sparks

met with the Board to voice their disagreement with the recommendation to move Mr. Sparks and to request his retention in Cass County.

2. The President reviewed with the Trustees the progress being made in land acquisition in the area recently authorized for inclusion in the University holdings.

Approval  
purchase of  
additional  
land if it  
becomes  
available

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Stevens, seconded by Mr. Merriman and voted to approve the possible extension to the south of University land holdings to Sandhill Road between Hagadorn on the east and Pine Tree on the west. It is understood that if any land becomes available within this area at prices that seem to be reasonable, the possibility of their purchase will be presented to the Board of Trustees for consideration.

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The Board went into executive session.

Mr. Harlan nominated Warren Huff to Serve as Chairman of the Board of Trustees. This was supported by Mr. Stevens. Dr. Smith suggested that the vote be unanimous.

It was moved by Mr. Stevens, seconded by Mr. White, and voted that a unanimous ballot be cast for Warren Huff as Chairman.

Warren Huff  
elected  
Chairman of  
the Board.

After discussion, it was decided that a Committee consisting of Chairman Huff, Messrs. Hartman, Merriman and Nisbet, serve as a Committee to contact Governor Romney to urge an adequate appropriation for Michigan State University.

Adjourned.