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Peking, China.
March 7th. 1917.

My dear Dr. North,

At the last meeting of the Board of Managers of Peking University, the following was spread upon the minutes, "That we suggest to the officers and professors of the institution now coalescing in the university, the propriety of sending to the secretary of the Board of Managers for transmission to the Board of Trustees their resignations, to take effect at such time as the Board of Trustees may determine, or when their successors are appointed: this action being taken in order that all parties to the federation may have an equal share in its organization and development."

Accordingly I am sending you such letters of resignation as have been sent in.

Faithfully yours,

Wm H. Gleysteen
acting secretary

William H. Gleysteen

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April 4th 1917

The Rev. Frank Mason North D.D.
150 Fifth Ave
New York

My dear Dr. North,

Herewith I am en-
closing more letters of resignation
from members of the faculty of
Peking University.

Very sincerely yours,

Wm. H. Gleyson
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April 17, 1917

My dear Dr. North:-

I am enclosing the minutes of the Board of Managers' meeting. I believe there is only one thing which requires some explanation. You note the action of the Board of Managers asking the Board of Trustees to confirm the election of R.K. Evans and J.D. Liddell as coopted members. It was generally felt that it was not perfectly clear to the Board of Trustees that these gentlemen were coopted not as representatives of the L.M.S. but merely as representing themselves. We felt that it would be most unfortunate not to extend every courtesy to the L.M.S. Of course that Mission is not officially represented. Then again the counsel of these two men is most valuable. It seemed wise therefore to pursue this course. As all the other coopting Missions are American and the L.M.S. British this seemed all the more desirable.

Thank you for your letter of March 13th. The establishing of a great seat of learning in Peking which shall be Christian throughout is indeed a task worthy of the church of Jesus Christ.

Faithfully yours,

Wm H. Gleysteen

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The Rev. W. H. Gleysteen, Secty.,
Presbyterian Mission,
Peking, China

My dear Sir and Brother:-

Permit me to report on the action of the Trustees of the Peking University at the meeting held April 10th.

The main decision of the Board was expressed in a cable to Dr. Lowry instructing that no further purchases of property be made, pending additional instructions. The reason for this is that the question was raised in the meeting of the Board as to the expenditure of the very large capital investment required to complete the purchase of the property in the section of the present proposed location. Certain questions were raised which require examination and further report and these questions will be considered at the meeting of the Trustees to be held on May 14th.

The resignations and temporary reassignments of the professors were received and recorded. Action was taken as follows:

"RESOLVED that the resignations be received and acknowledged, and pending formal organization of the faculties of the University, those resigning be requested to continue their services in their present capacity."

A communication from F. H. Hawkins, Foreign Secretary of the London Missionary Society stated the purpose and desire of the Society to become one of the participating Boards. It had been hoped that Mr. Hawkins would be present, but he did not reach the harbor in time. After consideration and discussion,

IT WAS VOTED that the Trustees will gladly welcome and recognize the London Missionary Society as one of the cooperating Boards in Peking University on the basis of Mr. Hawkins' letter of December 19, 1916 and assume that it is their purpose to conform to the requirements of full participation to which the other boards have subscribed; that we refer to the Executive Committee with power the necessary steps to perfect the arrangement with the London Missionary Society and to refer to the participating boards for action."

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May I add that the proposal for the admission into participation for the London Missionary Society has been presented to the Three Boards for action and the result, which is entirely likely to be favorable, will be reported to the Trustees at the coming meeting.

The Executive Committee of the Board was completed by the appointment of Edward Lincoln Smith and Wm. V. Kelley as members, the Executive Committee being now constituted as follows:-

President, Chairman, W.P. Merrill, ex-officio
Corresponding Secretary of the three Boards,
A.J. Brown, James L. Barton and F.M. North

The two new members now named, one vacancy still to be filled by a representative of the London Missionary Society, when appointed.

There was further consideration of the organization of the University and of the relation of the Woman's work to the new organization, with no definite action to be reported.

Dr. Arthur J. Brown called attention to word which has come from the field that there is under contemplation the establishment of a preparatory Dept. in connection with the University. After consideration,

IT WAS VOTED that in view of reports that there is some uncertainty regarding a preparatory department in the University, the Trustees make record that it has never been and is not now the intention of the Trustees to conduct a preparatory department, it being the plan to leave preparatory training to the secondary schools of the various mission boards."

I am sending copy of this letter to Dr. H.H. Lowry, acting president of the University.

May I acknowledge receipt of additional resignations which will be reported to the Trustees at the meeting of May 14th.

Yours cordially,

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The Rev. W. H. Gleysteen,
Care, Presbyterian Mission,
Peking, China.

My dear Mr. Gleysteen:-

Let me submit to you a brief memorandum of items of business to be referred to you as representing the Board of Managers occurring in the meeting of the Trustees of Peking University on May 14th, which are submitted to you for the information of the Board of Managers.

First:- In the matter of the acquisition of additional property, the letter of Mr. Krause as Chairman of the Committee on Property and his cable saying "Attitude unchanged" was presented to the Trustees; the charts prepared, were shown; a memorandum submitted by the Secretary, giving the facts as to the basis on which the negotiations for the reorganization and enlargement of the Board of Trustees and the general understanding that the University should be developed on the property to the east of the Methodist compound, had been submitted and was considered. Further report on the pending question which is, whether the location is, under the present condition of the excessive cost of the property, the best one, is deferred until after the meeting of the Executive Committee, and further procedure was referred by the Trustees.

The instructions of the Trustees, however, that additional property be not acquired pending certain decisions to be made, was renewed.

Second:- Your letter presenting resignations of certain members of the faculty was presented and record made of these resignations and it was directed that they be considered as of the earlier group sent forward, and subject to the action taken concerning them, namely: "that pending formal organization of the Faculties of the University, those resigning be requested to continue their services in their present capacity."

Third:- The London Missionary Society having met all the formal requirements for entrance into the University as a participating Board on the identical terms under which the three American Boards have come into the organization, and the three Boards having concurred in the granting of the request of the London Missionary Society, the matter was presented to the Trustees by the Secretary, and the following action was taken.

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On motion it was voted:

"That the three Boards concerned, having acted favorably on the admission of the London Missionary Society to participation in the University, the Trustees do now recognize the London Missionary Society as a participating organization."

On motion it was also voted:

"That in view of the action recognizing the London Missionary Society as a body in full participation in the University, R.K.Evans and J.D.Liddell, members of the London Missionary Society's Mission in North China, be elected members of the Board of Managers."

In view of the evident desire on the part of the Board of Managers and the representatives of the London Missionary Society on the field that Messrs R.K.Evans and J.D.Liddell be made members of the Board of Managers, the Trustees elected them to that position. This action, however, should be recognized as subject to any modification upon formal statement from the representatives of the London Missionary Society, which has not been presented to us.

Concerning this action, let me say that the Trustees consider that the Board of Managers acted without proper authority in co-opting any persons as additional members of that Board and considering them even ad interim or temporary members. Any actions that were taken in which such provisional members participated, would necessarily be regarded as invalid. The assumption that the Trustees did not understand the legal requirements involved in this process of the introduction of a participating Board into the organization of the University, is not well founded. There has been no legal basis for membership for the representatives of the London Missionary Society in the Board of Managers by op-option or otherwise until the formal action making that Society a participating body was consummated. This was done on May 14th, and I am now notifying you of that fact and of the election of the two representatives named as members of the Board of Managers.

I have written to Mr. Hawkins, who is en route to Peking, on this point.

Fourth:- The committee appointed to nominate a president, presented the name of the Rev. E.C.Lobenstine, D.D. of Shanghai, the committee having been given the power to make the selection on the basis of names previously considered. The Trustees ratified the action of the Committee without dissenting vote.

Fifth:- The Trustees expressed strongly their hope that the North China Union Woman's Medical College might be brought into affiliation with the University, the general plan of affiliation presented by the special committee consisting of the women members of the Trustees being approved and referred ~~the subject~~ back to the woman's Boards interested, for their consideration and the working out of details in connection with the Trustees' Committee.

Sixth:- Action on the relation of the Medical College was deferred.

June
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The Rev. Wm. H. Gleysteen,
Presbyterian Mission,
Peking, China.

My dear Mr. Gleysteen:-

Your favor of April 17th reached me in due time. As I stated in my last letter, the Minutes had not arrived in time for the meeting of the Trustees.

I note your statement that nothing required action excepting the procedure of the Board of Managers confirming the election of R.K. Evans and L.D. Liddell as co-opted members. I assume that the attitude of the Trustees in this matter was made clear in my last communication. Perhaps it will not be amiss to repeat that the Trustees are moving within the strict legal limitations of their charter and By-Laws as far as possible and will expect the Board of Managers to do the same.

The sensitiveness felt by the Managers in regard to the representatives of the London Missionary Society is quite natural. Here we have made every effort to be courteous and appreciative. None the less it must not be forgotten that it was not due to any lack of purpose on the part of the three American Boards that the London Missionary Society did not reach the conclusion as to its participation until long after the Boards had organized the new University and any embarrassment coming to them can hardly be laid to the charge of these Boards. I am sure that there is no purpose on their part or on the part of others in Peking, to do this. The main thing to be remembered now is that we can proceed safely only as we proceed legally and in the larger spirit of Christian comity and goodwill without any failure to recognize the statutory limitations which are involved in all such operations.

Referring to the Minutes, which I shall hold for the next meeting of the Trustees, June 21st, I note that you outline the courses of study. You will have had the action of the Trustees in the matter of the establishing of the University curriculum without any attempt at concentrating at any one place for university work.

Hoping that all matters related to the development of organization may proceed wisely and successfully, I am
Yours cordially,

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Peking, China July 7th. 1917.
Presbyterian Mission.

My dear Dr. North:

I am enclosing the minutes of the Board of Managers of Peking University of May 28th, June 11th, and June 22nd. There was a good deal of discussion in regard to the Chinese name of the University. A large majority of the members feel that there is no presumption at all in favor of "Hui Wen", and that it would be most impolitic to have any of the outward insignia of a disruptive character. We must consolidate all our forces, and that means that we can not ignore the two bodies of alumni.

The Board of Trustees' resolution regarding the Yü K'o is embarrassing to us. The Yü K'o is an anonymous sort of thing, but it is not in the secondary schools, as Dr. Brown seems to think. In order to raise the standard of the college course, this course between the High School and the College has been inserted. We have thought of it more as a part of the college than as belonging to the High School. For Peking and Tungchou both to carry on this Yü K'o work independently will be a serious handicap to our higher educational work. I shall not write at length concerning this as Dr. Galt is on his way to America, and he will explain the situation to you in detail.

From the minutes you will see that we have already united our Tung Chou and Peking forces. It seemed to us that the fact of accomplished union would be of incalculable value to us both at home and here on the field. We have worked hard and indefatigably over this, and the resolution of the Board in New York staggers us. When I was in Shanghai, Dr. Gamewell said to me that a great many friends were feeling that we here were playing the waiting game, and that we were losing our opportunity. To have to undo what has been done, will it seems to me have an unfortunate effect upon our spirit of initiative.

We are greatly pleased with Mr. Lobenstine's being elected as president. It is very doubtful whether he will accept. It would be a splendid thing for the University to have a President at this juncture.

Very sincerely yours,

Wm H. Gleystein

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150 Fifth Avenue,
July 25, 1917.

The Rev. W. M. Gleysson,
Peking, China.

My dear Brother Gleysson:

The Executive Committee of the Trustees of Peking University met July 16th, 1917, at which time the appointment of Dr. Wolfers to the faculty of the University was considered and voted upon. This matter had been originally before the Trustees at their meeting held June 21, 1917, and after consideration, was referred to the Executive Committee with instructions (1) to give consideration to a policy and plan for the appointment of new missionaries to service in the University and to report back to the Trustees their recommendations, and (2) to act upon the appointment of Dr. Wolfers with power. The Executive Committee gave full consideration to the matter and voted to authorize the outgo of Dr. Wolfers as a professor on the faculty of the University in response to the request from the Board of Managers; the Presbyterian Board to appoint him as one of their missionaries provided his qualifications are satisfactory; and the outgo and support of Dr. Wolfers to be provided from the common funds of the University within the authorized budget for the year. While this does not define in general terms a policy and plan for the appointment of missionaries to Peking University, it does establish a precedent by its terms, and will doubtless be the form followed in future appointments, though that of course remains to be determined. The action taken in the case of Dr. Wolfers was with great cordiality to him and in the feeling that he would be a valuable man on the faculty. You will note that his support is to come from the general expense fund of \$1000 a year provided by each of the four Boards in participation. The Board of Managers will govern themselves accordingly.

I am also enclosing you copy of the minute of personal data concerning Dr. Wolfers which the Executive Committee had before it at the time action was taken. Dr. Wolfers has been notified of his appointment by the Presbyterian Board in harmony with the terms of our action and of the action of the Executive Committee. It now remains to make the necessary arrangements for his departure. This is in the hands of Dr. Arthur S. Brown, Secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. Our regulations in the matter of American men going abroad complicate the matter somewhat but this does not apply to Dr. Wolfers' case only, but to all men under appoint-

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ment or on furlough and the desire to return to the field.

The appointment of Mr. Helfers and the allocation of his support to the common funds of the University to be provided by the cooperating Boards, brings immediately to consideration the matter of the itemized budget of the current expenses of the University. I would like to request the Board of Managers through you on behalf of the Trustees to furnish us at the earliest possible moment the necessary itemized budget showing the income and expenditures of the University and its various departments as at present organized, and the sources from which the receipts necessary to cover this working budget are derived. The Trustees understand that the current appropriations from the missions of the four Boards cooperating in Tokyo University provide this necessary income. The details of it however are scattered in the budgets of appropriations to the cooperative missions and have not yet as far as we know, been assembled under a distinct budget for the University. It will be necessary, therefore, for the Managers to let us have such a combined statement as I have indicated and which can best be drawn up on the field, showing the expenses for the fiscal year now current. Should the organization of the University and its operation have watered into the account of the fiscal year previous to that now current in any of the missions, a concrete exhibit should be made to that effect.

In the future the Managers can prepare and send to us annually their estimates so that the Trustees as well as the cooperating Boards may have full knowledge of the facts involved. In making out these estimates it should be borne in mind that the common fund of \$1,000,000 from the cooperating Boards is subject to the administration of the Trustees and not under the control of the Board of Managers except as agreed to by the Trustees.

Will you not present this matter to the Managers at the first possible opportunity?

Very cordially yours,

Secretary.

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150 Fifth Avenue,
August 11, 1917.

The Rev. Wm. H. Gleysteen,
Peking, China.

My dear Mr. Gleysteen:

Doctor North has handed to me your letter to him of July 7th enclosing the Minutes of the Board of Managers of the Peking University for May 28th, June 11th, and June 22nd. The items for consideration will be taken up at the next meeting of the Executive Committee and the Trustees in September when I shall be in further communication with you as to the action taken.

Doctor Wolferz was in to see me yesterday and we had a long talk together. Everything is clear for him to go except the matter of permission from the War Department as in the case of all new missionary appointees of military age. When the matter is definitely settled I will cable Dr. Lowry.

Very cordially yours,

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150 Fifth Avenue,
Sept. 26, 1917

The Rev. W. W. Cleysteen,
Secretary, Board of Managers,
Peking, China.

My dear Brother Cleysteen:

The Trustees of Peking University at their meeting held September 21, 1917, had before them the Minutes of the meetings of the Board of Managers for May 28th, June 11th, and June 22nd. The following actions were taken:

1. The Trustees voted to approve the election to membership on the Board of Managers of L.C. Porter in the place of H.S. Galt, and G.L. Davis in the place of G. B. Lowry as representatives of their respective missions; and of the Hon. Paul S. Reisch, United States Minister to China as a co-opted member of the Board of Managers. Will you kindly see that formal notification is conveyed to the gentlemen concerned of this action of the Trustees?
2. The Trustees noted the action taken by the Board of Managers in the matter of the relations of the Women's Art College and the Union Medical College for Women with Peking University and the same was referred to the Trustees' Committee on the relations of women's educational work to the University, for consideration and report. I will communicate any action that may be taken at a later date in the matter.
3. We also noted the action of the Managers based on the report of your Curriculum and Property Committee recommending the opening of the University this fall in the buildings of the Methodist Mission. This was in contravention of the Trustees' action taken at their meeting held May 14th, information of which, however, did not reach the Managers to the effect that it would not be wise, in view of the property situation to attempt to open the University this year. Additional information indicates that the Board of Managers were able to negotiate the difficulties involved so that the Trustees took the following action which I have pleasure in conveying to you.

"In view of the fact that the Field Board of Managers arranged May 28th to begin teaching in University

classes before they could know of the action of the Board of Trustees, May 14th, on this subject and that later information is to the effect that it is expedient that teaching should be begun this year, the Trustees rescind the action of May 14th and ratify the action of the Board of Managers in providing for the opening of the University this year.

4. The Trustees gave consideration to the adjustment of courses of study as recommended by the Managers in the meeting held June 22nd in connection with the three years Yu-~~u~~'s course. In order that the matter may be before us in a clear and definite statement for our records the Trustees voted that the Secretary request the Board of Managers to send a definite statement to the Trustees concerning the adjustments now in force in the courses of study in the University.

We also noted that our former action concerning the opening of a Preparatory Department of the University had occasioned some confusion on the field. I was therefore instructed to write to the Board of Managers, saying that it was the purpose of the Trustees in their action to guard against establishing a Preparatory School which would serve to compete with the Preparatory or High Schools of the Missions which are to be tributary to the University but that the Board of Managers are free to so arrange the courses of instruction that they should be continuous and constitute a united whole. This curriculum should be in accord with the courses of study prescribed for the Chinese universities.

5. The Trustees also took action directing me to request the Board of Managers to number the paragraphs covering actions taken by them and recorded in their minutes in a continuous sequence in order to facilitate easy reference.

6. The Trustees also made formal record of their approval of the action of the Executive Committee asking the Board of Managers for a combined itemized budget covering the entire work of the University to be placed before the Trustees for consideration and action. This becomes urgent in view of the fact that the London Missionary Society, through its Secretary, Mr. Harkins, makes request that the Trustees should furnish them with such a combined itemized budget in order that they may act intelligently in appropriating to the expenses of the University.

7. The reports of Acting President Leary and Treasurer Krance were received by the Trustees and I am communicating directly with them as to the action taken.

Very sincerely yours,

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Peking, China Oct. 25th. 1917.

Presbyterian Mission.

My dear Mr. Jones,

I am much chagrined to find that the Report of the Managers of Peking University has one egregious mistake in it. The By-Laws appended at the end are the unrevised and not the revised ones. It is simple enough to change the copies I have here, but unfortunately I sent you twenty-five copies only two days ago. If I send you additional copies, I shall have practically no copies left as we had only seventy-five printed. So I have decided to send you printed sheets of the revised By-Laws, and if you send them to a printer, it will be a simple matter for him to take out the last two pages and insert the two I am sending you. I am very sorry to cause you this trouble. With apologies,

Faithfully yours,

Wm H. Gleysteen

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November 23, 1917.

The Rev. William H. Glaysteen,
Peking, China.

My dear Mr. Glaysteen:

I have this morning received a copy of the minutes of the Board of Managers for the meeting held October 12th. Also a copy of the printed report of the Board of Managers. Possibly a covering letter will come by a later mail. In case no covering letter has been written, may I not say that in forwarding copies of the minutes it would be of assistance as Secretary of the Board of Trustees, to have any comments or explanations of the actions taken which the Board of Managers might wish the Trustees to know.

Very cordially yours,

Secretary Board of Trustees Peking University

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150 Fifth Avenue,
Dec. 6, 1917

The Rev. William H. Gleysteen,
Peking, China.

My dear Brother Gleysteen:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your favor of October 25th referring to the copies of the report of the Managers of Peking University. These reached me very recently and I have not yet mailed them to the Trustees so that the change can be made as you suggested. The corrected sheets have not yet reached me but as soon as they come to hand I will have the change made and issue the report to the members of the Board here.

Very cordially yours,

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150 Fifth Avenue,
, Dec. 21, 1917

The Rev. William H. Gleysteen,
Peking, China.

My dear Brother Gleysteen:-

We had a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Peking Trustees Wednesday, (the 19th) and reached unanimous agreement upon a recommendation to the Trustees that the location of the University be decided in favor of the southern half of the present property, including approximately 50 acres. I am sending on this word in advance as a matter of information for it still awaits the final vote of the Board of Trustees. In view of the fact that the Executive Committee contains the administrative officers of three of the Boards concerned who are in a position to know fairly well the attitude which their groups of Trustees will take in the matter, I think we can regard the question as practically decided, though of course we must hold ourselves open to the formal consideration and vote of the entire Trustees. The fourth administrative body concerned is that of the London Missionary Society and I am sure that if Mr. Hawkins could have been with us in the discussion he would have agreed with all that was done.

I only wish that I were free to cable the decision to you as I am sure it would come as a very acceptable Christmas message. That, however, you will understand I would not feel free to do until the Trustees themselves have acted. I do, however, feel perfectly free to send you and the Board of Managers this word, and will follow it with the formal notification as soon as the Trustees have acted. I also presented the minutes of the Board of Managers for your meeting held October 12th, 1917, and action on the matters contained therein was deferred until another meeting of the Executive Committee which will be called shortly.

Very cordially yours,

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Peking. April 26th 1918.

A special meeting of the Board of Managers was called on April 26th at 2 o'clock. The meeting was held at the home of Dr. Lowry. The Rev. C.L. Ogilvie opened the meeting with prayer.

The following members were present;- H.H. Lowry, F.E. Dilley, C.L. Davis, H.E. King, C.W. Young, G.D. Candlin, C.C. Wang, O.J. Krause, G.D. Wilder, C.L. Ogilvie, J.D. Liddell, W.T. Hobart, C.H. Fenn, L.C. Porter, R.K. Evans, J. Smyly, J.B. Tayler, W.H. Gleysteen.

The minutes of the meeting of the Board of Managers held on October 12th were read and approved.

I. Voted that we rescind the action taken on June 25th regarding the Yu K'e department.

II. In view of directions received from the board of Trustees to arrange course of instruction in the University which shall be continuous with, and not in competition with, existing Middle School preparatory courses and shall also be in accord with the courses of study prescribed for the Chinese Universities.

Voted, that a University Preparatory Course, - Yu K'e - of two years be provided for the Peking University, to which graduates of Middle Schools shall be eligible.

Members approving: F.E. Dilley, C.W. Young, C.L. Ogilvie, J.D. Liddell, C.H. Fenn, L.C. Porter, R.K. Evans, J.B. Tayler, J. Smyly, W.H. Gleysteen.

Members disapproving: - H.H. Lowry, O.J. Krause, C.L. Davis, H.E. King, G.D. Candlin, W.T. Hobart.

Voted that Dr. Lowry as Chairman be allowed to register his vote on this question.

Voted, that the above course be followed by a four year, full University Course and subsequent graduate courses.

III. Voted, that the Curriculum Committee be instructed to bring in a report on the basis of two years University Preparatory Course, - Yu K'e and four years University Course, Pen K'e -.

IV. Voted that the Property Committee be instructed to make property arrangements for amalgamation of the constituent parts of the University this Autumn in Peking.

V. Voted, that the request of the Faculty of the Theological College that they be allowed to buy an organ, the price of which is not to exceed \$150.00 Gold, be granted.

VI. Voted, that the request of the College of Theology for a grant of \$200.00 Gold a year, be granted.

VII. A letter from the Faculty of the Theological College, stating

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the needs of that College and the great opportunities before it, was read; and in view of this situation the following recommendations were adopted;

1. That the vital interests and the urgent needs of the College of Theology be given special place in the plans and policies of the Board of Managers and of the Trustees.
2. That if delay is inevitable in the general plans for the housing of the University as a whole, temporary accommodation be found in which the College of Theology can function more adequately.
3. That in view of the disadvantages inevitable with the tentative and loose organisation, steps be taken at once to provide the College of Theology with a duly appointed and properly organised Faculty.

VIII. Voted, that Mr. Winans and Mr. Ogilvie be allowed to make efforts while in America to secure funds for a Theological building, library and equipment.

IX. The Committee on the name of the University was called upon for a report. It had no report to make. Dr. Fenn thereupon said "Not because we have to, but because we want to. I move that the Chinese name of the University be Hui Wen."

Voted, that the Chinese name of Peking University be Hui Wen.

X. Voted, that Mr. T aylor succeed Mr. Evans as a member of the Curriculum Committee.

XI. Voted, that the property Committee be given the right to draw on the Treasurer for funds, to repair buildings on the new Campus, needed to house the Peking University this coming year.

Miss Jessie E. Payne was elected by the American Board Mission to succeed Miss Luella Miner whose term ends in 1918.

The following cablegram from the Board of Trustees was read:-

"Gleysteen, Peking.

Trustees approve locate portion present site Gleysteen elected executive secretary managers refer honorary degrees Trustees amalgamate colleges this autumn inform Lowry.

Jones."

Voted that we adjourn to June 6th, 2p.m.

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Mr. H. Gleysteen
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New York City, April 29, 1918.

The Rev. William H. Gleysteen,
Peking, China,

My dear Brother Gleysteen:

You will have received a cablegram giving you the main actions of the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees. This cablegram is as follows:

April 12, 1918.

Gleysteen, (William H)
Peking (China)

Trustees approve location portion
present site Gleysteen elected executive
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JONES.

I would have written in explanation at an earlier date, but was deterred pending a conference with the Presbyterian Board as called for in the action of the Trustees. This now seems to have reached a point of satisfactory agreement and therefore I feel free to write you at length concerning all of the matters involved.

Possibly I have better take the matters up in the order in which they came before the Trustees.

I. THE APPOINTMENT OF AN EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FOR THE UNIVERSITY.

As you doubtless know we have been making a diligent and continuous search for a qualified man for the Presidency of the University. This is still in process and judging by our past experience it may take some time to find the type of a man that we desire. It, therefore, seemed wise to strengthen the administration of the University by asking Doctor Lowry, as Acting President, to give his time to the larger concerns of our enterprise, particularly in the matter of

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representing the University before the general Community, both in China and in America, and also in facilitating property purchases. In doing this it was felt that provision should be made for the energetic direction of the more detailed work of the University administration and to this end the appointment of an Executive Secretary was desirable at this time.

In prohecting this matter the Trustees have defined the function and work of an Executive Secretary as follows:

Definition of the function and work of an Executive Secretary for Peking University.

- I. Pending the election of a president, there shall be an executive secretary who shall reside in Peking, and who shall serve as Secretary of the Board of Managers and give all his time, if possible, to the work of the University. He shall be elected by the Trustees, who shall fix his term of service and his stipend, the same to be paid by the University.
- II. He shall serve as the executive officer of the Board of Managers, and of the University Council, and shall be charged with the duty of giving effect to their actions.
- III. It shall be his duty to report regularly to the Board of Trustees all actions taken by the Administrative and Executive bodies of the University, and to forward promptly copies of the minutes of all meetings, with such statement as may be necessary to make clear their intent to the Trustees.
- IV. It shall be his duty to furnish the Trustees with copies of all reports, except those of the President and the Treasurer, which shall be forwarded by the officers concerned.

After the adoption of the above definition, the following was unanimously adopted.

"On nomination of the Executive Committee, and subject to conference with the Presbyterian Board, it was VOTED to elect William H. Gleysteen, of the Presbyterian Mission in Peking, to the office of Executive Secretary, and any necessary changes in the details of the arrangements were left to the Executive Committee with power."

I wish to say that this action was taken with cordiality toward yourself by the Trustees and that we entered in a conference with the Presbyterian Board, through Doctor Brown, concerning the matter. These negotiations have culminated in the following, which has been agreed to between the Executive Committee, representing the Trustees, and Doctor Brown of the Presbyterian Board, at a meeting held April 26th, which was the first opportunity we had to get together in the matter.

- I. Election of William H. Cleysteen as Executive Secretary.

VOTED:

That the Executive Committee in pursuance of the action of the Trustees in electing William H. Cleysteen as Executive Secretary of the University, ask the Board of Managers in conference with Acting President Lowry and Mr. Cleysteen to arrange for the mutual adjustment of the official duties of the Executive Secretary and the Acting President and report to the Trustees; also in conference with Mr. Cleysteen to make recommendation to the Trustees in the matter of the financial compensation for the services of the Executive Secretary.

This conference between the Executive Committee and Doctor Brown had to do, as you see, with the more practical aspect of the new arrangement. Let me review briefly what we have in mind.

- (1) First of all we would like you to serve as the Executive officer under the direction of the Board of Managers, and of the University Council.

- (2) In conference with Doctor Lowry and yourself the Board of Managers are to arrange for the mutual adjustment of the official duties, both of yourself and that Acting President and to report to the Trustees. Our action defining the function and work of an Executive Secretary, particularly in Resolution II and III of that action will give the principle to guide the managers in conference with Doctor Lowry and yourself, in arranging this ad-

justment. In the matter of the financial compensation for the time which you will have to give to the University, that we have referred to the Managers in conference with yourself. Doubtless the Executive Committee of your own home Mission will have something to say at this point. The recommendation of the Board of Managers in this matter of stipend should be reported to the Trustees in order that we may make provision for it from the Trustees' funds.

It is our sincere hope that you can see your way clear to accept and send us early word to that effect.

II. SITE FOR THE UNIVERSITY.

You already know of the purpose and decision of the Trustees in the matter of the site. I now have pleasure in conveying to the Board of Managers officially through you the definite action taken.

"The Trustees informed the Board of Managers that the beginning of the work of the University upon a permanent site at as early a date as possible is of supreme importance:

Therefore, it is VOTED:

I. That the southern section of the present contemplated site of approximately thirty acres be settled upon as the permanent site of the University.

II. That the Board of Managers be authorized to make such purchases as may be necessary to complete this tract.

III. That if some of the lots lying outside of the tract above mentioned and now owned by the university can be sold or exchanged in order to complete the thirty acres tract selected as the site of the University, the Board of Managers be authorized to make such sale or exchange, provided such lot or lots were purchased from funds contributed by the American or the Presbyterian Boards, either or both, but if such lots were purchased from funds contributed by the Methodist Episcopal Board, the BOARD OF MANAGERS shall report back to the Board of Trustees before final action is taken.

It was further VOTED:

IV. That we recommend to the London Missionary Society that they contribute to the completion of the purchases necessary for the consolidation of the beforementioned site and that the remainder of their contribution be applied to the erection of buildings.

The Board of Managers will, therefore, be governed in handling the matter of the site by this action. In the cablegram in which I say "Trustees approve location portion permanent site," I refrained from indicating just what section we had decided upon for two reasons;- first, I feared that a too definite cablegram might run the risk of becoming known and putting the Board of Managers at a disadvantage in completing the purchase. We have now reached, with thorough unity, the decision of locating upon approximately thirty acres in the southern section of the present site as the permanent location of the University. The Board of Managers are authorized to make such purchases as may be necessary to complete this tract, conditional of course upon funds being in hand for that purpose, or consent being received from the Trustees.

The third resolution is self-explanatory, so I need say nothing further in that connection. I am communicating with the London Missionary Society concerning the fourth resolution.

III. POWER TO CONFER DEGREES.

The question of the power to confer degrees under the new Charter has been under consideration by the Trustees for some time past. The educational law of the New York State is definite and strict in these matters. The Trustees recognize that in the past under the old Charter the Board of Managers on the field have exercised this power. I have been instructed to write to Doctor Lowry to inquire as to the grounds of the course followed in the past. At the same time we are making inquiry of the educational authorities in order to be on certain ground in the whole matter. We have felt it wise to cable the Board of Managers to refer to the Trustees for action any honorary degrees that they might have in mind to confer. No action was taken in the matter of

under-graduate degrees.

IV. UNIFYING OF ALL WORK IN PEKING -- AUTUMN OF 1918.

Here again I will quote directly from the minutes as the intention is clear from the wording of the resolution.

"It was VOTED:

That the Board of Managers be instructed to provide for the union of all departments of the University in Peking at the beginning of the Autumn semester of the present year - 1918.

If the generous offer of the Methodist Mission to provide for the several departments of the University temporarily in the buildings of the Methodist School is still effective, the Trustees recommend that such offer be accepted. Otherwise the Board of Managers should undertake to provide for the several departments of the work in buildings on the new site of the University."

This completes the four items which it was felt it was important to send by cable directly to you. There were other matters at the annual meeting of the Trustees which concerned the Managers as well as several items which I am sure will be of interest.

V. FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR PROPERTY PURPOSES.

Dr. A. J. Brown gave official indication of the appropriation by the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions of \$15,000 for property purposes of the University. This, I am sure, will be good news and in connection with the remittance to the field an indication will be given of the thought of the Trustees in the investment of this money.

VI. STEPS TOWARDS UNIFYING FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION.

As the managers will have inferred from our previous correspondence it is our thought to work toward a thoroughly unified financial administration. As a step in this direction the following was adopted:

VOTED, to ask the Boards co-operating in Peking University to arrange to make their payments, as far as they relate to larger and more general items of expenditure in connection with the University enterprise, through the Treasurer of the Trustees."

This does not refer to the appropriations to the current Budget through the Missions.

VII. COURSE OF STUDY IN THE UNIVERSITY.

The following is an excerpt from the minutes:

"The matter of the length of the course of study was considered by the Trustees. F. M.

North quoted at length from a letter from Acting President Lowry (dated December 12, 1917, and in the files of the Methodist Board)

It was VOTED:

Referring to former actions regarding the length of the course of study, the Board of Trustees holds that the essential point is that the University should limit itself to the work that is commonly done in a college, and the professional and graduate courses, and that the work preparatory to the first, or Freshman year of the college course should be done, as heretofore, in the denominational academies, whose curricula should be unified and co-ordinated to this end."

From this you will see that the Trustees have felt that it would be well for them to enunciate the principles which would govern the managers in determining the number of years that shall constitute a course of study in the University and the action of the Managers.

Upon two points the Trustees are insistent; first - that the work preparatory to the distinct college or professional and post-graduate courses, shall not be done in the University, but shall be left to the denominational academies and preparatory schools which serve as feeders to the University.

Second,- that the course of study in the University shall be so arranged in its content that it shall be clearly and distinctly collegiate in its character. With the principles of the Trustees thus clearly defined, and the intent and purpose lying in the thought

of the Trustees before the Managers, this question of the number of years that shall make up the University course of study can be immediately settled by the Managers.

VIII. CHINESE NAME OF THE UNIVERSITY.

The question of the name of the University in Chinese was taken under consideration. We had before us a letter from Acting President Lowry giving the significance of the present Chinese name. After consideration, it was VOTED:

"The Trustees recognize the fact that since we are now fully organized as a union institution, the question of the name of the University in Chinese becomes of special significance. We would therefore request that the Board of Managers take up the matter under consideration and report to us suggestions of a method for giving expression to this idea in the name of the institution."

Will you not ask the Managers to give early consideration to this request of the Trustees and communicate with us.

IX. LEGAL STATUS OF THE UNIVERSITY PROPERTY.

Another matter which the Trustees feel should have immediate attention is that of reviewing the exact legal terms under which the property of the University is held. The following resolution was, therefore, adopted.

"That the Executive Committee be instructed to inquire into the exact legal terms under which the property of the University is held, and to report to the Treasurer."

I am communicating with Mr. Krause as Treasurer of the Board of Managers, asking for a report in this matter.

The following matters in the developing of the University enterprise will be of interest.

X. AFFILIATION OF THE WOMAN'S ARTS COLLEGE OF PEKING.

The ladies who are members of the Board of Trustees and who are connected with the Woman's Boards working in Peking, have

been made a Committee with Doctor Brown and Doctor North to deal with woman's work in connection with the University.

The first matter to come before us was that of the possible affiliation of the Woman's Arts College of Peking with the University. The principle of such an affiliation has already been approved by the Trustees at a meeting held May 14, 1917. At the present time no definite proposal upon which we can act was before us but the matter was brought forward by Mrs. J. M. Avann on behalf of the Committee on Woman's work and the following resolution was adopted.

"That in furtherance of this plan of affiliation on the part of the Women's Institutions in Peking with the University, the Trustees will welcome the participation of the Women's Boards as suggested, and that the Committee on Woman's work be requested to make a study of plans for such affiliation and report."

XI. OFFICERS OF THE TRUSTEES AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At the annual meeting the following were elected officers of the Trustees:

President	William P. Merrill
Vice President	Arthur Perry
Secretary	George Heber Jones
Treasurer	E. M. McBrier

Officers of the Executive Committee:

Chairman	Edward Lincoln Smith
Secretary	George Heber Jones

I shall be very grateful to you for an early acknowledgment of this letter and assure you that it will be a source of gratification to the Trustees if you can see your way clear to accept the post of Executive Secretary. You will have the earnest good wishes, confidence, and hearty support of the Executive Committee and of the Trustees in undertaking this very important work.

I know you would have been gratified if you could have been present at the meeting of the Trustees to note the interest mani-

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fested by this very influential group in the welfare of the University; an interest which is not only personal, but which reflects the attitude of the Boards thus happily co-operating together. In this connection we greatly regretted the inability of Mr. Hawkins, secretary of the London Missionary Society, to be personally present, but he designated the Rev. Richard Roberts, pastor of the Church of the Pilgrims, Brooklyn, as the representative of the London Missionary Society and Mr. Roberts, who as you doubtless know is a very prominent English divine now serving this large Brooklyn church, was greatly appreciated by the Trustees.

No minutes of meetings of the Board of Managers have come to hand recently, so I infer that no meetings have been held. This, however, does not necessarily follow, as the uncertainties of the mail make it possible for letters to go astray very easily.

With every good wish and anticipating an early word from you, believe me,

Most cordially yours,

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Peking, May 7th. 1918.

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Rev. Geo. Heber Jones,
Secretary, Board of Trustees,
New York, U.S.A.

My dear Dr. Jones,

I am sending you a copy of the Minutes
of the Meeting of the Board of Managers, held April 26th.

The imperative need of the present time
is that there should be a president who could begin the
larger organization. We are looking forward most earnestly
to the time when the president shall be appointed.

The majority of the members felt strong-
ly that it was necessary to include the Preparatory Depart-
ment in the University scheme. What is wanted is reality
and not names. For the different Missions here to be
running two Preparatory Departments would mean the same
kind of overlapping and waste and inefficiency which has been
the object of criticism before. This Preparatory work, you
will notice is all above the academy grade so that the
different missions will still continue to conduct their
academies as heretofore.

The question of the name has been de-
cided. The vote was not unanimous. It is regrettable
that the name has been such a stumbling-block. Some who
voted in favor of Hui Wen, did so only because it seems
perilous to be at logger heads about a name any longer
when there is such a tremendous task confronting us.
I think that three fourths of the Board favored a new
name that would be the outward expression of an inward
grace. I hear that the T'ung Chou College men, alumni and

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undergraduates are all rebellious. It is a difficult situation whichever way one turns. It is only fair to state that outside of the Methodist Mission representatives those who voted in favor of the name Hui Wen did so out of the utmost Christian magnanimity, and not because the name seems to them a desirable one.

Very cordially yours,

Wm. A. Gleysteen

P.S. I say nothing about the "Executive secretary" because I do not know what it means, and will have to await your letter.

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Peking, China May 25th, 1918.

Presbyterian Mission.

Rev. Geo. Heber Jones D.D.
Secretary of Board of Trustees
of Peking University.

My dear Dr. Jones,

Will you please discard the Minutes of the Board of Managers of April 26th. which I sent you two weeks ago, and replace them with the revised copy which I enclose.

The question of the Name of the University has raised such a storm of protest from the T'ung Chou Alumni, that it seemed wise to have an informal committee meeting with the Methodist representatives on the Board. This committee referred the question of the name to a joint committee of Alumni from both Hui Wen and T'ung Chou/. This seems encouraging to me.

Very sincerely yours,

Wm. H. Gleysteen
Secretary

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Rev. Geo. Heber Jones D.D.
 Secretary of the Board of Trustees
 of Peking University.
 New York City.

My dear Dr. Jones,

I am sending you the Minutes of two meetings, June 6th. the Annual Meeting, and June 17th. a special meeting. A few days ago I wrote you stating that I had not received the Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees, held April 11th. Dr. Lowry has shown me a copy of this letter. There are certainly many things of interest in this letter. It made me shudder to get the cable saying that I had been elected Executive Secretary. This position is the last thing I aspire to. I feel a very strong calling to my own Boys' School, where we are working on problems that interest me tremendously. Neither do I feel any special qualification for this new task. The one thing that I do feel strongly is that the affairs of the University must go forward. Lest I should appear like a quitter to my friends and more especially to myself, I would like to propose the following:

That I give a half or at most three quarters of my time to the University. I do not wish to sever my connection with my Mission and the Presbyterian Board and my Church in Detroit. I shall secure some one to give such an amount of time to my school as I give to the University and charge the salary to the Board of Trustees of Peking University. I shall also want part time of a stenographer, : this also being a charge to the Board of Trustees. I hope that this office may be of a very temporary nature, and therefore it seems to me that this will be the best arrangement. I have not yet received the formal consent of my Mission to undertake this

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task, but I think they will be willing to release me to the extent I have suggested. In any case I have already begun the work.

We have had some rather stormy meetings lately, but I think that we have ridden beyond the storm. All of the T'ung Chou Alumni reacted so unfavorably to the adoption of "Hui Wen" as the Chinese name of the University, that it became quite apparent to many of us that it would be fatal to ignore this fact, and so the action adopting the name was rescinded on June 6th. This has left the "Hui Wen" Alumni in an unhappy state of mind, but since the University is a Union, it is not strange that there is a strong desire that there should be some expression of this in the Name. The action of the Board of Trustees, suggesting that the Chinese name express this idea of union was very timely.

Another question that we have not been able to see eye to eye is the question of the Yü K'o. There is a sharp difference of opinion in regard to whether or not the Yu K'o should be included in the University. I may say that the twelve representatives of the London Mission, American Board, and Presbyterian Mission are solid to a man that that it is imperative that for the present we include the Yu K'o. Not to have it included seems to them to require that they conduct a sort of Junior College independently. It is only through co-operation that we can keep our heads above the water. The duplication and waste of a Yu K'o run by the Methodist Mission and another Yu K'o run by the North China Educational Union seems to them unpardonable. Only by the most complete co-operation can we realize a Christian University that shall be outstanding in all the high qualities which the Christian Church has a right to expect of it. If the various Missions run two rather inferior Yu K'o departments where they might have one strong institution, diverting their energies

which are inadequate as it is, we must ^{not} be surprised if we call down the severest kind of censure upon us. I was speaking with Bishop Norris of the Anglican Mission, and he spoke of his exceeding disappointment that there should be two Yu K'o departments.

As the Minutes state, the Yu K'o is not analagous to the preparatory school at home. All of the Missions have their own academies. The Yu K'o is more like the Junior College. Some day we shall have raised the standards of all our schools, and then, let us hope that there will be no room for this rather anomalous Yu K'o.

At our last meeting, because the large majority of the members of the Board believed that there is still a misunderstanding in New York in regard to the relation of the Yu K'o to the Mission academies, it was decided that until we receive further word from the Trustees we would include the Yu K'o in the University.

On October 12th. the Board of Managers passed the following minute: Voted, that the secretary be instructed to write the Board of Trustees asking them whether a member of the Board of Managers, properly appointed by his Mission and approved by the Board of Managers has legal standing without ratification from the Board of Trustees." We have received no answer to this.

I am glad to be able to report that the University Council has had two meetings and that every one is working hard to be in readiness by fall.

Hereafter I shall send duplicate copies of my letters to you as the mail seem to be unreliable.

Very cordially yours,

Wm. H. Gleysteen

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The Rev. William H. Gleysteen,
Presbyterian Mission,
Peking, China.

My dear Brother Gleysteen:

I have your letter of May 25th, sending the corrected copy of the Minutes of the Board of Managers, of April 26th, and will substitute them for the copy previously received.

I have received from the Executive Committee of the Peking Alumni Association of the North China Union University a copy of the protest, and am very much interested in the developments in Peking. Doubtless you already know that Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith, one of the Corresponding Secretaries of the American Board, and Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Peking Trustees, is to visit Peking for the purposes of unhurried and full conferences with the Managers. The Executive Committee meet tomorrow afternoon for the final conferences with Dr. Smith. I shall communicate with you concerning his coming, writing more fully such instructions as the Executive Committee may see fit to authorize.

I am very sure that Dr. Smith's presence will contribute to the definite settlement of the questions now at issue in the conduct of the University. You will be glad to welcome him and facilitate his mission in every way possible. Before the end of the week I shall write you very fully concerning his visit.

Doubtless you have my letter concerning the Executive Secretaryship. We hope that a favorable reply is already on the way to us.

Very cordially yours,

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NEW YORK CITY

July
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The Rev. Wm. H. Gleysteen,
Peking, China.

My dear Brother Gleysteen:

The Executive Committee of Peking University, acting under instructions from the Board of Trustees, has given earnest and full consideration to the present status of our University enterprise. You will have already received, under separate cover, my official letter, as Secretary of the Trustees and of the Executive Committee, concerning Dr. Smith's visit. This present letter will deal with the actions taken in the Executive Committee.

Probably I can bring these best before you by handing you, which I do herewith, a copy of the Minutes of the meeting held July 6, 1918, containing all the matters which are of interest to the Managers, but omitting one or two minor matters which do not affect the relations of the Trustees and the Managers. From these Minutes you will see that a number of matters have been left for conference between Dr. Smith and the University authorities on the field. We trust that certain outstanding questions, particularly those relating to the Yu K'e and the Chinese name of the University, may have reached the stage of practical settlement by the time of Dr. Smith's arrival through agreements arrived at on the field, which we hope and believe are possible in the larger interests of this great enterprise so dear to the hearts of us all, and which has the promise of such magnificent achievement in the life of the Chinese nation.

You will of course convey to the Managers the action of the Executive Committee expressing gratification at the unification of the University work in Peking this fall, also the confirmation of Miss Jessie E. Payne as a member of the Board of Managers. May I also ask you to transmit to the Board of Managers the Resolution referred by the Executive Committee to them from the London Missionary Society, and found under Item V of the Minutes, concerning the training of students in direct community service and in the matter of University extension effort.

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Under Item VI you will find the Executive Committee's instructions concerning the protest from the North China Alumni Association against the use of the name Hui Wen as the Chinese name of the University. This communication reached me with no covering letter and no indication to whom our reply should be addressed. I will, therefore, be very grateful to you if you will kindly convey the Trustees' determination in the matter to the Chairman of the North China Alumni Association Executive Committee. Other matters contained in the Minutes are so clear in their statement that it will not be necessary for me to add any further word.

I will close in saying that we hope that large things will come from the conferences which you will be able to hold with Dr. Smith, also that we are anticipating favorable word from you in the matter of the acceptance of the Executive Secretaryship.

With warm Christian regards and every good wish,

Cordially yours,

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Peking China, July 22nd. 1918.

Presbyterian Mission.

My dear Dr. Jones,

I am enclosing a copy of a letter sent to me by Mr. Pettus, the head of the Union Language School. Will you please see to it that this matter is again brought to the attention of the Board of Trustees? It seemed to the Board of Managers a most desirable thing that the Language School should be a department of the University. It would mean a great deal to both institutions.

The University really seems to be getting under way. We are putting up some temporary dormitories and getting other buildings in shape for recitation purposes. The big thing now is to get started together. There will be a good many problems but what are we here for if not to solve them? We have decided to begin our joint educational efforts Sept. 17 th.

We are planning to have a meeting of our Executive Committee in a week or two, and I shall write to you immediately after that. I sent you the following cable about ten days ago: Missions New York Jones managers recommend trustees elect T.E. Breece Minnesota University head English department, wanted this fall Gleysteen.

Mr. Breece is well known here as he taught in the Indemnity College. He is a man of fine Christian character and ability, and we sincerely hope that it may be possible for him to be appointed, and come out at once.

With kindest regards,

Very cordially yours,

Wm. H. Gleysteen
Secretary

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Peking, China Aug. 17th. 1918

Presbyterian Mission.

Rev. Geo. Heber Jones *D.D.*
Secretary of the Board of Trustees
of Peking University:

My dear Dr. Jones,

I am sending you the minutes of two meetings of the Executive Committee which were held. The minutes are, I think, self-explanatory on the whole.

In the July 5th. meeting, Paragraph VIII. That we ask the Trustees to secure a Library Building and Endowment, either from the Carnegie Peace Foundation or from some other source. "The feeling is that we should make the Library a vital point of contact between the University and the city. If we have the right kind of ^{Public} library, there is little doubt that it would give the University great vantage ground in this respect.

The Chinese Social and Political Association has received Taels 100,000 from the American Boxer Indemnity Fund. We had hoped to secure this but I fear it is beyond our reach now. I am corresponding with the American Legation regarding this.

In the Aug. 2nd. minutes: Paragraph V.:

Resolved, that we request the Board of Trustees to pay the salaries of six men. These professors are outside of the two representatives which each Mission contributes, and will teach in the University this year.

It would be quite impossible to conduct the teaching work of the University without these men. I do not know that the Board of Managers would recommend all of these teachers after the University is better organized. In any case, the University is

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getting under way, and the Faculty seems promising.

I should like to emphasize the request for a doctor.

The need for a physical director is very great in a land such as this. The health side ~~ea-f-~~ of our students is a very serious matter, and we hope that the Trustees will secure for the University the right kind of doctor.

Your letter, dated the 2nd of July reached me to-day. We are very happy at the thought of Dr. Smith's coming out to us at this time. He will be of real help to us. It seems to me that the storm here is pretty well spent, and that we are ready to go ahead with united strength.

Very cordially yours,

Wm H. Gleysteen
Secretary

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November 22, 1918.

RE: PAYMENT OF MR. GLEYSTEN'S SECRETARY

Rev. William H. Gleysteen,
Presbyterian Mission,
Peking, China.

My dear Mr. Gleysteen,

Dr. Brown has referred to me the question which you brought up in your letter to him of September 21st, regarding the source from which payment should be made on account of the salary of Mrs. Zucker who is serving Peking University as your Secretary and as assistant in various Departments of the Institution.

Dr. George Heber Jones, Secretary of the University Trustees informs me that since your inquiry was written word has gone forward from the Trustees to the field, authorizing the payment, with the approval of the Board of Managers, of the expenditures connected with your Secretary, Prof. Wolfertz and other University items by the University Treasurer in Peking, such payments to be charged back to the Trustees in New York. Inasmuch as I understand that Dr. Jones wrote these instructions to Mr. Kraus some weeks ago, no doubt this course is now being followed. This method of handling financial payments impresses us as easily the best inasmuch as the cooperating Boards make their grants-in-aid for the University to the Treasurer of the Trustees here in New York and it is a long and somewhat confusing process to learn from the field just what amounts have been paid out on the field on account of any particular Board so that that Board may determine what balance is due from it to the Trustees in America. If Presbyterian funds have been paid for Mrs. Zucker or for other University items for which the Presbyterian Board has not sent actual appropriations of funds to the field, will you kindly see that our Board receives the exact report of the amounts of these items as early as possible. Our Treasurer's office has asked Mr. Myers to report on payments of Presbyterian funds on account of Prof. Wolfertz.

The Board has entered in its campaign for new property this winter an appeal for \$20,000 for Peking University. We hope that we may secure this sum to add to the \$50,000 appropriated in the last couple of years.

We recently had the pleasure of a visit from Charlie Ogilvie who is now in Oak Park, Chicago, perhaps giving a course of lectures at McCormick Seminary.

With kindest regards and with earnest prayer for the full success of the University, I am

Sincerely yours,

(George T. Scott)
Associate Secretary.

Cc Dr. G.H. Jones
Mr. C.M. Myers

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150 Fifth Avenue,
Aug. 30, 1918

The Rev. W. H. Gleysteen,
Peking, China.

My dear Brother Gleysteen:-

Your letter of June 11th is before me, stating that you have not received my communications giving the actions of the Trustees and of the Executive Committee and that the last official word was a cablegram which came two months previously, that is, in April. I am also in receipt of your letter of previous date in which you call attention to the uncertainties of the mail and that it would be well to send letters in duplicate. I greatly regret that I did not realize this earlier and take measures accordingly. I want to thank you for your suggestion and to assure you that I am very glad indeed to follow it. From now on until conditions change for the better, I will send everything in duplicate and possibly some of the more important communications in triplicate. All communications, however, will be marked "original" or "duplicate" so that you will know just which one has reached you.

As Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith is now with you I think it will not be necessary for me to go back of the communications beginning with the Annual Meeting of the Board in April. It has been my plan to communicate both with yourself and Dr. Lowry as the Acting President, and where matters would be facilitated for you both, to send each of you copies of the letters which I write. I am therefore enclosing to you copy of the letter dealing with the actions at the Annual Meeting of the Board which explains my cablegram to you of April 12th and which is an exact copy of the original letter evidently lost in the mails. I am also enclosing you copy of the letter I wrote to Dr. Lowry at that time. I recognize that this is not altogether necessary for doubtless he has shown you that letter, but thinking possibly you might like to have it for your files I enclose the copy. These two letters cover the action taken at the annual meeting. Since then, there has been no meeting of the Trustees, so that the latter deal with the actions taken by the Executive Committee. Since then, there was a meeting of the Executive Committee, April 26th, the actions of which are covered in my letter of April 29th, dealing with the measures adopted at the Trustees' meeting of April 11th, so I need not refer further to that matter. There remains, therefore, the actions taken by the Executive Committee

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at the meeting held July 6th, 1918, just previous to the departure of Dr. Smith. Rather than delay this letter any longer, and especially in the hope of catching an early mail dispatch from the Pacific coast, I am sending an extra copy of the minutes of this meeting in its entirety.

In the minutes of July sixth please note the following:

Item I - The desire of the Trustees; the Board of Managers should facilitate in every way possible the work of its Chairman, Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith. This I am sure you will be very ready to do.

Item II - That official action concerning the University preparatory course is deferred pending report from Dr. Smith of his conference with the Managers. The other items under this head are self explanatory.

Item III - From this you will see that we are working through the problem of conferring degrees. Dr. Smith will explain the situation to you.

Item V - Please note that by action of the Executive Committee, the resolution forwarded to us by the London Missionary Society is referred to the Board of Managers for such suggestions and recommendations as may be possible under the circumstances.

Item VI - This refers to the protest from the Alumni of the North China Union University and indicates the desire of the Trustees that the affiliated bodies of the University should deal with the Board of Managers on the field rather than directly with the Trustees.

May I add at this point that since this action was taken a counter protest has come from the Alumni of the Peking University against the changing of the present Chinese name of the University. For the information of the Trustees I have sent a copy of both these documents to each member of the Board, that they may have the situation before them, pending any statement or recommendation that may come to us either from the Board of Managers or from Dr. Smith.

Under Item VIII there are certain matters which we have entrusted to Dr. Smith to bring to your attention and doubtless he has already done so. This will cover the main items in which meetings up to the present time.

Trusting that this letter will reach you safely and without undue delay

Very cordially yours.

Secretary.

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150 Fifth Avenue,
Sept. 5, 1918

The Rev. W. H. Gleysteen,
Peking, China.

My dear Brother Gleysteen:-

I immediately took up with Professor Breece your cable calling him to the department of English in the University. The matter is now in process and it may be that I shall cable you concerning it in the course of a few days. Learning that it is possible to catch a mail out from the Pacific coast, I am sending this letter that you may know the status of the case.

Our call found Mr. Breece just about completing negotiations with the Y.M.C.A. to go to France for work among the Chinese battalions. This seemed to him such a providential and desirable opening that he felt strongly inclined to accept it. I tried to get a meeting of the Executive Committee in order to deal promptly and give him a definite call and appointment should that be possible under the circumstances, but this is vacation time and it was impossible to get a meeting of the Executive Committee for this and other matters that are pending. I then tried the expedient of securing action by circular letter. Two of the Board Secretaries, however, expressed their judgment as against transacting business of major importance by circular letter and it has been necessary to defer action until next month. In the mean time I have written and telegraphed Mr. Breece and have had a most interesting correspondence with him. The situation today is as follows:

- I. He greatly desires and is practically decided to accept the appointment to Peking.
- II. He has consented to postpone decision on going to France until we have had our Executive Committee meeting.
- III. He has raised the question whether in view of the probable passage of the new draft law which would include him, he may not be called for service under the Government. This, I think, can be arranged by his being appointed to one of the deferred classes.

150 Fifth Avenue,
Sept. 7, 1918

The Rev. W. H. Gleysteen,
Peking, China.

My dear Brother Gleysteen:

In sending this "letter-up" letter to say that in harmony with your suggestion under date of August 31st I mailed you carbon copy of my original letter to you of April 29th giving you the actions taken in the Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees, April 11th, and the supplemental actions taken by the Executive Committee at its meeting of the 26th; also copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee of July 6th, 1918 with notes explanatory of the actions referred to the Board of Managers. This letter is intended to notify you of the mailing of the said letter. Should, by any mischance, it have gone astray, will you not be sure and let me know.

Very cordially yours,

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150 Fifth Avenue,
Sept. 26, 1918

The Rev. Wm. A. Gleysteen,
Peking, China.

My dear Brother Gleysteen:-

I have held up for reply your letters of June 21 and July 22nd anticipating a meeting of the Executive Committee which, however, has been delayed, owing to the absence of the members on summer engagements. In the mean time your letter of August 17th has arrived so that I am now taking up these three communications with you.

First of all let me say that we anticipate a meeting of the Executive Committee some time during the next two weeks when such questions as the appointment of Mr. Lreece, the status of the Union Language School and the various matters considered at your meeting at Wei Tsi Ho, August 2nd, including the budget will be considered.

Turning now to these I very I would say that the action taken by the Board of Managers at their meeting on October 1st relating to the request for a ruling concerning the status of a member of the Board of Managers between the time of his election by his mission and formal ratification by the Board of Trustees, also the matter of the affiliation of the Language School to the University were both of them presented by me at the Executive Committee meeting. They have been under consideration and I shall have both matters cleared up at our forthcoming meeting.

Turning now to your letter of August 17th I want to thank you for the helpful way in which you have summarized the recommendations to our Executive Committee. This renders it easy for us to handle these matters at this end. I shall be in touch with you concerning these matters at the earliest possible date.

Very cordially yours,

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150 Fifth Avenue,
Oct. 14, 1918

The Rev. William H. Gleysteen,
Peking University,
Peking, China

My dear Mr. Gleysteen:-

The Executive Committee held a very full and satisfactory meeting Friday October 11. I have cabled Dr. Smith concerning the principal matters transacted and doubtless he has communicated them to you. I wish to write, however, formally and more in detail concerning them to your good self.

1. Formal action was taken electing Professor T. E. Breece to the English Department of the University as per your cablegram. The action in its entirety was as follows:

VOTED that Professor T. E. Breece be appointed as Professor of the English Department in Peking University as per request of the Board of Managers, his salary and expenses to be charged to the Managers' budget; that as in the precedent established in the appointment of Professor Wolferz that the members of the University faculty appointed by the Trustees go out under the missionary appointment of some Board, the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church be requested to take the necessary steps in connection with Professor Breece; and that the cable to Dr. Smith mentioned in connection with the previous item of these minutes, include a statement concerning the terms under which Professor Breece is appointed.

From this you will please note that Professor Breece's salary is to be charged to the budget of the University. We note in Mr. Krause's report concerning the budget of the University that you have included in your receipts the \$1000 a year participation by the cooperating Boards which constitutes the only funds that the Trustees would have available under the present arrangement for the payment of salaries as in the case of Professor Breece. Action to which I shall allude a little later in this letter was taken, directing the Treasurer and the Secretary of the Trustees to correspond with the Managers concerning the joint financial responsibilities and adjustments necessary. In view of this situation

and the fact that it seemed urgent that immediate steps should be taken to secure Professor Breece and have him leave at the earliest possible date for making the financial adjustment above indicated was adopted. Please notify the Managers to this effect and have the necessary steps in the matter taken.

2. Joint financial responsibility of the Trustees and Managers for the Budget of the University.

Consideration was given to the proposed budget of the University for 1918 and it was referred to the Finance Committee of the Trustees with power. After consideration it was voted:

That the Secretary and Treasurer enter into correspondence with the Board of Managers as to the method of handling the income of the University, the provision for the salaries of the foreign missionaries attached to the faculty, sources of income on the field including the disposition of income from rents, the question of exchange and its bearing upon the budget; also that the Secretary and Treasurer investigate the present manner of paying \$1000 a year financial participation of the cooperating Boards and report upon the proper method for this payment upon which the Executive Committee can base a recommendation to the Trustees.

The desire of the Trustees is to have a clear understanding in regard to the income of the University and the exact facts concerning the provision made for all the items of expenditure. The budget submitted by the Managers through the Treasurer, Mr. Krause, only partially covers the expenditures involved as there is no indication of the provision to be made for the salaries of the foreign missionaries attached to the faculty beyond a mere statement that they represent their various missions on the faculty. We desire, therefore, to have some more definite statement from the Managers at this point.

Then the Trustees desire that a fuller statement should be made concerning the income from rents and any other sources of income not fully covered by the budget at the present time. The Executive Committee noted that the Managers have included in their budget the \$1000 a year participation by the Cooperating Boards under the Constitution. We are writing directly to the Treasurer making inquiry as to whether these amounts have been paid to him in the past by the Treasurers of any or all of the missions in participation or whether it is expected that the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees here in America will forward these amounts either in part or in entirety as the Trustees may direct to the Treasurer on the field. It appears that the Managers have gone on the basis that this \$1000 a year from each of the missions would be at the Managers' disposal to be included in their budget. In view of the fact, however, that the Trustees may have to assume responsibility for certain stated items in the current budget such as the salary of men called for by special action of the Managers, it will be necessary for the two bodies to arrive at an agreement as to the availability of these amounts. Mr. McBrier and myself will be in correspondence more fully with Mr. Krause over this matter.

Then the question of exchange and its bearing upon the University budget is a matter concerning which we desire word from the Managers. You will note that in the proposed budget \$1000 from the cooperating missions is credited as income at the rate of two to one, whereas we understand that the rate at the present time is almost at par, so that the \$1000, if it is finally decided that it shall be paid into the current expense budget of the University, instead of yielding \$2000 Mex. as you have credited it, will yield only a little more than half that amount.

These are matters upon which the Board of Managers will give consideration and communicate with us as early as possible.

3. Election of Mr. Gleysteen to Executive Secretaryship.

I presented your letter dated Peking June 21st, stating your willingness to accept the post of Executive Secretary under certain necessary conditions. With very hearty approval it was voted:

That the Executive Committee notes with approval the word from Mr. Gleysteen that it will be agreeable to him to accept election as the Executive Secretary of the University. The executive Committee approved of the terms contained in his letter of June 21st, namely that of his giving half or three quarters of his time to the work involved, retaining his connection with his mission and the Presbyterian Board and his church in Detroit; approving of the necessary salary charge for the employment of a substitute to give such time to his school as he gives to the University and also the employment of a stenographer on part time for the work of the office of the Executive Secretary. The Trustees would refer the perfecting of these arrangements to the Board of Managers with instruction to charge to the Budget of the University the amounts involved in this arrangement.

It gives me great pleasure to transmit this action to you and to state that full consideration will be given by the Trustees to the necessary budget adjustments, *as they may be reported by the Managers.*

4. Approval of B.A. and B.D. Candidates.

The list of candidates for degrees proposed by the Board of Managers at their meeting held June sixth was approved as follows:

For the B.A. degree:

Chang Ming, Chang Yun Han, Chen Chung Ting, Chia Kuei, Chin Tsung Shan, Chou Yen Lin, Chu Yi Chih, Han Wen Hsin, Hopkins, Helen Terry, Hsu Ch'eng, Hsu Kuo Pin, Kao Ching Shan, Kuo Jui Chang, Li Kai Yin, Li Lien Sheng, Li Shih Jui, Li Yuan Hsin, Lin Tien He, Nien Ching Feng, Sun Yung Li, Teng Chen, Tsui Hsien Hsiang, Wang Hsiang Yi, Wang Yi Chung, Wang Keng Chuan, Wang Yueh Ping, Wang Yueh Ting, Yang Jung Shen, Li Hsin Te.

For the B.D. degree:

Fan T'ing Ch'eng, Liu Hsi Chen, Peng Chin Chang, Wang Chin Ch'ing, Tung Hao Ling.

5. Provision for Payment on property #116.

The Treasurer was authorized to transmit to the Treasurer of the Board of Managers the equivalent of \$14,000 local currency due on property #116, payment to be made Nov. 15. We are now making arrangements for cable communication so that Mr. Krause can meet this obligation.

6. Interpretation of the By-laws.

The two questions raised in the correspondence from Acting President Lowry as to the intent and provision of the By-laws were considered.

1. Election to Membership on the Board of Managers.

The Acting President stated that at the meeting of the Board of Managers on April 26th in the case of the election of Thomas Biggin of the London Mission in Peking to fill a vacancy on their representation on the Board of Managers, that he had taken the position that the formal approval of the Trustees was necessary before any Manager is competent to exercise his privileges as a member of the Board of Managers. His decision had been appealed from by the Board of Managers who took the position that they have the option to receive new members without waiting for the formal confirmation by the Trustees.

After consideration it was VOTED ;

That technically the position taken by the Acting President was correct and that under the By-laws as ~~President was constituted~~ now constituted, formal confirmation by the Trustees, is necessary for membership in the Board of Managers. The Executive Committee, however, recognize the difficulties and inconvenience involved in this arrangement and the Secretary was therefore instructed to inform the Board of Managers that they will propose to the Trustees a modification of the By-laws to the effect that any person duly elected on the field to membership in the Board of Managers shall be entitled to the rights and privileges of membership among the Managers, pending confirmation by the Trustees.

2. Election of Deans.

This question comes before the Executive Committee on a question raised by the Acting President in the electing of Dr. King as Dean of the Yu K'e Department and Dr. Porter as Dean of the Liberal Arts College. Inasmuch as the question of the Yu K'e Department is now under consideration and that fuller information will be available on the return of Chairman Edward Lincoln Smith from Peking, action was postponed in this matter, the status of Dr. Porter and Dr. King to re-

main for the present as indicated by the Board of Managers.

7. Various Items from Recent Meetings of the Board of Managers in Peking.

Various items in the minutes of the Board of Managers not covered by action of the Executive Committee above were considered.

1. Rev. Wang Chih Ping, Ph.D. was approved as Head of the Chinese Department.

2. That in the matter of the request of the Board of Managers that the Trustees secure a library building and endowment either from the Carnegie Peace Foundation or from some other source that action be deferred pending further information concerning the matter and conference with the Committee's Chairman, Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith.

3. That in the matter of the request of the Board of Managers that the Board of Trustees pay the salaries of six men, these Professors to be outside of the two representatives which each mission contributes, that action be deferred pending further inquiry as to the joint financial responsibility of the Managers and the Trustees.

4. In the matter of the request of the Managers to the Trustees to send out a Doctor who shall be physical director and also physician to the Faculty and students, that the Secretary notify the Managers that the Executive Committee will take the request under consideration but that in view of the great difficulty in securing medical missionaries at this time it would not be possible to take action at an early date.

8. Affiliation of the Peking Language School and the University.

I presented your communication concerning the matter and the following minute has been recorded:

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That ~~it~~ looks with favor upon such an affiliation, provided a proper financial basis can be secured; it would refer to the Board of Managers for consideration and report the terms under which the affiliation may be consummated and the budget, property and teaching adjustments which would be involved.

Please note that while approving of the principle of such an affiliation, provided a proper financial basis can be secured, we desire that the Board of Managers should submit definite proposals as to the arrangements and the adjustments involved.

We are awaiting with much interest word both from yourself and Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith as to the further development in the questions now under consideration in connection with our University enterprise. I need only add that the interest felt here at the home base is very keen and we are sure that all the questions in issue will be found capable of mutual and satisfactory adjustment.

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I am glad to note the hopeful tone of your letters which are very encouraging to us.

Assuring you of our continued prayers and warm interest in the success of this great enterprise, believe me

Cordially yours.

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