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COMMITTEE FOR
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CHINA UNION UNIVERSITIES

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Dr. Eric M. North,
Secretary of the Trustees
of Peking University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York.

My dear Dr. North:

President J. Leighton Stuart of Peking University has reported to me an informal conference that was held the other day regarding the question of more effectively meeting the needs of the institutions of higher education in China, and he has asked me to present to the secretaries of the trustees of Peking University and of Shantung Christian University the request of this informal group, that these bodies of trustees should appoint a committee to take steps to secure consultation with representatives of other institutions in China on the question of the possibility of uniting on a campaign for funds for higher educational institutions, with the understanding that if satisfactory plans can be worked out the campaign should be launched as soon as practicable.

I am simply passing this request on to you at the instance of Dr. Stuart, who was asked to see that the matter was brought before the governing bodies of the two institutions for consideration. I should think perhaps if feasible, the matter would better be discussed in an executive committee meeting, or some smaller group, before being brought to the full meeting of the Trustees of Peking University.

Very sincerely yours,

Leslie B. Moss

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COMMITTEE FOR
CHRISTIAN COLLEGE IN CHINA

July 14, 1923.

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart,
Peking University,
Peking, China.

My dear Dr. Stuart:

We send you herewith a complete copy of Minutes and report to date that you may be fully apprised of the proceedings in the direction of closer cooperation for promotional work in this country on behalf of Christian Higher Education in China.

The actions of the Committee have been forwarded to Mr. Franklin H. Warner for your institution with the request that they be considered by your Board in this country. They will no doubt appreciate any information or comment from you which will bear on this matter.

Faithfully yours,

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The Committee on Organizing a Permanent Committee
for the Coordination and Promotion of
Christian Higher Education in China.

July 17, 1923.

The Board of Trustees,
Peking University,
% Mr. Franklin H. Warner,
52 Vanderbilt Ave.,
New York City.

Gentlemen:

We present for the consideration of your Board the following actions taken by the Conference of representatives of Christian Colleges and Universities in China with regard to the coordination and promotion of Christian Higher Education in China.

VOTED:- that recognizing the purpose and plan for coordination in higher educational work in China as expressed in the Association of Colleges and Universities, and other cooperative agencies and councils, it is the sense of this meeting that coordination of the several Boards and agencies in this country related to the higher educational work in China for the promotion of such work in China is desirable.

VOTED:- to be the sense of this meeting that a Committee should be established representing the Christian Higher Educational Institutions in China, having Boards of Trustees or Directors in the United States and Canada or under the care of North American Mission Boards, subject to the approval of two-thirds of these Boards of Directors or Trustees and two-thirds of the Mission Boards cooperating in them, this Committee to be responsible to these Boards and to be charged with the duty of arranging for and carrying through a coordinated financial campaign and coordinated promotive work at the Home Base in accordance with the first eight suggestions proposed by the Committee of three and under such other plans as the Committee may approve; and this Committee, further, to have power to constitute an Advisory Committee of those best able to survey the problems of Higher Education in China and to counsel it and the Boards of Trustees and the cooperating Mission Boards as to these problems and their wise solution.

VOTED:- that each Board of Trustees or Directors of an institution of higher education in China be requested to appoint one member to the proposed committee for the coordination and promotion of Christian Higher Education in China, and that the committee so established should be empowered to co-opt five additional members at large, it being understood that the representative members will be chosen in such a way as to include everyone of the mission boards cooperating.

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VOTED:- this committee is of the opinion that the expenses involved in the first instance in setting up such an organization should be shared equally by the institutions co-operating, and that when the trustees of any institution appoint their representative on the committee they be requested to appropriate \$100.00 towards the initial expenses of the committee.

We are enclosing a complete copy of the minutes of the meetings held and a copy of the report made by the sub-committee of three and considered by the meeting on June 12th.

We request that you Board will give these proposals your earnest consideration and, if approved, make the appointment and appropriation requested.

Since this plan is not to be inaugurated unless two-thirds of the mission boards involved in these institutions give their approval we would also request that when you notify us of the action of your Board of Trustees or Directors, you also indicate whether the mission board of boards participating in your institution have approved.

Faithfully yours,

For the sub-committee.

Chairman

Secretary.

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COMMITTEE FOR
CHRISTIAN COLLEGES IN CHINA

January 18, 1926.

Peking University,
Dr. Eric M. North, Secretary,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. North:

PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON THE COORDINATION AND PROMOTION
OF CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION IN CHINA.

In accordance with the action adopted in establishing this Committee it was provided that for the preliminary expenses of the Committee any institution represented on the Committee should be requested to appropriate \$100.00 for the initial expenses of this Committee.

Your acceptance of this proposal was signified by the action of the Trustees January 30, 1924.

As there have been some expenses incurred and there are other expenses to be incurred shortly, we would appreciate your check at this time to cover such expenses. Kindly make this payable to Eric M. North, Secretary-Treasurer and send to the undersigned at the address above.

Cordially yours,

Secretary.

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COPY TO DR. WILLIAM P. SCHELL

THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE FOR THE COORDINATION AND
PROMOTION OF CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION IN CHINA.

Canton Christian College Fukien Christian University Ginling College
Hangchow Christian College Hwa Nan College University of Nanking
Peking University Shantung Christian University Yale-in-China Yenching College

To the Members of the Committee:

April 9, 1926.

We have been daily expecting word from Dr. Lobenstine as to the recommendations which we requested the presidents of the related colleges to make to the Committee as to ways in which, in their judgment, it might be of service to higher education in China. This was to have been taken up at the meeting of the Association of Colleges. It has seemed to your Chairman and Secretary best, in view of the series of college board meetings in the near future, not to wait longer before calling to the attention of the Committee certain developments in America.

Canton Christian College, Yale-in-China, and Peking University already have permanent campaign organizations. Canton, we understand, is actively campaigning for an objective of \$2,500,000. Peking is endeavoring, within the next few months, to clean up \$250,000. to \$350,000. to complete its new plant. Yale is carrying on its regular program.

Newer developments are these: West China Union University has appointed Mr. J. M. Yard as its representative in America on what is expected to be a permanent policy. Shantung Christian University is seeking such an executive as is also Yenching Woman's College.

Under these circumstances, it is evident that confusion and conflict in approach to donors may very easily arise. This will be especially serious in the case of some large donors who would be interested in a cooperative rather than a competitive program for financing Christian higher education in China.

It is our judgment that it is desirable that this situation be presented by you to the next meetings of the boards of trustees which each of you represent, especially to those which have undertaken such campaign work, with a view to ascertaining their point of view in the situation and securing suggestions as to measures which the Permanent Committee or the colleges might helpfully take. It is expected that toward the end of April, after many of these meetings have been held, the Permanent Committee will be called to meet.

Cordially yours,

To Mr. Franklin H. Warner
for Peking University.

ROBERT E. SPEER, Chairman
Secretary.

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PEKING UNIVERSITY

Peking University - known in China as Yenching University from the ancient name of the city of Peking - is one of the outstanding Christian educational institutions in China, located, as it is, at a center which is not only the present political capital, but one which has large educational influence. The University consists of a College of Arts and Sciences, a college for women, and a School of Religion. Its present enrollment is approximately 550 students of college grade from all over China. Of this number about one hundred are women. It is exercising a fine influence, not only because of the nature of its educational ideals, but because of the degree to which it seeks to develop in its corporate life the spirit of Christianity. It is directed by a Board of Managers in China and a Board of Trustees in New York.

The University has recently moved to its new campus on a beautiful site six miles northwest of the city of Peking, and not far from Tsinghua College, upon which there have been erected ten fine buildings along the lines of Chinese architecture, upon what was originally the site of a Manchu duke's estate.

The present administrative officers are: President J. Leighton Stuart (Hamden-Sidney College); Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences for Men, William Hung (Ohio Wesleyan University); Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences for Women, Alice B. (Mrs. Mary S. Frame (Mt. Holyoke)). The faculty includes both Chinese and foreign teachers, including graduates of Wesleyan, Yale, Illinois, Toronto, (Mr. Corbett please add others.)

Positions for foreigners are open from time to time. In general applicants should have at least the degree of Master of Arts. It is also expected by the University that those who hold positions on its staff should do so with the highest ideals of devotion and service, with a genuine ability to cooperate with others as fellow workers rather than as leaders, and with a sincere loyalty to Christ.

Princeton-in-Peking is already cooperating with the University, the [^] would welcome association with student groups in American colleges in their interest in Christian education in China.

Opportunities for financial aid would range from the contribution of \$100. or more for scholarships, ^{or} for the purchase of books or scientific equipment for some particular department of the University, to \$500. or more for the support of an assistant in some one of the departments, and \$3000. for the support of a member of the teaching staff. The University would welcome such support not only because of the financial value, but also because of the sense of fellowship in Christian educational ideals which such a relationship represents.

Correspondence concerning faculty positions, or concerning financial assistance should be addressed to Eric M. North, Secretary, Board of Trustees, Peking University, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

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