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AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

concerning

State College Participation in the New England Regional Student Program

as administrated by the

New England Board of Higher Education

September 10, 1971

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the State Colleges
authorizes the participation of the four Connecticut
State Colleges in the "New England Regional Student
Program" under the conditions mentioned in the attached
statement entitled, "New England Regional Student Pro-
gram State College Policy."

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NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM

STATE COLLEGE POLICY

Residents of New England outside of the state to which application for admission is made, will be accorded second priority in admission selection, i.e. first priority to state residents, second priority to other New England residents.

Residents of New England outside of the state to which application for admission is made, will, if admitted for enrollment in a degree program designated as part of the Regional Student Program, be charged only the regular resident tuition or instructional charge.

Those degree study program majors, concentrations or specialization areas which are distinctive and designated by their offering institutions shall be included within the Program.

Such degree programs shall be made available to the residents of each state in which they are not offered, and these provisions shall be in effect for an experimental period of two years beginning within the 1972-73 academic year.

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CONTINUATION AND EXPANSION OF THE NEW ENGLAND
REGIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM AS ADMINISTERED BY THE
NEW ENGLAND BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION, TO INCLUDE
THE FOUR-YEAR STATE COLLEGES OF THE NEW ENGLAND
REGION.

WHEREAS, a major objective of the New England Higher Education Compact is "...the establishment and maintenance of a co-ordinated educational program for the persons residing in the several states of New England parties to this Compact...", and,

WHEREAS, The New England Board of Higher Education, the Executive Agency for this Compact, has organized, publicized, and administered that program known as the New England Regional Student Program as partial fulfillment of this mandate, and,

WHEREAS, several thousand residents of New England have been enabled, through this Regional Student Program, to obtain their objectives in higher education at public universities, public two-year colleges and institutes of higher education in New England, and,

WHEREAS, these students, their parents, and the state governments of New England have realized great economies through the operation of this Program,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Conference of the New England Governors supports the inclusion within this program of all publicly-supported institutions of higher education in New England, including the four-year state colleges, on such bases as are compatible with the objectives of the New England Higher Education Compact and are mutually acceptable to the institutions involved and to the New England Board of Higher Education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the inclusion of these institutions within the purview of this program is recommended by this Conference to commence in the academic year, 1972-73, provided that the above arrangements and mutual agreements can be achieved before that time.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Conference hereby gives evidence of its support of the New England Board of Higher Education in the continued operation and expansion of this Regional Student Program in all of its aspects.

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FOR RELEASE: IMMEDIATELY

joan-faye livergood, assistant director

July 23, 1971

GOVERNORS SUPPORT EXPANSION OF THE
NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM

Newport, Rhode Island - The New England Governors' Conference, at their meeting today in Newport, Rhode Island, gave its support to the continued operation and expansion of the New England Regional Student Program administered by the New England Board of Higher Education. The Governors also approved a recommendation by the Board that the four-year state colleges in New England be included within the provisions of that Program by 1972-73.

The New England Regional Student Program is an outgrowth of the mandate inherent in the New England Higher Education Compact of 1955 and was initiated by the Board in 1958. This cooperative, inter-state Program presently includes participation by the six state universities, Lowell Technological Institute, and the public two-year colleges of New England. Citizens of the region have been able, through the Program, to enroll in these institutions as though they were residents of the receiving state, with preference in admission next after the preference given to bona fide state residents, and with the privilege of paying only the resident tuition rates. Since 1958, enrollment in the Program has totaled approximately 7000. In 1970-71, some

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1800 persons were enrolled under the Program's provisions, studying in courses not available to them in their home states or at an out-of-state institution located closer to their place of residence than is an in-state college. They were enrolled in over three hundred different courses of study.

Commenting on the past success of the Program, Dr. Alan D. Ferguson, Director of the Board, pointed out that, "The Program has greatly expanded educational opportunities for all New Englanders, has saved each enrolled student appreciable sums in tuition charges, and has saved each state government additional expenditures by eliminating much unnecessary duplication in course offerings. Each of our states has realized extensive cash savings and an expansion of educational opportunity through the Program. It is an excellent example of the values of regional cooperation and is unique in the nation."

After extensive research and discussion with relevant institutional and state agency officers, the Board recommended to the Governors' Conference that the study opportunities available at the four-year state colleges of the region should also be included within the provisions of the Program. "Counting the constituent, four-year campuses of the University of Maine, there are now 29 such institutions in the region," Ferguson said. "They currently enroll over 90,000 students annually and are obviously primary agencies for higher education in New England."

Following the Governors' approval of the recommendation, Ferguson described the next steps to be taken in order to open up these additional study opportunities to New England residents: "Although all the state colleges may not presently wish to participate in the Program, a majority have already expressed, through their executive officers and the executive officers of their state boards, a desire to join the Program in 1972-73. The Board will immediately undertake to arrange mutually acceptable bases for the participation of these campuses following the patterns already established with other institutions."

He further pointed out that the Board was confident that arrangements could be completed in time to include the pertinent state college programs in the Board's handbook of programs to be open in 1972-73 under the terms of the Program. Publication of that booklet is scheduled for mid-October and its availability will be widely announced.

The New England Board of Higher Education is the regional coordinating agency chartered by the New England states to aid in increasing and improving opportunities in higher education for residents of the New England states through regional cooperation and research.

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September 14, 1971

Mrs. Joan-Faye Livergood
Assistant Director
New England Board of Higher Education
20 Walnut Street
Wellesley, Massachusetts 02181

Dear Joan:

Attached for your interest is a copy of the Resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees for the State Colleges at its meeting last Friday.

Sincerely,

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(Mrs.) Grace C. Hayber
Executive Assistant

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Chancellor Warren G. Hill
Commission for Higher Education
340 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, Connecticut

Dear Chancellor Hill:

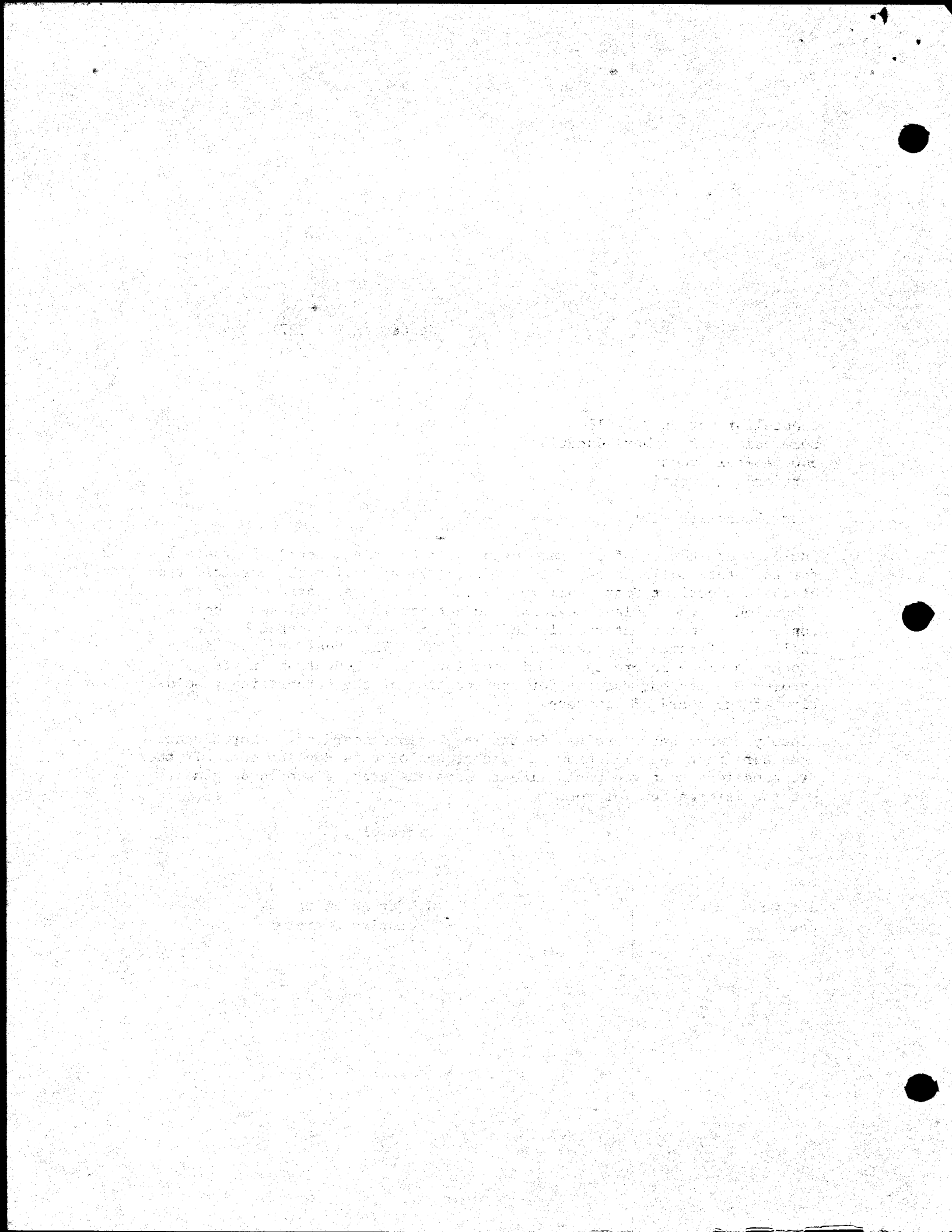
Enclosed are copies of the resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees for the State Colleges on September 10, 1971 approving the participation of the Connecticut State Colleges in the New England Board of Higher Education's "New England Regional Student Program". Enclosed also are copies of relevant material including the resolution adopted by the New England Conference of Governors on July 23, 1971. Would you be kind enough to place before the Commission for Higher Education in its October meeting our request for ratification of the authorizing resolution of the Board of Trustees.

Since you have been involved in the New England Board of Higher Education I am sure that you will know the background of this development. If there are questions that you would like to have answered, I should be glad to get the information for you.

Sincerely,

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J. Eugene Smith
Executive Secretary



Item 5a. Coordination of Planning (cont'd)

The rules and regulations of the Commission concerning Categories of Planning have been accepted by the office of the Attorney General.

Dr. Rabineau reported that the concept of the external degree and credit by examination is being examined. Staff members from each of the constituent units and a representative of the Connecticut Conference of Independent Colleges have been assigned to work with the Commission staff. A questionnaire has been circulated which will identify present programs which fall into this category. Dr. Rabineau has conferred with Mr. Gould of ETS regarding that agency's activities in this area.

A week long conference sponsored by the Connecticut Library Association has been held at the University of Connecticut. At this meeting, library goals to be pursued in the immediate future were identified.

A recognition of the collegiate offerings by Manchester Community College at the Connecticut State Prison, funded in part by Title I of the Higher Education Act, is cited in the publication, Urban Observatory. Copies were provided for Commission members.

Dr. Hill presented for approval a resolution concerning state college participation in the New England Regional Student Program. The Board of Trustees of the State Colleges approved participation in this program which is similar to the two-year college program previously approved by the Commission. Under the provisions of this program, residents of New England, outside of the state to which application for admission to college is made, are accorded priority in admission selection and will be charged only the regular resident tuition. Upon motion by Mrs. Niejadlik, seconded by Miss Helen Hogan, the resolution passed unanimously. (Exhibit E)

Item 6a. Community Colleges

Mr. Henry Fagan reported on the action taken at the Board of Trustees of the Regional Community Colleges meeting. Election of officers was completed at this meeting.

Mr. Fagan expressed regret that President Babbidge has submitted his resignation as President of the University of Connecticut, effective October 1, 1972.

At this time, the discussion turned to a Commission statement (Exhibit F) regarding Dr. Babbidge's action. Mr. McCannon suggested a formal statement which would both acknowledge the extraordinary service of Dr. Babbidge and urge that he reconsider his decision to resign.