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RESOLUTION

concerning

POLICY ON LIBRARY COORDINATION

November 5, 1976

WHEREAS,

The Coordinating Council of Boards of Trustees of The University of Connecticut and the Connecticut State Colleges believes that the effectiveness of the libraries of the five institutions can be improved by coordination of acquisitions and services, and that cost savings resulting from such coordination can permit improved levels of service to all users throughout the State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED,

That if the Boards of Trustees of The University of Connecticut and the Connecticut State Colleges concur, it be the policy of the University and the State Colleges to coordinate those aspects of library planning, acquisitions, circulation, special, technical, and support services and the like, which show promise of improved educational—and cost—effectiveness; and, to that end be it further

RESOLVED,

That a Task Force of the Librarians of the University and the four State Colleges be formed immediately and be charged with recommending a policy on library coordination; that the Task Force report at the April, 1977, meeting of the Coordinating Council; that it report at earlier meetings on any immediate improvements it can recommend; and that the Task Force be charged specifically with recommending steps:

- 1. To ensure, through coordination of all appropriate acquisitions and other operational activities, that State expenditures for library programs provide the maximum benefit to all library users;
- 2. To improve bibliographic access to the collections in the University library system and the four State College libraries for all users;
- 3. To improve physical access, including the delivery of materials, to the collections of the University

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library and the four State College libraries for all users;

- 4. To coordinate wherever feasible the technical services functions of all the libraries;
- 5. To provide improved access to specialized services (e.g., machine-based information services, or talking-book and braille services for the handicapped) for all users;
- 6. To assess the possible benefits of a coordinated collection-development policy and its application to the selection and purchase of materials by all the libraries;
- 7. To assess the possible economies in future library construction needs at the State Colleges which might be achieved through use of the University Library as a depository for certain low-demand parts of their existing collections.

Background: If this resolution is adopted, it is the intent of the President of The University and the Executive Director of the State Colleges to appoint the following seven

people to the Task Force on Library Coordination:

- 1. Director of Library Services, CCSC
- 2. Director of Library Services, ECSC
- 3. Director of Library Services, SCSC
- 4. Director of Library Services, WCSC
- 5. Representative of Office of Executive Director, Connecticut State Colleges
- 6. University Librarian
- 7. Director of University Libraries, Chairman

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