MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD MAY 15, 1947

The Board of Directors met at 8:30 p.m., May 15, 1947 at the Stevens Hotel in Chicago, Illinois. Drs. Bittner, Brues, Cowdry, Doisy, Furth, Gardner, Huggins, Little, Shear and Taylor were present.

It was voted that the reading of the minutes of the last meeting be waived.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

The Chairman of the Board exhibited charts showing the number of new members elected and the number of papers presented at the annual meetings of the Association since 1915. By vote of the Board these charts are reproduced here. The Chairman also showed a list of the Officers, Directors and Councillors of the Association since 1915.

The Acting Treasurer announced the receipt during the year of several gifts totalling $51.00, largely in memory of Mrs. Marcella Dill. After brief discussion, it was voted that these and other gifts to the Association be segregated as a special Journal Fund.

The Treasurer’s report was read and on the motion of Dr. M. J. Shear, who had been appointed auditor, was accepted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Program Committee.—Chairman J. J. Bittner reported that all of the papers submitted for presentation were accepted and placed on the program.

Nominating Committee.—Chairman H. C. Taylor, Jr. reported that his Committee had nominated for members of the Board of Directors to serve until 1950: Drs. A. M. Brues, B. L. Coley, E. T. Engle, J. Furth, C. D. Haagen-sen, J. G. Kidd, C. C. Little and Shields Warren. These names were listed on the proxies sent to the members of the Association by the Acting Secretary. Count of the proxies showed that Drs. Brues, Furth, Little and Warren received the largest number of votes. It was voted, “That the Acting- Secretary cast one vote for the nominees chosen by the members.” The new Directors were then declared elected.

Membership Committee.—Chairman Charles Huggins reported that the Association now had 57 active members and 8 emeritus or honorary members.

The nominations for active membership were presented. Fifty-five candidates were recommended for election. They were:

Albright, Fuller, M.D., Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Mass.
Bamberger, J. Percy, D.Sc., Stanford University, California.
Begg, Robert William, M.D., Dalhousie University, Halifax, N. S., Canada.
Bennett, Warren A., M.D., Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn.
Bierman, Howard, R., M.D., University of California Hospital, San Francisco, Calif.
Bowman, Russel O., Ph.D., Rhode Island Hospital, Providence, R. I.
Buckette, Walter J., Ph.D., M.D., Louisiana State University School of Medicine, New Orleans, La.
Caceres, Eduardo, M.D., San Marcos University, Lima, Peru.
Curtis, Maynie R., Ph.D., Detroit Institute of Cancer Research, Detroit, Mich.
Cutting, Windsor C., M.D., Stanford University School of Medicine, San Francisco, Calif.
Diller, Irene Corey, Ph.D., The Institute for Cancer Research, Lankenau Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.
Duboff, Gregory, M.S., 504 Franklin St., Buffalo, N. Y.
Durnik, Celia S., B.A., National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, Md.
Dunning, Wilhelmina F., Ph.D., Wayne University College of Medicine, Detroit, Mich.
Engle, K. W., Ph.D., Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Ala.
Fishback, Hamilton R., Sc.D., M.D., Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago, Ill.
Friedman, Nathan B., M.D., Army Institute of Pathology, Washington, D. C.
Garcia, German Garcia, M.D., Hospital Español, Mexico, D. F.
Gissler, Albert E., Ph.D., Interchemical Corporation, New York, N. Y.
Gordon, Myron, Ph.D., American Museum of Natural History, New York, N. Y.
Greene, Harry Jonathon, M.D., Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Gyööröy, Pál, M.D., University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia, Pa.
Ham, Arthur Worth, M.D., University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
Hauschka, Theodore Spath, Ph.D., The Institute for Cancer Research, Lankenau Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.
Hollander, Franklin, Ph.D., The Mount Sinai Hospital, New York, N. Y.
Hummel, Katherine Pattee, Ph.D., Roscoe B. Jackson Memorial Laboratory, Bar Harbor, Me.
Jones, Howard W., Jr., M.D., Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.
New Members of the American Association for Cancer Research

by years

Fig. 1
Number of Papers Presented at Scientific Sessions of the American Association for Cancer Research

![Bar chart showing the number of papers presented at scientific sessions of the American Association for Cancer Research from 1915 to 1945. The chart shows a significant increase in the number of papers presented in the 1930s and 1940s.]

FIG. 2
April 30, 1947

Cash on deposit (Union & New Haven Trust Co.) March 1, 1946 $2441.96
Cash on hand, March 1, 1946 67.00
Checks outstanding, March 1, 1946 2508.96

Cash on deposit (Greenwich Savings Bank) March 1, 1946 2488.93
Interest on Savings Account to January 1, 1947 635.10
Receipts March 1, 1946 to April 30, 1947 9.55
Dues collected 1607.66
Gifts 51.00
Subscriptions to Cancer Research 20.00

Disbursements March 1, 1946 to April 30, 1947

Secretarial Assistance $150.00
Printing (Nomination forms, billheads, letterheads and ballots.) 64.00
Stamps 79.15
Reprints of By-Laws and list of members $80.63
Envelopes and labels for mailing 101.01
Meeting March 11 and 12, 1946 287.14
Registration cards, identification badges and tickets 46.25
Rental on projector 10.00
Programs 95.00
Stenographic service 38.36
Annual dinner (City tax, gratuities) 88.63
Expenses of Program Committee 8.90
Bank charges on foreign checks 1.69
Subscriptions to Cancer Research 20.00
Assessment for Cancer Research 1946 475.00
1947 522.00

Fourth International Cancer Research Congress 512.63
Contribution 500.00
Cable and telephone 12.63
National Society for Medical Research 50.00
Refund on overpaid dues 6.00

$2269.12 $4812.24

Balance April 30, 1947 2543.12
Dues receivable 3031.12

CHARLES W. HOOKER, Acting Secretary-Treasurer

I hereby certify that the accounts and vouchers in the American Association for Cancer Research, Inc., for the above recorded period have been examined by me, and that the above are true statements of its financial operations and of its financial conditions as of April 30, 1947.

M. J. SHEAR, Auditor for the Directors

KAHN, REUBEN L., D.Sc., University Hospital, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.
LASZLO, DANIEL, M.D., Montefiore Hospital, New York, N.Y.
LEBLOND, CHARLES PHILIPPE, M.D., McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
LISCO, HERMANN, M.D., Argonne National Laboratory, Chicago, Ill.
McCUTCHEON, MORTON, M.D., University of Pennsylvania Medical School, Philadelphia, Pa.
MEYER, LEO MARTIN, M.D., 350 East 16th St. Brooklyn, New York.
MILLER, FRANKLIN R., M.D., Jefferson Medical College and Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.
MONTGOMERY, HUGH, M.D., Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa.
MOREHEAD, ROBERT PAGE, M.D., The Bowman Gray School of Medicine, Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, N.C.
NIGRELLI, ROSS F., PH.D., New York Zoological Society, New York, N.Y.
OWEN, PHILIP S., M.D., National Research Council, Washington, D.C.
PARKER, RAYMOND C., PH.D., University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
POOL, JOHN LAWRENCE, M.D., 140 East 154th street, New York, N.Y.
QUASTLER, HENRY, M.D., Carle Hospital Clinic, Urbana, Ill.
REIFENSTEIN, EDWARD C., M.D., Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Mass.
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ROBERTS, EUGENE, Ph.D., Barnard Free Skin and Cancer Hospital, St. Louis, Mo.
ROBERTSON, WM. V. B., Ph.D., College of Medicine, University of Vermont, Burlington, Vt.
RUNNER, MEREDITH N., Ph.D., Roscoe B. Jackson Memorial Laboratory, Bar Harbor, Me.
ROYSTER, HENRY P., M.D., University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia, Pa.
SALOMON, KURT, M.D., Ph.D., University of Rochester, School of Medicine and Dentistry, Rochester, N. Y.
SCARBOROUGH, J. ELLIOT, M.D., Emory University Hospital, Emory University, Ga.
SELMIGAN, ARNOLD M., M.D., Beth Israel Hospital and Harvard Medical School, Boston, Mass.
SMITH, PAUL KENNETH, Ph.D., George Washington University School of Medicine, Washington, D. C.
STASNEY, JOSEPH, M.D., Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa.
STERN, KURT, M.D., Mount Sinai Hospital, Chicago, Ill.
WHITE, PHILIP R., Ph.D., The Institute for Cancer Research, Lankenau Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.

It was recommended that two nominees be elected contributing members:
ROBERT P. MEADER, M.D., 4002 Jenkins Arcade, Pittsburgh, Pa.

It was recommended that the following distinguished scientists be elected Honorary Members:
Dr. E. C. Dodds, London
Dr. E. L. KennaWay, London
Dr. A. Lacassagne, Paris

It was voted "That the report of the Committee be accepted and their recommendations be adopted." The nominees were then declared elected as recommended.

Dr. Huggins then presented the recommendation of his Committee with respect to the qualifications for membership as specified in the By-Laws. As amended, the recommendation reads:

"The Committee recommends the following changes in the By-Laws of the Association:
1. That Section 1 and 2 of Article I of the By-Laws be rescinded.
2. That the following clause be substituted for Section I of Article I:

Section 1, Members.

(a) The Association is to consist of three classes: active members, emeritus members and honorary members.
(b) Candidates for active membership shall be workers in good professional standing who have been active for at least two years in cancer research or for three years in research with one year in cancer research. Any person with these qualifications who has conducted and published meritorious researches in the field of cancer research and who is a resident of the Americas shall be eligible for active membership in the Association.
(c) Emeritus members are those who have attained the age of 65 years and have been members for ten years or more. They shall be exempt from dues.
(d) Distinguished scientists and others who have contributed to the advance of cancer research shall be eligible for election as honorary members of the Association. Honorary members shall be exempt from dues; they shall have the right to attend the meetings of the Association and of taking part in its scientific discussions, but they shall have no vote.

3. That Section 2 of Article I be amended to read:

Section 2. Election of Members.—The Board of Directors at any time and from time to time may elect to membership persons who meet the qualifications listed in Section 1.

4. That the changes in the rules regarding membership be made not retroactive from May 1947."

In the discussion of the proposal it was pointed out that under Section 1, (c) the transfer to Emeritus Membership becomes automatic and does not necessitate application by the member as herefore.

It was voted "That the recommended changes in the By-Laws be approved and adopted." It was also vote "That the Membership Committee be given a heart vote of thanks for a splendid job."

The Acting Secretary reported that applications for transfer to Emeritus Membership had been received from Dr. W. F. Jacobs and Dr. E. B. Krumbhaar. The transfers were approved.

The resignations of four members were accepted:
ALVIN J. COX, San Francisco, California
CARL F. SIEKMAN, Buffalo, New York
LESTER F. WICKS, St. Louis, Missouri
MELVIN C. REINHARD, Buffalo, New York

The deaths of the following members were regretfully announced:

HALSEY J. BAGG
STANLEY W. CHILDS
ARTHUR E. HERTZLER
BARNET JOSEPH
WARD J. MACNEAL
GEORGE H. SEMKEN
BURTON T. SIMPSON
ROLLIN H. STEVENS

Journal Committee.—Chairman M. J. Shear reported that his Committee met in Philadelphia on February 1, 1947. The approximate cost of publishing Cancer Research in 1946 was $16,500. For the same year there were 895 subscriptions. Approximately 230 subscriptions were at $5.00 (yielding $1,150) and 660 at $7.00 (yielding $4,620); the total received from subscriptions was the $5,770. The Association contributes to the journal $1,000 of the $3.00 dues paid by the 530 members. The total income was, then, about $6,300, leaving an apparent deficit of about $10,000.

The deficit has been met by contributions from the Donner Foundation, the Jane Coffin Childs Fund, and the Anna Fuller Fund. The Pardee Fund has asked to participate, and W. W. Allen of that Fund has been appointed to the Advisory Board of Cancer Research.

The Journal Committee has raised the following questions:
The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 midnight.

WILLIAM U. GARDNER,  
Chairman, Board of Directors  
CHARLES W. HOOKER,  
Acting Secretary

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MEMBERS  
HELD MAY 16, 1947

The meeting of the members of the Association was called to order at 1:45 p.m., May 16, 1947 at the Stevens Hotel in Chicago, Illinois.

Reading of the minutes of the last meeting was omitted on vote of the members.

The reports of the Acting Treasurer and Auditor were presented and approved.

The results of the count of proxy votes for new Directors to serve until 1950 and the action of the Board of Directors were reported as recorded in the minutes of the meeting of the Board.

The nominations for officers of the Association made by the Board of Directors were read:

JOHN J. BITTNER, President  
CHARLES HUGGINS, Vice President  
CHARLES W. HOOKER, Secretary-Treasurer

The candidates were considered separately and elected. The list of newly elected members was read by the Secretary. These names are recorded in the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors on May 15, 1947.

The change in the By-Laws concerning qualifications for membership adopted by the Board of Directors was read. It was voted "That the change be approved."

The proposal that the annual dues of members be increased from $3.00 to $7.00 and include a subscription to Cancer Research was presented and discussed. It was voted "That the desire of the members be ascertained by distribution of printed ballots by mail."

The meeting adjourned at 2:31 p.m.

WILLIAM U. GARDNER,  
President  
CHARLES W. HOOKER,  
Secretary

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD MAY 17, 1947

The meeting was called to order at 12:42 p.m. at the Stevens Hotel in Chicago, Illinois, following waiver of previous formal notice of the meeting of the Directors signed by all Directors present and constituting a quorum. Present were Directors Aub, Bittner, Brues, Cowdry, Doisy, Gardner, Huggins and Shear.

The question of publication of abstracts prior to the annual meeting was again discussed. It was voted "That the present procedure be continued next year and that the Program Committee submit recommendations as to the make-up and handling of the program."

The question of symposia being held in conjunction with the annual meeting was also discussed and it was voted "That consideration of symposia be made the responsibility of the Program Committee for decision and action."
Dr. W. U. Gardner was appointed chairman of a committee to investigate the World Health Organization.

Dr. C. C. Little was appointed chairman of a committee on memorials for deceased members.

It was voted "That Chairman appoint a member of the Association to examine the desirability of affiliating with the Union of Biological Societies and submit a report."

**NEW BUSINESS**

It was unanimously resolved, "That Charles W. Hooker, Secretary-Treasurer and John J. Bittner, President, be, and each of them hereby is authorized in the name and on behalf of the Corporation to open a bank account or bank accounts with such banks, bankers and/or trust companies as they or each of them shall determine, and to deposit therein to the credit of the Corporation from time to time any and all monies and checks of the Corporation; and

Resolved, that the banks, bankers, and/or trust companies so designated as depositaries of the Corporation be, and they hereby are, severally authorized to honor and pay all checks, drafts, and other orders for the payment of money drawn upon such account or accounts (including checks, drafts, or other orders of one or both of the persons making, signing, or drawing them) made, signed or drawn by the following persons: Charles W. Hooker or John J. Bittner."

It was also "Resolved, that the Greenwich Savings Bank of 1356 Broadway and 985 Sixth Avenue, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, is hereby designated as depositary of funds of this corporation and is authorized to honor drafts and orders for the payment and withdrawal of monies therefrom made in the name of this corporation and signed by President, John J. Bittner, or Secretary-Treasurer Charles W. Hooker."

"And it is further Resolved that the foregoing authority shall continue until written notice of revocation of this Resolution shall be received by the Greenwich Savings Bank."

"And it is further Resolved that said The Greenwich Savings Bank is authorized to accept the certificate of the Secretary of this corporation as evidence of the names and signatures of the persons at any time authorized to act pursuant to this Resolution."

It was voted "That the sum $250 be allocated for secretarial assistance to be used as necessary."

It was voted "That the publication of the minutes and the scientific proceedings of the meeting be authorized and that the cost of publication be paid by the Association."

The Chairman of the Board proposed the following standing committees:

**Program Committee.**—J. C. Aub, Chairman: A. M. Brues, E. A. Doisy.

**Nominating Committee.**—W. U. Gardner, Chairman: W. E. Heston, Albert Tannenbaum.

**Membership Committee.**—Charles Huggins, Chairman: A. M. Brues, J. Firth.

**Journal Committee.**—M. J. Shear, Chairman: S. Bayne-Jones, M. W. S. Schram.


The Board approved the proposed Committees.

It was voted "That the report of the Committee on Cancer Research, its Organization and Support be published as part of the minutes of the meeting."

"The Committee on Cancer Research, its Organization and Support, felt that its first responsibility was to determine the attitude of those carrying on cancer research, the members of this Association, toward the Association taking a more active part in such matters and to determine their views with regard to forms of support for cancer research recently or currently planned.

"The questionnaire sent to the members is reproduced herewith and the replies tabulated. Many members sent additional comments, which have been used to help formulate additional recommendations.

"To summarize the viewpoint of the membership as a whole as presented by the questionnaire, there is a predominant feeling that the Association should actively interest itself in recommendations for the financial support of cancer research and also a federal subsidy is desirable. However, a lump sum appropriation is opposed. It was felt that no federal funds for cancer research should be administered through state health departments. The majority of members felt the present method of disbursement of federal funds for cancer research and of funds for cancer research by the American Cancer Society through the Committee on Growth to be satisfactory. However, approximately one-third of those voting felt that the present methods were not entirely satisfactory.

"It is obvious that most members desire their Association to take an active part in the organization and support of cancer research.

"The formal organization of cancer research, or of any research, is of uncertain value. Only when fundamental principles are known, and objectives clearly defined in relation to this knowledge can organization be expected to yield fruitful results. Organization of research to prevent duplication, to guide development, tends to sterility and to the production of "pot-boilers." Such organization might well have prevented the discovery of insulin on the ground that the experiments had been done before. "Cancer research has not yet reached and probably will never reach the stage where organization of a directional type can be other than hampering. Organization for the dissemination of knowledge in the field is desirable. Increased support should be given our official journal, Cancer Research. Conferences such as those sponsored by the American Cancer Society, the Donner Foundation and others, of those working in specialized fields are of value, as well as such general conferences as our projected Fourth International Cancer Research Congress next September."

"Support of Cancer Research should be continuing rather than on a lump sum basis with a short time limit, as in the proposed Pepper-Nealy Bill of the last session."
The problem of cancer is not so nearly solved that a time limit can be set for final success. The system of annual grants has been widely recognized as unsatisfactory, and most major grants-in-aid are now made with a tacit if not actual understanding that support will continue for several years.

"Two distinct types of research aimed toward the solution of the cancer problem exist—work on fundamental biological, chemical and physical problems that workers is thus inevitable. Special effort should be made to provide means of encouraging these to remain in the cancer research field and to capitalize on their experience."

It was voted "That the next annual meeting be held in conjunction with the meeting of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology, preceding that meeting if possible."

With respect to the program it was agreed that there be no change in the current practice of designating non-

### RESULTS OF THE VOTING

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<td>1. (b) Should the Association also be interested in recommendations for the financial support of cancer research?</td>
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<td>2. Do you favor a Federal subsidy for cancer research?</td>
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<td>3. Is a Federal lump sum appropriation of $100,000,000 for cancer research the most satisfactory type of support?</td>
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<td>4. Should the Association make recommendations for the administration of such an appropriation?</td>
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<td>7. Should the Association seek representation in any Federal agency established to distribute cancer research funds?</td>
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<td>8. Is it your opinion that the Association should have representation in other national public agencies set up to collect funds from the public to distribute them for cancer research?</td>
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9. Do you consider the method of disbursement of Federal funds for cancer research on recommendation of the National Advisory Cancer Council of the United States Public Health Service as satisfactory, unsatisfactory, or have you no opinion? | 114 | 50 | 94 |

10. Do you consider the method of disbursement of funds for cancer research by the American Cancer Society through the Growth Committee of the National Research Council as satisfactory, unsatisfactory, or have you no opinion? | 108 | 53 | 97 |

members as presenting papers "By invitation". It was also agreed that the Program Committee should make recommendations as to the style of abstracts acceptable.

Concern was expressed over the interruption of publication of Cancer Research. After discussion, it was Resolved "That the Board of Directors of the American Association for Cancer Research appreciates the difficulties facing the journal, but wishes to emphasize the urgency of prompt resumption of publication in order that the accelerated research in cancer be made available to investigators."

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

JOHN J. BITTNER, Chairman, Board of Directors

CHARLES W. HOOKER, Secretary
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