MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
of the
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
held February 4, 1969
at East Lansing, Michigan

PRESENT: Don Stevens, Chairman, Frank Merriman, Vice Chairman, Frank Hartman, Kenneth W.
Thompson, Blanche Martin. (Secretary Breslin and Attorney Carr were also present.)


President John A. Hannah reported that he had been approached to assume the position of
Director of the Agency for International Development which reports to the President of the
United States through the State Department; that he had concluded that the position was of
sufficient importance to the nation to require his acceptance; that such a decision was
compatible with the best interests of Michigan State University; that, if appointed and con-

firmed, he wanted to insure an orderly transition of University responsibilities during
the period required to select a new president; and that details of the change in administra-
tion should be determined by the Board of Trustees.

Following discussion by the entire Board, it was moved, seconded and unanimously voted:

FIRST: That Dr. Hannah is granted permission to continue negotiations with the
President of the United States, and the Secretary of State, and to accept appointment as
Director of the Agency for International Development, if mutually satisfactory. It is
understood that such an appointment is subject to confirmation by the United States Senate,
and therefore all provisions hereinafter specified are conditional upon such appointment
and confirmation.

SECOND: That Dr. Hannah continue as president of Michigan State University through
the end of the academic year which concludes June 30, 1969. He shall devote weekends, and
such additional days as may be required, to satisfactorily conduct the business of this
institution. It will be expected that he shall attend meetings of the Board of Trustees,
participate in legislative hearings, preside over Commencement ceremonies, and attend
functions important to the University. During the time the President is absent from the
University, the offices of Vice President for Research Development and Advanced Graduate
Studies, Vice President for Student Affairs, and Vice President for Special Projects, will
report to the Provost.

THIRD: That the President shall continue on full active status with the University
through the end of the week in which his appointment is confirmed by the Senate and he has
qualified with the oath of office. At such time as he is eligible to receive the salary
allocable to the Federal position, the remainder of his salary for the balance of his term
shall be diverted to the fund for the John A. Hannah Professorships. Nevertheless, all
travel expenses incident to his service rendered to the University will be paid by the
institution.

FOURTH: That effective July 1, 1969, Dr. Hannah shall be granted terminal leave,
with full pay, for the period ending June 30, 1970, in accordance with the provisions of the
retirement system.

FIFTH: That Dr. Hannah's family shall have full rights of occupancy of Cowles House
until September 1969; subject, however, to the contingency that earlier vacating may be
required for the convenience of his successor.

SIXTH: That, effective with the February 21, 1969 meeting of the Board of Trustees,
process for selecting a new president shall be instituted, as required by Article IV of the
Bylaws.

The Secretary and University Attorney were instructed to prepare a press release, which is
appended to these Minutes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

PRESS RELEASE:

At a special meeting tonight, the Michigan State University Board of Trustees unanimously
granted the request of President John A. Hannah to continue discussions with the federal
administration.

Should Dr. Hannah accept the directorship of the Agency for International Development, final
details will be worked out at the February 21 meeting of the Trustees.