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Minutes of a Meeting of the Committee for the Organisation of
Courses for International Students held at Bedford College
on Thursday, March 8th 1934.

At a meeting of the Committee for the Organisation of Courses for International Students held on Thursday March 8th at 2.30 p.m.

P r e s e n t The Principal in the Chair
Miss Baggallay
Mrs. Carter
Miss Dorsey
Mrs. Edkins
Mr. Mace
Miss MacManus
Colonel Parkinson
Miss Parsons
Mrs. Reid
Miss Lloyd Still
Mrs. Williams
The Secretary.

1. Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting had been circulated and were confirmed and signed as correct.

2. Communications received

Apologies for absence were received from: Miss Darbyshire.

3. Report of the sub-committee appointed to consider proposals for a one year's course in Social Work for International Nurses.

The Committee received a report from the sub-committee appointed to consider proposals for a one year's course in Social Work for International Nurses. The report had been circulated to the committee and is appended. (See folio.....)

The committee considered the report in detail and after discussion they passed the following recommendations, 1, 3, 4 and 5 being adopted from the report of the sub-committee, number 2 being substituted in place of number 2 in the sub-committee's report.

Recommended (1) that a one year's course of training in Social Work for International Nurses be introduced on the lines of the *appended draft.

Note * It was agreed that the note in brackets under the title of the course should be altered to correspond with the approved form of recommendation 2.

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Recommended
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- (2) that it be laid down that the course is intended primarily for students from those countries where longer courses for social training are not available; that students from countries where such training is available will only be admitted in exceptional circumstances.
- (3) that the Provisional Committee be asked to accept this course for the International Certificate alternatively with the Public Health and Nurse Administrator courses.
- (4) that the Council of Hospital Almoners be asked whether, in the event of the course being adopted by the Provisional Committee, they would be prepared to recognise it as a basis for Hospital Almoning and how many months training in Hospital Almoning they would require from such students.
- (5) that the International Certificate be awarded to all who follow the Social Studies course successfully and that any recognition of further training for a specialised type of social work which a student may take up afterwards be provided by the Institution giving the training.

4. Arrangements for the Presentation of Certificates, 1934.

Reported that Sir Austen Chamberlain and Judge Bingham the American Ambassador were both unable to accept the invitation of the League of Red Cross Societies because they were already engaged for July 9th

After discussion

Recommended

that Miss Lloyd Still, Chairman of the International Council of Nurses, be invited to present the certificates.

that Mrs. Carter be asked to put the following suggestions before Sir Arthur Stanley.

- i. that the date be altered from July 9th to July 10th if the American Ambassador would consent to speak on July 10th.
- ii. that failing the American Ambassador on July 10th, Lord Cecil of Chelwood or Mr. Collet Norman, Chairman of the Nightingale Committee, be invited in the order stated to speak on either July 9th or 10th.

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Recommended
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that if it be desired to have a speaker from the Nurses' point of view, invitations be issued to Mademoiselle Odier, member of the International Red Cross Committee, Geneva, or failing her, Mademoiselle Chaptal, President of the French Nurses' Association.

5. Date of the next meeting.

RESOLVED that the date of the next meeting be fixed for Tuesday, May 15th at 5.20 p.m.

6. Other business.

Letter from Mrs. Reid concerning the Recruitment of English Nurses.

Mrs. Reid asked permission to bring up the question of the recruitment of English Nurses for the International Course. She stated that for a long time those responsible had known that the recruitment of suitable candidates was a great difficulty. From information which Mrs. Reid laid before the Committee it was evident that the matter was one which needed serious consideration. Mrs. Reid asked that a sub-committee might be formed to examine the position.

Mrs. Reid's proposal received unanimous support.

RESOLVED

that a sub-committee consisting of:

The Chairman, ex officio

Miss Baggallay

Miss Darbyshire

Miss MacManus

Miss Parsons

Mrs. Reid

Miss Lloyd Still

be appointed to examine the position of the recruitment and selection of English Nurses for the International Course and to prepare a considered statement for presentation to the Organisation Committee.