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Minutes of the Sub-Committee of the Committee for the Organisation of Courses for International Students appointed to consider possibilities of co-operation with the College of Nursing on the educational side, held on Thursday, 20th June 1929 at 4.30 p.m.

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P r e s e n t The Principal in the Chair
Miss Bowes
Professor Edgell
Miss Lloyd Still
Mrs. Reid
The Secretary.

At the suggestion of Miss Lloyd Still, Miss Bowes was asked to tell the Committee in what way in her opinion the various courses in the Department of Social Studies at Bedford College could be made greater use of among English Nurses in co-operation with the College of Nursing. She stated that she thought developments might be made in two directions:-

- (a) In connection with a Health Visitors' Diploma
- (b) In connection with a Hospital Administration Course.

With regard to a Health Visitors' Diploma she proposed that a one year's course might be opened to students from the College of Nursing, Bedford College providing practically all of the courses on the academic side and the College of Nursing those on the professional side.

With regard to a Hospital Administration Course she proposed that the same procedure should be adopted but in the case of this course the College of Nursing would be responsible for providing a larger part of the instruction than in the case of the Health Visitors' Diploma.

Miss Bowes pointed out, however, that she felt that little could be done in encouraging English Nurses to take either of these courses without the help of scholarships as they already had to face so long a training they could ill afford to spend money on an additional six months' course; that if they should take the long course they would not be satisfied unless they got at the end of it a diploma and the best at present offered was the External Diploma in Nursing offered by the University.

She went on to say that she thought the only way to raise the standard of such a diploma was by encouraging really good students to take such a course and she asked whether Bedford College in co-operation with the College of Nursing could not do anything to get the University to institute an internal diploma in Nursing.

In reply the Chairman stated that she thought it not impossible that something on these lines might be arranged in the future.

Discussion took place as to the best method of obtaining a suitable syllabus for such a diploma and various suggestions were made. It was finally agreed that the best way to start operations would be to form a joint Committee between Bedford College and the College of Nursing to consider what courses could be arranged for English Nurses by the co-operation of these two institutions.

RESOLVED

that a committee be appointed to consider what courses could be arranged by Bedford College in co-operation with the College of Nursing for English Nurses.

that the Committee be constituted as follows:-

The Principal of Bedford College ex officio
4 members appointed by Bedford College
4 members appointed by the College of Nursing.