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BEDFORD COLLEGE FOR WOMEN
(UNIVERSITY OF LONDON)

Minutes of a meeting of the Committee for the Organisation of Courses for International Students held at Bedford College on Monday, 28th February 1938.

At a meeting of the Committee for the Organisation of Courses for International Students held at Bedford College on Monday, 28th February 1938 at 2.30 p.m.

Present The Principal in the Chair.

Miss Baggallay

Miss Coode

Mrs. Edkins

Dr. Mace

Miss MacManus

Dr. Mess

Miss Parsons

Professor Stebbing

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.

a. Apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were received from: Mrs. Carter
Miss Dey
Lt.-Col. Parkinson.

# b. Letter from the University of London concerning status of Associate Students.

Reported a letter from the University of London stating that the Course for International Students had been recognised as a course for Associate Students of the University.

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In reply to questions asked the Principal stated that the Registrar would be responsible for arranging for the registration of those students who desired it.

## 3. Business referred from the last meeting.

a. Admission of Students - Case of Mrs. Pillay (India).

Miss Baggallay reported that no reply had yet been received from India.

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# b. Division of lectures under Option A3 - Report from Miss Parsons.

Miss Parsons reported that the 30 lectures would be divided equally between Mr. Orde and the new Tutor.

#### 4. Reorganisation of the tutorial work of the International Students.

The report of the Sub-Committee set up to consider the appointment of a Tutor had been circulated to the Committee together with the proposed conditions of appointment.

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Reported that the conditions had been approved by the Councils of Bedford College and the College of Nursing.

RESOLVED that the conditions of appointment for the Tutor to the International Students as circulated be approved.

The Committee proceeded to consider the name recommended by the Sub-Committee for appointment to the new post, that of Miss Daisy Bridges.

The question was asked whether the appointment had been advertised. The Chairman, in reply, stated that the Sub-Committee had agreed not to advertise because Miss Bridges seemed so well qualified for a post with such varied and specialised requirements that it was improbable that advertisement would procure anyone as suitable.

After discussion it was agreed to adopt the recommendation of the Sub-Committee for transmission to the Councils of Bedford College and the College of Nursing.

Recommended that Miss Daisy Bridges, S.R.N., be appointed Tutor to the International Students on the terms laid down in the approved conditions of appointment.

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Miss Bridges received her nursing training at St. Thomas's Hospital (1919-23), gaining an Honours Certificate. She held the posts of Ward Sister (1925-33) and Night Sister (1933-36) at

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St. Thomas's Hospital. From 1936-37 she was appointed Nightingale Scholar for the International Course at Bedford College, gaining at the end of the year a Certificate with distinction in the whole course. In October 1937 Miss Bridges was awarded a Rockefeller Travelling Scholarship for a study of nursing education in Canada and the United States. She has been in Toronto since October 1937 and will be travelling in the United States from March to August 1938. Miss Bridges is 43 years of age.

## 5. Arrangements for the Presentation of Certificates, 1938.

A letter was read from Dame Elorence Barrie Lambert regretting her inability to accept the invitation of the Council to speak at the Presentation of Certificates 1938, as she was not well enough to undertake engagements at present.

A letter was read from Sir Arthur Stanley in which he said that he did not support the proposal to invite Lord Baldwin to address the meeting, on the ground that Lord Baldwin had never to his knowledge shown any interest in the nursing profession.

Discussion took place in which it was agreed that an attempt should be made to get at least one Speaker who was not of an English-speaking country.

Miss Baggallay stated that she understood from Sir Arthur Stanley that if it was decided to procure a Speaker from the visitors who would be attending the International Red Cross function in the summer it would be necessary to postpone the matter for at least another month, by which time he might know the names of those attending the Conference. It was resolved to recommend:

Recommended

that Mrs. Reid, M.A. (former Head of the Department of Social Studies at Bedford College) be invited to address the students and to give away the Certificates.

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that in the event of Mrs. Reid accepting this invitation, the invitation to a second Speaker be postponed until Sir Arthur Stanley be able to recommend a name from among those attending the International Red Cross Conference in the summer.

that in the event of Mrs. Reid refusing the invitation, Mlle. Cécile Mechelynck (Old International) be invited in her place, and Sir George Newman, G.B.E., be invited to make the principal speech.

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## 6. Date of the next meeting.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for Monday, 9th May at 3 p.m.