British School in the Lebanon

Minutes of the Ninth Meeting of the Board of Governors held on Friday, October 21, 1960.

Present:

Dr. Joseph Hitti (Chairman)

Jamil Bey Mekkaoui Mr. A. Catoni
Me. G. Tueni Mr. G. Heseldin
Dr. F.E. Boustany Dean F. Hanania
Mr. A.J. Edden Mr. N. Joly
Mr. T. W. Morray

Apologies were received from Sheikh Najib Alamuddin (en voyage).

- 1. The Chairman welcomed Mr. G. Heseldin and Mr. N. Joly to the Board and outlined the history of the project to date.
- 2. The Minutes of the Eighth Meeting of the Board, which had been circulated previously, were confirmed.
- 3. Arising out of the above Minutes (Item 4) Mr. Edden, in his capacity as H.M. Chargé d'Affaires and also as a member of the Board, reported on his visit to H.E. The President of the Republic. He stated that he had explained the present position to the President, who had agreed that the Board should carry on with the launching of a new appeal.
- 4. The Chairman explained that the main object of this ninth meeting was to discuss the form of a new appeal for funds, as decided in item 3 of the Eighth Meeting. The draft prepared was agreed in principle with certain additions. The "appeal" and "Covering Letters" should be prepared in Arabic/English. It was agreed on Mr. Heseldin's suggestion, that some further explanation of the project was desirable for possible new subscribers, and an amended "appeal" would be prepared with an "historical background." Mr. Tueni agreed to be responsible for the Arabic translation. The word "sterling" should appear in the figures given in the appeal.
- 5. Mr. Catoni emphasised the need, in view of the time factor imposed, for urgent action and proposed the formation forthwith of a Sub-Committee to deal with (a) the format of the Appeal (b) its distribution and (c) the drafting of covering letters; as well as the entire financial question. The Sub-Committee would be known as the "Appeal Sub-Committee." After discussion it was agreed that the following should serve as the Appeal Sub-Committee.

Jamil Eey Mikkaoui Mr. G. Heseldin Mc. Ghassan Tueni Mr. A.J. Edden Sheikh Nagib Alamuddin Mr. A.J. Catoni

This Committee would examine and recommend for the Chairman's approval all drafts etc. connected with the new appeal.

The "Appeal" should include a list of original sponsors, together with the names of the Board of Governors. The "Covering Letters" would be signed on behalf of the Board by the Chairman.

6. It was agreed that the Appeal Committee should receive the revised Draft and those of the covering letters for comment, as soon as prepared.