WHEREAS, President Welte, who will soon retire, has worked for almost forty years to improve the quality of instruction at Central Connecticut State College, and

WHEREAS, The development of the College faculty in scholarship and scholarly services has been outstanding under his leadership,

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Board of Trustees designate one full professorship to be named the Herbert D. Welte Chair and to be filled by distinguished scholars and teachers appointed from outside the Central Connecticut State College faculty, for periods of service not to exceed one academic year.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. J. Eugene Smith, Executive Secretary
    Board of Trustees for the State Colleges

FROM: H. B. Jestin

DATE: December 1, 1967

SUBJ: Herbert D. Welte Chair

We are planning a testimonial dinner for President H. D. Welte on Saturday, January 13, 1968. The highlight of the affair will be the announcement of the establishment of the Herbert D. Welte Chair at Central Connecticut State College.

The idea for establishing a Chair originated with a faculty group (Faculty Foundation). The Chair will be filled on a semester or annual basis by a renowned scholar, specialist, or dignitary who will be invited to come to the campus. Such individual would be invited to provide instruction, lectures, and seminars for the student body and faculty.

It would be greatly appreciated if Mrs. Bernice Niejadlik, Chairman of the State Board of Trustees would make the announcement for the establishment of the Chair on the evening of the testimonial dinner. The dinner will take place on January 13, at 7:00 P.M., in the Ballroom of the Student Center here at the college.

The financial obligation of such a Chair is one of our major concerns. Would you be kind enough to bring to the attention of the Board of Trustees the need for the establishment of such a Chair and that it would be a fine gesture if the Board of Trustees would permit the establishment of a position of full professor (salary - $18,100) for this purpose. If the Chair could be so financed, the monies could be raised to supplement the fund set aside by the Board of Trustees.

I am sure the members of the Board of Trustees, and yourself, realize how much the establishment of such a Chair would mean to Dr. Welte. It would be one of the finest ways in which we could recognize his long and outstanding service to the students and faculty of Central Connecticut State College.

H. B. Jestin
Vice President
Academic Affairs

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