REPORT

of the

PRESIDENT OF THE COLLEGE

to the

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

of

LINDENWOOD COLLEGE

June 11, 1963

It is a pleasure to make this report to the Board of Directors and Advisory Board of Lindenwood College.

COMMENCEMENT

Commencement exercises were held on May 25. 105 seniors were honored at these exercises. This is the largest graduating class we have had in the history of the College. Dr. Harold Taylor delivered an extraordinarily fine address which will be printed in part in the forthcoming Bulletin. Dr. Theodore A. Gill's sermon at the baccalaureate service was equally stimulating. The closing exercises were, we believe, unusually impressive.

Twenty-five members of the Senior Class have been accepted at graduate schools, fourteen of them holding significant fellowships or assistantships, two won Woodrow Wilson fellowships, and one an International Rotary Fellowship. Six members of the class graduated cum laude, one magna cum laude, and one summa cum laude. Fifty-one have accepted teaching positions for the coming year; four are going on to special education in nursing or medical technology; five have accepted non-teaching positions - one with Monsanto Chemical Company, one with Mallinckrodt, one with American Telephone and Telegraph, and one with Aloe; two are entering The Peace Corps. This was not only the largest, but one of the best graduating classes we have had.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

From the standpoint of class work this has been an exceptionally good year as is indicated by the record of the Senior Class. Twenty students were suspended for one semester for academic reasons and three were dismissed.

These figures compare with thirty-three suspended and one dismissed last year.

The Music Department under Professor Little's leadership has made substantial progress during the year. Public programs of the Choir and Choralaires, under Mr. Perkins' direction, have been of unusually fine quality.

The two day visit of Dr. Arnold Toynbee in April for a lecture and discussion periods with students was exceedingly stimulating.

In spite of these and other achievements there has been some restlessness among students and faculty due in part to disappointment that we have not proceeded with the erection of a science-laboratory building, and in part to the situation resulting from the resignation of the Dean, and to the lack of more definite results from our study of the curriculum. There was a substantial increase in the number of students who were subject to discipline during the year.

NATIONAL CHRISTIAN COLLEGE SUNDAY

National Christian College Sunday was observed as usual with a number of students participating in the services in the churches in the area. I think we have never received more enthusiastic commendation of these students from ministers and from members of the congregations than we have received this year.

ALUMNAE ACTIVITIES

The Alumnae Council and the alumnae clubs have been working with increased enthusiasm this spring and report that they are way ahead of previous years in responses to calls for contributions in the campaign which will be continued during the month of June.

The alumnae have moved Alumnae Weekend to the spring and we have moved Parents' Weekend to the fall feeling that this change is good for both groups concerned.

THE ST. CHARLES COMMUNITY SUPPORT COMMITTEE

This committee is holding a meeting this week and hops to complete the solicitation within ten days. A little over \$12,000 has been secured in gifts or pledges, and the committee hopes that after calls have been made on approximately 100 people on the list who have not been seen, this amount will be substantially increased.

This is to be an annual program under the sponsorship of a committee of local business and professional men, and like alumnae support it will grow.

SCIENCE-LABORATORY BUILDING

Mr. Wischmeyer has completed preliminary drawings for the sciencelaboratory building after several consultations with members of our Division of Natural Science. He has estimated that the building as now planned will cost \$2,000,000 equipped instead of \$1,250,000.

It is proposed that we study with Mr. Wischmeyer, Dr. Keizer, and the Buildings and Grounds Committee the possibility of reducing the size of the building so as to reduce the cost. It must be noted, however, that building

costs are rising and that the longer we wait to get started on the building the greater the cost will be for any given space provided.

We have placed requests for substantial sums for this building before several foundations and individuals and have hope of securing substantial gifts from some of those from whom we have received no reply except an assurance of interest. Two foundations have replied they could not give this year but would give further consideration to our proposal in January, 1964.

Our progress in the campaign for capital gifts in St. Louis continues to be disappointing. Plans are being made to intensify the solicitation of corporations and individuals within this area with volunteer help being organized under the leadership of the Chairman of our Steering Committee, Mr. Rowland.

A memo from Mr. Doenges, copy of which is attached, gives you a brief statement about the status of this effort.

RELATIONS WITH THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U.S.A.

The guidlines for the administration of our church related colleges as reported to you at the last meeting of the Board were adopted. Copy is attached.

The report that the Board has made to us on the basis of 1961-62 expenditures indicated that we ranked on salaries paid to Professors fifteenth on minimum and ninth on maximum of the forty-six institutions related to the church; on salaries paid to Associate Professors fifteenth on minimum and sixteenth on maximum; on salaries paid to Assistant Professors sixth on minimum and sixteenth on maximum; on salaries paid to Instructors ninth on minimum and sixteenth on maximum.

On income from endowment as a percentage of educational and general expenses we ranked fourth among these institutions; and on income from student fees thirty-eighth; income from gifts forty-second. On the percentage of expenditures devoted to administration and general expenses we ranked twenty-seventh; and on faculty salaries we ranked thirty-third.

BUDGET

Copy of the budget which is being submitted by the Finance Committee is attached to this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the following appointments to the faculty, subject to the approval of the Faculty Committee, be approved:

- Myrlin I. Barron, Instructor in the Department of Physical Education, at an annual salary of \$6,000.
- + Fred Helsabeck, Jr., Instructor in Mathematics and Physics, at an annual salary of \$6,000.
- Marilyn Hughes, Assistant Professor in the Department of Home Economics, at an annual salary of \$6,000.
- Esther L. Johnson, Associate Professor in the Department of Philosophy and Religion and Director of the Program for the Preparation of Certified Church Educators, at an annual salary of \$7,750.
- Sandra Munch, Instructor in the Department of Art, at an annual salary of \$4,700. (Part-time first semester and full-time second semester.)
- Rosamond Webster, Associate Professor in the Department of Sociology, at an annual salary of \$7,000.

It is recommended that the Board of Directors express appreciation to Dr.

Homer Clevenger for the excellent service he has given the College as Acting Dean.

Respectfully submitted,

F. L. McCluer President