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considered these discussions as guidelines in some sense. He therefore requested the Secretary to furnish the Board copies of the summarization of the discussions ahead of the usual dissemination of the minutes. Meanwhile, Regent Sicat added, in accordance with the discussions, the President and his staff can proceed with undertaking the preparatory work so that the Board may be guided at its next meeting.

Finally, the Board agreed to hold a special meeting at eight o'clock in the morning on Friday, December 8, 1972, for the sole purpose of considering proposals to be submitted by the President, as suggested by the Board, several days before the meeting.

VII. Other Matters:

1. Upon motion of Regent Fonacier duly seconded by Regent Tangco, the Board approved the restoration of the tenure of deans to five (5) years (from three years) and of chairmen of departments to three (3) years (from one year), this new resolution to be applicable to appointments approved at this meeting and hereafter.
2. Inquiring about student attendance in classes since the declaration of Martial Law, and upon being informed by the President that some students had dropped out or taken a leave of absence, Regent Fonacier asked the President for a report on the figures. The President said he would look into the matter.
2. The Board, on motion of Regent Fonacier duly seconded by Regent Sicat, requested the President to have a comparative study made of the advantages and disadvantages of the semestral, trimestral and quarterly systems, bearing in mind faculty and student welfare, use of facilities, and appropriate timing.
4. The President brought up the matter of resuming the activities of student organizations. While they have been suspended, he said, they have not been abolished, and meanwhile there is urgent need to maintain contact with students. He suggested that they be allowed to operate for non-political ends, such as cultural and athletic activities.

Regent Zamora said it was his impression that these had been going on all the time because according to the guidelines, normal activities can continue. Students should be informed that such activities can continue, he added.

The President welcomed the assurance that the University can proceed with normal student activities. He then informed the Board that Mr. Oscar Yabes, editor of the Philippine Collegian, had come to see him to ask him to act as guarantor for the student paper. He told Mr. Yabes, the President said, that the Collegian never needed a guarantor before, and this is hardly the time to give it the guarantee