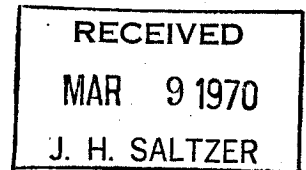March 6, 1970

To: Multics Administrative Meeting Group

From: J. M. Grochow

Subject: Minutes of the Meeting of March 5, 1970

Absent: McManus

Status Reports

Daley: Multics Programmer Update Number 2 and Number 3 are
in preparation: expected delivery one to two weeks. Fast
page fault handling coming along very well.

Ryan: Processor B does not work with 384K of memory. Ammons
is looking into this problem. Balcom Electric recommendations
are fairly extensive. Some of the work can be done immediately
by GE. Other work involves Technology Square management.

Grochow: The signed contract will be given to Henry Nye this afternoon.
The Patent Agreement is still in the hands of the MIT lawyers.

Agenda Items:

1. General reaction to the Report on Secondary Storage Predictions was
favorable. Recommendations included acquiring a 2314 and Datametrics
controller to be on the air in September. The existence of GE MSS-800
was mentioned and will be investigated further.

2. Steinberg is looking into the problems associated with one-way transfer
of information from CTSS to Multics and two-way transfer between the
various 360's and Multics. A report of problems (and solutions) should
be ready in about a month.

3. Interest has been expressed by State University of New York at Albany
and Buffalo in the use of Multics. Grochow will follow up.

4. A policy on demonstrations should be formulated to include differences between "user" demonstrations, "system" demonstrations, tutorials, etc. Steinberg and Grochow will start discussions.

5. A policy on system backup should be formulated, including information of length of time stored, quantity of information stored, retrievals, etc. This should be tied in with a general IPS policy. Ryan, Steinberg, Daley, Grochow will start discussions.

6. The question of off-premises system backup was discussed with the suggestion of a "fire drill": bringing the system up cold with just the tapes and cards that were in storage.

Pending: Guideline for non-MIT users, Scott
            Machine move schedule, Grochow