

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE REGENTS OF THE

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

JANUARY 24, 1911.

The special meeting of the Regents of the University of Oklahoma was called to order at the office of Governor Cruce in Oklahoma City at 11:40 a. m. by the Governor.

Present, Governor Cruce, Messrs. Rowsey, Hatchett, Betty, Perry, Gordon, Linebaugh, and Nelson. J. F. Warren of Oklahoma City, the newly appointed regent, took the oath of office and assumed his position on the Board.

The reorganization of the Board was first taken up. On motion by Linebaugh seconded by Rowsey, Mr. Cruce was elected temporary chairman. Mr. Hatchett was nominated for the position of President of the Board by Mr. Linebaugh. Mr. Rowsey was nominated by Mr. Nelson. Mr. Linebaugh then withdrew his nomination of Mr. Hatchett with the latter's consent. On motion by Perry seconded by Betty the nominations closed and Mr. Rowsey was declared elected President of the Board by acclamation.

Nominations for Secretary of the Board were next called for. Mr. Betty nominated Mr. Hatchett and the nominations closed and Mr. Hatchett was duly elected.

Moved by Betty, seconded by Linebaugh that the temporary meeting come to a close and the Regents adjourn to meet at once. Carried, and the meeting was called to order by Chairman Rowsey. Present, same as before except Governor Cruce who was excused.

President Evans reported that the special business which was to be attended to aside from the reorganization of the Board was the matter of appropriations needed for the next biennium. Estimates of the expenses of the University for the next two years were presented by President Evans as follows:

ESTIMATES FOR BIENNIMUM 1911-1913.

Item	1911-12	1912-13
Administrative (Salaries)	\$21,440	\$22,515
Administrative (Expenses)	33,900	32,350
College of Arts and Sciences:		
English	11,650	12,850
History	6,650	6,750
Sociology and Economics	2,460	3,400
Political Science	2,850	3,050
Mathematics	4,850	4,850
Chemistry	12,360	13,210
Geology	8,070	7,670
Physics	8,000	5,600
Zoology	7,530	4,530

Botany	4,360	4,710
Pathology	2,750	3,680
Physiology	4,250	4,450
Germanic Languages	5,000	5,100
Romance Languages	2,275	2,475
Astronomy	225	100
Psychology, Philosophy, Education	5,750	6,250
Greek and Classical Archaeology	2,750	2,500
Latin	3,000	3,000
Summer Session, Correspondence Work	6,000	6,500
School of Fine Arts	16,250	16,400
Pharmacy	3,110	4,000
Law	14,250	15,000
Medicine	19,000	18,700
Engineering	17,820	17,710
Library	11,380	11,380
Physical Training	4,360	4,560
State Laboratories	8,000	8,550
	<u>250,260</u>	<u>250,740</u>
Total for biennium		\$501,000

After some discussion of these recommendations the Board adjourned to meet at the Lee Huckins Hotel.

Session called to order at Lee Huckins Hotel, 12:45 p. m., same members present as at morning session.

The resignation of T. J. Brockway, Instructor in Psychology, was presented. Moved by Hatchett, seconded by Terry, that the resignation be accepted. Carried.

A motion was made by Hatchett, seconded by Farron, that President Evans be instructed to provide for the work of Mr. Brockway, distributing it among professors now at the University, without extra pay. An amendment to this motion was offered by Linebaugh, seconded by Nelson, that the matter be left to President Evans to get the work done for the rest of the scholastic year at a cost not to exceed \$50.00 per month. On vote, the amendment was lost and the motion as originally stated carried.

Attorneys Ben Williams of Norman and W. Fulton of Oklahoma City appeared before the Board to report on the case brought by the Regents which had been pending in the Supreme Court of the State. Mr. Williams stated that he had been employed by J. D. Lydic of the Board of Regents and that he had been so employed to represent the Board of Regents in the matter of its suit in the Supreme Court involving the validity and construction of the 1909 biennial appropriation bill, and that he had engaged Mr. Fulton to assist him in the case. Each of these men stated that

they were to receive no fee unless they were successful in sustaining the University's contention in said suit; that the Board of Regents did not owe them anything as the case had gone against the University; and that the Regents were under no obligation to pay them anything; that they thought, however, that their services were a benefit to the University and other state institutions so that they desired a recommendation from the Regents to the Legislature so that they might obtain an appropriation from the Legislature covering their fees for services rendered.

After some discussion a resolution was presented by Hetchett, seconded by Nelson, as follows:

WHEREAS, in the summer of 1910 an arrangement was made with Mr. Ben Williams of Norman, Oklahoma, by a member of this Board of Regents, J. D. Lydiok, Esq., to represent the Regents of the University in certain litigation before the Supreme Court of Oklahoma involving the construction and validity of the appropriation bill passed by the Legislature of the State of Oklahoma in 1909; and,

WHEREAS, it is stated by Mr. Williams that he employed Judge H. Fulton of Oklahoma City to assist him in said cause and that it was the understanding that if the Board of Regents failed in their suit before the Supreme Court that then the Board was un-

der no moral or legal obligation to pay them any fee or remuneration in any matter whatever, and,

WHEREAS, said litigation has resulted adversely to the Board and the Board feels that while it owes these gentlemen nothing, that their services in conducting said litigation and in drawing certain appropriation bills have been worth something to the University,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the proper officers of this Board tender to these gentlemen the sum of \$300 in payment of their services for any work or labor performed by them in said suit and in said litigation and in drawing said appropriation bills, and that this offer is made to these gentlemen with the distinct understanding that the Board is under no legal or moral obligations to pay them anything,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Regents that we decline to make any recommendation to the Legislature for the payment by the Legislature to these gentlemen of any sums whatsoever,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this \$300 shall be paid out of any available funds which the University now has or may hereafter receive out of which the same may be legally paid.

The resolution as made was duly carried.

Moved by Linebaugh, seconded by Betty, that the matter of the appropriations be referred back to the

Committee on Appropriations. Carried.

Moved by Warren, seconded by Nelson, that the Board recommend that Dr. Gordon attend the meeting of the Association of American Medical Colleges in Chicago February 27th and 28th with President Evans and that expenses of both be paid by the University. Carried.

Moved by Linebaugh, seconded by Nelson, that the special committee on appropriations from the Board be instructed to ask the Legislature to appropriate instead of \$25,000 for the School of Medicine in Oklahoma City, \$75,000 to be used by the Board of Regents in securing a site and putting up buildings, as far as this amount will go; that the appropriation of \$150,000 for a law building be divided and \$75,000 be used for law and \$75,000 for medical work, and that the Board of Regents request that the last two years instruction in medical work be located in Oklahoma City, and that this Committee on Appropriations be instructed to say to the Committee on Appropriations of the Legislature that it is the belief of the Board of Regents that \$75,000 is sufficient for the law building of the University. Carried.

Moved by Betty, seconded by Gordon, that the mileage and per diem and expenses of those attending this session of the Regents be allowed and paid. Carried.

Motion was made by Linobaugh duly seconded by Hatchett that the President of the Board appoint such committees as are required by law. Carried. President Rowsey asked until the next regular meeting of the Regents to announce new committees, which request was granted.

On motion the meeting adjourned.