

Norman Okla Oct 17 1903

The Regents met at 2 pm at the office of the University pursuant to call of Secretary.

Present G. W. Sutton Prest
" Hon T.B Ferguson Governor
D L Larsh, Secty
J L Wilkin

Absent Wood, Gilstrap

The Regents proceeded to consideration of allegations made by Prof F S Elder that defective bricks had been used by contractors in East and South walls of Science Building and that said walls had been approved by Supt notwithstanding defective materials had been used. The following gentlemen were present and were questioned by the Regents relative to said allegations
Towit: Prof F S Elder, Prof. W H VanVleet, President David R Boyd, Mr. Simpson Supt of Construction A H Williams Architect, and T OKeefe Contractor.

At conclusion of said hearing Regent Larsh moved the adoption of the following resolution which was seconded by Governor Ferguson

Resolved,

"That the President of the Board of Regents be directed to secure the services of a Board of three persons, consisting of one Architect and two builders and contractors of experience and standing, to examine the East and South walls of foundation of New Science building of the University now in course of erection at Norman, and report to the President of the Board of Regents, whether the brick used in said walls are of kind and quality required by the specifications under which contract for said building was let, and whether the brick named in such specifications are of a kind and quality suitable to be used in the construction of a building of this character as shown by the plans and drawings."

The Resolution was unanimously adopted.

The President announced the appointment of the following persons to serve on said committee and fixed Tuesday Oct 20th, 1903, at 2 pm as the time that said committee should meet at Norman and perform its duties under said resolution-

S A Layton, Architect of El Reno OT
W S Cooper Contractor & Builder Guthrie OT
Sam'l Howe " " Oklahoma City OT

Secty Larsh laid before the Regents a communication from W B Biddle Traffic Manager at SFRR in which he agrees to refund to the Regents for the benefit of the University 25% of Santa Fe RR proportion of all frt charges collected on material entering into construction of the New Library Building, excepting that on all brick shipped from points in southeastern Kansas, one half of charges collected would be refunded.

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Upon motion of Regent Larsh seconded by Gov Ferguson the proposition of contractor T OKeefe & Co to substitute Coffeyville brick & Tite Co's Kansas brick in Library Building in lieu of the Oklahoma City brick mentioned in the specifications for said Library, for the additional sum of one dollar per thousand to be paid by the Regents, was accepted, and, the Architect was directed to give the necessary written assent for the substitution, as provided for in the terms of the contract. It appearing that under the special rates granted by Mr. Biddle that the University would be entitled to about one dollar per thousand in excess of amt it would receive if the Oklahoma City brick were used after deducting the 1.00 per M to be paid to contractor.

Adjourned

/s/ D. L Larsh
Secty

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