

BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

A meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma was held on Friday, January 11, 1935, in the office of the President of the University, at 10:00 o'clock.

Regent Bowman, President of the Board, presided; others present: Hatchett; Kerr, Ledbetter, Rosser, Looney and Noble.

The minutes of the meeting held on Saturday, October 6, 1934, were approved as printed, each member of the Board having been furnished a copy previously.

President Bizzell reported that he had written to John Malthaner, Instructor in Modern Languages, on leave of absence, and attending Heidelberg University, concerning articles written by him and discussed at the previous meeting of the Board. President Bizzell reported that so far as he was concerned, the explanation of Mr. Malthaner was satisfactory.

President Bizzell reported also, that he had made further investigation through the post office, concerning one Victor P. Cameron, under whose name letters had been sent from Purcell, Oklahoma. The Postmaster at Purcell reported, "Have checked our records, but unable to locate this party."

It was the sense of the Board that no further action be taken in the matter and that the letters and other communications in this case be filed.

President Bizzell reported that he had received a telegram from Governor-elect E. W. Marland, requesting that Dr. Leonard Logan be granted leave of absence, contingent upon his request to use the services of Dr. Logan in some official capacity. It was the sense of the Board that Dr. Logan be granted leave of absence, if his services were requested by the state administration.

President Bizzell reported that S. D. Friedman, of Oklahoma City, had requested a hearing before the Board, concerning the residence status of his brother Carl D. Friedman, a minor, enrolled in the University of Oklahoma. Mr. Friedman was invited to appear before the Board and to make such statements as he desired, which in substance were as follows:

That Carl D. Friedman lived with his father, and completed high school in Peoria, Illinois, June, 1934.

That he came to Oklahoma in June, immediately following graduation from high school.

That he has no support from his father, and that he expects to remain in Oklahoma.

After a discussion of the regulation concerning non-residents, as it appears in the general catalog, it was voted that this student be declared a non-resident.

President Bizzell presented a petition from Roscoe Saxer, for a refund on fees paid. The petition stated that he had withdrawn from the University on November 23, and had been unable to return to the University, on account of injuries sustained in the bus accident on the band trip to Washington, D. C., during the Thanksgiving holidays.

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It was voted to refund one half of the non-resident fee, amounting to \$25.00, and one half of the general service fees, amounting to \$3.50, and the regular refund on military fees.

President Bizzell stated that he had had several conferences with the Executive Committee of the Athletic Council, concerning the financial status of the Stadium-Union Memorial Fund and the Athletic Department, and read a statement signed by Neil R. Johnson, President of the Stadium Union Memorial Fund, and Guy Y. Williams, President of the Athletic Council, setting forth the budget requirements for the balance of the year. The statement showed that \$17,029 would be required to take care of the salary budget and the athletic program, from January 1 to September 1, 1935, and that an additional \$17,000 would be needed for other items, details of which were submitted.

The following statement contains the recommendation of the Council to take care of the bonded indebtedness of the Stadium-Union Memorial Fund, and the budget requirements of the Athletic Council:

"Attached hereto is a statement of the present financial situation of the Stadium-Union Memorial Fund which discloses an indebtedness which must be met on or before April 1, 1935, of \$38,593.39, and estimated receipts of \$14,887.75, leaving a prospective deficit of \$23,705.64. In addition to the current obligations, the Stadium-Union Memorial Fund has bond and interest payment maturing for the next eight years, averaging \$43,000.00 annually.

The following plan for meeting the current obligations and future obligations of the Stadium-Union Memorial Fund is offered:

(1) That the Board of Regents make effective for the second semester, 1934-35, the ten dollar service fee which was voted by the Board in a meeting during the year 1933-34; and that the three dollar additional amount over the present fee be allocated to the Stadium-Union Memorial Fund. If this is done, approximately fifty to fifty-five thousand dollars will be raised annually which will be ample to take care of the present bond commitments and to retire the PWA loan from the Federal government to complete and furnish the Union Building.

(2) In order to meet the payment due on or before April 1, 1935, it will be necessary, in addition to the increased service fee, to raise approximately eight thousand dollars. To raise this amount we ask that any surplus from the Book Exchange be allocated to the Stadium-Union Memorial Fund.

Athletic Association

In addition to the statements made above, since the Stadium-Union Memorial Fund and the Athletic Association are so closely tied up together with reference to finances, we wish to make a brief statement of what the Athletic Association must have in order to continue to operate for the remainder of the school year 1934-35. It will require \$17,029.00 to take care of the salary budget from January 1, 1935 to September 1, 1935, inclusive. In order to continue our athletic program as planned, for the rest of the school year, it will require an additional seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000.00) as shown by sheet 3 of the attached statement.

Assuming that the above stated plan, which would take care of the bonded indebtedness of the Stadium-Union Memorial Fund, is adopted by the Regents, we recommend the following plan to handle the Athletic Association situation:

(1) That the University, through action of the Board of Regents, take over and pay all Athletic Association salaries from January 1, 1935 to September 1, 1935, inclusive. The amount, as stated above, is \$17,000.00. In 1931 the University paid more than half the salaries of the Athletic Department. In 1934-35, the University is paying only \$5,040.00 of the \$29,465.00 set up on the salary budget.

If the bond payments are taken care of and the salaries of the Athletic Association assumed by the University, for the period stated above, then the Athletic Council can probably borrow money enough to carry on the athletic program for the remainder of the school year, the amount as stated above is seventeen thousand dollars.

(2) We recommend that the Board of Regents establish a compulsory athletic ticket of five dollars (\$5.00) per student per year. Oklahoma is the only Big Six school that does not have a compulsory athletic ticket. Oklahoma A. & M. also has compulsory athletic tickets. In 1928-29, the compulsory athletic ticket brought in \$33,293.50. In 1934-35, the non-compulsory ticket brought in \$13,809.50.

If the above plans for the retirement of the bonds and the taking over of the athletic salaries are not put into effect immediately, both the Stadium-Union Memorial Fund and the Athletic Association will be forced into receivership.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Neil R. Johnson
President, Stadium-Union Memorial Fund

(Signed) Guy Y. Williams
President, Athletic Association.

After some discussion, and on recommendation of President Bizzell, it was voted that a \$10.00 general service fee be charged each student enrolled in the University, beginning with the second semester of the current school year. That the additional \$3.00 be allocated to the Stadium-Union Memorial Fund, and that the other \$7.00 be allocated as in the past. The motion was made, seconded, and carried, that the general service fee for the summer school, 1934-35, be increased \$2.00, and that this \$2.00 be allocated to the Stadium-Union Memorial Fund, and that the other \$3.75, be allocated as in the past.

A motion was made seconded, and carried, to establish a compulsory athletic ticket of \$5.00 per student each year, beginning with the first semester of 1935, with the provision that for satisfactory reasons, the President of the University, or a committee designated by him, may waive the purchase of this ticket for any student.

Regent Bowman, President of the Board, called for a vote on the motion, with the following result. All members voted "aye" except Regent Hatchett, who requested that he be recorded as voting "no". The motion was declared adopted by the President of the Board.

President Bizzell reported that the Faculty Club had requested that the University take over the maintenance of the Faculty Club Building, and read a statement showing that the cost for the past year was approximately \$200.00, which included several items which would not be required annually.

After some discussion it was the sense of the Board that the request could not be approved, owing to the fact that the Club building is owned by a private corporation.

President Bizzell recommended that the following fees for higher degrees be established, beginning February 1, 1935:

- Graduation fee for master's and professional engineering degree. \$15.00
- Graduation fee for doctor's degree 20.00

Dr. Ellsworth Collings, Director of the Summer School, recommended that the non-resident fee for the summer session be fixed at \$25.00 per student, beginning with the summer school, 1934-35.

Approved.

President Bizzell reported that Mabel Smithson, owner of a five acre tract of land, dividing the land now being used by the Department of Military Science, as a drill field, had asked a rental of \$100.00 per year, this being an increase of \$30.00 over the rental paid in the past. Dr. Bizzell recommended that Miss Smithson be notified that the University would continue to rent the tract at \$70.00 and requested that he be authorized to enter into a contract with her at that amount, beginning with the fiscal year July 1, 1935.

Approved.

President Bizzell reported the following resignations effective on the date indicated in each case:

- Mercedes E. Hoshall, Instructor in Public School Art, February 1, 1935
- Georgia M. Byron, Secretary, College of Business Administration, January 1, 1935
- Helen Wilkinson, Stenographer, Secretary's Office, February 15, 1935
- Judith Coker, Stenographer, Department of Physical Education for Women and Infirmary, December 1, 1934
- Gertrude Cookrill, Mimeograph Operator, January 1, 1935.

Ordered Filed.

President Bizzell recommended the following leaves of absence without pay, for the time indicated in each case:

- John B. Ewing, Assistant Professor of Economics, February 1, 1935 to June 1, 1935
- A. M. de la Torre, Instructor in Romance Languages, September 1, 1934 to June 1, 1935
- Margaret J. Moore, Instructor in Spanish, February 1, 1935 to June 1, 1935.

Approved.

President Bizzell reported that Johannes Malthaner, now on leave of absence, would return to his position as Instructor in Modern Languages, on February 1, 1935; and that he would be placed on the salary schedule at the rate of \$211.00 per month, to date from February 1, 1935 to June 1, 1935.

Approved.

President Bizzell recommended the following appointments to the position and at the salary indicated in each case and effective on the date specified:

J. M. Ashton, Assistant Professor of Economics, from December 1, 1934, \$259.00 per month.

Jeremiah Paul Holland, Assistant Professor of Military Science and Tactics, September 1, 1934 to June 1, 1935, \$189.00 per annum.

Virgle G. Wilhite, Acting Assistant Professor of Economics, February 1, 1935 to June 1, 1935, \$1,165.50 for four months.

Thelma Whaley, Instructor in Public School Art, February 1, 1935 to June 1, 1935, \$213.75 per month (\$1,710.00 per annum)

Miriam Dearth, Assistant in Voice, September 1, 1934 to June 1, 1935, 90% of fees.

Rob Moore, Special Assistant in Architecture, January 1, 1935 to March 1, 1935, \$125.00 per month.

Georgia Mae Beasley, Mimeograph Operator, January 1, 1935 to July 1, 1935, \$75.00 per month.

Mildred Coston, Secretary, College of Business Administration, January 1, 1935 to July 1, 1935, \$119.00 per month.

Nellita Jones, Stenographer, Department of Physical Education for Women and Infirmary, December 1, 1934 to July 1, 1935, \$75.00 per month.

Approved.

President Bizzell reported the following deaths in the Medical School in Oklahoma City:

W. J. Wallace, Professor of Genito-Urinary Diseases, September 18, 1934.

L. M. Sackett, Associate Professor of Gynecology, November 12, 1934.

Ordered Filed

President Bizzell recommended the following appointments in the School of Medicine at Oklahoma City:

Rex G. Bolend, Acting Head of the Department of Urology, Oct. 1, 1934

Willis K. West, Acting Head of the Department of Orthopedic Surgery, December 1, 1934.

Approved.

President Bizzell reported the following dismissals and resignations in the University Hospital at Oklahoma:

C. S. Shepard, Janitor, dismissed October 1, 1934

Henry Berdick, Janitor, dismissed October 1, 1934

Lucille Murchison, Stenographer, resigned December 1, 1934

Clarence Conner, Technician, Cystoscopic Department, Jan. 1, 1935.

Ordered filed.

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President Bizzell recommended the following adjustments in salaries at the University Hospital at Oklahoma City:

Mildred Connally, Stenographer in the Social Service Department, from \$65.00 to \$75.00 per month, effective January 1, 1935
J. D. Young, Nightwatchman, from \$65.00 to \$75.00 per month, effective January 1, 1935.

Approved.

President Bizzell recommended the following appointments in the University Hospital at Oklahoma City:

Mrs. G. E. Ervin, Admitting Clerk, December 1, 1934, \$75.00 per month
Nile Godfrey, Technician in the Cystoscopic Department, January 1, 1935, \$65.00 per month and meals
Arlene Abernathy, Stenographer in the Pathology Department, December 1, 1934, \$95.00 per month
Guy Hall, Janitor, October 1, 1934, \$60.00 per month
Roy C. Hoper, Janitor, October 1, 1934, \$60.00 per month.

Approved.

President Bizzell discussed with the Board, the report of the State Examiner and Inspector, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1933, and the newspaper articles containing criticisms on certain parts of University accounts. A copy of a communication from the Financial Clerk, in explanation of these criticisms, was given each member of the Board, together with a copy of the Examiner's report. No further action was taken.

President Bizzell presented a petition from Lewis Woodruff, President of the Men's Council, requesting that the so-called "no-date" rule be abolished and asked that Lewis Woodruff be permitted to appear before the Board for a hearing on this petition. Mr. Woodruff was introduced to the members of the Board and made a number of statements bearing on the question. There was considerable discussion after which Mr. Woodruff retired from the meeting, whereupon the Board gave further consideration to the petition.

The following was unanimously adopted and President Bizzell was instructed to report this action to the students:

"We unanimously adhere to the "no-date" rule without modification, believing that such rule is for the best interest of the University and its students. We request that all students honestly adhere to the rule and ask the administrative officers to strictly enforce it."

The question of deferred pledging in fraternities and sororities was brought up for discussion. President Bizzell stated that representatives of these organizations had requested a hearing before the Board and stated that he had agreed to submit this request. It was the sense of the Board that representatives of these organizations should be heard and the following were invited to appear before the Board:

Katherine Rader, Delta, Delta, Delta, President of Panhellenic
Josephine Landsittel, Kappa Alpha Theta
Betty Hume, Alpha Chi Omega

Denver Meacham, Kappa Sigma, President of the Interfraternity Council
Joseph Rucks, Phi Gamma Delta
Jim Riley, Phi Delta Theta
Allen Calvert, Beta Theta Pi

Following the conference with the students the question was discussed further, it being the sense of the Board that some plan of deferred pledging be instituted. President Bizzell was instructed to request the Interfraternity Council and the Panhellenic Council to appoint a committee to work with the Dean of Men and Dean of Women, with a view to making a recommendation on the subject, and that these recommendations be presented at the annual meeting of the Board of Regents in March.

Regent Kerr submitted the following resolution:

"In order that closer supervision may be given over the medical activities at the University Hospital and the Crippled Children's Hospital, there is hereby created the position of Medical Director. The Medical Director shall have full authority over all medical matters, including assignments and discipline of all interns, subject to the supervision of the Dean of the School of Medicine."

President Bizzell recommended that the Dean of the Medical School be requested to make a recommendation for the appointment to the position of Medical Director.

Approved.

Regent Kerr presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the record of the Crippled Children's Society shows there are nearly eight hundred crippled children on the waiting list who are unable at this time to secure admission to the Crippled Children's Hospital;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Regents that at least ninety per cent of the beds at the Crippled Children's Hospital be allocated for the exclusive use of cases coming under the general designation of orthopedic, plastic or corrective surgery; and that copies of this resolution be sent to the Dean of the School of Medicine, the Business Manager of the University Hospital, and the Admittance Clerk at the University Hospital.

Unanimously Adopted.

President Bizzell reported that several communications had been received concerning the warrants held by the University Hospital in payment for charges against counties, requesting that these warrants be returned following the decision of the Supreme Court, and asked for instructions on the disposition of these warrants. It was the sense of the Board that the Regents were without authority to return these warrants.

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Regent Hatchett suggested that a legislative committee of the Board be appointed to represent the Regents in appearing with President Bizzell before the legislature, on matters affecting the University.

Regent Bowman, President of the Board and Regent Ledbetter, to serve with President Bizzell, were appointed on this committee.

Approved.

There was a discussion with reference to the Revolving Fund Law and President Bizzell stressed the importance of revising the present law so as to make it operative under present conditions. It was the sense of the Board that a bill be prepared to bring about appropriate revisions in the Revolving Fund Law.

There was a discussion with reference to Research in the School of Medicine. The motion was made and seconded, that the budget committee be instructed to include an item of \$10,000.00 for Research in the School of Medicine.

Approved.

On motion adjourned.


Emil R. Kraettli, Secretary.