

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA
THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 1953 - 10:00 A. M.

The regular meeting of the Regents of the University of Oklahoma was held in the office of the President of the University, Norman, on Thursday, April 9, 1953, at 10:00 a.m.

The following were present: Regent T. R. Benedum, President, presiding; Regents Short, Morgan, Foster, Little, McBride. Also, W. D. (Dick) Grisso, who was appointed a member of the Board of Regents effective March 30, 1953, to March 29, 1960, to succeed Dr. Oscar White whose term expired on March 29, 1953.

The minutes of the meeting held on March 12, 1953, were approved.

President Cross reported that the College of Business Administration has been given a grant by the Committee for Economic Development of this state in the amount of \$10,000 for the first year, beginning in September, 1953, with a prospect of an additional \$10,000 the second year and \$5,000 for the third year, making a total of \$25,000. The purpose of the grant is for a cooperative research program covering some topic of vital importance to the economy of Oklahoma, with the understanding that the C.E.D. would lend its advice, counsel, and financial aid.

The Regents expressed gratification in the establishment of this grant. No further action was taken.

President Cross reported with reference to the wearing of masks and hoods by the Engineering club, Loyal Knights of Old Trusty, during St. Pat's celebration, this matter having been discussed at the March 12 meeting, at which time President Cross was asked to inquire of the Attorney General if the wearing of masks and hoods by members of the organization is in violation of 21 O.S. Sec. 1301. He reported that Frank Elkouri, Legal Advisor to the President's Office, had made a thorough investigation and in his opinion the organization had not violated any laws through its activities. He stated he had not had an opportunity to discuss the matter with the Attorney General, but would do so in the near future. With this explanation by the President, the matter was passed over for a future report.

The President made inquiry concerning the use of a University plane by Mrs. Cross for a trip to a meeting of Campfire Girls' Officers in Omaha, Nebraska. He stated she is a member of the National Council of Campfire Girls, the appointment probably having been made because she is the wife of the President of the University. Regent Foster stated that he felt the use of the plane for this purpose was entirely justified, other members concurring.

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north line of Section 24, Township 9N, Range 3W, and being a strip or parcel of land 25 feet in width adjacent to and parallel to the east right-of-way line of new U. S. Highway 77 and extending in a south-easterly direction along the east right-of-way line of U. S. Highway 77 to the intersection of the east right-of-way line of U. S. Highway 77 and the west right-of-way line of the A.T. & S.F. railroad main line, a distance of 850 feet, more or less.

- 2) Temporary easement for construction purposes beginning at the intersection of the east right-of-way line of the new U. S. Highway 77 and the north line of Section 24, Township 9N, Range 3W and being a strip or parcel of land 33 feet in width, adjacent to and parallel to the east right-of-way line of new U. S. Highway 77 and extending in a southeasterly direction along the east right-of-way line of new U. S. Highway 77, to the intersection of the east right-of-way line of new U. S. Highway 77 and the west right-of-way line of A.T. & S.F. railroad main line, a distance of 850 feet, more or less.

Moved by Regent Morgan and voted to grant the easement as recommended.

STADIUM CONCESSIONS:

For several years the University has considered taking over operation of Stadium concessions, rather than contracting with professional concession operators.

There have been complaints from time to time that the operations conducted by the concessions contractor have been highly commercialized rather than putting adequate emphasis on service to the football crowd.

The University Athletic Council has recommended that the Athletic Department assume responsibility for the operation of concessions at all athletic events effective with the football season of 1953. This would involve buying some new equipment, including food handling equipment, seat cushions, stadium chairs, and other accessories. It is anticipated that vendors in the Stadium would be provided with more efficient equipment than has been used in the past. The University's dormitory food service department would cooperate with the Athletic Department in the handling of food items and dispensing food and drink items from the booths under the Stadium.

The Athletic Council recognizes that some financial risk is involved, since there is no certainty as to the volume of sales to be achieved by a staff recruited and trained locally as compared with the vendor staff used by the concession contractor. However, the Athletic Council concluded that the value of improved service might over-shadow possible loss in revenue for an experimental year.

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President Cross stated that if there is no objection, Mrs. Cross, accompanied by two other officers, would use the University plane. There was no objection.

President Cross stated that he had for some time considered the appointment of a person who would work with the women students in the University with emphasis on personality development, leadership, poise, charm, and those attributes which would help in developing a more satisfactory home and social life. He stated such a program had been followed very successfully at the Oklahoma College for Women, and that the woman who was at O.C.W. is available.

Regent McBride moved that the President be urged to explore obtaining such a counselor for women for the University of Oklahoma.

On the vote on the motion, all members voted AYE except Regent Little who asked that he be recorded as voting NO. The motion carried.

President Cross stated that the appointment would be made in the School of Home Economics or in the Office of the Counselor of Women.

The proposed By-Law for the School of Medicine, as submitted previously by Dean Everett, was considered and changes were suggested in several sections. After going over the entire document, it was agreed that President Cross submit the document with the changes at the next meeting.

President Cross requested consideration of items as shown on the Agenda.

EASEMENT FOR WATER LINE:

The City of Norman has requested that the Board of Regents grant to the city an easement and right-of-way for a water line cutting across the southeast corner of the North Campus. The city needs this line in connection with extensive improvements now being made in the city water system.

The University's Director of Physical Plant, and the Vice-President and Business Manager have recommended that the easement be granted.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Regents authorize the officers of the Board to execute a grant of easement for water works facilities to the City of Norman, including

- 1) Permanent easement beginning at the intersection of east right-of-way line of new U. S. Highway 77 and the

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Regents approve the recommendation of the Athletic Council that the Athletic Department assume responsibility for the operation of concessions at all athletic events beginning with the football season of 1953, for at least one year.

Moved by Regent Morgan, and voted, to approve the recommendation.

Requested authorization to purchase paper stock for use by the University Press, Printing Division, in an amount of approximately \$14,500.

Approved, on motion by Regent Short.

President Cross recommended authorization to replace the 35 year old Model 14 Linotype with accessories in the Press Printing Division, at a cost of approximately \$9,000, funds for such purpose being available in the unobligated estimated income for educational and general purposes for this fiscal year.

Approved on motion by Regent McBride.

The Agenda contained an explanation and recommendation for a **POLICY ON APPROVAL AND EXECUTION OF CONTRACTS**. Following a discussion, President Cross asked that action on this matter be deferred until the May meeting. The Secretary was instructed to include the material in the Agenda.

STEAM LINE REPLACEMENTS AT UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS:

The Legislature has appropriated \$20,000 for a replacement of steam lines at University Hospitals, to become available this fiscal year in order for the work to be completed before cold weather next fall.

However, the State Budget Office reports that because of fund technicalities, purchase orders cannot be issued against this particular capital appropriation until about the 15th of June.

The State Budget Officer has agreed that, because of the timing problem, the materials could be purchased and the work started with the cost charged against the revolving fund of the Hospitals; with the understanding that the expenditures and encumbrances relating to this project will be transferred to the \$20,000 capital appropriation as soon as it becomes available for expenditure.

The use of revolving funds in this manner will require approval by the State Regents for Higher Education.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the University Board of Regents

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- 1) authorize application to the State Regents for Higher Education for approval of the use of not to exceed \$20,000 in University Hospital revolving fund money to begin the steam line replacement project at the Hospitals, with the understanding that all such expenditures and encumbrances will be transferred to the \$20,000 capital appropriation for this project as soon as the appropriation becomes available for expenditure;
- 2) authorize, subject to approval of this plan by the State Regents, the expenditure of approximately \$9,000 for purchase of pipe, fittings and other materials needed for this project;
- 3) authorize performance of the work involved in this project on force account under the general supervision of the University's Director of Physical Plant.

Approved on motion by Regent Little.

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS:

The President stated that for some time the University Senate has been considering the question of Intercollegiate Athletics in the University—its purpose and its relationship to the educational program. A committee was appointed several months ago and at the meeting on March 30, the committee made the following report which is submitted for consideration by the Regents.

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

To: University Senate
From: Committee on Academic Standards
Date: March 19, 1953

At the January 9, 1953 meeting of the Senate, your Committee on Academic Standards was asked to consider the following questions:

- 1. What should be the purpose of the athletic program at the University of Oklahoma and its relationship to educational policy?
- 2. What action—involving possible changes in policy and organization—should be taken to put into effect such purpose?

The Committee submits the following recommendations:

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I. Reorganization and Functions of the Athletic Council

A. Appropriate steps should be taken as soon as possible toward the dissolution of the Athletic Council as a corporation.

B. Beginning on June 1, 1953, the Athletic Council shall be composed of nine tenure-holding members of the faculty, one undergraduate student, one alumnus, the director of athletics (as an ex-officio, non-voting member), and the athletic business manager (as an ex-officio, non-voting member, to service as secretary of the Council).

C. The Athletic Council shall be reorganized in the following manner:

1. At its meeting in April, 1953, the senate shall nominate six tenure-holding members of the faculty to serve on the Athletic Council for three years, six for two years, and six for one year. The President of the University shall appoint three from each group.

2. In subsequent years, at the senate meeting in April, a like procedure shall be followed for the replacement of the three members whose terms are due to expire on June 1, and all appointments shall be for a period of three years.

3. The undergraduate representative shall be chosen annually by the Student Senate.

4. The alumni representative shall be chosen annually by the Alumni Association.

5. The chairman shall be chosen annually by the members of the council from the nine tenure-holding members of the faculty.

D. Within the framework of the applicable policies and rules of intercollegiate regulatory or accrediting agencies, the functions of the Athletic Council shall be as follows:

1. All questions of policy relating to intercollegiate athletics shall be referred to the Athletic Council for its consideration and recommendations. The council may on its own initiative consider such questions. In either event, the council shall submit its recommendations to the president of the University. Such questions of policy shall include the following:

- a. Policies relating to the eligibility of athletes.
- b. Policies relating to financial assistance to athletes.
- c. Policies relating to the scheduling of intercollegiate contests, including post-season contests.

The above enumeration shall not be construed to remove from the council's consideration any other questions of policy relating to intercollegiate athletics.

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2. The council shall consider the annual budget request prepared by the athletic director, and submit its recommendations to the president for consideration by the budget council.

3. The council shall make recommendations to the president concerning the appointment of the director of athletics and all members of the various coaching staffs.

4. The University's representative to the intercollegiate conference shall be appointed by the president upon the recommendations of the council.

5. The council shall meet monthly during the regular school year, on dates set by the council or the chairman, and at other times on call by the chairman.

II. Statement of Intercollegiate Athletic Policy

A. Since it is a major purpose of the University to provide the opportunity for all students to develop to the fullest possible degree all desirable abilities and skills, it shall be the purpose of intercollegiate athletics to provide the opportunity for each student to attain proficiency in athletic endeavors. The program shall be conducted in the realization that athletics is not an end in itself, but merely one of the contributing factors in the total education of the student.

(COMMENT: It is not the primary purpose of intercollegiate athletics to provide spectacles for the amusement of the public. A distortion of values in this respect creates pressures on the University to betray its fundamental objectives and seek winning teams at any price, and inevitably culminates in a temper of opinion which would flout all restraints and have the University behave as though it were a law unto itself.)

B. The responsibility for the program of intercollegiate athletics shall rest upon the chief executive of the University, with the same faculty participation in the formulation of athletic policies that exists in the formulation of policies in other fields.

(COMMENT: The University is always sensitive to the opinions of all interested persons and groups, in athletics as well as other matters; but when the final authority and responsibility for athletic policies and practices are wrested in any degree from the University administration, the whole educational program of the University is placed in the most serious jeopardy.)

C. The amateur status of intercollegiate sports shall be carefully maintained. To this end every athlete should be required, as a condition of eligibility, to proceed normally in his academic work toward the attainment of a university degree, and financial grants-in-aid should not exceed an amount which is reasonably calculated to defray the costs which are incident to university residence.

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(COMMENT: By positive acts and expressions, the University should discourage the attitude in any athlete or prospective student that his residence in the University is primarily a means for exploiting or glorifying his athletic prowess or for qualifying for participation in professional sports.)

D. A policy of providing financial aid to students who participate in athletics, when carefully regulated and limited in extent, is approved.

(COMMENT: Such a policy, when so regulated and limited, is not inconsistent with the amateur status of college athletes nor with the proper aims of intercollegiate athletics. Under ideal circumstances, the granting of scholarships to athletes might be administered differently from present prevailing practices. Such circumstances, however, do not now exist. It seems necessary to assert that the elimination of abuses in intercollegiate athletics cannot be expected to follow from any policy which is blind to the subterfuges which are readily at hand to subvert it. And no expedient has yet been proposed which insures that such subterfuges can effectively be prevented or controlled. Under such circumstances, it is believed that an open and honest policy in this regard is preferable to one which is essentially hypocritical. A pretense of purity is scarcely justified in the face of almost universal practices, which inevitably appear when a university washes its hands of this matter, and the existence of which is conceded by all except those who deliberately choose not to see. Under-the-counter transactions corrode the moral fiber and distort the sense of values of the students affected thereby, and produce the further evil, mentioned above, of withdrawing from the University administration, where it properly belongs, the ultimate control and responsibility for a university's athletic program. To proclaim that financial aid to athletes will not be countenanced in any form, when such aid inevitably will be forthcoming from some source or other, is, therefore, not only hypocritical, but tends to promote the very moral evils which the several regulatory agencies are most anxious to prevent.)

E. The University shall promote and insist upon sportsmanlike conduct on the part of those who participate in its sports, as well as those of the student body who support its teams.

(COMMENT: This is vital to the health of any athletic program. It is recommended that a code of good sportsmanship for all sports fans be formulated and announced and that the student body and its representative groups be enlisted in an effort to bring about its general acceptance and observance.)

Respectfully submitted,
Olin L. Browder, Jr.
John B. Eruce
George J. Goodman
V. E. Monnett
J. Teague Self
Morris L. Wardell
Lawrence Poston, Jr., Chairman

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President Cross recommended approval of the report of the University Senate.

On motion by Regent Little, the recommendation was approved.

PUBLIC HEALTH:

In August, 1944, the Regents approved the establishment of the Graduate School of Public Health. The University Budget Council and a special committee appointed to consider the matter, recommends that effective July 1, 1953, the School of Public Health be changed to a Department of Public Health within the College of Arts and Sciences. I concur in this recommendation. Also, that the Regents authorize forwarding the recommendation to the State Regents for Higher Education which has final authority in curriculum changes.

Approved on motion by Regent McBride.

PERSONNEL ITEMS:

FACULTY

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Luther Doyle Bishop, Assistant Professor of Business Management, leave of absence without pay, June 1, 1953, to September 1, 1954. To do graduate work leading to a Ph.D. at the Ohio State University.

APPOINTMENTS:

Mortimer Schwartz, Assistant Professor of Law and Law Librarian, University Libraries, \$6,000 for 12 months, July 1, 1953.

Port Robertson, appointed Freshman Football Coach, Department of Physical Education, \$5,600 for 12 months, July 1, 1953.

Robert Y. Ellis, Special Instructor, School of Music, \$400 for March, 1953, part time.

Herbert Max Smith, Special Instructor in Organ, School of Music, \$100 for March, 1953.

Jean Smith Allen, Kindergarten Assistant, University School, \$100 per month, 1/2 time, March 11, 1953, for the remainder of the current semester.

CHANGES:

Ronald B. Shuman, to be relieved of duties as Chairman of the Department of Business Management in order that full benefits of Research Professorship may be enjoyed, June 1, 1953.

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Dennis M. Crites, Assistant Professor of Marketing, salary increased from \$444.44 to \$555.55 for April and May, 1953. Assumed teaching load of Franklin S. Williams.

RESIGNATIONS:

Forrest Blankenship, Associate Professor of Chemistry, now on leave of absence, March 9, 1953.

Franklin S. Williams, Assistant Professor of Marketing; Extension Specialist in Marketing Services, School and Community Services, April 1, 1953.

Dawn Rippy Gwaltney, Kindergarten Assistant, University School, March 11, 1953.

SUMMER SCHOOL

APPOINTMENTS:

Dorothy Andrews, Visiting Lecturer, College of Education, \$1,000 for June and July, 1953.

L. A. Berry, Visiting Lecturer, College of Education, \$1,000 for June and July, 1953.

Dr. Alfred Allen Hellams, a member of the faculty of the School of Medicine, Visiting Lecturer, Mental Health Workshop, College of Education, no salary, July 6 to July 18, 1953.

Edgar Kelly Smith, Visiting Lecturer, College of Education, \$1,000 for June and July, 1953.

Taylor Wells Melan, Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Marketing, \$800 for June and July, 1953.

Balfour S. Whitney, Associate Professor of Mathematics and Astronomy, \$600 for 5/8 time, June and July, 1953.

Billie D. Holcomb, Assistant Professor of Secretarial Science, \$4.50 for 5/8 time, June and July, 1953.

Grace Barbour Kniseley, Reserve Room Librarian II, University Libraries, \$250 per month, April 1 to July 1, 1953.

CHANGE:

Arthur F. Bernhart, Associate Professor of Mathematics, salary increased from \$312.50 per month, 5/8 time, to \$500 per month, full time, for June and July, 1953.

CANCELLATION:

Andrew Sobczyk, Associate Professor of Mathematics.

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GRADUATE ASSISTANTS

APPOINTMENTS:

Kenneth Rollman, Department of Chemistry, \$1,200 for 9 months, September 1, 1953.

James Richard Stanford, Department of Chemistry, \$1,200 for 9 months, September 1, 1953.

Charles Dale Story, Bureau of Government Research, \$200 for 2 months, 1/2 time, April 1 to June 1, 1953.

RESIGNATION:

George W. Rucker, Bureau of Government Research, March 1, 1953.

SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND RESEARCH ASSISTANTS

FELLOWSHIPS:

Richard Dalsell Gamble, Research Fellowship, Graduate College, \$50 per month for 3 months, 25 hours per month, March 1, 1953.

Robert Lee Lattimore, McMahon Fellow in Journalism, McMahon Memorial Scholarship Fund, \$83.33 per month for 3 months, March 1, 1953.

Leonard Jackson, McMahon Fellow in Journalism, McMahon Memorial Scholarship Fund, \$83.33 per month for 3 months, March 1, 1953.

NON-ACADEMIC

APPOINTMENT:

Clifford Odell Walden, Geologic Map Draftsman, \$325 per month for 12 months, April 1, 1953.

CHANGE:

Martha Mae Newell, Executive Director of Y.W.C.A., Assistant Counselor of Women, salary rate increased from \$2,300 to \$2,480 for 12 months, February 1, 1953.

RESIGNATIONS:

Richard L. Disney, Jr., Public Relations Assistant, Sr., March 10, 1953.

Wayne L. Rock, Extension Specialist in Photography, Photography Service, April 1, 1953.

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SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS

LEAVES OF ABSENCE:

J. Hartwell Dunn, M.D., Instructor in Urology, return from military leave of absence, March 1, 1953.

Carl Krieger, Jr., M.D., Instructor in Anesthesiology, military leave of absence, May 15, 1953.

APPOINTMENTS:

Thomas E. Rhea, appointed Preceptor, Idabel, Oklahoma, of the School of Medicine, March 23, 1953.

Wilmer D. Binkley, Personnel Director, Department of Personnel, \$350 per month, March 4, 1953.

John Wardell Fredericksen, First Year Resident, Department of Radiology, \$75 per month for 4 months, March 1, 1953.

Theodore Robert Pfundt, First Year Resident, Department of Pediatrics, \$75 per month, February 1, 1953.

Catherine Elizabeth Forest, Dietetic Intern, Dietary Department, \$50 per month with laundry of uniforms, April 1, 1953.

CHANGES:

Florence S. N. Ling, title changed from Technician to Fellow, Isotope Laboratory, salary increased from \$150 to \$200 per month, February 1, 1953.

Frank E. Darrow, Fourth Year Resident, Department of Surgery, salary increased from \$90 to \$100 per month, November 1, 1952.

RESIGNATIONS:

Harrell C. Dodson, Jr., M.D., Associate Professor of Surgery, August 1, 1953.

Anthony Smykal, Jr., Assistant Psychologist, Health Department, March 14, 1953.

Walter C. Autrey, Resident, General Practice Department, January 31, 1953.

Stephen W. Thompson, Resident, Department of Medicine, January 31, 1953.

William J. Craig, Resident, Department of Pediatrics, January 31, 1953.

Approved on motion by Regent Little.

NEW BUSINESS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

The Chair suggested that the Regents express its appreciation to

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Dr. White for his services as a member of the Board and submitted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. Oscar White has recently retired as a Regent of the University of Oklahoma, having been appointed by the Governor on March 30, 1946, and

WHEREAS, he served as President of the Board of Regents from March of 1952 to March of 1953, and

WHEREAS, he devoted much time and energy to the responsibilities imposed upon him as a member and President of the Board of Regents at a great personal sacrifice and was always loyal and faithful to his duties.

NOW THEREFORE, Be It Resolved, that the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma expresses its regret in his retirement, and sincere appreciation for his devotion and unselfish service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Regents on this, the ninth day of April, Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-Three, and a copy sent to Dr. Oscar White.

/s/ T. R. Benedum

T. R. Benedum
President, Board of Regents

/s/ Emil R. Kraettli

Emil R. Kraettli
Secretary, Board of Regents

The resolution was unanimously adopted on motion by Regent Morgan.

President Cross discussed the recent reports with reference to the action of the North Central Association as it affects the Oklahoma A. & M. College, and the proposals to increase the appropriations for the institution to rectify its deficiencies. He recommended that the Regents appoint a Legislative Committee to work with him in looking after the interests of the University.

It was agreed, following a motion of Regent Foster for the appointment of such a committee, that Regents Benedum, Short and McBride serve as the committee.

President Cross reported that the Oklahoma National Guard, which is proposing to build a warehouse and motor vehicle storage building on the North Campus, for which a twenty-five year lease of approximately ten acres was

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authorized by the Regents in March, 1949 (p. 3045), and again discussed by the Regents on April 11, 1951 (p. 3944-45) requests four acres additional (total 14 acres) for this project. Regent Benedum stated the construction would involve an expenditure of approximately a quarter of a million dollars at the present time and might reach as much as a million by the time of completion. President Cross explained that the land in question is not required for any University purposes, and is not suitable for agricultural purposes. The National Guard would pay a rental of \$100 a year for the fourteen acres. A bill authorizing such a lease is now before the Legislature. At the end of twenty-five years the property would revert to the University.

Regent McBride moved, and it was voted to authorize a twenty-five year lease to the Oklahoma National Guard, as recommended by President Cross.

The Regents adjourned for luncheon in the Union Building during which a progress report was made by the Regents' Committee (McBride, Benedum, Short) following conferences with the Alumni Interfraternity Council on the housing matter.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Emil R. Kraetli, Secretary