

BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

A special meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma was held pursuant to the preceding call of the President, on November 7, 1935, at 10:00 a.m., in Room 214, State Capitol, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, and on roll call the following answered present: C. C. Hatchett, President of the Board presiding, Kerr, Looney, Ledbetter and Rosser. The following were absent: Bowman and Noble.

R. R. Owens, State Budget Officer, Lea M. Nichols, Chairman of the State Board of Affairs, Joe Smay, Architect on the Business Administration and Science Buildings, and Walter W. Kraft, Superintendent of University Utilities, were present at the meeting.

Mr. Nichols reported that bids had been received from seven contractors, on the construction of the Business Administration Building and upon tabulation of the bids it had been found that the Manhattan Construction Company, of Muskogee, was the lowest bidder. That the base bid of the Manhattan Construction Company was \$196,363.00, including alternates \$199,943.00. The next lowest bid by Dennehy Construction Company \$206,336.00 base bid, including alternates \$209,865.00.

A motion was made, seconded and carried, that the Board of Regents concur in the action of the Board of Affairs in awarding the contract to the Manhattan Construction Company.

There was a discussion with reference to the balance in the appropriation. President Bizzell explained to the Board that unless the entire appropriation of \$250,000.00 were used in this building that the PWA grant on the Science Building would be reduced proportionately, amounting to approximately \$14,000.00

A motion was made, seconded, and carried, that the Architect be instructed to prepare a list of items not included in the original plans and specifications, and that the Board of Affairs be requested to call for supplementary bids on such features of the building as were not included in the original plans and specifications.

There was a discussion with reference to supervision on the buildings. It was the sense of the Board that the Architect be designated as supervisor. Mr. Nichols, Chairman of the State Board of Public Affairs, stated that the matter had been discussed by his Board, and explained that while the Board of Affairs appreciated the interest and responsibility of the Board of Regents, the Board of Affairs also had a responsibility in seeing that these buildings were constructed according to specifications. He stated that he would report to the other members of the Board of Affairs, the wishes of the Board of Regents.

Mr. Nichols called attention to the payroll at the University Hospital Dairy. He stated that last month it amounted to approximately \$800.00 and this month approximately \$900.00. He stated also, that he had had reports that the milk produced at the dairy was costing a great deal more than if it were purchased from commercial dairies, and that complaints had been made about the Hospital Dairy being kept in a very unsanitary manner.

Regent Hatchett, President of the Board, stated that the Board of Regents had had periodical reports on the cost and the condition of the milk supply and that the Board had been satisfied that not only the cost is less than through commercial dairies, but that the bacteria count was much lower than the minimum requirement. Also, that the Board of Regents had felt that it was necessary to maintain the University Hospital Dairy in order to control the supply of milk for the Hospital.

Mr. Nichols suggested that the Auditor for the State Board of Public Affairs make a complete report and submit same to the Board of Regents for consideration.

It was the sense of the Board that such a report be made.

President Bizzell was instructed to request the State Dairy Inspector, through the State Board of Agriculture, to make an inspection and report on the Dairy.

Mr. Nichols stated that he had nothing further to present and left the meeting. The president of the Board of Regents expressed the appreciation of the Board to Mr. Nichols for his courtesy in meeting with the Board.

There was a discussion with reference to the leasing of the land, for oil and gas, on which the University Hospital and Medical School are located.

Regent Kerr submitted the following resolution:

R E S O L U T I O N

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS that no oil or gas leases should be given on the property set aside by law and dedicated for the use of the Medical School and Hospitals, and that the President of the Board of Regents be instructed to confer with the Governor and ask his cooperation in this matter.

On the vote on the resolution, the following voted "aye": Hatchett, Kerr, Looney and Rosser.

"Nay": Ledbetter.

Regent Kerr brought up the question of collections from counties in connection with the Crippled Childrens Hospital. President Bizzell was asked to report to the Board on what effort is being made to collect from counties on appliances furnished patients in the Crippled Childrens Hospital.

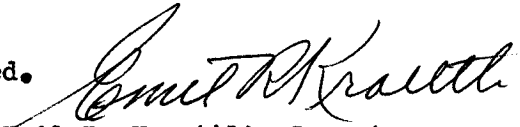
President Bizzell stated that it was his understanding that the counties were being billed in accordance with the law passed by the last session of the legislature, but that he would secure definite information and make a report at the next meeting of the Board.

President Bizzell reported that an application had been filed with the WPA for a grant to build a tower on the Oklahoma Memorial Union Building; that the application had been approved. Under this project the WPA would furnish approximately \$20,000.00 and that approximately \$10,000.00 would need to be

raised locally. He stated that the alumni and several members of the faculty had agreed to raise this amount on notes, to be retired during the next fiscal year. President Bizzell submitted a financial statement showing that this could be done from the surplus on the income from the fees collected at the beginning of each semester, provided that the fee remain as it is at the present time.

It was the sense of the Board that there be no reduction in the general service fees charged to the students of the University, nor in the allocation to student activities, during the next two years. All members of the Board concurred.

On motion adjourned.


Emil R. Kraettli, Secretary.