

BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

The May meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma was held on Monday, May 11, 1936 in the office of the President of the University, at Norman, Oklahoma, at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

The following were present: Regents Kerr, Ledbetter, Rosser, Looney and Noble.

In the absence of Regent Hatchett, President of the Board, Vice-President Kerr presided.

The minutes of the meeting held on April 1, 1936 were approved each member having been furnished a copy previously.

The minutes of the meeting held on May 7, 1936 were approved as read.

It was voted to extend to Eugene Ledbetter the thanks of the Board of Regents for his services in connection with the oil situation on the Medical School campus in Oklahoma.

There was a discussion with reference to the group insurance for employees. H. L. Muldrow, State Agent for the Minnesota Mutual Life Insurance Company, and E. L. Bragdon, group insurance specialist for that company, appeared before the Board for explanation of group insurance plans now in effect at other institutions.

Following this discussion it was the sense of the Board that since it would not be feasible to establish the insurance fund with which to pay the premium until October 1 when members of the faculty receive their first warrants in the new school year, that plans be made to put the program into effect on October 15, 1936. It was felt also, that since only a limited number of insurance companies had submitted proposals, more time would be needed to study the situation and the matter was passed over for further investigation.

Regent Looney, appointed at the previous meeting with President Bizzell to confer with the Attorney General with a view to collecting the account of Jewell Hicks due the University Hospital, reported that he had had a conference with Mr. Moore a member of the firm of Hicks and Moore, consulting architects, and that he had examined the correspondence and other material sent him by President Bizzell, but that he had not had an opportunity to reach a decision as to his recommendation for settlement. It was voted to defer the matter until the next meeting of the Board.

President Bizzell stated that the Norman Rotary Club had extended an invitation to the members of the Board to eat with them at their regular luncheon, whereupon the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 o'clock.

The Board reconvened at 1:30 o'clock p.m.

Regent Looney reported that he had just had another conference with Mr. Moore concerning the Jewell-Hicks hospital account and Mr. Moore had agreed to apply twenty-five per cent of the total fees due Hicks and Moore, Consulting Architects, in connection with the building program at the University, on the Jewell Hicks hospital account.

A motion was made, seconded and carried that the previous action at the meeting held on April 1, 1936, providing that the Board retain the full amount of claims due, be rescinded, and that the proposal to apply twenty-five per cent of the total fees due be accepted.

Regent Looney was appointed a committee of one and instructed to prepare assignment forms to be executed by Hicks and Moore, Consulting Architects. Under this agreement it was estimated that the total payment on the hospital account would be approximately \$1,575.00.

President Bizzell submitted the detailed report on the W.P.A. and P.W.A. projects on the University campus, in response to the request at the meeting held on April 1.

The President reported the death of William G. Schmidt, on April 8, 1936.

President Bizzell submitted the following recommendations of Robert Dott, Director of the Oklahoma Geological Survey for appointments during the month of June, in order to carry out investigation started under the W.P.A. grant:

- C. E. Decker, Professor of Paleontology University of Oklahoma, to work on the stratigraphy and paleontology of the Arbuckle limestone and Simpson group, in the Arbuckle Mountains; \$195.00 for June 1936.
- J. W. Stovall, Assistant Professor of Geology, University of Oklahoma, to work on stratigraphy and areal geology in western Cimarron County; \$195.00 for June 1936.
- A. N. Murray, Head of the Department of Geology, University of Tulsa, to work on stratigraphy and areal geology of a portion of Tulsa County; \$195.00 for June 1936.
- N. D. Newell, Geologist, Kansas Geological Survey, to check field work on a portion of Muskogee County, for revision and addition to a manuscript report prepared by the U. S. Geological Survey to be published by us. Dr. Newell will be on temporary leave from the Kansas Geological Survey; \$195.00 for June 1936.

Approved.

President Bizzell submitted the following recommendation of the Administrative Council:

✓ "A student who received a final grade of "F" in a course, or who repeats a course for credit, will be required to pay \$3.00 per credit hour for this course before he will be permitted to enroll again in any work in the University. If he does not apply for re-enrollment, he will not be deemed to owe this fee."

Approved.

President Bizzell reported that the following will not be re-employed after the close of the current school year:

Harriet G. Barclay, Acting Assistant Professor of Botany
Delzie Demaree, Special Instructor in Botany
Ruth Holzapfel, Instructor in Physiology
Ansel Challenner, Instructor in Electrical Engineering
Frank Roger Campbell, Instructor in Engineering Drawing
L. A. Haydon, Instructor in Dramatic Art
LeRoy Crabbe, Assistant in Civil Engineering
Miriam Dearth, Assistant in Voice
Grace I. Studyvin, Instructor in Greek
Ronald B. Shuman, Assistant Professor of Business Administration
Adrian Primo, Assistant in Violin
L. W. Kibler, Assistant, Department of Public Relations

Approved.

President Bizzell reported that the following now on leave of absence would return to their respective positions on September 1, 1936:

J. H. Felgar, Dean of the College of Engineering
Frank A. Melton, Associate Professor of Geology
N. E. Wolfard, Associate Professor of Civil Engineering
Dora McFarland, Assistant Professor of Mathematics
Dixie Young, Assistant Professor of Zoology
Edward C. Petty, Assistant Professor of Business Administration
Elgin Groseclose, Assistant Professor of Secretarial Work
A. M. de la Torre, Instructor in Modern Languages
Jeanette M. Alessandri, Instructor in Modern Languages
Charles McArthur, Instructor in Physiology

President Bizzell recommended the following promotions effective September 1, 1936.

Chemistry

Bruce Houston, from Associate Professor to Professor

English

Mary Elizabeth Simpson, from Assistant to Instructor

Latin

Morgan W. Redus, from Instructor at \$1,710.00 to Assistant Professor
at \$1,899.00

Modern Languages

Stella Sanders, from Instructor to Assistant Professor
Margaret J. Moore, from Instructor to Assistant Professor
Jeanette Alessandri, from Instructor to Assistant Professor

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Art

Leonard Good, from Instructor to Assistant Professor
Joseph R. Taylor, from Instructor to Assistant Professor

Approved.

President Bizzell reported that in a number of departments in the University it is imperative that teachers be added or that enrolments be limited. He recommended the following new positions be created at the salaries indicated:

Psychology

Assistant Professor, \$2,043.00

Social Work

Instructor, \$1,800.00

Business Law

Thomas Z. Wright, Assistant Professor, \$2,043.00

Architecture

Assistant Professor (Leonard Wolf has been employed during the current school year to assist Professor Smay) \$2,331.00

Petroleum Engineering

Associate Professor, \$2,800.00

Law

Professor, \$4,266.00

Approved.

President Bizzell recommended that Lewis Salter, Acting Dean of the College of Fine Arts since the death of Dean Holmberg, January 1, 1936, be re-appointed.

Approved.

President Bizzell reported that all of these changes were included in the budget which had been sent to each member of the Board and that there were only a few other minor changes from the budget of the current year.

Inquiry was made concerning the budget for the University Press, more particularly on the cost of maintaining the Press and the work produced; also concerning the income from the publishing division. The annual report of the University Press for 1935 was discussed.

A motion was made, seconded and carried, that the members of the Board be furnished with an annual statement showing all receipts and disbursements from any organization or department of the University which received any state funds, and also has an independent income.

President Bizzell presented the budget for the Medical School as recommended by General Patterson, Dean.

He presented the appointment of Charles Francis DeGaris as Professor of Anatomy at a salary of \$4,000.00 for ten months' service, from August 15 to June 15 annually.

The appointment of Dr. DeGaris was approved.

President Bizzell recommended promotion of Dr. T. M. MacDonald from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor of Pathology, without change in salary.

Approved.

The budget for the Medical School was approved except as to the clinical staff. Action on the clinical staff was postponed until the next meeting of the Board.

President Bizzell submitted the appointments in the University Hospital and the crippled Childrens Hospital, copies of the budget having been sent to each member of the Board.

Approved.

President Bizzell called attention to the request of the Board at the previous meeting, concerning the dismissal of Mr. G. R. Hettick, in the University Hospital. He stated that he had had a report from General Patterson and that General Patterson had stated that Mr. Hettick has been dismissed for the following reasons:

1. Irregularities in the petty cash fund; (2) shortage in fees collected from a student who had paid Mr. Hettick and for which a receipt was given; (3) that Mr. Hettick was frequently absent and that he spent a great deal of time at the State Capitol.

No further action was taken on this matter.

A motion was made, seconded and carried that the budget of the University at Norman be approved in its entirety with the exception of the reappointments of the Dean of Men and the Dean of Women.

✓ Regent Noble requested that J. F. Findlay, Dean of Men, be invited to appear before the Board concerning the Men's Constitution. Dean Findlay was called and he explained the history of student government from the time he came on the campus seven years ago. He reported the plan of the student election to be held on Tuesday, May 12, at which time they would vote on the following proposals:

1. Do you favor retaining men's student government?
2. Do you favor retaining the present "merit system" for the selection of representatives for the Men's Council?
3. Do you favor a constitution with a 60 point merit qualification for nomination to the Men's Council, with nominations to be followed by a general election?
4. Do you favor a constitution in which a "C" (1 point) average is the only requirement for nomination to the Men's Council, with nominations to be followed by a general election?

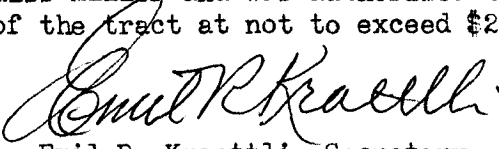
He stated that both political parties were in agreement on submitting these proposals and that an election of officers and representatives on the new Council, if approved at the election on Tuesday, May 12, would be held on Tuesday, May 19.

Dean Findlay was excused.

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried that the previous action withholding approval on the inclusion of the Dean of Men in the approval of the budget of the University be rescinded.

There was a discussion with reference to the purchase of a tract of land adjoining the intramural field, now owned by Miss Nannie Miller. President Bizzell was instructed to confer with Miss Miller and was authorized to work out plans looking toward the purchase of the tract at not to exceed \$2,000.00.

On motion adjourned.


Emil R. Kraettli, Secretary.