

BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma, was held at 11:00 o'clock a.m., on Monday, October 5, 1936, in the Faculty Room at the School of Medicine, Oklahoma City.

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

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday, September 7, 1936, were approved, each member having been furnished a copy previously.

The Chair asked President Bizzell to present any matters that he desired brought before the Board, and the following items were presented, the action in each case being as indicated:

Reported the following resignations:

Arlena Trayler, Assistant to the Dean of Women, effective September 1, 1936

Amy Taylor Sewell, Assistant in English, effective September 1, 1936.

Ordered filed.

Recommended that Irwin F. Bingham, Assistant Professor of Petroleum Engineering, be granted leave of absence, without pay, from September 1, 1936 to September 1, 1937.

Approved.

Recommended that John Alley, Professor of Government and Director of the School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, be relieved of his duties as Director of the School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, effective September 1, 1936; and, that Cortez A. M. Ewing, Associate Professor of Government, be designated Director of the School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, beginning September 1, 1936, without change in salary.

Approved.

Recommended the following appointments and changes:

Charles Clinton Smith, Special Instructor in Botany, at \$155.00 per month from September 1, 1936 to January 1, 1937 (because of part service of Dr. Paul B. Sears, Professor of Botany).

Henry Emmett Gross, Assistant Professor of Petroleum Engineering, at the rate of \$2,200.00 per annum, to date from October 1, 1936 to June 1, 1937.

- John T. Hefley, Instructor in School Administration (extension teaching), at the rate of \$1,710.00 for nine months' service, beginning September 1, 1936. (Revolving Fund).
- Jean Sugden, Assistant in English, at the rate of \$1,332.00 per annum, to date from September 1, 1936.
- Clement B. Waterfield, change salary from \$1,197.00 to \$1,332.00 effective September 1, 1936.
- Ruth Creveling, Manager of the Bookbindery, at the rate of \$75.00 per month, beginning September 1, 1936.
- Ruth Shannon, Secretary to the Dean of Women, at the rate of \$119.00 per month, beginning September 11, 1936.
- Inez King Jeffs, Librarian, Biology Building, \$95.00 per month beginning October 1, 1936.
- David Fudge, Assistant in the Department of Public Relations, at the rate of \$100.00 per month, beginning September 1, 1936.
- A. L. McGuffin, Janitor, at the rate of \$80.00 per month, beginning October 1, 1936.

Approved.

Regent Noble requested that he be recorded as not voting on the appointment of Henry Emmett Gross, as Assistant Professor of Petroleum Engineering, due to the fact that he is not acquainted with Mr. Gross.

Reported the resignation of Frank Cleckler, Alumni Secretary and General Employment Secretary, effective October 16, 1936.

Ordered filed.

Recommended appointment of T. M. Beard, Assistant General Education Service, Department of Public Relations, as General Employment Secretary, at a salary of \$2,500.00 for twelve months' service, effective October 16, 1936; Mr. Beard having been appointed Secretary of the Alumni Association.

Recommended further, that Homer Heck, now on leave of absence from his position as Secretary, Public Relations Department, be appointed Assistant, General Employment Secretary, at a salary of \$1,200.00 for twelve months' service, this appointment effective October 16, 1936.

President Bizzell reported that the Alumni Association will pay Mr. Beard \$1,500.00, making his total salary \$4,000.00 annually; and that the Stadium-Union Corporation will pay Mr. Heck \$1,200.00, making his total salary \$2,400.00 annually.

The appointments of Mr. Beaird and Mr. Heck, to the respective positions were approved.

Reported the following resignations in the University Infirmary:

- Marie Kuhlman, Nurse, August 1, 1936
- Thelma Biddler, Nurse, August 1, 1936
- Freda Kuhlman, Maid, August 1, 1936

Ordered filed.

Recommended the following appointments in the University Infirmary:

- Willie Fanning, reappointed as Head Nurse, at a salary of \$125.00 per month, beginning October 1, 1936. President Bizzell stated that Miss Fanning had been ill for several months, and that the official appointment was delayed pending her return.
- Elizabeth Bode, Nurse, \$75.00 per month, September 1, 1936, (11 months).
- Mrs. Paul Smith, Nurse, \$75.00 per month, September 1, 1936, (11 months).
- Winnie Mae Harmon, Maid, \$30.00 per month, September 1, 1936 (10 months).

President Bizzell stated that Dr. Forrest Clements, Associate Professor of Anthropology, was in charge of excavations in the Indian Mounds near Spiro, during the past summer, and that he had collected a large amount of historical material. He stated that there was no agreement with Dr. Clements as to his compensation for the summer's work.

President Bizzell reported also that Clyde L. Farrar, Associate Professor of Electrical Engineering, had supervised the rebuilding of the Radio equipment to comply with regulations of the Federal Communications Commission, also the moving of the studios into the new Union Tower, during the summer, and that Professor Farrar had asked that he be paid for his services in this work.

There was a discussion on the question of "extra work" by members of the regular staff. It was the sense of the Board that it be the policy of the Board not to pay additional for such work especially when it is along the line of the regular work of the employee.

In the case of Dr. Clements it was felt that he had rendered valuable service and that he should receive recognition and commendation. The motion was made, seconded and carried, that in recognition of Professor Clements' extra professional services in connection with the excavations at Spiro, Oklahoma during the summer, his salary be increased from \$2,988.00 per year to \$3,200.00.

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A motion was made, seconded, and carried, that Professor Farrar be paid \$150.00 for his services in connection with the radio station.

The Board adjourned at 12:15 o'clock for luncheon with Dean Patterson at the University Hospital.

After the Luncheon Dean Patterson and Regent Ledbetter asked that the Board look over the drilling operations on the Hospital grounds, and the repair work in the nurses' home, necessary on account of damage from vibrations from boilers and drilling near the building.

Following the inspection tour the Board met again at 1:30 p.m.

President Bizzell reported that Dr. Samuel Robert Cunningham, Professor of Orthopedic Surgery, had died on September 7, 1936.

President Bizzell was instructed to prepare a resolution from the Board and send a copy to Mrs. Cunningham and other members of the family.

Reported the resignation of Dr. Fannie Lou Brittain Leney, Instructor in Pediatrics, effective September 9, 1936.

Recommended the following appointments and changes:

Jesse L. Henderson, Instructor in Neurology (clinical staff)  
Milam Felix McKinney, Instructor in Medicine (clinical staff)  
George Bandle Felts, Instructor in Pediatrics (clinical staff)  
Theodore G. Walls, Professor of Otology, Rhinology, and Laryngology (clinical staff) Oct. 1, 1936.

Howard B. Shorbe, Instructor in Orthopedic Surgery (clinical staff) to Instructor in Anatomy at \$75.00 per month for nine months' service, beginning September 1, 1936.

John F. Kuhn, Jr., Instructor in Anatomy at \$675.00 for half time, to Instructor in Pathology at \$450.00 for nine months' service, beginning September 1, 1936.

George Harrison, Assistant Clinical Clerk, from \$50.00 per month to \$75.00 per month for nine months' service, beginning September 1, 1936, to be paid from the Revolving Fund.

Wendell Smith, Assistant Clinical Clerk, from \$50.00 to \$60.00 per month for nine months' service, beginning September 1, 1936, to be paid from the Revolving Fund.

Leo F. Cailey, Instructor in Ophthalmology,  
 to Associate in Ophthalmology (clinical staff).  
 E. Gordon Ferguson, Instructor in Ophthalmology,  
 to Associate in Ophthalmology (clinical staff).  
 J. J. Caviness, formerly a member of the clinical  
 staff, to be reappointed as Associate in  
 Ophthalmology.

Approved.

Recommended adjustments in salaries for the following:

Herman Perry, Assistant Laundryman, from \$72.00 to  
 \$85.00 per month, effective October 1, 1936.  
 Charley Tetter, Second Assistant Laundryman, from  
 \$67.00 to \$75.00 per month, effective October  
 1, 1936.

Approved.

President Bizzell stated that several students in the  
 University were requesting action by the Board of Regents on the  
 question of "residence" classification, and the payment of the  
 non-resident fees. He read petitions from the following:

Hubert Frings, Research Fellow in Zoology, that his  
 wife be permitted to enroll in three undergraduate courses, 11  
 hours, without being required to pay the non-resident fee. Mr.  
 Frings receives a stipend of \$300.00 per year and in addition  
 the non-resident fees are waived.

President Bizzell recommended that the petition be  
 approved, and it was so ordered.

Regent Ledbetter read a communication concerning Miss  
 Ruby Jane Douglas. He stated that Mr. Douglas had written to  
 President Bizzell concerning the matter, but the President  
 stated he had not received the letter. Following a discussion  
 of the facts in the case it was voted not to admit her without  
 the payment of the non-resident fees, since this would be con-  
 trary to the regulations.

Regent Ledbetter stated that Fred Daugherty, had  
 applied for admission to the Law School as a special student.  
 That Mr. Daugherty was a high school graduate, and also a  
 graduate of Cumberland University Law School. He stated that  
 while this young man was not eligible for admission under the  
 regulations, he lacked only a part of one year of academic  
 work, he has eight hours credit from Oklahoma City University,  
 and is twenty-two years of age. Also, that Dean Monnet was  
 willing to admit him as a special student, if this were approved  
 by the Board of Regents.

Regent Bowman moved, in view of the fact he is a  
 graduate of Cumberland University Law School, he be admitted  
 as a special student in the Law School.

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On the vote all voted "aye" except Regent Looney, who requested that he be recorded as voting "no", with the statement that he felt the rule should govern.

President Bizzell read the petition of Douglas Holland Hicks, who was a student in Louisiana State University last year, and enrolled as a resident of that state. President Bizzell stated that the committee at the University had declared him a non-resident under the Regents' regulations.

Moved that the committee recommendation on the status of Mr. Hicks be sustained.

On the vote the following voted "aye": Bowman, Kerr, Ledbetter, Hatchett. Voting "no": Looney, Rosser, Noble.

✓ Regent Noble asked that the minutes show his reason for voting "no" was on account of the fact that Mr. Hicks is over twenty-one years of age, and as such he had a right to declare the state of which he desired to be a resident.

The Chair declared the motion carried, and that Mr. Hicks be required to pay the non-resident fee.

A petition by Edward R. Bowlby was read. On motion, seconded, and carried, he was declared entitled to classification as a resident, on the basis of facts set forth in the petition.

A communication from Dr. C. L. Border, of Mangum, Oklahoma, concerning his brother, Ira Border, was read. After discussing his situation, he was declared not eligible to classification as a resident under the regulations.

President Bizzell stated he had no other communications and explained in detail what had taken place from the time of the first advertisement of bids up to the present.

He stated the Attorney General had ruled that the "combination bid" on the three tracts could not be accepted, and it would, therefore, be necessary for the Board of Regents to adopt resolutions to be presented to the Commissioners of the Land Office, for their guidance in making leases. Regent Ledbetter suggested first, that a resolution be adopted concerning Tract #1, which included the area occupied by the University Hospital, the Crippled Children's Hospital and the Nurses' Home between Phillips and Kelley Avenue and Thirteenth Street, and the alley north of Eleventh Street. Also, that resolutions concerning other tracts be adopted in order that the School Land Commission be informed of the desires of this Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 1

A motion was made, and seconded, that: In view of the Attorney General's opinion holding that the combined bid of the H. H. Wegener Company on the University Hospital and Medical School Lands can not legally be accepted, we request the School Land Commission, to set aside the acceptance of said bid.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2

A motion was made, and seconded, that: We request the School Land Commission to accept the bid of the H. H. Wegener Company on Tract #1, University Hospital land, providing for a bonus of \$25,000.00, and one eighth (1/8) royalty.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 3

A motion was made, and seconded, that: In order to meet the requirements of the Attorney of the H. H. Wegener Company, proposed lessee of Tract #1, that the President and Secretary of this Board join in executing the lease on said Tract.

And, that said lease when so executed shall be the valid lease of said Board.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 4

A motion was made, and seconded, that: The Attorney General be requested to file suit in the name of the State for the benefit of the University, to vacate the dedication of streets, alleys, and parks, as to all of Tract #1.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 5

A motion was made, and seconded, that: We request the School Land Commission to accept the bid of the H. H. Wegener Company on Tract #2, providing for a bonus of \$61,000.00 and one-eighth (1/8) royalty.

It was further moved, and seconded, that: In order to meet the requirements of the Attorney of the H. H. Wegener Company, proposed lessee of Tract #2, that the President and Secretary of this Board join in executing the lease on said tract.

That the said lease when so executed, shall be the valid lease of said Board.

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Motion carried.

R E S O L U T I O N N O . 6

A motion was made, and seconded, that: As to Tract #2, University Hospital land, that in as much as a controversy has arisen as to the ownership of Block 11, amended plat, Second Capitol Addition, Oklahoma City, we request the Commissioners of the Land Office to permit Oklahoma City to join in the lease as to said block; with the agreement that the bonus money and royalty in proportion that said block bears to the total acreage in Tract #2, be impounded until the ownership can be settled.

Further, that the Attorney General be requested to institute a suit in the name of the State for the benefit of the University, to establish the ownership of said Block #11.

Motion carried.

R E S O L U T I O N N O . 7

A motion was made, and seconded, that: In the event the matter of leasing the various tracts of University Hospital and Medical School lands, can not be worked out with the action of the Board on this date, that Regents Ledbetter and Kerr be, and they are hereby appointed, as a committee with full power to act in all matters relating to the leasing of the land.

Further, that the School Land Commission be requested to accept the recommendations of Regents Ledbetter and Kerr in all matters relating to the leasing of Hospital or Medical School lands.

Motion carried.

R E S O L U T I O N N O . 8

A motion was made, and seconded, that: The School Land Commission be requested to accept the bid of the Bryan Petroleum Company on Tract #3, University Hospital lands, providing for a bonus of \$20,200.00 and one-eighth (1/8) royalty.

Provided further, that if Regents Ledbetter and Kerr deem it advisable, they may make in lieu hereof, further recommendations to the School Land Commission, and if so, their action will be the action of this Board.

Be it provided further, that the President and Secretary of this Board join in executing the lease on said Tract, and that the said lease when so executed shall be the valid lease of said Board.

Motion carried.



R E S O L U T I O N N O . 9

A motion was made, and seconded, that: The Attorney General be requested to institute a suit in the name of the State, for the benefit of the University, to vacate the dedication of an amended plat, Second Capitol Addition, insofar as it concerns Block 7 to 9, and Block 10, Block 11, and Block 12, and 14th Street between Blocks 7 and 12, and 9 and 10, leaving McMeacham Parkway open.

Motion carried.

President Bizzell reported that the University had made application for a WPA project to include various repairs and improvement items on the campus; this application having been filed during the summer.

He stated that WPA officials were requiring that the Board of Regents of the University, known as the Sponsors, should pass a resolution in connection with this application. He submitted the form of resolution suggested by WPA officials. A copy of this resolution follows:

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Board of Regents, University of Oklahoma, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, through its properly constituted officials, submitted a project to the Works Progress Administration through the State Department of W.P.A. for the State of Oklahoma, said Project being No. 4-345, bearing O.P. No. 65-65-2502, and which was approved on Presidential Letter No. 5312;

AND WHEREAS, in said above numbered and certified project, it was proposed that the W.P.A. would furnish the sum of \$14,472.00 for labor and certain materials and Board of Regents, University of Oklahoma, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, hereinafter called the Sponsor, was to furnish the sum of \$13,460.45 for labor and materials;

AND WHEREAS, it was further understood by and between the said Sponsor and the W.P.A. that in consideration of the starting of the project immediately by the W.P.A. that the Sponsor relieve the W.P.A. from any and all responsibility that may arise if said project is not completed on or before December 31, 1936; and that the sponsor is to furnish all skilled labor necessary for the proper completion of said project, above the number of laborers the W.P.A. can furnish and pay for from the Relief Rolls, as authorized by the W.P.A. Bulletins, and orders now in force or which may hereinafter be promulgated.

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BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Regents, University of Oklahoma, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, in regular session, that the Board of Regents, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, accept the condition set forth above and agree to furnish the sum of \$13,460.45 to be expended as set forth in Form 301, of Project No. 4-345, O. P. No. 65-65-2502, which was approved on Presidential Letter No. 5312, wherein the W.P.A. is to contribute the sum of \$14,472.00 to be expended as set up in said Form 301 of said Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by said Board of Regents, University of Oklahoma, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, that in addition to the Sponsor's contribution as set forth above, that in consideration of the starting of said project by W.P.A. in the near future, the Board of Regents, University of Oklahoma, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, agrees to relieve the Government of the United States from any responsibility which might be occasioned if this project is not completed on or before December 31, 1936, and further, the Sponsor agrees to furnish all skilled laborers necessary to complete said project, above the number of laborers that can be furnished by W.P.A. from the Relief Rolls, or any other method now provided for by Bulletins and rules issued by W.P.A. or that may be hereinafter promulgated for such purposes. And further, that said Board of Regents agrees to transport any workers to and from the project that may be necessary to successfully carry out the project as set forth on Form 301 and this resolution.

And further, that in the event the W.P.A. has not sufficient funds for completion of the project by the 31st day of December, 1936, the Board of Regents will carry on the project at least to the extent that it will not be left in an unsightly or discreditable condition.

(Signed) C. C. Hatchett  
President.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary.

A motion was made, and seconded, that the resolution be adopted.

A vote was called for on the resolution, all members voting "aye".

The resolution was, therefore, declared carried.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned to meet again on Monday, November 2, 1936.

  
Emil R. Kraettli, Secretary.