

BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma was held on Monday, April 5, 1937, in the office of the President of the University, at 10:30 a.m.

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

(Term of George L. Bowman, Kingfisher, expired March 24, 1937. Joe McBride, Walters, appointed by Governor Marland, appointment confirmed by Senate on March 30, 1937).

The Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, March 1, were approved, each member having been furnished a copy previously.

There was a discussion on the various bills affecting the University now pending in the Legislature. President Bizzell called special attention to House Bill No. 499 "An act making an appropriation for the purpose of constructing and equipping a cooperative dormitory at the University of Oklahoma at Norman, Oklahoma, authorizing the Board of Regents of said university to obtain any benefits available from the National Youth Administration of the Federal Government; and declaring an emergency." President Bizzell explained that the bill provided for an appropriation of \$4,000.00, and that the plan provided for completing rooms under the stadium for the purpose as outlined. He stated that the Board of Governors of the Stadium-Union Corporation had endorsed the proposal, and recommended that the Board of Regents approve the plan. Following a discussion of the matter, during which it was emphasized that careful supervision be given to all details of construction, and later the operation of the project, it was voted to approve the project.

Major Kerr reported on several other bills, calling special attention to House Bill No. 86 (Institutional Appropriation Bill), stating that through some misunderstanding the maintenance appropriation for the university was approximately \$100,000.00 less than had been tentatively approved by the Budget Officer and the Committee on Appropriations. He stated that he had discussed the matter with Mr. Shoemaker, Chairman of the Appropriation Committee, also with some of the Senators, and that he had been given assurance an attempt would be made to restore the amount.

President Bizzell stated that a committee representing the Student Association had asked for a hearing on a proposal for student representation in the management of the University Book Exchange. It was the sense of the Board that the students be heard.

Ralph Kenyon, President of the Men's Association, and Kenneth Harris, a member of the Men's Council appeared before the Board. Ralph Kenyon explained the request for representation in the

management of the Book Exchange. He discussed prices of new books; second hand books, bought and sold; outlines and manuals in mimeograph form prepared by members of the faculty and sold to students, etc.

Question by Regent Rosser: Do you think the Book Store is efficiently run?

Answer by Mr. Kenyon: I am not in a position to say. We feel they are making too large a profit; that they should pay more for second hand books or reduce resale prices.

Regent Rosser: The point is you think the Book Store is making too much profit?

Kenyon: Yes, that is our contention.

The Chair asked if there were further questions. There being none, the students left the meeting.

Charlie Miles, Manager of the Book Exchange, came before the Board. Upon questioning he explained that new books were sold at 10% below publishers' list price, second hand books bought at 50% of new price and resold at 70%. That during 15 years of operation there had been a profit averaging approximately \$4,000 per year on business ranging from \$75,000 to \$100,000 annually. He explained also the mimeographing and other methods of preparing manuals, text books, etc., by members of the faculty, stating that some were paid royalties by publishers but that in no case had he made any contracts for royalties to members of the faculty. He stated also that in some cases no royalties were paid.

Motion by Regent Noble, and carried: that President Bizzell furnish the Board with a complete list of all texts and pamphlets prepared by members of the faculty that the students are required to purchase, and the cost to the student.

On the proposal of the Men's Council it was voted to take the matter under advisement, pending further investigation.

President Bizzell read the following petition signed by the President of the Senior Class and the President of the Junior Class:

"We, the senior classes of 1937 and 1938 wish to erect a memorial which has been designed and will be carved by Mr. Julius Struppeck.

"The total cost of this piece of sculpture will be two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00). This expense will be divided evenly between the senior classes of 1937-38 each paying one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).

"It is our wish to use one dollar of each senior's graduation fee as a means of financing this project.

Yours very truly,

D. C. Russell, Senior Class President  
Robert W. Larson, Junior Class President."

It was voted not to approve the petition for the reason that the graduation fee was established for a definite purpose and that it would not be possible to divert any of these funds for the Senior Class Memorial.

The Board recessed for luncheon at 12:30 p.m., with the Alumni Board at the Student Memorial Union. The following members of the Alumni Board were present at the luncheon: Earl Foster, President of the Association, Raymond Tolbert, Neil Johnson, R. W. Hutto, T. M. Beard, Secretary of the Association.

Mr. Foster reported that the Alumni Association had worked out a plan of re-organization whereby the salaries of all officers and employees of the association be paid by the association, thus removing them from the University pay roll. He stated that it had long been the hope that this might be done; also, that it was the desire of the association to be of every possible assistance to the Board of Regents and the University. That they were happy to become better acquainted with the members of the Board of Regents and that they appreciated having the Board as their guests for luncheon.

The following is the present schedule of appointments and salaries in the University-Alumni program:

The University now pays:

- 1. Salary (part for state work) - T. M. Beard . . . . . \$2,500.00
- 2. Salary (part, assistant, Heck for supervising state work) 1,200.00
- 3. Editor, Roscoe Cate (part salary for editing scientific articles for educational magazine) . . . . . 1,200.00
- TOTAL . . . . . \$4,900.00

The Alumni Association now pays to University:

- 1. Annual printing contract, magazine and supplies . . . . . 2,300.00

Proposed reorganization effective April 1, 1937, with salary changes: The University under this plan would pay:

- 1. An additional \$600.00 per year on the salary of H.R. Heck making a total state salary of \$1,800 per year since he would be required to supervise more state work now housed in the Union Building.
- 2. The salaries of Beard and Cate, totaling \$3,700.00 would be removed from state payroll.
- 3. Under this plan the University would save in salaries a total of \$3,100.00 per year.

The Alumni Association under this plan would pay to the University:

- 1. An annual printing contract, magazine and supplies . . . . . 500.00

Summarizing the above set-ups, under this proposed plan of re-organization:

- 1. The University will save \$1,300.00 annually which it is now paying for work of the Alumni Association.
- 2. The Association would become self-supporting with its employees paid by Association funds.
- 3. It would place the Association, organized on a business basis, in a position to do constructive work for the future development of the University of Oklahoma and the Alumni as a united body.

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Major Kerr, President of the Board, stated that the help of the Alumni Association was needed in the legislative program, "more than any time in the last ten years". He explained with reference to various bills now pending in the legislature, calling special attention to the discrepancy in the Maintenance Appropriation. He said he would be very happy to have members of the Association assist in working out lines of procedure and suggested that detailed information about various bills be furnished members of the Association.

Following the luncheon the Board met again in the President's office, at 1:45 p.m.

President Bizzell presented the following resignations, effective on the dates indicated:

Philip W. Harsh, Assistant Professor of Latin, June 1, 1937.  
Charles E. McArthur, Instructor in Physiology, June 1, 1937.

Ordered filed.

President Bizzell recommended the following changes in title:

Louis B. Fritts, from Assistant to Secretary of the Correspondence Study Service in the Department of Public Relations, effective September 1, 1936

John W. Stovall, from Assistant Professor of Geology to Assistant Professor of Paleontology, effective September 1, 1936

Maurice Halperin, from Assistant Professor of French to Assistant Professor of Romance Languages, September 1, 1936

Thomas Edward Stidham be promoted to the rank of Professor of Physical Education and that his title be changed from Director of Athletics to Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, effective February 15, 1937

Dewey Luster, Backfield Coach, be given the rank of Assistant Professor of Physical Education, effective February 15, 1937.

President Bizzell explained that these changes were desirable to correspond with the duties of the individuals concerned.

Approved.

President Bizzell recommended that leave of absence under the regulations governing sabbatical leave, be granted Dr. Ernest C. Ross, Associate Professor of English, from September 1, 1937 to September 1, 1938.

Approved.

President Bizzell recommended that leave of absence under the regulations governing sabbatical leave, be granted Dr. Gustav E. Mueller, Associate Professor of Philosophy, from September 1, 1937 to September 1, 1938.

A motion was made that President Bizzell's recommendation be approved.

On the roll call on the motion, all Regents voted "aye" except Regent Looney, who requested that he be recorded as voting "no".

Motion carried.

President Bizzell submitted the appointment of Dr. Oscar William Reinmuth, as Professor of Classical Languages, at a salary of \$3,200.00 for nine months service, beginning September 1, 1937.

President Bizzell explained that it was contemplated combining the Latin and Greek Departments as the Department of Classical Languages. He stated that Professor Paxton, formerly Head of the Department of Greek, was on retirement allowance and that Dr. Sturgis' physical condition was not such that he was able to carry on his duties satisfactorily. President Bizzell stated that he would consult with Dr. Sturgis about retirement even though he had not reached the retirement age of seventy.

The appointment of Dr. Reinmuth was approved and the President was authorized to make whatever arrangements might seem desirable concerning Dr. Sturgis.

Regent Noble offered the following resolution: "That a complete list of the faculty for each school or college be prepared to show the degrees, salary, rank, together with the subjects taught, hours of credit given, number of students in each class, and the number of lectures given outside".

Resolution adopted.

President Bizzell brought up the question of retaining Dr. Bobo as Director of the University Infirmary, stating that he felt a younger man should be employed.

It was the sense of the Board that a change be made. President Bizzell was instructed to confer with Dr. Bobo expressing appreciation of his services during the years he has acted as Director, but that the Board felt a younger man should be placed in charge.

President Bizzell discussed the question of the appointment of a Dean of Women.

There was a divided opinion on the qualifications that a woman should have for this position and on the motion by Regent Hatchett, it was voted that the selection of a Dean of Women be deferred until the next meeting of the Board of Regents.

President Bizzell stated that General Patterson, Dean of the Medical School was waiting outside and suggested that he be invited to present matters affecting the Medical School and Hospitals. General Patterson was invited to appear.

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General Patterson made the following recommendations, which in conference with President Bizzell, had been approved:

That Lee K. Emenhiser, Associate Professor of Anatomy, now on leave of absence, be given an extension of leave to September 1, 1938.

Approved.

Resignations:

Mrs. Candice M. Lee, resigned as Associate Professor of Nursing Education, Director of the School of Nursing, and Superintendent of Nurses, effective March 15, 1937

John T. Kramer, resigned as Senior Interne on March 5, 1937.

Appointments and Changes:

Frances B. Hughes, employed as Stenographer in the School of Nursing on March 18, 1937, at a salary of \$75.00 per month

Leona Streepy, employed as X-Ray Technician on March 1, 1937, at a salary of \$100.00 per month

Bob Jones, Storeroom Clerk, salary increased from \$75.00 to \$80.00 per month, effective March 1, 1937

F. P. Bertram, part-time Orthodontist, returned from leave of absence on March 1, 1937. Salary \$72.00 per month

Edith Triplett, Instructor in Nursing Education and Assistant Superintendent of Nurses in the University and Crippled Children's Hospitals, be appointed to the position of Superintendent of Nurses, effective March 16, 1937, at a salary of \$160.00 per month. This salary includes complete maintenance.

Goldia Hermanstoffer, Instructor in the Principles and Practice of Nursing, be appointed to the position of Assistant Superintendent of Nurses, effective March 16, 1937, at a salary of \$110.00 per month

Mrs. Ora Fuchs Ryan be appointed to the position of Instructor in Nursing Education, effective March 16, 1937, at a salary of \$90.00 per month

Dr. Wayne McKinley Hull, Director of the Out-Patient Department be transferred to the position of Assistant Director of Laboratories of the University Hospitals, at a salary of \$250.00 per month, effective May 1, 1937

Dr. George Newton Barry, be appointed Director of the Out-Patient Department of the University Hospitals, at a salary of \$200.00 per month, effective April 15, 1937.

General Patterson called attention to policies with reference to admission of patients in the University Hospital and the rates of pay, stating that it seems desirable to have a restatement of the classification of patients and pay charges. He submitted the following outline and recommended adoption by the Board of Regents:

"The admission of all patients shall be subject to the approval of the Dean and Superintendent or the Medical Director.

"The following regulations governing the admission of all classes of patients to the hospital are based on the assumption that beds are available. On account of the demand for hospital service by indigent patients, and the lack of beds, no guarantee of admission can be given for any patient at any time.

- "(1) Only patients whose condition may be improved or benefited by hospital care and treatment shall be admitted to the Hospital. Exception may be made for the temporary admission of unusual cases when believed to be of value for teaching purposes.
- (2) Patients suffering with tuberculosis, contagious or communicable disease, venereal disease, mental conditions, or alcoholism, shall not be admitted to the hospital.
- (3) Members of the faculty of the School of Medicine, members of the attending staff of the hospitals and their immediate families, all interns and student nurses, and graduate nurses regularly employed for one year or more, in acute illness requiring medical or surgical care, may be admitted to the hospitals without charge when accomodations are available.
- (4) After examination and recommendation by the Director of the Admitting Department of the hospital, approved by the Medical Director, members of the immediate families of the Faculty of the Medical School may be admitted as patients. If placed in private rooms they shall be entitled to 20% discount on all regular hospital charges. When occupying other than private rooms they shall pay the regular clinical rates.
- (5) All other employees of the Medical School and Hospitals may be furnished hospital care and treatment by members of the attending staff at the clinical rate of \$15.00 per week.
- (6) All employees of the Medical School and Hospitals injured in line of duty shall be entitled, without charge, to examination and such care and treatment, including hospitalization, and for such length of time as in the opinion of the attending staff physician may be necessary, provided that immediate report must be made by such injured employee to the head of his or her department or to the Director of the Admitting Department or the Medical Director of the Hospitals, giving details of such injury.

- (7) Medical Students (Infirmary). Medical students will be entitled to examination and treatment, including hospitalization when necessary, for a period of not to exceed five days each semester. After the first five days the clinical rate of \$15.00 per week will be charged. Medical Students will only be admitted for elective surgery upon the payment of the regular clinical rates for hospital service. Diagnostic X-ray and other special laboratory work will be charged at regular clinic case rates. This rule applies only while school is in regular session.
- (8) Private patients may be admitted through the Chief Clerk's office when beds are available, at the regular hospital rates, upon requests of members of the attending staff of the hospitals.
- (9) Pay Clinical Patients:
  - (a) For hospitalization, requires approval of Director of the Clinic.
  - (b) Financial investigation must show that they are unable to pay a private physician or regular hospital rates.
  - (c) Must be able to pay \$15.00 a week (flat hospital rate). Payable first two weeks in advance, weekly thereafter.
  - (d) Includes obstetrical cases.
- (10) Prenatal Clinic. When beds are available, prenatal clinic patients able to pay \$10.00 for first week and \$2.15 per day thereafter may be admitted to hospital. Other prenatal clinic patients unable to pay clinic rate may be delivered at home with attendance provided by the hospital clinic. Indigent patients with proper authority will be admitted in the discretion of the Director of the Clinic.
- (11) Indigent patients, (Adults and Children), Admitted:
  - (a)
    1. After examination in Out-Patient Clinic.
    2. Approval of Director of Clinic as proper case for hospitalization under hospital rules.
    3. Satisfactory evidence of inability to pay for care.
    4. Presentation of properly executed authority (from County Commissioner or County Judge).
  - (b) Emergency indigent cases requiring immediate hospitalization and pending receipt of county authority.
  - (c) Cases required for teaching purposes, upon approval of the Medical Director.



(12) Soldiers' Relief patients shall be admitted to the hospital upon proper request of the Soldiers' Relief Commission, in accordance with the agreement entered into between the hospital and this commission regarding type of cases to be admitted.

(13) Emergency cases admitted when:

- (a) Requiring immediate hospitalization to save life, or who cannot be moved to home or other hospital without further danger, and
- (b) If subsequently found able to pay, may be transferred to other hospital as soon as condition will permit.

(14) The following categories of patients, State employees injured in line of duty, members of the Legislature, State Officials, State Employees, members of the schools and colleges of the State, students of the University, employees of the University, physicians, graduate nurses in active work, the Ministers of the Gospel, will be classed as Private (regular rates), Pay Clinical (\$15.00 a week), or County Patients, in accordance with their financial ability to pay and the type of accomodations the hospital is able to furnish.

(15) All other patients will be classified as pay patients according to their ability to pay.

(16) Laboratory, X-ray, Physio-therapy, Radium and other special service rates to be established by the Dean and Superintendent and the Medical Director. Fee table shall be in general conformity with rates charged by other hospitals and laboratories in in Oklahoma City.

(17) The Dean and Superintendent or the Medical Director are authorized to waive any part of the above rules when, in their judgment, circumstances justify such action."

Approved.

General Patterson discussed the report on the admissions during the last five years, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the Board, in accordance with the resolution at the previous meeting. General Patterson discussed the feasibility of accepting non-resident students in the freshman class. He stated that this was done in practically every medical school in the country and that it would tend to raise the scholarship in our own Medical School because it had been necessary to accept

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students with low scholarship averages in order to fill the quota.

The following recommendation was presented:

"That not to exceed ten students from outside the state be accepted in the freshman class and that the non-resident fees for out of state students be fixed at the rate of \$250 per year in addition to the regular fees charged; provided that this increase in non-resident fees does not apply to any non-resident student in the school at this time. The new rate to become effective for students enrolling for the first time in September of 1937".

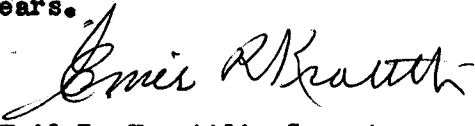
The recommendation was approved.

There was a discussion with reference to the previous action limiting admissions to 11% from any one county in Oklahoma.

No action was taken.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried, that Regent Ledbetter be appointed a committee of one to negotiate with Martin Brothers for a renewal of lease on the University Hospital Dairy for a period of two years with an option of two additional years.

On motion adjourned.

  
Emil R. Kraettli, Secretary.