

BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

A special meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma was held on Thursday, January 30, 1941, in the home of Dr. Claude S. Chambers, Seminole, Oklahoma, at 2:30 p.m.

Regent Noble, President of the Board presided; others present, Regents Wimberly, Looney, and Hopper; absent, Regents McBride and Rogers.

There was a discussion concerning the athletic situation caused by the resignation of Tom Stidham, Coach and Director of Athletics.

President Bizzell submitted the resignation of Tom Stidham, and on motion by Regent Wimberly, it was unanimously voted to accept the resignation effective February 15, 1941.

The status of the balance of the coaching staff, in view of Tom Stidham's resignation, was discussed, and on motion by Regent Hopper, it was voted that President Bizzell be authorized to withdraw his recommendation for the appointment of the assistant coaches, approved at the meeting held on January 6, 1941. Whereupon, President Bizzell requested that the Board rescind its action in reappointing Assistant Coaches Erskine, Williamson, Arbuckle, and Smith.

President Bizzell's recommendation was approved.

On motion by Regent Hopper, seconded by Regent Wimberly, it was voted to terminate the services of Assistant Coaches, Erskine, Williamson, Arbuckle, and Smith, on February 15, 1941.

There was a discussion concerning the position of Head Football Coach, and Director of Athletics. It was the sense of the Board that the position be divided, and that the position of Athletic Director be separate from the position of Head Coach.

Motion was made by Regent Looney, seconded by Regent Chambers, that there be two separate positions, namely, Director of Athletics, and Head Football Coach.

The motion was unanimously adopted.

There was further discussion, and it was the sense of the Board that further consideration on the appointments in the two positions be postponed until the regular meeting on Monday, February 3.

The hospitality of Regent and Mrs. Chambers was appreciated by all of those present.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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