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MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
OF THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

Madison, Wisconsin

Held in the President's Office

Friday, July 26, 1957, 10:15 A.M.

President Renk presiding

PRESENT: Regents Renk, Jensen and Jones.

ABSENT: Regent Steiger was absent due to a previous appointment on Regent business.

President Fred requested Dean Ritchie to present and explain the preliminary plans for the proposed Law-Sociology Building. Dean Ritchie showed on a map the location of the new structure and explained the floor plans for each of the floors, describing the usage of space to be made by the Law School and the Sociology and Anthropology Departments. Dean Wendt read a letter from the Law-Sociology Building Committee, approving the preliminary plans for this building. The architect's drawing showing the north elevation of the new building was shown. Architect Nerdrum reported that the exterior of the building will be of Madison stone or Kasota stone. Vice President Peterson reported that the estimated cost of this project, including equipment, is \$2,305,000, as stated in the schedule to be presented to the State Building Commission on July 31, 1957. Dean Wendt reported that the actual cost of the project could probably be kept within that estimate, if necessary, by eliminating the furnishings for one or more of the stack levels for the addition to the Law Library.

Upon motion of Regent Jones, seconded by Regent Jensen, it was VOTED, That, upon the recommendation of the University Campus Planning Commission, the preliminary plans for the Law-Sociology Building be approved; and that authority be granted to prepare final plans and specifications.

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Director Ivan Williamson presented the recommendation of the University Campus Planning Commission for the location and construction of a track for athletics. He reported that, due to the proposed elimination of the track from Camp Randall Stadium on account of lowering the playing field to provide additional Stadium seating, it will be necessary to construct a new quarter mile track. He showed a sketch of the area south of the Walnut Street Parking Lot with the layout for the quarter mile track with a 220 yard straightaway, and explained that it was planned to construct, in the future, tennis courts and bleachers in this area. President Fred reported that a question had been raised in the University Campus Planning Commission meeting as to whether additional land to the south should be allocated to permit the track oval to be located in a north and south direction instead of a northwest-southeast direction. It was explained that the latter direction was selected in order to keep the track within the area previously approved by the Regents for assignment to athletics. Vice President Peterson reported that the recommendation, in addition to location and authority for construction, included an increase of \$44,000 in the Athletic Department budget for this work, and he stated that the estimated cost does not include the future construction of bleachers and tennis courts. In answer to an inquiry, Dean Kivlin stated that the location of the proposed track is acceptable to the College of Agriculture.

Upon motion of Regent Jensen, seconded by Regent Jones, it was VOTED, That, upon the recommendation of the University Campus Planning Commission, the location and construction of a track for athletics in the area south of Parking Lot 60 and west of Walnut Street, as shown on preliminary study No. 3 by the Department of Physical Plant Planning, dated September 21, 1955, be approved; and that the 1957-58 new construction budget of the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics be increased by \$44,000 to provide funds for the construction of the track, shelter, fencing, landscaping and related work.

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Vice President Peterson presented a recommendation for amending the action of the Regents on September 8, 1956, relating to the lease covering the Primate Laboratory. He reported that the estimated cost of the addition to the Primate Laboratory, to be constructed by Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation, will be approximately \$300,000 instead of \$250,000. He stated that this increase will result in an increase in rent to be paid by the Regents under the lease, the cost of which is paid from research funds.

Upon motion of Regent Jensen, seconded by Regent Jones, it was VOTED, That the action of the Regents on September 8, 1956, relating to an amendment to the lease dated September 1, 1953, between the Regents and

Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation to provide for an addition to the Primate Laboratory be amended to authorize an increase in the cost of the project from not to exceed \$250,000 to an estimated \$300,000.

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Vice President Peterson reported that, since questions had been raised by the Regents at the June meeting regarding costs in connection with moving the steel barns from the East Hill Farm to the Charmany Farm, new bids were taken for this work. He submitted a revised schedule of costs for this work, including items not included in the previous schedule.

Upon motion of Regent Jones, seconded by Regent Jensen, it was VOTED that the following recommendations be approved:

- (1) That the action of the Regents on June 20, 1957, awarding a contract to Madison Moving and Wrecking Company for grading and digging for foundations at the new site on the Charmany Farm for the East Hill Farm steel barns, concrete foundations and floor, and removal of concrete foundations and floors be rescinded, and that a contract be awarded to Robert Cockroft and Son, Belleville, Wisconsin, for digging for foundations and construction of foundations and floor on the basis of their low bid dated July 18, 1957, in the sum of \$10,018, and that the Vice President of Business and Finance be authorized to sign the contract.
- (2) That the Schedule of Costs, totalling \$30,871 for moving the steel barns from the East Hill Farm and re-erecting them on the Charmany Farm approved by the Regents on June 20, 1957, be amended as follows:

	<u>Schedule of</u> <u>6/20/57</u>	<u>Revised</u> <u>Schedule</u> <u>7/26/57</u>
1. Grading and digging for foundations at new site	\$ 1,288.00 )	
2. Concrete foundations and floor	11,383.00 )	\$10,018.00
3. Moving and re-erecting buildings	10,900.00	10,900.00
4. Removal of concrete foundations	5,300.00	4,000.00
5. Disconnecting and restoring utilities	2,000.00	2,000.00
6. Miscellaneous work not included in original schedule		3,082.00
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Total	\$30,871.00	\$30,000.00

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Vice President Peterson reported on the operation of the campus bus service during the period September 17, 1956 through June 30, 1957, and recommended an extension of the agreement with the Madison Bus Company for an additional year. He stated that the University might want to extend the bus schedule from

5:45 P.M. to perhaps 6:30 P.M. He reported that the campus bus service has greatly helped the parking problem on the campus, except in the Memorial Union - Memorial Library area and the area of the University Hospitals.

*Parking*  
Upon motion of Regent Jones, seconded by Regent Jensen, it was VOTED, That the Vice President of Business and Finance be authorized to sign a renewal agreement with the Madison Bus Company for the operation of the campus bus service during the period September 17, 1957 to September 16, 1958 on the same terms and conditions as are contained in the agreement for 1956-57.

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President Fred discussed with the Executive Committee the matter of administering the Law School after September 1, 1957, if a new Dean is not appointed and in office by that time. President Fred explained a proposal for appointing a Law School Executive Committee to handle the administration of the Law School in that event. The members of the Executive Committee indicated that President Fred should proceed in this matter as he deemed desirable, after consulting with other Regents by telephone.

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Vice President Peterson read a letter from the Superintendent of Wisconsin General Hospital, suggesting that the Executive Committee consider authorizing a recommendation that the Governor veto the bill passed by the 1957 Legislature authorizing the operation of a concession stand by the blind in the lobby of Wisconsin General Hospital. Vice President Peterson explained the objections of the hospital administration to the operation of a concession stand. Members of the Executive Committee indicated that they were in favor of helping blind persons; that they would hesitate to formally ask the Governor to veto this bill; and suggested that it would be appropriate to state that the Regents are not convinced that it would be appropriate to have a concession stand in the hospital lobby operated by the blind, or otherwise. It was finally agreed that it would be proper to state that the Superintendent of Wisconsin General Hospital feels that there should be no concession stand of any kind in the lobby of Wisconsin General Hospital.

*Road*  
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President Renk reported that negotiations are in progress with the Dane County Highway Commission regarding conveyance of land by the Regents for the widening of County Trunk Highways M and S, and that a recommendation will be submitted to the Executive Committee when negotiations are completed.

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Upon motion of Regent Jensen, seconded by Regent Jones, it was VOTED, That the meeting adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 A.M.

Clarke Smith, Secretary