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JOINT MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

Madison, Wisconsin

Wednesday, December 6, 1939, 10:30 A.M.

Held in the Office of the Comptroller

PRESENT: Regents Callahan, Glover, Kleczka, Cleary, Holmes; President Dykstra, Comptroller Peterson, Secretary McCaffrey.

A communication was presented from Regent Sensenbrenner stating that he could not attend the meeting because of prior arrangements made for a meeting in New York.

The committees discussed at length the financial situation at the University and the manner of absorbing the 5% cut amounting to \$88,494.35. A communication was prepared to present to the Emergency Board and by motion was approved by the committees. (Copy attached.) *appropriations budget*

It was arranged that the committees would appear before the Emergency Board at 2 P.M. today to present the matter.

Upon recommendation of President Dykstra, it was VOTED, That in the future insurance deposits from members of the faculty be made once each year instead of monthly as is done at present.

Upon recommendation of the President, it was VOTED, That \$168.25 be transferred from Regents' Unassigned LE to the College of Agriculture, supplies and expense budget, for the payment of expenses in connection with the injury of Mr. B. E. Roche as awarded by the Industrial Commission.

GA
Upon recommendation of the President, it was VOTED, That the following grants from the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation be accepted:

For fellowships and scholarships \$25,000
For a symposium on limnological investigations 3,000
\$28,000.

GA
Upon recommendation of the President, it was VOTED, That the memorandum of agreement between the National Live Stock and Meat Board and the University of Wisconsin (made available through the National Research Council), relative to the renewal of an industrial fellowship established September 1, 1936, for a study of the vitamin content of meat and meat products, be accepted, and that the Comptroller be authorized to sign the agreement. (For period September 1, 1939 to August 31, 1940 - \$1400 on or about November 1, 1939, and \$1400 on or about February 1, 1940.)

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The President presented five names for honorary recognition in agriculture. It was VOTED, That the names be approved and recommended to the Board for approval at the next meeting. (Note: It is understood that no announcements are to be made at this time.)
Yes - Agree

The President read the proposed resolution on the acceptance of gifts by the University which the Regents asked him to prepare. It was VOTED, That the resolution be approved by the committees and recommended to the Board for its approval.

Upon recommendation of the President, it was VOTED, That Rehabilitation Board Scholarships be granted to sixty disabled students for the first semester of the academic year 1939-40 (each scholarship to consist of the equivalent of the incidental and registration fees totaling \$23.00) as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Classification</u>
Gunn, Ralph	Manitowoc	PhB5 (Pre Law)
Davis, Elwood	Belmont	PhB4
Fiedelman, Joel	Sheboygan	BA 4 L 1
Fleury, Robert	Sheboygan	M 2
Greicar, Elmer	Manitowoc	Sc 4 (Ph B)
Hemauer, Robert	Hilbert	A 2

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Classification</u>
Hydanus, Gordon	Beaver Dam	BA 3
Landwehr, Ruth	Sheboygan	BA 4
Luce, Charles	Platteville	EA 4 L 2
Maass, Wilbert	Morrisonville	PhB 2
Miller, Albert	Monroe	Pre med 2
Pollard, William	Beloit	Med. 2
Rabideau, Gerald	Oshkosh	Law 3 No L S Record Card
Saunders, Allen	McFarland	BA 2
Schwenn, Willard	Middleton	Law 2
Wilkus, Joseph	Sheboygan	Law 3 No. L S Record Card
Mickelson, Soren Gray	Appleton	LS Grad
Card, George	Madison	Law 3
Cox, Robert L.	Madison	Phy Ed Grad
Boncyk, Clarence	Antigo	EE 4
Byrne, Patricia	Appleton	BA 2
Day, Roland	Eau Claire	BA 2
Harms, Rosemond	Reedsburg	AA 2
May, Harold	Marshfield	EE 3
Homan, Joseph	Washburn	Sc(PhB)4
Perala, Reino	Maple	S Ed 4
Ranta, Hugo	Maple	No LS Record Card
Thrun, Bertha	Lindsey	HE4
Tjoflat, J. Kenneth	Ettrick	SJ 3
Holz, Marvin	Milwaukee	Ph B 4 L 1
Constance, C. Edwin	Hartford	BA 3
Meske, Chester	Milwaukee	BA 3
Olson, William J.	Milwaukee	ChC 4
Smith, Evelyn	Wauwatosa	BA 2
Cermak, Josephine	Milwaukee	S Ed 3
Szujewski, Henry	Milwaukee	BA 2
Bau, Paul	Milwaukee	S Ed Grad
Chojnacki, Roman	Milwaukee	BA 3
Holden, Charles	Milwaukee	A Grad
Paul, Aladdin	Milwaukee	Ad Sp (PTher)
Bonadio, Margherita	Kenosha	PhC 4
Milkewitz, Bernard	Kenosha	PhB 2
LaFayette, Floyd	Kenosha	Art Ed Grad
Mock, Margaret	Kenosha	BA 2
Engles, Isadore	Eagle	PhB 2
Mahoney, Wildavine	Merton	BA 2
Eldred, Lawrence	Racine	SJ 4
Shovers, Harold	Racine	L 2
Fredrickson, Bert	Green Bay	Sc(PhB)4
Heisel, Charles	Pound	BA 2
Hesness, Clifton	Wautoma	PhB 2
Higgins, W. J.	Madison	LSGrad
Hogenson, Clifford	Green Bay	Med. 3
Hudson, James	Madison	PhB 4
Kupperman, Herbert	Madison	LS Grad
Nicholson, B. Jane	Madison	BA 1
Schraufnagel, Rhynold	Glidden	S Ed 4
Silver, Ivan	Green Bay	SJ 4
Trembath, Richard	Hurley	BA 4 L1
Wootton, Barbara	Madison	Art Ed2

Upon recommendation of the President, it was
VOTED, That the Comptroller be authorized to sign an extension of
lease to December 31, 1940, with the Radium Chemical Company, Incorporated,
for 202.27 milligrams of radium element originally leased by the University
on December 29, 1938, for a period of one year to December 31, 1939.

At 12:30 P.M. the meeting

A D J O U R N E D.

M. E. McCaffrey,

Secretary.

December 6, 1939

To the State Emergency Board:

In your letter of November 18, 1939 addressed to President C. A. Dykstra, you gave notice that the Emergency Board in an action on November 16, 1939 reduced University appropriations for the fiscal year 1939-40 by a total of \$86,494.35.

The appropriations voted to the University by the 1939 Legislature were approximately \$800,000 below the actual appropriations including Emergency Board allotments, for the preceding biennium. Eliminating the items of non-recurring nature, such as, Emergency Board appropriations for new construction and land, the reduction in available state appropriations for the fiscal year 1939-40 compared with the fiscal year 1938-39 became \$331,444.

The Legislature itself apparently felt that this reduction in state appropriations was excessive, and statements were made from time to time on the floor of both the Assembly and the Senate that if the University needed additional funds for the biennium 1939-41 the Emergency Board would appropriate the necessary funds. Before the Legislature adjourned it made this promise more specific by the enactment of Chapter 222, Laws of 1939, which appropriates \$150,000 to the Emergency Board for allotment to the University for the fiscal year 1939-40. This appropriation of \$150,000 included \$100,000 to supplement the 1A General Operation appropriation, \$30,000 to supplement the 2A University Extension operation appropriation, and \$20,000 for the purchase of materials and supplies in connection with the Federal projects at the University.

Before the 1939-40 operating budget of the University was presented to the Regents for approval, an oral agreement was reached between the University and the Emergency Board. This agreement provided in substance that the University operating budget for 1939-40 would be balanced by the following process:

1. The University would reduce its annual operating costs by approximately \$100,000.
2. The University would increase student fees to produce approximately \$100,000 in additional revenue from that source.
3. The Emergency Board would release the appropriations of \$100,000 for General Operation and \$30,000 for University Extension operation made by Chapter 222, Laws of 1939.

The University reduced its operating costs and increased student fees in accordance with this agreement. The University budget was balanced by that process and by including as revenues from the state the items of \$100,000 and \$30,000 included in Chapter 222 Laws of 1939.

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With the exception of \$5,000 which the Emergency Board has released for WPA projects at the University, the appropriations made by Chapter 222, Laws of 1939, have not yet been released by the Emergency Board. Inasmuch as University costs were reduced drastically it is only because of the exceptionally thorough attention that has been paid to operating costs and because the purchase of many necessary items has been deferred that the University can get itself into position to make the reductions totaling \$86,494.35 ordered by the Emergency Board.

In attempting this additional reduction of \$86,494.35 the Regents of the University of Wisconsin respectfully request:

1. That the Emergency Board release the appropriations made by Chapter 222, Laws of 1939.
2. That the University be permitted to distribute the total reduction of \$86,494.35 among the appropriations from the state in such manner as will, in the judgment of the Regents of the University, render the least harm to the functions and services of the University to the people of the state.
3. That after this additional reduction of \$86,494.35 has been made the University be given freedom to make necessary purchases and appointments of staff and to do its business as required by law through the regular channels and in a normal manner.

The Regents of the University of Wisconsin respectfully urge the State Emergency Board to approve this procedure, whereupon the Regents will gladly cooperate with the Emergency Board in effecting these fund reductions of \$86,494.35 in State appropriations to the University for the fiscal year 1939-40.

It should be noted further that unless the Emergency Board will see to it that the University appropriation for 1940-41 is increased by the amounts set up in Chapter 222, Laws of 1939 for 1939-40, the University budget for next year will be out of balance by such an amount. The University will then be in an even more critical situation. Is it possible at this time for the Emergency Board to give the Regents any assurance on this point?

Yours very truly,

A. J. Glover, President
Board of Regents

For the Regents