

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin: April 22, 1936. 1936

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

Madison, Wisconsin

Wednesday, April 22, 1936

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M., President Wilkie presiding

PRESENT:

President Frank; Regents Backus, Baker, Brown, Callahan,

Christopherson, Combs, Gates, Grady, Gundersen, Hones, Miller,

Runge, Wilkie.

ABSENT: Regents Mead, Richards.

It was VOTED, That the reading of the minutes of the meeting of the Regents held on March 11, 1936, be dispensed with and that the minutes be approved as sent out to the Regents.

A communication was presented from Dr. Stuart A. McCormick, of Madison, with reference to the status of his position with the State Board of Control. Upon motion of Regent Grady, seconded by Regent Callahan, it was

VOTED, That the Secretary acknowledge receipt of the letter, which arrived while the Board was in session; that it is the impression of the Board that the Advisory Council does not have jurisdiction, but if it is found otherwise the Regents will communicate with him later.

A telegram was received from Colin G. Welles, President of the Wisconsin Federation of Teachers, with reference to the age of retirement.

The Business Manager reported that the salaries of janitors in the Capitol had been increased and that the law requires that janitors at the University shall be paid at the same rate as those in the

Capitol. Upon motion of Regent Callahan, seconded by Regent Grady, it was

VOTED, That the Business Manager be instructed to place the entire matter before the Emergency Board.

A communication was presented from William H. Muzzy, an operating engineer at the University heating plant, quoting a resolution passed by Chapter 22 of the Wisconsin State Employees' Association. Upon motion of Regent Backus, seconded by Regent Christopherson, it was VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of three to confer with the Business Manager to consider the shop situation. President Wilkie appointed Regent Brown, Chairman; Gates and Christopherson.

Discussion was held with reference to the date of the special meeting of the Board for the consideration of the 1936-37 budget. It was agreed that the meeting would be held as early as May 11, or as soon as possible thereafter.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PRESIDENT

- Military Science -

1. That Sergeant John Cenic be appointed assistant to the commandant, beginning April 1, 1936; salary at the rate of \$1200, less waiver \$174, net \$1026, 12 months basis, (salary for the period \$300, less waiver \$43.50, net \$256.50); in place of Sergeant F. W. Post, resigned, p. 39, fund 1A. Adopted.

- Letters and Science -

- 1. That the resignation of Paul Doepper, assistant in German, be accepted; to take effect March 28, 1936, p. 51.

 Adopted.
- 2. That the salary of Lester Groth, graduate assistant in German, be increased, beginning March 30, 1936, because of additional services, by \$90, less waiver \$10.80, net \$79.20 to be paid in three installments; charge to balance on salary of Paul Doepper, resigned, p. 51.

Adopted.

3. That the salary of Fred Wolf, graduate assistant in German, be increased, beginning March 30, 1936, because of additional services, by \$60, less waiver \$7.20, net \$52.80 to be paid in three installments; charge to balance on salary of Paul Doepper, resigned, p. 51.

Adopted.

- Education -

l. That Stuart C. Tiedeman be appointed assistant in the department of education from April 30, 1936, to the close of the academic year 1935-36; salary \$50 net for the period; charge to item for assistants, p. 62, fund 1A. Adopted.

- Agriculture -

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- 1. That the resignation of Paul O. Ritcher, assistant in economic entomology, be accepted; to take effect April 8, 1936, p. 90. Adopted.
- 2. That the resignations of the following persons, cow testers, office of farm and dairy records, be accepted; to take effect April 1, 1936, p. 95, fund 15A:



Leroy Swanson Herman Severson.

Adopted.

- 3. That Leonard W. Wing, assistant in agricultural economics, be granted leave of absence, without pay, for the month of June, 1936.

 Adopted.
- 4. That Leonard Van Bossche be reappointed assistant in farm and dairy records from May 1 to June 30, 1936; salary \$150 net for the period; charge to item for labor, p. 95, fund 15A.

 Adopted.
- 5. That Helen Pearson be reappointed county home agent for Marathon County, beginning March 16, 1936; salary at the rate of \$2100 a year, 12 months basis, to be distributed as follows: University \$1500,

County \$600 (University salary for the period \$437.50); charge to item for home agents, p. 106, fund 15A.

Adopted.

- 6. That Nancy H. Hitchock be appointed assistant in farm and dairy records from April 20 to June 30, 1936; salary at the rate of \$85 net a month (total for the period \$202.69); charge to item for labor, p. 95, fund 15A.

 Adopted.
- 7. That Carlyle N. Clayton be appointed assistant in plant pathology from May 1 to June 30, 1936; salary at the rate of \$128 net a month (total for the period \$256); charge to vice E. C. Blodgett, p. 101, fund 3D.

 Adopted.
- 8. That Gustav H. Rieman be appointed associate professor of genetics, horticulture and plant pathology, to have charge of potato breeding investigations, for the period June 1 to June 19, 1936, at a salary of \$293.95 net. (Compensation to be at the rate of \$4500 for the academic year, less waiver.)

 Adopted.

- Medicine -

- 1. That Maxine Baumgartner, instructor in nursing, be granted leave of absence, without pay, from April 21, 1936, to the close of the year 1935-36, p. 147.

 Adopted.
- 2. That Edith Stehle, instructor in nursing, be transferred from hospital nursing, 10-A, to medical school, 1-A, beginning April 4, 1936, for the balance of the fiscal year 1935-36; and that her salary for the period amounting to \$360.82, less waiver \$55.31, net \$305.51 plus maintenance be charged to the balance in the school of nursing, fund 1-A, p. 147.

 Adopted.

- Research -

1. That the grant of \$100 from the National Research Council for

the purchase of apparatus and supplies in connection with the studies of the elastic and piezoelectric properties of crystals, department of physics, be accepted. Adopted.

- Fellows and Scholars -

- That Alice Lutey be appointed undergraduate legislative scholar for the second semester of 1935-36, in place of Homer D. Witzel. Adopted.
- That there be established Wisconsin high school scholarships in accordance with Section 36.161, Chapter 535 of the Statutes of the State of Wisconsin, Paragraph One. Each scholarship will be equivalent in value to freshman incidental fees. *

These scholarships shall be distributed annually to graduates of Wisconsin public high schools and accredited private secondary schools under the following conditions:

- The parents or guardians of such graduates must be residents of Wisconsin.
- The number of scholarships from each school will be determined by the number enrolled in the following manner:
 - Schools enrolling under 250. The student ranking first in scholarship.
 - Schools enrolling from 250 to 750. (2) two students ranking first and second in scholarship.
 - Schools enrolling 750 or more. The three students ranking first, second, and third in scholarship.

Adopted.

Upon motion of Regent Backus, seconded by Regent Baker, the recommendations of the President were adopted.

Upon motion of Regent Callahan, seconded by Regent Runge, it was

VOTED, That recommendation of the President, No. 2, under Fel
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Upon motion of Regent Grady, seconded by Regent Backus, it was

VOTED, That the Board express its approval of the appointment of Justice George Nelson as trustee of the Vilas Estate, vice Harry L. Butler.

Upon motion of Regent Gates, seconded by Regent Callahan, it was

VOTED, That the Board is agreeable to releasing Professor

John H. Kolb for part time to act as Director of the Citizens' Committee to study state policies of public welfare, beginning May 1, 1936, if the appointment is made, to continue for such time as is necessary to complete the work.

Upon motion of Regent Brown, seconded by Regent Gates, it was VOTED, That Harry A. Stuhldreher be appointed athletic director and head football coach, at an annual salary of \$10,000 on a 12 months' basis, beginning April 27, 1936, with relief from waiver for the first year; that Guy Sundt be appointed assistant athletic director and assistant football coach at a base salary rate of \$6,000 per annum, 12 months' basis, beginning April 27, 1936.

Upon motion of Regent Gates, seconded by Regent Grady, it was VOTED, That the Board of Regents express its gratitude to the Athletic Board for its prompt, thorough and efficient manner of arriving at its report and recommendation.

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VOTED, That Curtis Merriman be appointed Registrar at a base salary of \$6500 per annum, beginning July 1, 1936.

President Frank presented the completion of the report on honorary degrees, recommending Francis Joseph Haas for the degree of Doctor of Laws. Upon motion of Regent Callahan, seconded by Regent Baker, the recommendation was adopted.

Upon motion of Regent Grady, seconded by Regent Hones, it was VOTED, That a Regent committee, consisting of Regents Brown, Gates and Backus, be appointed to consider the request of the Committee

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on Education of the Wisconsin State Federation of Labor for a budget for a University School for Workers in Industry, in conjunction with the present Board of Summer School for Workers in Industry and other interested parties, to ascertain if funds can be secured to carry the work up to the time of the next legislative session and to present some recommendation at the special meeting of the Board to be held in May.

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Upon motion of Regent Grady, seconded by Regent Backus, it was

VOTED, That the Law Committee be given power to act in the Robinson will matter.

Regent Grady reported for the Law Committee on the proposed transfer of \$20,000 from 20.41(1)E to 20.41(1)A - lapsed library fees. Upon motion of Regent Grady, seconded by Regent Backus, it was VOTED, That the Business Manager be authorized to make the transfer of such portion of this amount as may be needed.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER

l. That upon the recommendation of Dr. Stovall, Miss Gladys Knabe, assistant clerk typist in the Hospital, be transferred to the State Laboratory of Hygiene, and that her salary be increased from \$75 less waiver of \$10.34, net \$64.66, to \$75 less waiver of \$6.17, net \$68.83, chargeable to the item for Bernadine Burmeister, resigned, fund (14).

Adopted.

- 2. That upon the recommendation of Professor Bean and the Personnel Committee, the waiver on the salary of Lillian M. Veerhusen, junior clerk stenographer in the office of the State Geologist, be removed as of May 1, 1936, increase of \$12.50 a month to be charged to balance in the 17-A budget.

 Adopted.
- 3. That \$509.50 be made available for 20.41(1)D and an additional \$700 from 20.41(1)A, if the latter amount is found to be available, for additional library facilities, as requested by the Director of the Summer Session.

Adopted.

4. That the Business Manager be authorized to continue the



negotiations for the P.W.A. project for the completion of the concrete work on the west bleachers and to arrange for the additional loan from the Annuity Board.

Adopted.

5. That changes in classification be made for the following employees of the College of Agriculture:

Anthony Pankratz	Hill Farm	from	laborer	to	semi-ski	lled
						laborer
Joseph Gilbertson	Agronomy	11	••	11	11	11
Hubert Ripp	Poultry Husbandry	***	11	11	# 1	
C. C. Shackleton	Genetics	**		11	11	**
L. J. Pfister	Genetics	11	11	**	11	11
Fritz F. Schott	Univ. Farm	11	11	11	17	
John Figi	Animal Husbandry	11	11	17	11	11
Malcolm I. Ross	Univ. Farm	from	semi-ski	llle	d labore	r to
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Thomas French	Univ. Farm	from	laborer	to	semi-ski	
						laborer
Hagrup Jorgenson	Univ. Farm	11	••	77		4
Colonel Olson	Horticulture	17	11	11	er .	
Erle L. Smith	Administration	from	assistan	it c	lerk to	junior
						clerk
Adopted.						

Upon motion of Regent Callahan, seconded by Regent Backus, recommendations of the Business Manager, Nos. 1 to 5, were adopted.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TRUST FUND COMMITTEE

- l. That the necessary lime and fertilizing program on the Henneman farm, as planned by Professor Musbach, be approved.

 Adopted.
- 2. That the purchase of \$5000 of New York Edison Company, Inc., lst lien and refunding mortgage bonds, Series D, dated October 1, 1935; due October 1, 1965, at par with 3½% interest coupons, from money in the National Teachers Seminary fund, be approved.

 Adopted.
- 3. That authority be granted to accept a quitclaim deed to the T. O. Mandt farm and for the purchase of approximately 15 head of cattle, the beginning of a liming program and necessary repairs to buildings.

Adopted.

- 4. That authority be granted to accept a quitclaim deed to the Dahle and Brager farm and for the purchase of the personal property and necessary repairs to the buildings, including moving of the hog house and corn crib and restoring the machine shed and chicken house.

 Adopted.
- 5. That the interest rate on the Clark Investment Association loan of \$16,000 be reduced from 6% to $5\frac{1}{2}\%$, effective February 9, 1936, with the provision that a minimum of \$100.00 will be paid each six months on principal.

 Adopted.
- 6. That the interest rate on the F. C. Easton loan (reduced from \$9000 to \$7500) be reduced from 6% to 5%, effective January 19, 1936, with the provision that a minimum of \$100.00 will be paid on principal each six months. (National Teachers Seminary Fund)

 Adopted.
- 7. That the interest on the <u>Geo. C. Sellery loan</u> of \$5000 be reduced from 6% to 5%, effective January 20, 1936.

 Adopted.
- 8. That the purchase from Eldon B. Russell of the \$12,000 mort-gage loan on the Carl Hommel property in Shorewood, for five years at 5%, with a service charge of ½%, be approved.

 Adopted.

Upon motion of Regent Backus, seconded by Regent Brown, recommendations of the Trust Fund Committee, Nos. 1 to 8, were adopted.

A communication was presented from R. B. Andrews, representing the University Housing and Food Committee. The Secretary was instructed to send a copy of this communication to the Regents with the minutes of this meeting. (Copy attached)

Regent Brown stated that the report of the University Exten-

Regent Wilkie reported with reference to the proposed gift of

\$5000 to the University Trust Funds by a Madison man for a scholarship and added that before final acceptance of the gift it should be placed in a more simplified form. Upon motion of Regent Callahan, seconded by Regent Runge, it was

VOTED that the action of the Trust Fund Committee in this mat-

ter be approved.

Regent Runge reported upon her conference with Dr. Annette Washburn regarding conditions in the psychiatric division of the student health department. President Frank read a report from Dr. Middle-ton on the situation and explained that the matter would have consideration when the budget for the ensuing year is prepared.

Upon recommendation of the Committee on Loans and Undergraduate Scholarships it was

Upon recommendation of the committee urships it was VOTED, That in the future the scholarships provided by the Scholarships of the A.A.U.W. be in the form of two scholarships of the A.A.U.W. be in the form of two scholarships and Madison Branch of the A.A.U.W. be in the form of two scholarships of \$100 each, to be known as the Annie Dinsdale Swenson Scholarship and the Lois K. Rosenberry Scholarship.

A telegram was received from John B. Chapple, of Ashland, Wisconsin. It was VOTED that the message be received and placed on file.

At 11:20 the meeting

ADJOURNED.

M. E. McCaffrey.

Secretary.

The Board of Regents University of Wisconsin c/o Secretary Maurice McCaffrey Madison, Wisconsin

Dear Sirs:

During the fore part of the school year 1935-36 an organization known as the University Housing and Food Committee formed on the campus. Its representation was broad. It included a majority of the church groups and such political organizations as the Student League for Industrial Democracy, the Progressive Club, the National Student League, the Senior class council, and Koinos. The Teacher's Union also gave its active support.

The purpose of the committee was two-fold; (1) To investigate housing and food conditions on the campus. (2) To take action if the conditions warranted.

The first semester was limited largely to the discussion and investigation of co-operative eating possibilities on the campus. Several of the church groups became interested in the co-operative plan of the Wesleyan Foundation which was serving three meals a day for a total of forty-five cents (45 cents). This co-operative plan was later adopted, in part, by the Congregational Student house and the Hillel foundation.

The latter part of the first semester saw the committee taking action on student loans. By a series of interviews with Mr. Harris of Registrar Holt's staff, and with Governor La Follette an attempt was made to increase the state industrial loan appropriation to the university in order that it might be equal to the demand in February of 1936. On the suggestion of Governor La Follette the committee contacted Mr. John Lasher, state administrator for the National Youth Administration. Mr. Lasher, working with Miss Caryl Morse of the committee, was able to secure one hundred extra N.Y.A. jobs for the next semester. Thus the loan situation was materially aided. Attempts were made by the committee during February to interest the alumni and the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation in supplementing the regular university loan funds. The impossibility of the situation was pointed out to the committee by Dean Fred and Secretary McCaffrey.

March and April of the second semester were spent in a survey of housing conditions based on the general report of student living conditions issued under the direction of Porter Butts. Successive interviews were made with Mr. McCaffrey, Mr. Gallistel, and Mr. Paul Stark. The conclusion drawn from these interviews was that, not only the housing situation but also the co-operative eating problem might be solved

through a realization of the university's dormitory plan. The committee was given a complete picture of the financial difficulties involved. Working from this key problem of finance it concluded that a part of the dormitory expansion could be realized if the following steps were considered:

- (1) A survey by the university authorities to determine what maximum rents could be paid by the different strata of the student body. To determine what per centage of these strata would use a dormitory built from estimates of their rent-demand.
- (2) A presentation of university-controlled building plans to private construction and apartment management companies. (Ann Emory and Langdon Halls carry rates too high to insure steady occupation.)
- (3) An effort to include cooking units in each room of these low cost apartments or, preferably, to introduce a single co-operative dining room operated on the 45 cents-a-day-plan.

It appears to the committee that a low cost plan such as this would be a sound proposition from the standpoint of demand. Figures of the most recent surveys indicate that there are five hundred students cooking in their rooms. Certainly they would be among the first to seize upon such an opportunity. These same surveys indicate, likewise, that the universal choice of the student body is for community or group living, whereas actual conditions are far from this desire. Exactly two-thirds of the student body lives in unorganized rooming houses. It is almost needless to mention the average condition of a majority of these rooming houses.

We feel that the architectural pattern of the university buildings could be maintained with some variation under low cost construction. On this point, however, we are in no position to make an exact statement.

There are many points in this economic situation which we of the student body would like to understand more fully. In our present role of a somewhat transient committee, we do not feel that we are preserving any definite tie for future college generations between the plans of the university and the students themselves. Though we appreciate our inability to discuss many of these economic problems of our university community in a practical way, we at least aspire to that ability. In short, gentlemen, would it be possible for you to consider one of the committee or of the general student body as a 'discussing'

member on any fixed or temporary committee you may establish for the solution of the university building problem? Such representation would be valued highly by all of us here in Wisconsin. Economics has become a very real thing to most of us, not a hobby.

Trusting that you will give this report a favorable decision, we are

Respectfully,

THE UNIVERSITY HOUSING AND FOOD COMMITTEE

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