

Minutes of Board Meeting

July 30, 1929

The Board met in response to a called meeting in the office of President Cherry. In the absence of State Superintendent, W. C. Bell, Ex-officio Chairman, Mr. Sterrett Cuthbertson, Vice-Chairman, presided.

Upon roll call, Regents M. B. Harlan and M. O. Hughes as well as Mr. Cuthbertson answered present.

Mr. Hughes, the newly appointed member of the Board of Regents was administered the oath of office by Miss Florence Schneider, Notary Public. The preliminary meeting adjourned at 9:15 to attend chapel, after which the Regents made an observation tour of the buildings, the grounds and especially the recent gift of paintings, sculpture, etc. to the Teachers College made by Mr. C. Perry Snell, St. Petersburg, Florida.

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The Board reconvened at 10:30 A. M.

The minutes for the previous meetings were read and approved as read.

President Cherry made his report concerning the finances of the institution which was approved.

The subject of insurance on the buildings, equipment, etc., was discussed, and Mr. Cuthbertson made a report concerning the recent survey and recommended changes in wiring at certain points in order to secure a readjustment in the insurance rate. These changes are to be made at once by Mr. L. T. Smith after which the rates now in process of formation will become active.

The next matter for discussion was the lighting of the Hill and the cost of it. The contract proposed by the Kentucky Power and Utility Company was read by Mr. Cuthbertson and discussed in detail. The advisability of operating an electric light plant owned by the institution was also discussed. The Board finally agreed, upon motion of Regent Hughes with a second from Judge Harlan that the local Executive Committee be authorized to consult the electric company and ask for a rate of 3¢ per K. W. H. for the Hill. The motion was unanimously passed.

Since an urgent request had come from the Kentucky Progress Magazine that the institution place a one-page advertisement in the magazine, the Board authorized President Cherry, since this is a State publication, to prepare an advertisement for it exercising his judgment as to the number of issues in which it should appear. Motion was unanimously passed.

Upon motion duly seconded and unanimously passed it was agreed that the suggestions of Mr. Wright, the landscape artist, relative to placing in front of the Library Building the marble fountain be approved, accepted and executed;

Also Mr. Wright's recommendations as to the development of an Italian Garden near Perry Snell Hall, facing the Nashville Boulevard, be accepted and developed as outlined in his plans and blue prints presented, and that the work be pushed under the direction of President Cherry. The motion was unanimously passed.

The need of a larger coal bin at the heating plant was discussed and the matter was finally referred to the Executive Committee for further investigation and the securing of additional bids, their action to be submitted at another meeting of the Board.

Upon the request of Mr. Morton Alexander and County Agent, Mr. John Brown, representing the Southern Kentucky Fair Association, the Board listened to a plea for cooperation of the school in their efforts to hold an agricultural and live stock exhibit early in the fall. Upon motion of Judge Harlin with a second from Regent Hughes it was agreed that the petition of the Association for the use of the Ogden field and pavilion for the 1929 fair be granted provided no expense will be attached to the College. It was understood that adequate insurance will be carried. The motion was passed.

The Board unanimously agreed that a resolution of appreciation should be sent to Mr. Perry Snell for his magnificent gift of paintings, statuary and other articles.

The Board authorized Mr. L. T. Smith to remove the cupola from the Ogden Hall.

Upon motion of Regent Hughes with a second from Judge Harlin it was agreed that the recommendations as to the improvements on the buildings and ground of the Training School should be undertaken and that the Executive Committee in conjunction with President Cherry should put into execution the various recommendations as far as possible and report the results at the next meeting of the Board. The motion was unanimously passed.

Upon motion made by Regent Hughes and seconded by Judge Harlin it was unanimously agreed upon roll call that the amount of \$125.00 due the architect, Mr. Davis, be paid at once.

Upon motion of Regent Hughes seconded by Judge Harlin it was unanimously agreed to pay Escott, Barnett and Escott, Public Accountants, the amount due them for the recent audit of the books of the institution, \$250.00. The motion was unanimously passed upon roll call.

The Board then discussed the status of the work on the new athletic field and it was agreed that Mr. Cuthbertson should write the State Purchasing Agent calling attention to the fact of the transference of the contract from Captain Brinton B. Davis to Mr. L. T. Smith.

The need of a house for band practice and instruction was discussed and upon motion of Judge Harlin and seconded by Mr. Hughes it was agreed that the matter be left in the hands of the local committee to make such arrangements as should become necessary. The motion was passed.

President Cherry then made his report and recommendations concerning the faculty for the following year. Upon motion from Mr. Hughes with a second from Judge Harlin the list of recommendations given by President Cherry was approved. The President was also authorized to employ such additional teachers as might be needed for the mid-winter, spring and summer terms. The motion was unanimously passed.

Upon motion of Judge Harlin, the Treasurer of the institution was authorized to borrow at as low a rate as possible, from bank or banks a sum of money not to exceed \$100,000.00 as may be needed in the conduct of the school for the current year of 1929-30, the same to be paid out of the receipts for the current year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hughes and unanimously passed.

Upon motion of Mr. Hughes with a second from Judge Harlin it was agreed that the requests of individual members of faculty asking for leave of absence should be granted. The motion was passed.

As had been suggested a number of times before the Board discussed the advisability of erecting on the campus a suitable home for the President of the institution. Again President Cherry asked that the matter be postponed, the Board insisted however.

After this the Board adjourned upon motion duly made, seconded and passed.


Secretary


Vice-Chairman