# MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF REGENTS WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY October 29, 1966

A quarterly meeting of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University was held at the President's Home on the campus at 10 a.m., CST, on Saturday, October 29, 1966, which was Homecoming at Western. The following members answered to roll call:

Mr. Douglas Keen, Vice Chairman Dr. W. Gerald Edds Mr. Maxey B. Harlin Dr. J. T. Gilbert Dr. Chalmer P. Embry

Absent were Chairman Harry M. Sparks and Mr. Hugh Poland.

Also present were Dr. Kelly Thompson, President; Mr. Dero G. Downing, Vice President for Administrative Affairs and Treasurer; Dr. Raymond L. Cravens, Vice President for Academic Affairs; and Miss Georgia Bates, Assistant to the President and Secretary of the Board.

Vice Chairman Keen presided.

The meeting opened with a prayer of invocation by Mr. Downing.

The minutes of the meeting held on August 25, 1966, were presented. Mr. Harlin moved, with a second by Dr. Embry, that the minutes be adopted without a reading inasmuch as each member had previously received a copy. The motion carried unanimously.

The Annual Financial Report for the 1965-66 fiscal year was presented by President Thompson. The document was briefly reviewed, and items of special significance were explained by Mr. Downing. Inasmuch as the information in the Report will be included in the regular Annual Audit, no action was necessary. It was pointed out, however, that it will be preserved as an official document of the University. Dr. Thompson commented on the excellence of the Report and commended Mr. Downing and his staff upon its comprehensiveness.

After discussion, Dr. Edds moved the adoption of the following resolution:

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents, at the meeting of August 4, 1966, passed a resolution authorizing the planning and financing of construction of classroom and laboratory space for the Departments of Nursing and Home Economics, a student hospital, and an Educational Television Production Center; and

WHEREAS, more recent planning, including projection of long-range needs in the programs to be housed in this facility; architectural programming; and construction cost analysis; give evidence that the previously authorized construction cost of \$1,500,000 is insufficient to meet these needs;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University in meeting on October 29, 1966, that the authorized scope of the above project be increased to the level deemed desirable and proper by President Kelly Thompson and his staff in terms of resources available for financing the project and the final construction cost necessary to meet the needs.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Gilbert; and upon a call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Aye: Keen, Edds, Harlin, Gilbert, Embry

Nay: None

A report on the investigation which is being made by the University of available insurance programs that provide a type of liability coverage applicable to the Board of Regents of Western was presented by the President as Exhibit No. 3. Mr. Harlin, who presented the matter as an informal point of discussion at the meeting of the Board on August 4, 1966, made inquiry as to the feasibility of expanding the study to embrace the administrative executives of the University who are charged with responsibilities similar to those of the Board. Following discussion, Dr. Thompson stated that after an exhaustive study, a plan and a recommendation would be submitted to the Board for a decision.

After discussion, Dr. Gilbert moved for official approval of the employment of sixteen new faculty members, the promotion of a faculty member as head of the Department of Secondary Education, and the acceptance of a resignation—all of which are outlined as follows:

#### FACULTY PERSONNEL CHANGES

### New Department Headship:

Secondary Education:

Dr. Paul Power, effective September 26, 1966; salary increased from \$10,908 to \$13,100

## New Faculty Personnel, 1966-67 school year; subsequent to August 4, 1966; all effective dates September 1 unless indicated otherwise:

College of Commerce		
Accounting:		
Ronald Duane Niemeyer	\$ 6,600	eff. Sept. 26
Business Administration:	·	-
Rex A. Miller	6,650	eff. Sept. 15
Government:	•	•
Robert Thiele	8,000	
Sociology:	·	
Leonard Dobrin	6,800	
College of Education		
Elementary Education:		
Dr. David B. Watts	10,000	
Physical Education:		
Marcha Moore	5,800	
Charlotte Royal	4,000	Part time
Training School:		
Sue Yeager	6,000	
Human Relations Center for		
Education:		
Frank Yeager	10,500	\$3,000 for period August 29 through Dec. 31, 1966; \$7,500 for calendar year of 1967
Potter College of Liberal Arts		01 1 90 1
Art:		
Lee A. Fernandez	6,700	
Roger Tipton Evans	6,500	
English:	·	
Carrie Hume	5,934	eff. Sept. 16
Susan Riddell	5,960	also in Dept. of English
Music:		
Dorothy Ann Dooley	3,000	eff. second sem., Feb. 1, 1967
Ogden College of Science and Techno	ology	•
Biology:		
Dr. Thomas Alan Yungbluth	9,000	
Patricia Pearson	3,000	first semester, eff. Sept. 15

### Resignations subsequent to August 4, 1966

Dr. Robert Hill Lynn - Department of English

The motion was seconded by Dr. Edds; and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Aye: Keen, Edds, Harlin, Gilbert, Embry

Nay: None

At this point in the meeting, Vice Chairman Keen called attention to the fact that this was the first Board meeting in Dr. Thompson's twelfth year as President of Western. He paid tribute to the President's dynamic leadership and suggested that the Board express its appreciation for this leadership by means of a resolution. Following discussion, Dr. Gilbert made the motion that Mr. Harlin be directed to prepare the resolution for presentation at the next meeting of the Board. The motion was seconded by Dr. Edds and carried unanimously. Dr. Thompson expressed appreciation for the wonderful attitude and spirit which prompted this action.

The President reported on his recent attendance at the meetings of the Association of Governing Boards and the American Council on Education in New Orleans. He explained why, in his opinion, it would not be worthwhile at this time for the University to join the Association of Governing Boards. Other items covered by Dr. Thompson included--

- 1. The presentation of a resolution of commendation and congratulations from the Muhlenberg County Alumni Association.
  - 2. A review of future programs in the University Lecture Series.
- 3. Comments on the Football Banquet, scheduled for November 21; the OVC Basketball Tournament in Louisville, December 19 and 20; and the Hurricane Basketball Classic to be held in Miami, Florida, December 27-28. In an informal discussion, Dr. Thompson stated that the presence of the Board members who could go to Florida for the event and assist with the alumni activities scheduled in connection with it would lend great prestige to the University, as well as make a major contribution to the total Western program.

Following a review from the lawn of the President's Home of the Homecoming Parade, the meeting recessed for luncheon at the Academic-Athletic Building, where the Board members and their wives were guests of the "W" Club at its annual Homecoming luncheon. Thereafter, the Board went back into session for an informal discussion of other matters of professional interest.

Upon the motion of Dr. Gilbert, seconded by Dr. Edds, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m. The group proceeded to the stadium for the Western-Eastern football game, followed by the Homecoming Reception in the Ballroom of the Paul L. Garrett Student Center.

V ce Chairman

Secretary