

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF REGENTS
WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY
April 23, 1969

A regular meeting of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University was held in the Regents Conference Room, Administration Building, on Wednesday, April 23, 1969, at 1:30 p.m., CST. The meeting was preceded by a luncheon in the Executive Room of the Paul L. Garrett Student Center. Chairman Wendell P. Butler presided.

The meeting opened with a prayer of invocation by Dr. Raymond L. Cravens, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculties.

Mr. Hugh Poland, having been reappointed for a four-year term on the Board by Governor Louie B. Nunn, qualified as a member of the Board of Regents by taking the constitutional oath which was administered by Miss Georgia Bates, a Notary Public for the State of Kentucky and Secretary of the Board.

The following members answered to roll call:

Mr. Wendell P. Butler, Chairman
Mr. Douglas Keen, Vice Chairman
Mr. Hugh Poland
Dr. Chalmer P. Embry
Dr. W. R. McCormack
Mr. Albert G. Ross
Dr. Herbert E. Shadowen
Mr. Paul E. Gerard, III

Absent was Dr. J. T. Gilbert, who was in attendance at the annual meeting of the American Medical Association in Boston, Massachusetts.

Also present, in addition to Dr. Cravens and Miss Bates, were Dr. Kelly Thompson, President, and Mr. Harry Largen, Business Manager.

The minutes of the meeting held on February 15, 1969, were presented by the Chairman. Dr. McCormack moved, with a second by Mr. Poland, that the minutes be adopted without a reading inasmuch as all members had previously received copies and they were found to be in order. The motion carried unanimously.

The reorganization of the Board followed, necessitated by the reappointment of Mr. Poland. Following discussion, the motion was made

by Dr. McCormack that the same officers be reelected by acclamation; namely, Mr. Keen, Vice Chairman; Mr. Dero G. Downing, Treasurer; and Miss Bates, Secretary. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ross and carried unanimously.

The 1969-70 Operating Budget in the amount of \$15,372,097, copies of which had been mailed to the Board on April 21, was presented for the consideration of the Board. In the President's summary of the budget, which is based on state appropriations in the amount of \$11,703,210 and represents a 17.4 percent increase over the current operating budget of \$13,091,007, he enumerated the major items to which the increased budget funds will be dedicated, gave a breakdown of different levels of the sources of funds, and outlined the uses of the current general fund by object of expenditure. He described the document as "a superior product of budget organization and budget making" and commended Dean Downing and Mr. Largen and the Business Office staff upon its excellence. Following full discussion, Mr. Poland moved for adoption of the budget for the coming school year, with the understanding that the Board would have the privilege of making any changes at a later date which were deemed desirable and appropriate. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ross; and upon a call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Aye: Butler, Keen, Poland, Embry, McCormack, Ross

Nay: None

Dr. Thompson reported that, in accordance with the guidelines approved by the Board on February 15, 1969, for the administration of the University Plan for Sabbatical Leaves, the processing of applications for the 1969-70 school year had been completed and recommended approval of the following leaves for the periods indicated:

Dr. Carlton Jackson, Dept. of History - second semester
1969-70 school year

Dr. Hugh Thomason, Dept. of Government - second semester
1969-70 school year

Mr. Joseph Stokes, Dept. of Mathematics - second semester
1969-70 school year

Dr. Jim Wayne Miller, Dept. of Foreign Languages - second
semester 1969-70 school year

Dr. H. E. Shadowen, Dept. of Biology - summer, 1969, and
summer, 1970

He stated that the budgetary requirements were within the limits established in the 1969-70 Operating Budget. Following discussion, Dr. Embry moved for approval of the sabbatical leaves outlined above. The motion was seconded by Dr. McCormack and carried unanimously.

A resolution was presented by the Chairman relative to the purchase by the University of real estate. After discussion and upon the recommendation of the President, Mr. Keen moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it has been determined that additional land purchases are desirable for the orderly expansion, development, and operation of Western Kentucky University; and

WHEREAS, a certain tract of land with improvements, located at 1509 Chestnut Street, Bowling Green, Kentucky, and owned by Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bryant, has special significance for academic purposes in relation to the continuing development and operation of Western Kentucky University; and

WHEREAS, said land should, in the judgment of this Board of Regents, pursuant to its duties and functions set out in KRS Chapter 164, be acquired, developed, and maintained for University purposes.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby determined that the subject land is needed and should be acquired for University purposes, and President Kelly Thompson and his delegated representatives are authorized to submit to the Commissioner of Finance, Commonwealth of Kentucky, a request to purchase said land for the use and benefit of Western Kentucky University, provided it can be purchased at a price agreeable to the University and within the scope of such appraisals as are required by the Commissioner of Finance.

This the 23rd day of April, 1969.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Embry and carried unanimously.

Following discussion and upon the recommendation of Dr. Thompson, Dr. McCormack moved the adoption of the following resolution, which confirms the employment of Fiscal Agent and Bond Counsel to assist in the preparation and subsequent sale of Consolidated Educational Buildings Revenue Bonds, Series H and I:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the planning on the Graduate Center has proceeded to the point that the project is ready to be advertised for bids, and the planning on the Fine Arts Center is progressing on schedule; and

WHEREAS, these projects will be financed by the sale of Consolidated Educational Buildings Revenue Bonds and a Federal grant and loan, if applicable; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Finance of the Commonwealth of Kentucky has concurred in the employment of a Fiscal Agent and Bond Counsel to assist in the preparation and sale of Consolidated Bonds for the above-named projects;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University, in a meeting on April 23, 1969, confirms the employment of the firm of Stein Bros. & Boyce, Inc., Louisville, Kentucky, to act as Fiscal Agent and the firm of Skaggs and Hays, Attorneys and Counselors at Law, Louisville, Kentucky, to act as Bond Counsel for the sale of Consolidated Educational Buildings Revenue Bonds, Series H and I, to finance construction of the Graduate Center and the Fine Arts Center.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Poland and carried unanimously.

A progress report by President Thompson on building projects followed and covered the following facilities: (1) Education Complex; (2) Academic Complex; (3) Pearce-Ford Tower; (4) University Center; (5) Graduate Center; (6) Fine Arts Center; (7) Parking Structure; (8) Supply-Services Building; (9) Van Meter Hall; (10) Gordon Wilson Hall; (11) Alumni Center and College Heights Foundation.

In his report to the Board, President Thompson --

(1) Advised of the bequest of Mr. Julius F. Kany, an alumnus of Western, who left all of his residuary estate to the President of Western. Dr. Thompson stated that inasmuch as there was no doubt in his mind as to Mr. Kany's intentions when he wrote his will, he had instructed that the legacy be paid to Western. A check in the amount of \$2,764.19 was received by Western on October 15, 1968. The Board instructed the secretary to record in the official record the appreciation of the Board for the love which Mr. Kany had manifested for Western Kentucky University, as indicated by two contributions in 1965 of \$1,000 each and by his last gift.

(2) Reported on a recent gift from Mr. Charles Roy Martin, a financial consultant with duPont Chemical Company in Wilmington, Delaware, and a Western graduate, in the amount of \$9,081.81. He stated that until such time as he and Mr. Martin have an opportunity to discuss the identification of the account, it is simply identified as the "Special Roy Martin Gift." He added that this gift, coupled with the scholarship fund in the amount of \$37,943 established by Mr. Martin over the past five years in honor of five Western retirees, means that Mr. Martin has made outright gifts to Western of \$47,024.81.

Dr. McCormack moved that the recent gift from Mr. Martin be accepted with the gratitude of the Board and that their feeling regarding his loyalty and generous support be conveyed to him by resolution. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ross and carried unanimously.

(3) Expressed the desire that Western again be represented at the annual meeting of the National Association of College and University Attorneys to be held at the University of Miami, June 18-20, 1969. He suggested that Mr. Bemis Lawrence and Mr. Keen be prevailed upon to attend the meeting along with Mr. William E. Bivin, recently employed University attorney.

Following discussion, Mr. Poland moved that an invitation be extended to Mr. Lawrence to again help represent Western at the June meeting of NACUA. The motion was seconded by Dr. McCormack and carried unanimously.

(4) Suggested the date of May 21 for the next meeting of the Board.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately four o'clock.

Wendell P. Butler
Chairman

Georgia Bates
Secretary