

Minutes of Board Meeting August 10, 1920.

A special meeting of the Board of Regents was held in the office of President H. H. Cherry on Tuesday, August 10, 1920, at which were present Regents J. Whit Potter, Vice President; Judge J. P. Haswell, and Mr. R. E. Cooper, with President Cherry.

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously ordered that Mr. J. Whit Potter, the local Regent, and President H. H. Cherry be authorized to close the sale of the oil lease on the Normal School property and to take such other steps as will ensure an immediate sale of the lease and the earliest possible oil development.

The Board of Regents expressed its preference for the proposition made by Mr. W. J. Bray and his associates, offering to pay (\$150.00) one hundred fifty dollars per acre and one-fourth of the oil.

The Board further authorized Mr. J. Whit Potter, local Regent; Mr. George Colvin, the State Superintendent of Public Education; or President H. H. Cherry, jointly or severally, to sign such contracts as are necessary to close the oil deal and enable the purchasers to begin immediate development.

It was further ordered that all proceeds derived from the sale of the lease and the oil be applied to the construction of buildings and other school improvements on Normal Heights.

Upon motion of Regent Cooper, duly seconded and passed, it was agreed that the changes in rooms of the new Girls' Dormitory be so adjusted as to permit the use of the ^{in-a-door} Murphy beds, upon the approval of the Architect and Contractor, whom it will affect.

Regent Haswell moved, with a second from Regent Cooper, that certain substitutions suggested in the use of plastering and partitions in the Girls' Dormitory, as set forth in letters on file from the Architect and the Contractor, be allowed, in consideration of the reduction of cost, and in the assurance that the stability of the walls will not be affected, the general appearance of the work will not be marred, and the sound-proof condition will not be impaired.

Upon motion duly seconded and passed, it was ordered that the matter of collecting the purchase price of lots sold to H. Jackson, Morgantown, Kentucky, and W. T. Sledge, Scottsville, be taken up with the Attorney General for the purpose of obtaining his opinion of the advisability of instituting suit on the contract executed by the aforementioned parties and, if suits should be brought, whether the same shall be filed by the Attorney General or by some lawyer to be employed by the Board of Regents.

Moved by Regent Cooper and seconded by Regent Haswell that the establishment of a co-operative School Book and Equipment Store be authorized and that President H. H. Cherry be given authority to advance for this purpose a sum equal to one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), or whatever amount is necessary to make it a success.

It was further agreed that President Cherry be authorized to employ a competent man with the necessary assistants to take charge of this work and that his salary be fixed so as to include the cost of the premium for his bond, this bond to be for three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00), or such sum as will cover the funds passing through his hands.

It was further agreed that the manager of this book Store shall be required to make full and complete statement of the business to President Cherry at the close of each school term.

Upon motion of Regent Haswell, with second by Regent Cooper, it was agreed that Regent Potter and President Cherry be authorized to take up the question of the purchase of coal for the school and to make the purchase upon the best terms they can procure. They were instructed to contract and purchase such amount as they think will be needed.

The Board then called before them Mr. W. M. Bray, the Supervising Architect, who made an interesting statement about the progress of the work on the Girls' Dormitory.

The Board authorized the local Regent, Mr. J. Whit Potter, and President H. H. Cherry to decide upon and to execute such emergency business as may arise in connection with the erection of buildings now in progress, not already acted upon.

Moved, seconded, and duly passed that Regent Potter and President Cherry be authorized to work out the establishment of the Normal Camp and to construct as many houses of the different types as seem best and as many as the finances of the institution will permit.

The Board then adjourned for the purpose of inspecting and studying the improvements being made on Normal Heights.

Matthew D. Wilson
Secretary

J. Whit Potter
Chairman