

Mr. Lawrence stated that he would like to open the meeting by saying that he had arrived early and had personally toured the Western campus, and wanted to report to the other members of the Board that he had never seen it look so beautiful.

The Board then went into a thorough discussion of plans for securing an architect for the proposed new science building to be built on the Western campus. President Thompson reported that a committee, made up of representatives of the various science departments, had been at work for many weeks on a study relative to the proposed building. Following a discussion relative to architects, Mr. Ezelle moved that the Board recommend the firm of Merryweather-Marye and Associates at Lexington be employed as prime architects on the science building, and that the firm of Roberts and Johnson of Owensboro be recommended as associate architects. Mr. Ezelle's motion was seconded by Dr. McCormack and was unanimously passed.

President Thompson reported to the Board that he had made a study relative to the Association of Governing Boards of State Universities and Allied Institutions, and felt that there might be some advantage to the College if the Western Board of Regents were to become affiliated with this organization. Following a discussion, Mr. Ezelle moved that the Board join the organization for the coming year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Poland and was unanimously adopted.

General discussion of the College plans for employment of College personnel for the future, and other items of general interest to the welfare of the institution, took place before the Board adjourned to the Homecoming chapel assembly in VarMeter Auditorium.

The motion for adjournment was made by Dr. McCormack and seconded by Mr. Ezelle.

Etta Runner
Secretary

H. B. Lawrence
Chairman

Minutes of Board Meeting

February 7, 1959

A meeting of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky State College was held in Room 203 of the Kentucky Hotel, in the City of Louisville, Kentucky, at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, February 7, 1959.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-chairman, Mr. Bemis Lawrence, who presided in the absence of Dr. Robert R. Martin, Chairman. Members present in addition to Mr. Lawrence were Dr. W. R. McCormack; Mr. Hugh Poland; Mr. Sam Ezelle; Mr. Douglas Keen and Mr. Robert Spragens. Others present were Mr. L. T. Smith, Physical Plant Administrator; Mr. Billy Smith, Business Manager; Mr. Robert Cochran, Director of Public Relations; Miss Georgia Bates, Secretary to the President, and Miss Etta J. Runner, Secretary to the Board. President Kelly Thompson was unable to attend the meeting due to the critical illness of his son Hardin.

Mr. Lawrence expressed regret that President Thompson could not be present for the meeting. He called on Dr. McCormack who gave a complete report on Hardin's condition. The Secretary was instructed to send a message to President Thompson at Vanderbilt Hospital expressing the Board's sympathy. The members voted to send flowers but at the suggestion of Miss Bates will wait until Hardin has returned home.

Dr. McCormack moved that the reading of the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on November 1, 1958, be dispensed with and adopted inasmuch as each member had previously received a copy of the minutes. Mr. Ezelle seconded the motion which was unanimously adopted.

The first item of business presented by Mr. Lawrence concerned the 1959 Summer Science Institute. Mr. Cochran explained that the Institute is to be conducted by Western next summer and that the National Science Foundation has made available to Western \$74,600 for the support of the Institute and a supplemental grant of \$5,000. Instruction in the Institute will be provided by members of Western's staff and a number of guest professors from leading colleges and universities.

After a discussion of the Institute Mr. Spragens moved that President Thompson be instructed to write a letter to the National Science Foundation, on behalf of the Board, expressing appreciation for the grants.

Mr. Lawrence next presented a proposed agreement between Western and the Bowling Green City Schools for off-campus teaching. Mr. Billy Smith was asked to give an explanation. Mr. Smith stated that, due to the increased enrollment in the College and the number of students taking teacher training, the Training School has become hard pressed to accommodate all of those students needing directed teaching. This means a need for additional laboratory facilities for teacher training. The cooperative plan between Western and the Bowling Green Schools, he stated, will give our student teachers an opportunity for both on-campus and off-campus experience.

Following discussion Dr. McCormack moved that the Board approve the agreement with the understanding that the rate of pay might have to be changed later. The motion was seconded by Mr. Keen and unanimously adopted on roll call. The vote was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Keen; Mr. Spragens; Mr. Ezelle;
Dr. McCormack; Mr. Poland; Mr. Lawrence.

Nay: NONE

AGREEMENT

January 20, 1959

This is an agreement entered into by Western Kentucky State College, Bowling Green, Kentucky, and the Bowling Green City School System, Bowling Green, Kentucky. The Bowling Green City School System agrees to accept student teachers who are officially enrolled at Western Kentucky State College for the purpose of providing laboratory experiences in teacher training. For these services Western Kentucky State College agrees to pay the Bowling Green City School System the sum of five dollars (\$5.00) per semester credit hour for each student participating in the program.

Upon presentation of an invoice from the Bowling Green City School System and upon approval by the Director of Student Teaching of Western Kentucky State College that the students listed are officially enrolled and actively participating in the cooperative program of teacher training, The Business Office of Western Kentucky State College will process the necessary documents through the Division of Purchases, Department of Finance, Frankfort, Kentucky, for payment.

Lewis C. Bell, Director
Division of Purchases

Dr. W. R. McNeill, Superintendent
Bowling Green City Schools

Orba Traylor, Commissioner
Department of Finance

Dr. Kelly Thompson, President
Western Kentucky State College

The next item brought up by the Chairman for discussion was the proposed purchase of the Poole property on the Russellville Road. Mr. L. T. Smith was asked to give a description of the property and Mr. Billy Smith gave information on the option and proposed means of payment. Following discussion Mr. Ezelle moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS it has become necessary for the orderly expansion of the facilities of Western Kentucky State College and for the construction of improvements thereon that the Board of Regents of said College acquire the following described parcel of real estate on the north side of the

Russellville Road adjacent to the Western Kentucky State College campus and as recorded by the Warren County Tax Assessors' Office -

A house and lot on the north side of the Bowling Green Russellville Road and about one-half mile from Bowling Green.

"Beginning on the corner of Hale's lot and the Russellville Road, thence northwest with Hale's line 338 feet; thence with P. Hines' line (now William Hines' line) southwest 75 feet; thence east with Lucinda Lucas' line 338 feet to the Russellville Road; thence with said road to the beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to the first parties by Virgil Bailey and Corinne Bailey on April 24, 1945, by deed recorded in Deed Book 205 page 469, Warren County Court Clerk's Office.

AND WHEREAS the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky State College is authorized by KRS 164.410 to acquire such real estate as may be needed for the purposes of the College.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents hereby authorizes President Kelly Thompson to take the necessary steps on behalf of the Board of Regents for the acquisition of said land, the price not to exceed \$9,453.00.

Mr. Ezelle's motion was seconded by Dr. McCormack and upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Keen; Mr. Spragens; Mr. Ezelle;
Dr. McCormack; Mr. Poland; Mr. Lawrence.

Nay: NONE

The next item on the agenda was a report concerning the renovation of the ground floor of Potter Hall. The Chairman asked Mr. Billy Smith to give the report on the renovation of this building.

The minutes of the January 20 meeting of the College Heights Foundation Board were read and discussed after which Mr. Spragens moved that President Thompson be instructed, on behalf of the Board, to write a letter to the College Heights Foundation Board, expressing appreciation for the wonderful support which the Foundation has given the College. The motion was seconded by Mr. Keen and unanimously adopted.

Mr. Keen stated that he felt the College Heights Foundation is to be congratulated on the two new members--Mr. Billy Smith and Mr. Robert Cochran--and that he believed they will make fine directors. Others expressed the same opinion.

The meeting was then opened for such other business as the Board desired to transact.

Dr. McCormack stated that inasmuch as President Thompson's four-year term is to expire in October of this year, he would like to make the following motion; that President Thompson be re-appointed for another four-year term beginning at the expiration of the present term and under the same terms and agreement as presently exist, and with the understanding that the President's salary is to be increased in the near future. Mr. Ezelle seconded the motion and following discussion, the vote was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Keen; Mr. Spragens; Mr. Ezelle;
Dr. McCormack; Mr. Poland; Mr. Lawrence.

Nay: NONE

Preceding the Western-Army Game in Freedom Hall, to which all Board members, their wives and children had been invited, a dinner was served in Parlor A of the Kentucky Hotel to the members of the Board and their wives.

On motion of Mr. Ezelle and with a second by Mr. Poland the meeting adjourned.

Etta Sumner
Secretary

W. Bemis Lawrence
Chairman

Minutes of Board Meeting

May 7, 1959

A meeting of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky State College was held at the President's Home on the Western Campus on Thursday, May 7, 1959, at 10:30 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Dr. Robert R. Martin, who presided. Members present, in addition to Dr. Martin, were Dr. W. R. McCormack; Mr. Bemis Lawrence; Mr. Robert Spragens; Mr. Douglas

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