

Minutes of Board Meeting

August 9, 1957

The Board of Regents of Western Kentucky State College met in Louisville, Kentucky, in the home of Mr. Bemis Lawrence, at 3 p.m. Friday, August 9, 1957.

The meeting was called to order by the vice-chairman, Mr. Bemis Lawrence, who later yielded the chair to Dr. Robert R. Martin. There were present Mr. Hugh Poland; Mr. Robert Spragens; Mr. Sam Ezelle; Mr. Sheridan Barnes and Mr. Lawrence; also present were President Kelly Thompson; Mr. Billy Smith, Business Manager, and Miss Etta J. Runner, Secretary. Dr. W. R. McCormack was unable to attend the meeting.

Mr. Barnes moved that the reading of the minutes of the last meeting of the Board held on May 7, 1957, be dispensed with and that the minutes be adopted inasmuch as each member had previously received a copy of the minutes. Mr. Ezelle seconded the motion and with all members voting "aye" the motion carried.

President Thompson presented as the first item of business, the budget for 1957-58 stating it was what he thought to be the best and most realistic budget the college has ever had. He explained the sources of income as presented in the budget, as well as the different allotments of the budget. After a short discussion Mr. Lawrence moved that the budget as presented by the President be approved. Mr. Ezelle seconded the motion and upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Lawrence, Mr. Spragens, Mr. Poland,
Mr. Barnes, Mr. Ezelle, Dr. Martin

Nay: NONE

The next item of business presented by the President was the status of the condemnation proceedings of five parcels of property on the Russellville Road. He stated that in accordance with their authorization at the last meeting of the Board, he contacted the law firm of Coleman, Harlin & Orendorf who in turn notified the property owners of the condemnation suit. He explained the county court appointed a committee of three to appraise the property, the total price being \$52,305.00. He stated further that the suit is to be heard before a jury in the September Term of Court. He told the Board that he had asked the Housing and Home Finance Agency for permission to wait 90 days before filing the final application for a loan for the proposed new dormitory and that the request had been granted.

The President next presented for discussion plans concerning the proposed new dormitory. After the matter was discussed Mr. Barnes moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky State College hereby

1. Authorizes President Kelly Thompson to make application to the Federal Housing and Home Finance Agency for loan assistance in the amount of \$640,000.00 plus whatever is the final sum agreed upon by the Court in the condemnation proceedings now pending and pertaining to five parcels of property on the Russellville Road immediately North and South of Sixteenth Street;
2. Authorizes him to submit and sign such documents, statements and exhibits as is necessary to complete the processing of the application;
3. Authorizes him to take such action as is necessary to bring about the final execution of the contract between Western Kentucky State College and the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That it is the intention of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky State College to approve said loan, in the amount listed above, at its next meeting or subsequent to the final execution of the contract.

Mr. Lawrence seconded the motion and upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Poland, Mr. Spragens, Mr. Ezelle, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Lawrence, Dr. Martin

Nay: NONE

President Thompson next reported on the status of new construction, stating the contract for renovating Potter Hall was awarded by competitive bid for \$88,000.00 and that \$21,000.00 had been allotted for furniture. He stated that the bids for the construction of the new maintenance building will be opened on August 23 and that much renovation work is under way on the Western campus.

The question of scholarships was discussed after which Mr. Spragens moved that President Thompson be authorized to grant up to 100 scholarships each year not to exceed \$100.00 each, \$50.00 each semester to worthy and capable prospective students. The scholarships to be used only in helping to defray registration expenses. The motion was seconded by Mr. Poland.

The chairman called for a roll call which resulted as follows:

Aye: Mr. Spragens, Mr. Poland, Mr. Barnes,
Mr. Ezelle, Mr. Lawrence, Dr. Martin

Nay: NONE

There being no further business Mr. Spragens moved the meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ezelle and unanimously adopted.

Robert R. Martin
Chairman

Etta J. Runner
Secretary

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April 5, 1958

The Board of Regents of the Western Kentucky State College met in the Office of President Kelly Thompson, Saturday morning, April 5, 1958, at 10:00 a.m.

Mr. Bemis Lawrence, having been re-appointed by Governor A.B. Chandler, qualified as member of the Board of Regents by taking the Constitutional Oath which was administered by Warren County Judge, John M. Milligan.

OATH

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the Commonwealth, and be faithful and true to the Commonwealth of Kentucky so long as I continue a citizen thereof, and that I will faithfully execute to the best of my ability, the Office of Member of Board of Regents of the Western Kentucky State College according to law; and I do further solemnly swear that since the adoption of the present Constitution, I, being