MINUTES FOR MEETING

of

May 9, 1912.

A meeting of the Board of Regents of the Western Kentucky State Normal School was held at Bowling Green, Ky., on Thursday, May 9th at 10:30 A. M., at which were present Hon. Barksdale Hamlett, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Regents Gooch, Potter, and Cole.

President Cherry presented to the Board his recommendations as to the needs of the school, in the expenditure of the funds that would be available from the sale of the $100,000 issue of bonds, when marketed. The Board spent the entire day visiting the buildings and the farm and grounds and then adjourned for an executive session for Friday morning, May 10th.

On reconvening May 10th, the several matters were brought up for consideration, Superintendent Hamlett being obliged to leave for Frankfort on an early train, Vice-President Gooch took the chair.

A letter was read from Regent Haswell, stating his inability to be at this meeting, and reporting that he had seen Architect Davis with reference to the Auditorium Roof. (In accordance with the advice of Mr. Davis, the board voted that Regent Potter be authorized and instructed to have Mr. McElroy prepare a notice to be sent to the Contractor, Mr. Bornstein, to take immediate steps to remedy the defects in the roof and, if not done in thirty days, that the Board would have it done at his expense.)

It was then voted that Mr. Potter, under advice of our Attorney, Mr. McElroy, prepare all necessary papers to complete the loan, under the proposition of Seasongood & Mayer, in the event that they purchase the $100,000 issue of bonds, with authority to act for the Board.

In case that the deal with Seasongood & Mayer is not completed, by unanimous vote, Mr. Potter was instructed to correspond with various State banks and financial institutions to see if by dividing the loan, it could not be carried in that way.

In the event that it became apparent that the bonds could not be advantageously placed until the Enabling Act should be tested before the Court of Appeals, it was then voted that the attorney for the Board, Mr. McElroy, be instructed to take prompt steps to bring the matter of constitutionality of the Enabling Act up to the Court of Appeals for settlement.

The Board then entered upon the consideration of repairs and new work, equipment, and buildings to be done as soon as funds are available, the work to be done under the direction of the local regent, and President Cherry. After full consideration, the following work was decided upon, at approximately the cost desired.
Repairing, Papering and Painting Potter College-------------------$2,000
Repairing, Papering and Painting Frisbie Hall------------------- 1,500
Erecting Temporary Dining Hall on Hill-------------------------- 1,500
Finishing Grounds Front Administration Building--------------- 5,000
Laboratory and Equipment-------------------------------------- 2,000
Addition to Library-------------------------------------------- 1,000
Heating Cabell Hall-------------------------------------------- 1,000
Rural School Building----------------------------------------- 3,000
Miscellaneous----------------------------------------------- 3,000

The Board of Regents then by unanimous vote registered the decision that after the above improvements are completed, the next buildings required by the school are; first, a Girls' Dormitory; Second, a Culinary Department; Third, a General Heating Plant.

By unanimous vote, the following resolution was ordered to be spread on the minutes:

At a meeting of the Board of Regents, held May 10, 1912, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"The Regents desire to express and put on record their appreciation of the efficient work of Prof. Franz J. Strahm of the Music Department of the school. We feel that the May Festival concerts given at this time to the public, have been of a kind to do credit to a larger community and an older educational institution and that their importance in the effect upon the student-body is of the greatest value;

Resolved Further, That President H. H. Cherry be instructed to present to Prof. Strahm and the students and citizens who so ably assisted him, the thanks of the entire Board."

The Secretary then placed before the Board the appointments by Gov. J. B. McCreary of W. J. Gooch and H. K. Cole as Regents of the Western Kentucky State Normal School, for the four year-term beginning April 1, 1912. The constitutional oath of office was then administered by O. G. Byrn, a Notary Public of Warren County, Kentucky. No further business appearing, the Board adjourned.

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Secretary.  President.

I, O. G. Byrn, Notary Public of Warren County, Kentucky, do hereby certify that Messrs. W. J. Gooch and H. K. Cole, having been duly appointed as members of the Board of Regents of Normal School District No. 2 by the Governor of the Commonwealth, appeared personally before me the 10th day of May, 1912, and took the oath of office as provided by the Constitution and laws of Kentucky.

Given under my hand and seal this the 10th day of May, 1912.