Minutes of Board Meeting Sept. 2, 1910.


C. W. Richards presented his credentials and was duly sworn in as a member.

The bids of the following gentlemen for heating and water system of new building were received:--Dauch Construction Company $8,551; the Peck-Williams Heating and Ventilating Company $5,339; and the A. J. Anderson & Company $4,957.

On motion, Mr. Anderson's bid was unanimously accepted, after an interview with and explanations by him. The Bond was fixed at $5,000, and 'Mr. Davis was directed to draw the contract.

Here resolutions with respect to the purchase of real estate were adopted. At a former meeting of the Board of Regents, it was unanimously resolved that the best interest of the Western Kentucky State Normal required the purchase from Mrs. Carrie E. Mitchell of her lot on the corner of 15th Street and the Russellville Pike at the price of $750, it is now resolved that such purchase be closed and that the Board accept the deed of Mrs. Mitchell conveying said lot and that Mr. H. K. Cole, Vice President, be and he is hereby authorized and empowered for and on behalf of the Board and in its name to execute to said Mitchell, the note of the Board for $750 on or before five years after date and bearing interest from date and until paid at the rate of 6% per annum, payable annually. And at a former meeting of the Board, it was also resolved that the best interest of the State of Kentucky and of the Western Kentucky State Normal School demanded that it convey 2.95 acres of land to P. C. Foster in consideration of his conveying to the Board 3.47 acres and, the Attorney General of Kentucky having given a written opinion to the effect that it is within the power of the Board to make such exchange and to convey to said Foster said 2.95 acres and to receive from him a deed to said 3.47 acres, it is now resolved that said 2.95 acres be conveyed to said Foster and that H. K. Cole, Vice President, is hereby authorized and empowered for and on behalf of said Board and in its name to sign and acknowledge a deed conveying said 2.95 acres to said Foster and said deed may be delivered to said Foster upon his delivery to said Board his deed to said 3.47 acres duly signed and acknowledged.

By motion and second, the above resolutions were unanimously adopted.

President Cherry having presented the proposition of the State Board of Health and the same having been considered at some length by the Board, it was voted that the plan, if it could be satisfactorily arranged as to details, was for the distinctive advantage of the Western State Normal School; and a committee consisting of Regents Cole and Richards, Dean A. J. Kinnaman, Dr. Fred Mutchler, and President Cherry, is hereby appointed to take up for full consideration of the matter with power to arrive at a distinct understanding with the Board of Health and report same to the different members of the Board of Regents for their approval at as early a date as practical.
The proposition of the Burroughs Adding Machine Company having been laid before the Board, in which they propose to furnish a new modern machine at the price of $337.50 upon terms of one-fourth cash and balance in twelve months, it was unanimously voted that President Cherry be authorized to make such purchase with any possible modifications of terms for the advantage of the school as can be made.

The local Regent, Mr. J. Whit Potter, and the President, were authorized to make storage arrangements for taking care of the furniture in the Potter College building until repairs are completed and can be replaced in the building.

It was voted that the inscription upon the front of the Auditorium building shall be "Western Kentucky State Normal School--1910."

The resolution passed by the Board of Regents, November 19, 1909, relative to placing inscription on the cornerstone of building is hereby rescinded.

The question having been brought before the Board, the Regents voted to ask the Executive Council to make a recommendation to the two Boards as to what action should be taken by the Regents relative to persons who do not teach after having accepted free tuition.

A letter from Senator Conn Linn stating the necessity of resigning from the Board and his exceeding regret for being obliged to do so and asking a letter of recommendation from the Board, it was unanimously voted that the President be requested to prepare such a letter conveying to Senator Linn the good wishes of the Board in his new field of work and present it to the Board for the signature of each member. Here follows a copy of the paper:

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The Board of Regents of the Western Kentucky State Normal School regrets the resignation of Senator Conn Linn from the Board. He has rendered most patriotic and efficient public service not only to this institution but to the Commonwealth of Kentucky. We shall miss him and his wise counsel in our work of directing this institution. It gives the Board great pleasure to recommend Senator Conn Linn as one of Kentucky's foremost lawyers and citizens. He puts prepared and inspired life into the performance of his daily duty. He is capable, honest, and painstaking. He has richly merited the esteem, confidence, and recognition of the public.

Respeaking for him the kind consideration that he richly merits, we are,

Most respectfully yours,
(Signed) Members of the Board.

It was unanimously voted that President H. W. Cherry be continued in his present position at the same salary.

It was voted that Prof. Franz J. Stranm be employed as Director of the School of Music at a salary of $2,000 for forty-six weeks' work and "Rs. W. B. Settle as Voice teacher at $75 per scholastic month. Also Miss Nell Dickey as assistant teacher of Piano at $50 per scholastic month. The President was instructed to employ Miss Pauline Drake, if possible, as Violin teacher on a commission basis to be worked out by him.
The local Regent and the President were authorized to make all necessary water connections between the city system and the college property.

It was voted that Regent Potter advertise for ten thousand bushels of coal suitable for the new and the old school building, letting the contract to the lowest and best bidder, with power to act for the Board. Contract was made with the Bowling Green Coal Company for 2,500 bushels for the Administration Building, 6,000 for Friese Hall, 300 for Cabell Hall, and 1,000 for the College Street building at $.25 per ton for Lump and $.230 for Nut coal.

The Board authorized the local Regent, Mr. J. Whit Potter, and President Cherry to invite bids in the construction of the temporary boiler house and with authority to let contract to the lowest and best bidder.

The Regents after discussing with Architect Davis and Mr. Dearing the alterations and additions to be made in the Potter College building to prepare for the school work, entered into contract with Mr. Dearing to superintend the work under the direction of the Architect, Capt. Brinton Davis, the compensation to be $5.00 per day, with the understanding that the work is to be begun on Monday, September 5th, and completed at the earliest possible date.

Upon invitation of the Board, Mr. Henry Fitch of the Bowling Green Electric Light and Gas Company discussed with the Board the matter of lighting the buildings on the Potter College Hill. An agreement was arrived at that, upon the seven-year contract, the Bowling Green Electric Light and Gas Company would furnish the light at four cents a kilowatt, a proper contract to be drawn up and executed between the Board and Mr. Fitch.

President Cherry and Regent Potter were authorized to enter into a contract with E. B. Sumpter Plumbing and Heating Company of Bowling Green for the overhauling of the heating and plumbing plant in Potter College upon the best terms that can be arranged.

It was further voted that President Cherry and Mr. Potter take bids for wiring Potter College building with authority to make contract with the lowest and best bidder.

It was further voted that President Cherry and Regent Potter make an arrangement with Mr. Dearing to superintend the reconstruction of a power house to be constructed for the Auditorium building according to the plans and specifications furnished by the Architect and under the supervision of the Architect.

It was further voted that the Architect superintend the wiring of the new building while it is under construction for telephone service.

President Cherry was instructed to correspond with Furniture factories and to fix the date as early as in his judgment is practical to invite submitting of samples in Bowling Green for the inspection of the Board.