Minutes of Board Meeting

February 1, 1947

A meeting of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky State Teachers College was held February 1, 1947, in the offices of Woodward, Dawson, Hobson & Fulton at 10:00 A.M. The following members were present: Mr. B. J. Borromeo, Judge Charles L. Dawson, Judge Clarence Bartlett, and Judge John B. Rodes. The following member was absent: Superintendent John Fred Williams.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman B. J. Borromeo. On motion of Judge Dawson, with a second by Judge Rodes, and with all members voting "aye" Paul L. Garrett was elected secretary of the meeting.

The minutes of the meeting of the Board of Regents on December 21, 1946, were read, and on motion of Judge Rodes, with a second by Judge Dawson, and with all members voting "aye" the minutes were approved as read.

President Garrett requested approval of changes in personnel (employment, change in rate of pay, resignations, and leaves of absence) as cleared through the Department of Finance since the meeting of the Board of Regents on December 21, 1946, and as listed below:

Resignations

Mrs. Clarence Denman, Asst. Professor, $60.00 per mo. Dec. 16, 1946
Miss Adelyn Stegall, Instructor, $200.00 per mo. Dec. 14, 1946
Stanley Weinreb, Laboratory Asst., $12.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1946
Mrs. Evelyn D. Thompson, Secretary (Trade School), $100 per mo. Dec. 14, 1946
Mrs. Phil Wilken, Stenographer, $50.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1946

Change in Rate of Pay

Clarence Sadler, Farm Foreman, $90.00 per mo. to $100.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Delbert Jennett, Farm Laborer, $70.00 per mo. to $80.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Harry L. Daingerfield, Electrical Instructor (Trade School), $190.00 to $200.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Charles A. Gerhart, Auto Mech. Inst., $180.00 to $190.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Chappel Aldridge, Lab. Asst., $12.00 per mo. to $21.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Maurice Futrell, Lab. Asst., $12.00 per mo. to $21.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
George Nell, Lab. Asst., $12.00 per mo. to $21.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Thomas Padgett, Lab. Asst., $21.00 per mo. to $12.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Joe Petty, $12.00 per mo. to $21.00 per mo. Lab. Asst. Jan. 1, 1947

Employment

Mrs. E. L. Reep, Director, West Hall, $100.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Miss Florence Hurst, Instructor, $200.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Elizabeth Bonner (Col.) Kitchen Help, $65.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Mr. Dave Whittaker, Student Assistant, $50.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Mr. E. L. Massie, Asst. Professor, $250.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Mr. Hall Potts, Student Assistant, $20.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Mr. N. H. Talley, Laboratory Assistant, $21.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Mr. George Bennett, Laboratory Assistant, $12.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Miss Betty Langley, Laboratory Assistant, $12.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Mr. Thomas Sallenger, Laboratory Assistant, $12.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Mrs. Wanda B. Baker, Stenographer, $100.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Mrs. Lenna Mae Allen, Stenographer, $90.00 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
Mrs. Kimble Hogan, Stenographer (West. Tra. Sch.), $100 per mo. Jan. 21, 1947

Leave of Absence

Susie W. McClanahan, Director, West Hall, $143.75 per mo. Jan. 1, 1947
(sick leave)

On motion of Judge Dawson, with a second by Judge Rodes, it was requested that the changes in personnel as recommended by the President be ratified and approved. The vote was as follows: Mr. Borromeo, aye; Judge Dawson, aye; Judge Rodes, aye; Judge Bartlett, aye.

The President discussed with the Board the proposal made to him by James Blackburn that the college sell a portion of its land on the Russellville Road south of Veterans Village for the erection of a housing project for veterans. The sentiment of the Board was that it was not desirable to sell this property.

President Garrett suggested the desirability of purchasing the lot owned by Edgar Bailey adjoining the college property on the Russellville Road. The matter of the purchase of the lot was referred to the President and the Executive Committee for investigation and action as such seemed desirable, it being agreed that the other members of the Board would be contacted before any purchase was agreed to.

Mr. Wood Hannah of Bankers Bond Company presented a proposition for financing the new dormitory. The proposal follows:

Louisville, Kentucky

Board of Regents,
Western Kentucky State Teachers College
Bowling Green, Kentucky

Gentlemen:

We understand that your Board of Regents plans, as soon as it practicable, to build a Girls' Dormitory to be financed with funds on hand in the amount of approximately $200,000 which funds will be supplemented
through the issuance of revenue bonds in the maximum amount of $200,000, that you do not contemplate selling the entire $200,000 of revenue bonds, but because of the uncertainty of building costs you want bonds authorized in this aggregate amount; these bonds to be issued under Section 547 of Kentucky Revised Statutes and to mature serially over a period not to exceed twenty years, out of revenues collected from students and, or, the college for the rent of dormitory facilities.

We will cause to be prepared an issue of $200,000 Dormitory Revenue Bonds maturing serially in not to exceed twenty years, the schedule of maturities to be based upon a conservative estimate of the fees that will be available from year to year for servicing the bond issue. The bonds will be scheduled to mature beginning three years from date of issue and the schedule of maturities is to be such as will be mutually agreeable to your Board of Regents and ourselves. It shall be provided that a minimum of $150,000 of bonds shall be publicly advertised and sold (although a lesser amount may be sold by agreement between the Board of Regents and ourselves) at such time as the Board of Regents shall decide to publicly advertise same for sale. Should funds from this sale of bonds prove inadequate to complete the building, the Board of Regents shall have the right to sell all or any part of the remaining authorized and un-issued bonds - the time and place of such sale, as well as the amount of bonds to be sold, to be determined by the Board of Regents. Bonds shall be sold in their numerical order; thus, if $150,000 of bonds are all that are sold, they will be bonds numbered 1 to 150; if twenty-five additional bonds are sold, they will be bonds numbered 150 to 175 inclusive, etc. When the Dormitory has been completed, any bonds which it has been unnecessary to issue will promptly be cancelled.

This entire issue of bonds shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed 2 1/4%; shall be dated as near their date of issuance as is practicable; shall be callable on any interest payment date after thirty days published notice, at the option of the Board of Regents, as a whole or in their inverse numerical order if less than the entire issue is called, at a price of 1/4 of 1% per year for each year, or fraction thereof that the bonds are called in advance of their respective maturity dates.

In connection with the setting up and marketing of this bond issue we will pay all costs incident to the preparation of the bonds, including preparation of resolutions, the
bond transcript and printing of the bonds themselves, as well as the final approving legal opinion of recognized bond counsel. We will require only that the Board of Regents furnish to our attorneys a satisfactory abstract of title to the property on which the Dormitory is to be constructed. We will publicly advertise, and pay the cost of such advertisement, that part, or those parts of the bond issue which the Board of Regents conclude to sell and you shall have the right to determine the date or dates of such sales. The publication having a circulation among all of the municipal bond underwriting houses in the country. Providing such sale is held not later than March 15, 1947, we will guarantee to bid not less than 102 1/2 for all bonds advertised for sale, bearing not to exceed 2 1/4% interest. It will be provided in the notices of sale that bidders shall have the right to name their own coupon rate in multiples of 1/4 of 1%, but in no event shall the rate on any of the bonds exceed 2 1/2% guaranteed rate. Thus, while we do not feel that a lower rate of interest will be forthcoming, it will none the less be provided in the advertisement that if a lower rate is forthcoming from any quarter on this bond issue, the issue will be set up and advertised in such a manner as to take advantage of this condition.

If this proposal is promptly accepted by your Board of Regents, we and our attorneys will upon receipt of satisfactory abstract of title to the land upon which the dormitory is to be constructed, promptly proceed with the preparation of the bond issue, but, prior to actually preparing the bond transcript, we will after advising with your President promptly submit a recommended schedule of maturities. In compensation to us for services rendered, expenses incurred and risks taken, we are to be paid a sum equal to 2 1/2% of the face amount of the bonds sold, simultaneously with delivery of the issue to the successful bidder; providing, however, that on any bonds sold later than March 15, 1947 we shall not be entitled to this compensation unless we at such public sale make a bid at least as favorable to you as our guaranteed bid.

Our commitment as herein contained is subject only to our being able to obtain from our attorneys at the time that bonds are ready for delivery, their opinion that under existing laws the income therefrom is not subject to Kentucky Ad Valorem or income taxes, or Federal income taxes.

We have had the opportunity of outlining to your Board of Regents the reasons why we believe it to be in your best interest to proceed with the preparation and sale of this bond issue immediately. Briefly, those reasons are, trend
trent of interest rates on municipal bonds is upward and since your bonds have a particular advantage—taxwise to Kentucky individual and institutional investors, your bonds should be sold while funds are plentiful with Kentucky investors and from this standpoint, now is a most favorable time to market your bond issue.

Submitted for the consideration of the Board of Regents at their meeting held

Respectfully yours,

THE BANKERS BOND COMPANY

By Wood Hannah

Judge Rodes moved that the above proposal of the Bankers Bond Company be accepted. The second of the motion was by Judge Bartlett. The vote was as follows: Mr. Borrone, aye; Judge Dawson, aye; Judge Rodes, aye; Judge Bartlett, aye. Nays: None.

On motion of Judge Dawson with second by Mr. Borrone, and with all members voting "aye" the meeting was declared adjourned.

Acting Secretary

Chairman