THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING
MINUTES OF THE TRUSTEES

December 11, 1925

For the confidential information
of the Board of Trustee
The semi-annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Wyoming was called to order by President Elliott at three o'clock on Friday, December 11, 1925. The following members answered the roll call: President Elliott, Mr. Holliday, Mr. Geddes, Mr. Prosser, Mrs. Haggard, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Quesay, Mr. Schwob, Governor Ross and Dr. Crane. Absent: Mrs. Grieve and Mrs. Morton.

Mr. Roy Seney, Assistant State Budget Officer, appeared before the Board and reported on the results of his recent investigation of this institution. He made several constructive suggestions and criticisms for the betterment of both academic and business operations. Mr. Seney spoke very highly of the administration and organization as a whole.

Minutes of the last meeting of the Board of Trustees and of the October meeting of the Executive Committee were approved as read.

At this point Architects Hitchcock and Porter and Contractors Wilseck, Danielson and Black came before the Board to discuss the engineering building contract. Specifications were reduced $4,495 without changing the contract price. Mr. Quesay moved that the modified bid be accepted as submitted provided the contractor furnishes bond before the contract is signed. This motion was seconded by Mr. Schwob and carried.

President Crane then submitted his report.

The resignation of Professor J. G. Driscoll, Jr., Dean of the Law School, to take effect at the end of the winter quarter March 12, 1926, was accepted. At the suggestion of President Crane, Professor Kinnane was placed in active charge of the law school for the balance of the present year. Dr. Crane was authorized to make necessary adjustments
in personnel to assure the continuance of the work of the school throughout the year. The Board members expressed deep regret that Dean Driscoll is not to continue his work as dean of the college.

The resignation of Miss Doris Greene, Assistant Librarian, was accepted and Miss Greene was released from her present contract. President Crane was authorized to make any necessary financial adjustment within the present library operating budget.

Miss Elizabeth P. Thompson, Critic Teacher in the first grade, was released from her present contract, effective at the close of this quarter. Mrs. Ruth Moyer was appointed for five and one half months at a salary of $150 per month to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Thompson.

Mr. Holliday moved that the President of the University be authorized to collect a damage deposit of five dollars a term from every dormitory tenant, the deposit to be returned to the tenant at the close of the term if, in the meanwhile, the room occupied has remained undamaged; otherwise the fee will be assessed at the discretion of the Dean of Women. This motion was seconded by Mr. Marshall and carried.

The President recommended that the following degrees be granted for work completed at the close of the present quarter:

William Guy Backus, Bachelor of Science, in the College of Agriculture.
Harry Morgan Challenger, Bachelor of Arts, in the College of Education.
Sophelia Kurkowski, Bachelor of Arts, in the College of Education.

The President reported the gift of a photograph of the late Joseph M. Carey which was presented to the University and was placed in the Library with appropriate simple ceremonies on December 5th. Mrs. Joseph M. Carey, Honorable Robert D. Carey, Mr. Charles D. Carey and families attended the exercises.
Mr. Fuller then presented his report.

The state of Wyoming has been called upon by government officials to reconvey a forty acre tract of University land lying in the SW¼ SE¼ Sec. 32, T. 40, R. 79. At the suggestion of Governor Ross, action upon this reconveyance was deferred pending the return of the Wyoming Attorney General who is now in Washington where the status of this transfer is being considered.

At this point Architects Hitchcock and Porter returned after another interview with Contractors Wilseck and Danielson. Mr. Marshall moved that the offer of the contractors be accepted in consideration of our acceptance of the amended bid. Total payments are not to exceed $30,000 prior to July 1, 1926, and the building is to be completed by December 15, 1926. These terms are to be incorporated in the contract. The motion was seconded by Mr. Holliday and carried.

Mr. Marshall moved that the action of the Board at a previous meeting in reference to the question of a bonus and penalty clause covering the contract for the engineering building construction be adopted. Motion was seconded by Mr. Prosser and carried.

Mr. Marshall moved that the President's report giving necessary operating budget adjustments be accepted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Prosser and carried.

It was moved by Mr. Schwoob that building budget revisions be left in the hands of the Executive Committee. This motion was seconded by Mr. Marshall and carried.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned sine die.

Fay E. Smith
Secretary