THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING
MINUTES OF THE TRUSTEES

May 19, 1946

For the confidential information
of the Board of Trustee
The Board of Trustees of the University of Wyoming was called to order in Casper, Wyoming at 10:00 a.m., Sunday, May 19, by President Simpson. The following members were present: Mr. Simpson, Mrs. Cope, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Burwell, Dr. Cunningham, Mr. McCraken, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Watenpaugh, and Dr. Humphrey.

Upon the motion of Mr. McCraken, seconded by Mr. Burwell and carried, the minutes of the meeting held April 13 were approved.

Mr. Elmer Brock appeared before the Board to ask the support of the Trustees in behalf of the Barrett bill known as HB607 now before Congress which would turn certain Federal lands in the State to the benefit of the University. After discussion, Mr. Johnson moved that, in furtherance of our support of this bill, the Trustees should send a delegation to Washington to appear before the Public Lands Committee May 29, and that the personnel of this committee should be suggested by Mr. Barrett. This motion was seconded by Mr. Burwell and carried. Mr. Simpson called Mr. Barrett by telephone. Mrs. Cope then moved that President Simpson, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Sullivan and President Humphrey be named as this delegation. This motion was seconded by Mr. McCraken and carried.

Then followed a discussion of veterans housing and the reading of the President's report which showed that the Federal Public Housing Authority had offered the University three hundred and twenty two Butler Task Force prefabricated steel houses f.o.b. Tacoma in addition to previous allocations. Mr. Watenpaugh moved that in order to obtain full advantage of the former allocation of two hundred and ninety equivalent family units, we accept one Hudson dormitory with a capacity of three hundred and eighty six single men and twelve buildings of eight apartments each for a total of ninety six family units; and that the Ways and Means Committee and other leaders of the Wyoming Legislature be advised of these changes in our housing plans brought about by subsequent rulings of the Federal Public Housing Authority.
Authority. This motion was seconded by Dr. Cunningham and carried.

Mr. McCraken then moved that President Humphrey be instructed to re-lease all but one hundred and twenty five of the Butler houses, and that we should endeavor to obtain as many of these as our balance of $52,000.00 can handle to pay the cost of transportation, erection, and make ready for service, thus meeting the specifications and requirements of the Legislature. This motion was seconded by Mr. Watenpaugh and carried.

Following a discussion of athletic affairs, Mr. McCraken moved, that in view of the fact that Coach Oakes has not yet signed the salary contract offered him February 1, 1946, that we now offer Mr. Oakes a contract for the period June 1, 1946 to May 31, 1947 at a salary of $6,000.00 which will cover the back pay of $924.00 voted Mr. Oakes, payment of which has not been made as the State Auditor is not permitted by law to make payments on salary contracts which have been increased retroactively.

President Humphrey then informed the Board that the State High School Athletic Association had informed him that they were able to finance the recent basketball tournament without using the $1,000.00 appropriation made by the University and requested disposition of the money. The Trustees agreed that this $1,000.00 should remain on deposit in the Laramie bank as it might be needed for financing a future tournament.

The Board adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Fay E. Smith
Secretary