

**THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING**  
**MINUTES OF THE TRUSTEES**

**July 15, 1950**

**For the confidential information**  
**of the Board of Trustee**

The July 15, 1950, meeting of the Trustees of the University of Wyoming was called to order in the Board room at 10:20 a.m., with President Simpson presiding.

The following members were present: Simpson, McCracken, Del Monte, Reed, Burwell, Hansen, Patterson, Sullivan, Watenpaugh; ex-officio, Stolt and Humphrey.

Mr. Sullivan moved, and Mr. Hansen seconded, that the minutes of the June 5-6, 1950, meeting be approved. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

President Humphrey read a letter from Registrar McWhinnie inviting the Trustees to visit the Registrar's office and to view the Schwiering painting on display there.

Copies of the 1950-51 indexed budget of the University were presented to the Trustees by President Humphrey.

President Humphrey reported that the business manager would receive the bonds for the field house and stadium from the printer about July 25, and that arrangements must be made to have them signed by President Simpson, Secretary Del Monte, and Treasurer Reed. It was decided that the bonds would be sent to Mr. Simpson immediately upon their receipt and that they would then be circulated to the others.

President Simpson then asked President Humphrey to present his report.

Mr. Del Monte moved that the following appointments be approved. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

1. Miss Edna Louisa Drury, Supply Instructor in the University High School, effective September 18, 1950, at a salary rate of \$150.00 per month for the fall and winter quarters.

2. Dr. Ellis Strick, Assistant Professor of Physics, effective September 1, 1950, at a salary rate of \$3,720 for the academic year.

3. Mr. John E. Swanson, Assistant Professor of Political Science and

#### APPOINTMENTS

Drury

Strick

Swanson

Supervisor of Public Administration Projects, effective September 1, 1950, at a salary rate of \$5,004 per year on an eleven months' basis.

4. Dr. Henry Rakoff, Petroleum Research Chemist in the Natural Resources Research Institute, with the rank of Assistant Professor, effective July 15, 1950, at a salary rate of \$4,800 per year.

Rakoff

The following resignations were reported to the Board:

RESIGNATIONS

1. Dr. Fred K. Elder, Jr., Assistant Professor of Physics, effective August 31, 1950.

Elder

2. Mr. Charles C. Boley, Coal Research Engineer, effective July 1, 1950.

Boley

3. Mr. Francis Stroup, Assistant Professor of Health and Physical Education for Men, effective August 31, 1950.

Stroup

As recommended in President's report, it was moved by Mr. Hansen, seconded by Mr. Watenpaugh, and passed unanimously, that the leave of absence granted at an earlier meeting to Mr. Orland Ward be canceled so that he might serve as a replacement for Mr. Francis Stroup, at a salary rate of \$3,660 for the academic year 1950-51.

CANCELATION OF LEAVE

Ward

As recommended in President Humphrey's report, it was moved by Mr. Sullivan, and seconded by Mr. Watenpaugh, that the following leaves of absence without pay be granted:

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

1. Miss Mae Baird, Specialist in Field Studies and Planning, for six months beginning September 10, 1950.

Baird

2. Mr. Dale W. Bohmont, Instructor and Research Assistant in Agronomy, from October 1, 1950, to August 31, 1951.

Bohmont

3. Mr. John A. Hopkin, Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics, for one year beginning September 1, 1950.

Hopkin

The motion carried unanimously.

In accordance with the recommendations contained in President Humphrey's report, the following budget changes were approved by unanimous vote:

1. Mr. Watenpaugh moved, and Mr. Reed seconded, that an appropriation of \$3,500 be made to the Wool Department for the purpose of buying equipment essential for the scouring of small samples and fleeces.

2. Mr. Sullivan moved, and Mr. Burwell seconded, that an appropriation of \$1,172.27 be made to the Student Health Service for the purpose of making necessary alterations in the Wyoming Union Building prior to moving the clinic into those quarters.

Mr. McCracken moved, and Mr. Del Monte seconded, that the Trustees approve the awarding of the degree of Bachelor of Science in General Engineering, posthumously, to Hugh C. W. Huntley, if a final check by the appropriate University officials verifies the fulfillment of degree requirements. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon motion of Mr. Hansen, seconded by Mr. Del Monte, the Trustees unanimously approved and authorized the Secretary to sign the following agreements with the Community Facilities Service of the Housing and Home Finance Agency for financing architectural services on the proposed library and infirmary buildings:

For the Infirmary:

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 352, 81st Congress, approved October 13, 1949, and your application as amended and supplemented, and subject to the Terms and Conditions, dated March 15, 1950, attached hereto and made a part hereof, the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting by and through the Housing and Home Finance Administrator, hereby offers to make you an advance of not to exceed \$16,980.00 to aid you in financing the cost of plan preparation, to consist of the preparation of preliminary and final plans and specifications for the proposed construction of an infirmary building.

By the acceptance of this offer, you agree to complete the above-described plan preparation within 100 days from the receipt of the initial advance and covenant that you will repay the advance when required to do so under the provisions of said Law and Terms and Conditions.

BUDGET CHANGES

Wool

Student Health

POSTHUMOUS DEGREE

AGREEMENTS WITH  
COMMUNITY FACILITIES  
SERVICE

For the Library:

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 352, 81st Congress, approved October 13, 1949, and your application, as amended and supplemented, and subject to the Terms and Conditions, dated March 15, 1950, attached hereto and made a part hereof, the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting by and through the Housing and Home Finance Administrator, hereby offers to make you an advance of not to exceed \$53,060.00 to aid you in financing the cost of plan preparation, to consist of the preparation of preliminary and final plans and specifications for the proposed construction of a library building.

By the acceptance of this offer, you agree to complete the above-described plan preparation within 100 days from the receipt of the initial advance and covenant that you will repay the advance when required to do so under the provisions of said Law and Terms and Conditions.

After reviewing briefly the work of the Library Planning Committee, President Humphrey presented a report prepared by three members of that group (Mr. Rush, Mr. Woody, and Dr. Hillier) who had made an inspection tour of other college and university libraries under construction. The entire report was read aloud.

Mr. Reed moved, Mr. Del Monte seconded, that the report of the members of the Library Planning Committee who had visited other libraries be adopted in principle, that the Trustees express their thanks to the committee for their excellent report, and that the committee be informed of the Board's appreciation of their thorough investigation. Motion carried unanimously.

In connection with the proposed new infirmary and library buildings, President Humphrey presented for consideration by the Trustees the names of the following architects:

1. Holzinger and Schropfer, Casper - letter of application submitted.
2. Tresler and McCall, Cody - called President Humphrey from Cody, expressing interest in working either as an independent firm or as associates of Elliott Hitchcock, Laramie.

REPORT OF  
LIBRARY COMMITTEE

CONSIDERATION OF  
ARCHITECTS

3. Sam Hutchings, Cheyenne - letter of application submitted with particular reference to the infirmary.
4. Porter and Bradley, Cheyenne - no specific application submitted.
5. Kellogg and Kellogg, Cheyenne - no application submitted.
6. Goodrich and Wilking, Casper - no application submitted.
7. Hitchcock and Hitchcock, Laramie - no application submitted.

President Humphrey also reported the names of several architects outside the state who had been recommended for consideration by the Library Planning Committee. President Humphrey also read a letter from Mr. N. O. Rush, Director of the Library, expressing his views on the selection of an architect.

The Board was opposed to selecting an architect from outside the state unless absolutely necessary in order to obtain the type of building desired. It was the general feeling of the Board that a local architect should be chosen with the understanding that he would consult an outside architect specializing in the construction of libraries.

It was also decided by the Board that a representative of the architectural firm selected should visit one or more of the library buildings visited by the committee of the Library Planning Committee, and so recommended by that committee, in order that the architects may better understand the principles of construction that are recommended by the Library Planning Committee.

Mr. McCracken moved that the firm of Porter and Bradley be employed as architects for the proposed library building, with the firm of Hitchcock and Hitchcock as associate architects; that Mr. C. B. Jensen be designated as liaison officer between the University Board of Trustees and the Administration, on the one hand, and the architectural firms and contractors on the other hand; and that the President of the Board of

Trustees and the President of the University be authorized to make contracts with the architectural firms selected, provided however, that a satisfactory arrangement and understanding is obtained between the President of the Board of Trustees and the President of the University, on the one hand, and the architectural firms, on the other hand, conforming substantially to the report of the Library Planning Committee adopted by the Board earlier at this meeting. Mr. Burwell seconded the motion, and it was passed by unanimous vote.

President Humphrey distributed preliminary plans (copy filed in the President's office) which had been drawn up for the proposed infirmary building and a report (copy also filed in the President's office) by the Student Health Committee in regard to the proposed building. President Humphrey also read a letter from Mr. Sam Hutchings of Cheyenne applying for the architectural work on the infirmary building.

It was moved by Mr. Reed, and seconded by Mr. Sullivan, that the firm of Sam C. Hutchings be employed as architect for the infirmary, and that he associate with him the firm of Tresler and McCall, with the understanding that the architectural firm of Porter and Bradley shall be consulted to insure general conformity to the over-all plan and style of architecture being developed in the University building program; in addition, that they are to observe the principles set out by the University Committee on Student Health in their report to the Trustees presented at this meeting, with the exception of the provision for headquarters of a nurses' training school; and that Mr. C. B. Jensen be designated as liaison officer between the University Board of Trustees and the Administration, on the one hand, and the architectural firms and contracts on the other hand. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mr. Hansen moved that the new library building be located on the plot of ground lying south of the Wyoming Union, east of Thirteenth Street and north of Iverson Avenue. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion; motion carried.

Mr. Hansen moved, Mr. Burwell seconded, and it was passed unanimously, that the proposed infirmary be located either on the plot of ground east of the present gymnasium, now used for tennis courts, or north of Wyoming Hall, the final selection to be recommended by the architects employed to draw up the plans and specifications for the building.

The question of whether or not the University should continue to withhold the 5 per cent of contract price, as provided in the contract with the J. P. Steele Construction Co., was brought up by President Simpson. Mr. Hansen requested that President Humphrey secure from the business manager the exact figures on money which will be due the contractor on the several buildings completed or nearly completed.

In accordance with Mr. Hansen's request, President Humphrey presented the following figures obtained from the business manager:

5 per cent of total work awarded to J. P. Steele Construction Company	\$230,407.53
Now being withheld on Knight Hall addition (which has been completed)	\$ 28,534.15
Due upon completion of Wyoming Hall	\$ 88,981.13

Mr. Hansen moved that the business manager be instructed to release to the contractor the 5 per cent withheld on Knight Hall and the other buildings as they are completed, with the understanding that the Agriculture Building is one unit, not four separate units. Mr. Watenpaugh seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mr. McCracken expressed his desire to file a minority report concerning the policy adopted at the June 5-6, 1950, meeting of the Trustees, at which he was not present, affecting faculty and staff members who wish

LOCATION OF BUILDINGS

PAYMENTS FOR  
J. P. STEELE CO.

POLICY REGARDING  
EMPLOYEES RUNNING  
FOR PUBLIC OFFICE

to run for public office. Following lengthy discussion by the Trustees, Mrs. Patterson moved, Mr. Watenpaugh seconded, and it was passed by unanimous vote, that a further study be made of the matter and that the following statement be released to the press:

Whether members of the faculty of the University of Wyoming may run for public office without resigning their academic positions will be decided at a future meeting of the institution's board of trustees.

At a recent meeting of the Board, at which some members were absent, the members present expressed the opinion that in the event a faculty member becomes a candidate for public office his resignation from the university should be simultaneous. The question of whether he would be re-employed in the case of his defeat at the polls was to be decided without prejudice after election.

At a special meeting of the board held yesterday, which was called for other purposes, it was unanimously voted to make a further study of the subject, though the faculty had not requested it. Thus there will be continued over to a future meeting a final decision on the question of whether, in the event of a faculty member's candidacy for public office, a resignation or a leave of absence without pay will be the policy.

President Humphrey presented that part of his report giving information concerning five candidates for the position of Dean of the College of Agriculture and Director of the Agricultural Experiment Station:

Dr. R. H. Walker, Dr. H. M. Briggs, Dr. R. B. Tootell, Dr. N. W. Hilston, and Dr. A. F. Vass. (Complete personal data on each of these candidates is on file in the President's office.) Following discussion of the candidates, President Humphrey recommended that Dr. H. M. Briggs, Associate Dean of the College of Agriculture and Associate Director of the Experiment Station of Oklahoma A. & M. College, be offered the position of Dean of the College of Agriculture and Director of the Agricultural Experiment Station of the University of Wyoming. Mr. Burwell moved, and Mrs. Patterson seconded, that President Humphrey's recommendation be approved and that the salary offered Dr. Briggs be left to the discretion of President Humphrey. Motion carried unanimously. It was the general feeling of the

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OF AGRICULTURE

Board that another meeting should be called in the event Dr. Briggs does not accept the position.

President Humphrey reported that he had received a call from Governor Crane asking that the Trustees formulate a policy providing that employees of the University not engage in political activities. If they do, he felt that they should not receive any employment from the state. The Board asked the President to assure the Governor of their agreement with his recommendation.

President Humphrey reported briefly on the surety bond survey under way, stating that a complete report would probably be available for the next meeting of the Board.

President Humphrey also reported that he expects the study of the Buildings and Grounds Department to be completed by September.

President Humphrey reported that the study being made by Bowes and Hart would be ready for publication next month.

President Humphrey reported to the Trustees that he had been asked to serve as State Chairman of the Crusade for Freedom, a subdivision of the National Committee for a Free Europe. Mr. McCracken also commented on the work of the Crusade for Freedom. Mr. Watenpaugh moved, and Mr. McCracken seconded, that the President use his own judgment as to how much time he should devote to the Crusade for Freedom, and that the President keep abreast of all developments of the program. Motion carried.

President Humphrey distributed a report from Glenn J. Jacoby, Director of Athletics, in regard to facilities for the winter sports of skiing and hockey at the University. On the recommendation of several members of the Board, President Simpson announced that consideration of the report would be held over for the next meeting of the Board.

REQUEST FROM  
GOVERNOR CRANE

SURETY BOND SURVEY

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS  
STUDY

STUDY BY BOWES & HART

CRUSADE FOR FREEDOM

WINTER SPORTS  
FACILITIES

The possibility of establishing regular meeting dates was discussed, and it was agreed that President Humphrey and President Simpson should work out a schedule for presentation at the next meeting.

By unanimous consent, President Humphrey was authorized to appoint the staff members who would have to be employed before the next meeting of the Board, with the understanding that contracts will be withheld pending final approval by the Board.

President Simpson called the next meeting of the Board for September 21, unless it should prove necessary to have a meeting before that date to discuss the deanship of the College of Agriculture or to present other matters of importance.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*H. D. Del Monte*  
H. D. Del Monte  
Secretary

REGULAR MEETING DATES

APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL FACULTY MEMBERS

DATE OF NEXT MEETING