THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING MINUTES OF THE TRUSTEES

January 15-16, 1945

For the confidential information of the Board of Trustee

The Board of Trustees of the University of Wyoming was called to order at 10:00 a.m., Monday, January 15 by President Simpson. The following members were present: President Simpson, Mr. Sill, Mrs. Cope, Mr. Johnson, Mr. McGuckin, Mr. Burwell, Dr. Cunningham, Mr. Keeney, Mr. McCraken, and Dr. Morrill.

Roll Call

It was moved by Dr. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Burwell and carried that the minutes of the Board meeting, December 11, be approved.

Minutes Approved

After a discussion of the proposed Junior College system, Mr. Johnson moved that this Board of Trustees is unalterably opposed to a Wyoming Junior College program as embodied in the Wyoming Education Act sponsored by Casper. This motion was seconded by Mr. McGuckin and carried.

Junior College Casper

Mr. McGuckin then moved the adoption of the following resolution. The motion was seconded by Mr. Keeney and carried.

Junior College Resolution

Resolved that the University of Wyoming Board of Trustees hereby expresses its unalterable opposition to the establishment of a Junior College system in Wyoming as would be provided in the education bill now before the state legislature under sponsorship of Casper interests.

The Board earnestly petitions the state legislature now in session to reject the proposed Junior College system. Among the reasons for the board's deep convictions in the matter are the following:

- The economy of the state will not permit. General tax increases on all will inevitably follow for the benefit of a very few.
- 2. Inasmuch as a county or district to qualify for a junior college must have an assessed valuation of \$20,000,000.00 or more and inasmuch as such schools attract only those young people who may attend while living at home the so called benefits of a junior college would be confined to two or three communities in the state. Thus the bill is discriminatory, failing as it does to provide the same facilities for the great majority of the youth of our state.
- 3. Though at their inception junior colleges may be locally financed the history of such institutions shows that virtually without exception it is but a short time until they request and depend upon state legislative appropriations.

- 4. Statistics reveal that the percentage of Wyoming high school graduates who attend college is fully on a par with the national average. For example, it equals or exceeds the percentage of high school graduates attending college from such neighboring states as Nebraska, Idaho, Iowa, Utah and South Dakota, all of which states have junior college systems.
- 5. As related by a campus committee of World War II honorably discharged veterans who appeared before the Board today, and who expressed strong opposition to the proposed Junior College system in Wyoming, returning veterans, whose education will be paid for by the government and who thus may go wherever they choose, desire to attend only those institutions offering a complete collegiate curriculum. They want the best; and it is the feeling of the Board that they should have it.
- 6. The University of Wyoming, especially in the past decade or two, has made strides which, if continued, assure its place among the greater institutions of higher learning in the country. To disperse this state's interests in higher education among two or more collegiate institutions would unquestionably disperse her students and would weaken the University's position and its strength and its ability to give to our youth the finest and highest type of educational opportunities.

It was then moved by Mr. McGuckin, seconded by Mr. Sill and carried that President Morrill advise the American Council on Education, that for reasons of public relations within this state, the University of Wyoming will not enter into a program for the education of prisoners of war at this time.

It was then moved by Mrs. Cope, seconded by Mr. Burwell and carried that the following resolutions be adopted:

The Board of Trustees learns with deep regret of the death on December 25th, 1944, of Dr. Clyde Augustus Duniway, President of the University of Wyoming from August 1, 1912 to August 15, 1917. A native of Oregon, holder of the Bachelor of Arts degree from Cornell and of the Doctorate from Harvard University, Dr. Duniway came to Wyoming from the presidency of the University of Montana. In earlier years he had served as a Professor of History at Leland Stanford University and he retained, as President here, the title, Professor of History. His administrative emphasis on high standards of scholarship within the University was balanced by effective accomplishment in carrying University service to all parts of the state through the establishment of state support for Agricultural Extension work and the development of extension activities in other directions, including faculty lectures and correspondence courses. During his administration, the organization of the Associated Students

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Resolutions Dr. Clyde Augustus Duniway of the University of Wyoming was effected. He initiated a News Bulletin service to the papers of the state. In short, as the official history of the University recites: "During Dr. Duniway's administration almost every department and phase of University work knew. a steady expansion." Be it therefore

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees record hereby in its minutes the appreciation of the University of Wyoming of the distinguished contribution made by Dr. Duniway to the development of this University; and that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the family of the distinguished eighth President of the University.

It was then moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Burwell and carried that the budget for the summer session 1945 be adopted as follows:

Salaries	\$40,988.00
Contingent	4,000.00
Science Camp	2,220.00
Nurses Training Frogram	1,058.00

It was moved by Mr. McCraken, seconded by Mrs. Cope and carried that authorization be granted to conduct a branch session of the summer school for rural teacher training at Sheridan as part of the 1945 session, pursuant to a self-supporting budget submitted by Dean Oscar C. Schwiering.

Mr. Burwell moved that the sum of \$750.00 be appropriated to the Department of Adult Education for radio broadcasting. This motion was seconded by Mr. Keeney and carried.

Mr. Johnson then moved and it was seconded by Mr. McCraken and carried, that the President and Comptroller be authorized to work with the Interim Committee for State Fiscal Reform, in an attempt to exclude the University from the provisions of the proposed acts which cover purchasing or which might hamper the operations of the University.

It was moved by Mr. McCraken, seconded by Dr. Cunningham and carried that the following appointments be approved:

1. That there be authorized, effective January 15, 1945, the appointment of Miss B. Lillian Nelson as Assistant Professor of Vocational Home Economics Education, upon an eleven months basis, at a salary of \$3,000.00. The State Board of Vocational Education will reimburse the University for one-half of Miss Nelson's salary.

Summer School Budget

Summer School Branch Session

Adult Education radio broadcasting

Interim Committee

Appointments

Miss R. Lillian Nelson

- 2. That there be authorized, effective January 1, 1945, the appointment of Mr. Clarence H. Anderson as Assistant Professor of Economics, upon a three quarters basis, at a salary of \$2,500.00. Funds for this appointment have already been budgeted in the salary item for Dr. Arthur Schweitzer, who has been given leave without pay for the calendar year 1945.
- 3. That there be authorized, effective January 15, 1945, the appointment of Miss Aleen Holbrook as Home Demonstration Agent in Big Horn County, upon an eleven months basis, at a salary of \$2,160.00.
- 4. That there be authorized the appointment of Mr. Fulton D. Bellamy as Part-time Instructor in Engineering at a salary of \$94.00 per month, for the period beginning January 1st and ending March 31st, 1945.
- 5. That there be authorized, effective September 1, 1945, the appointment of Mr. Oscar E. Thompson, upon a three quarters basis, at a salary of \$3,200.00, as Principal of the University High School and Assistant Professor of Education.
- 6. That there be authorized the appointment of Mrs. Louise F. Smith as Half-time Instructor in English, at a salary of \$122.66 per month, for the period beginning January 1st and ending March 31st, 1945. This will require a special appropriation of \$368.00.
- 7. That there be authorized the appointment of Mr. William L. Bearley, Supply Instructor and Acting Head of the Department of Health and Physical Education for Men, at a salary rate of \$2,800.00 per year for three quarters service, effective January 29, and continuing to the end of the academic year.

It was then moved by Mr. Keeney, seconded by Mr. Sill and carried that a sabbatical leave of absence be granted Miss Clarice Whittenburg, Associate Professor of Elementary Education, for the spring quarter of the academic year 1944-45 on the usual 40% salary basis or \$82.80 for May, June, July, and August 1945.

It was moved by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Burwell and carried that the salary of James C. Stratton, Assistant Professor of English, be increased from \$2,160.00 to \$2,400.00, effective January 1, 1945.

Following a discussion of the date for reopening the Law School, the Board expressed the opinion that the date should not be set at this time;

Clarence H. Anderson

Miss Aleen Holbrook

Mr. Fulton Bellamy

Oscar E. Thompson

Mrs. Louise F. Smith

William L. Bearley

Sabbatical Leave of Absence Miss Clavice Whittenburg

Salary Increased James C. Stratton

Law School

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that appropriations made by the Legislature should first be known; and that the Board should wait and see about further progress of the war. Mr. Johnson moved that when Dean Hamilton of the Law School returns to his services here his salary shall be \$5,400 per year. This motion was seconded by Mr. McCraken and carried.

Mr. McCraken moved that Professor Philo F. Hammond, who is on leave of absence without pay for the current academic year, be placed on limited service, effective at the expiration of his present leave of absence. This was seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried.

It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Burwell and carried that travel be authorized for President Morrill as follows :

- 1. To attend the annual meeting of the North Central Association of Colleges and Universities in Chicago April 3-7, 1945. The President is a member of the North Central Association Commission on Colleges and Universities.
- 2. To attend the annual meeting of the National Association of State Universities in Chicago April 27-28 and to attend in Chicago on April 29 a meeting of the Association of Land-Grant Colleges and Universities Committee on Reorganization, of which the President is Chairman.
- 3. To remain, upon University per diem, in Washington one or two days for attention to University business in connection with a meeting of the Problems and Policies Committee of the American Council on Education, March 10-11, railroad fare and Pullman to be paid by the American Council on Education.

It was moved by Mr. McGuckin that the Comptroller be authorized to pay the Episcopal Church of Laramie the balance due on the purchase of the East Campus land east campus land of \$70,000.00 plus accrued interest, using the free balance from the AST fund. This motion was seconded by Mr. McCraken and carried.

Mr. Burwell moved that an appropriation of \$4,000 be authorized for the purchase and installation of an apparatus for pre-heating and de-aerating feed water entering the boilers in the power plant. This was seconded

Limited Service Professor Philo F. Hammand

President

Land

Power Plant

by Mr. Keeney and carried.

Board of Trustees

A letter was then read from State Treasurer Earl Wright informing the board of the sale of \$541,000 worth of United States Treasury tax exempt bonds at a profit or premium of \$61,359.06, and recommending that this sum be earmarked for utilization by the University of Wyoming for a Post War Building program. Upon the motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Dr. Cunningham and carried, the recommendation of the Treasurer was adopted.

The date for the next meeting of the Board was fixed for February 5th. Bd. of Trustee Mtg. Feb. 5, 1945 The Board adjourned at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 16, 1945.

Respectfully submitted

Bonds U.S. Ireas. Tax Exempt

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