

Mr. Matthews offered the following:

It appearing from the records that Prof. Pence has already served four years as a full Professor, therefore be it:

Resolved that his salary be increased from \$1800 to \$2000 per annum after one more year's service.

Motion lost by division as follows:

Ayes 3.

Noes 4.

President Patterson not voting.

On motion Mr. Gooding ordered that, the Board of Trustees rule that no Professor occupying a full Professorship in the college is entitled to the increase in salary from \$1800 to \$2000 per annum until he has served five consecutive years in his capacity of full Professor.

Prof. John Shackelford was unanimously elected Vice-President of the College for the next two years.

On motion the Board of Trustees adjourned to meet at 10:30 A. M. sun time June 3, 1896.

The Board of Trustees met in the President's room at 10:40 A. M. Roll call indicated,

Present: Messrs. Boswell,
 Flournoy,
 Gooding,
 Green,
 Hines,
 James,
 Kennedy,
 Matthews,
 Patterson,
 Peak,
 Riddell,
 Spurr,
 Todd,

The minutes of the previous day's business were read and approved,

The President called attention to a number of original papers pertaining to Chemistry, which Prof. Kastle had prepared and which had been bound in one cover and laid them on the table so that they might be examined by the members of the Board.

Messrs. J. C. Flournoy, J. G. Matthews, and R. A. Spurr members of the Committee on the President's Report reported as follows:

To the Board of Trustees.

Your committee appointed to consider the President's Report for the year just closed beg to report as follows:

We congratulate the President and Faculty upon what we deem a very encouraging and satisfactory condition of college affairs during the current year, as to attendance of students and freedom from accidents and disease.

We also take opportunity to express our pride and gratification which is caused by the remarkable results obtained by members of the faculty in experimentation with the X-Rays. We feel that their labors have done much to place our Institution in the front rank among Scientific Schools in the country, and we recommend to the Board as ample an allowance as is possible to continue such work.

We endorse the President's recommendation relative to personal visits by members of the faculty in order to draw pupils from the public schools in the various Counties of the State, and we recommend that the Board provide the means for the visits arranged by President Patterson for the ensuing summer.

We have considered carefully the matter of loss of Revenue to the college from the \$165,000 in State Bonds, we recommend that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee with direction to report specially on the same at this meeting of the Board. In this connection we suggest that a Committee

of the Board be now appointed to urge upon Governor Bradley the necessity for relief to the College as speedily as possible, and the wisdom of submitting this matter to the called session of the present Legislature should be convene said body in called session.

In view of all the facts submitted in regard to the Veterinary Department we recommend that this Department be discontinued for the ensuing scholastic year.

We recommend the continuance of the Instructor in Elocution, Prof. Brown and we regret that under present conditions we cannot increase his compensation. We deem the matter of instruction in Elocution important and wish in the near future to be able to increase the compensation in this Department.

We further recommend that all the degrees requested in reports of the various departments be conferred by the Board.

On motion the report was approved.

The following report of the Committee on Finance composed of Messrs. D. H. James, J. B. Kennedy, and G. V. Green, was approved.

Your Committee on Finance beg to submit the following report, we have examined the books and vouchers of the Treasurer and Business Agent and find them correct.

The Treasurer has executed the following bond.

(Bond formally accepted Dec. 8, 1896, see page 91.)

Lexington, Ky. June 3rd, 1896.

We R. S. Bullock principal and S. Bassett and J. W. Appleton his sureties all of Fayette County, Kentucky do hereby covenant to and with the Commonwealth of Kentucky that the said R. S. Bullock Treasurer of the A. and M. College shall faithfully perform all the duties of said office and he will pay over all moneys that shall come into his hands to his successor in office or to such person or persons as may be lawfully entitled to receive the same.

Witness our hands, date above written.

R. S. Bullock,
S. Bassett,
J. W. Appleton.

The Committee on Appropriations asked for more time in which to prepare report.

Committee on Buildings and Grounds had nothing to report.

Committee on Experiment Station asked for more time.

The Committee on Salaries submitted the following report which was approved:

To the Board of Trustees of the A. & M. College.

Your Committee to whom was referred the question of Salaries respectfully report that there appears, at this time, no special reason why any salary should be altered.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Thomas H. Hines, Thomas Todd, J. C. Flournoy,

The President of the College read the following communication from Prof. Scovell.

Lexington, Ky., June 2, 1896.

President James K. Patterson, Ph. D.,

Dear Sir:

Dr. Alfred M. Peter, asks an increase in salary. He is now receiving \$1500.00 per year. In consideration of the long time he has been with us, and also on account of the extra work I must ask of him in connection with increase in fertilizer work, I believe his request a just one and I would respectfully recommend such increase, as yourself and the Board approve.

Very truly yours,

M. A. Scovell, Director.

The Committee on Internal expansion reported that more time would be necessary in which to prepare a report.

The Committee on Military Instruction and College discipline was not ready to report.

The following report of the Committee on the Minutes of the Executive Committee composed of John G. Matthews, H. Boswell, and J. C. Flournoy, was approved.

To the Board of Trustees of the Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Your committee on the minutes of the Executive Committee beg leave to report the following:

1st. Your Committee have gone carefully over the records of the Executive Committee and have examined the accounts therein contained and find same correct except that the amount on page 127 should be \$15959.19 instead of \$15959.20 and we recommend that the same be corrected to conform to the amount of \$15959.19 which is the correct amount of the College fund on hand Feb. 1, 1896.

We approve the course of the Committee in increasing the amount of Insurance on buildings and contents belonging to the College and recommend that same be continued at the amounts now insured for.

We approve of the resolution regulating base-ball and foot-ball being played or engaged in by students of this college and that proper regulations and restrictions be prescribed by your body.

We approve the employment of Mr. W. J. Kearney to fire boiler and care for machinery at \$45.00 per month and recommend that his employment be continued for one year from June 30, 1896, at same price.

We approve the employment of Dr. Spurr to Superintend the experiments at the farm at a compensation of \$62.50 per month and recommend that his employment be continued at the same compensation for one year.

We approve the employment of Mr. J. N. Harper of Agriculture College Mississippi, as Dairyman at \$50.00 per month and recommend that his employment be continued for one year at the same compensation.

We approve the course of the Committee in furnishing and equipping a suitable room for the Young Men's Christian Association and recommending that same be kept for that purpose, all of which is most respectfully submitted for your consideration and action thereon.

June 3, 1896.

The following officers were elected by ballot, for the ensuing year.

Secretary	-	-	-	-	V. E. Muncy,
Treasurer	-	-	-	-	R. S. Bullock,
Business Agent	-	-	-	-	J. G. White,

Executive Committee.

Thomas H. Hines, Chairman
D. H. James,
J. T. Gathright,
Judge Robert Riddell,
R. A. Spurr,

Board of Control of Expt. Station.

M. A. Scovell,
J. K. Patterson,
J. B. Kennedy,
Hart Boswell,
A. P. Gooding,

The President read a communication from Prof. Anderson relative to old bills on the Annex to Mechanical Hall which were not sent in until after a settlement had been made

Bills as follows:

W. J. Houlihan and Bro. for brick used in setting boiler	\$42.75
William Sleath, For stone siles	<u>116.00</u>
	158.75

On motion ordered that \$158.75 be appropriated to pay said old bills.

Ayes.

Noes.

Boswell,
Flournoy,
Gooding,
Green,
Hines,
James,
Kennedy
Matthews
Peak
Riddell
Todd.

Mr. Flournoy voting under protest.

On motion ordered that the salary of Prof. Alfred M. Peter Chemist in the Experiment Station be increased from \$1500, to \$1600 per annum to begin with the beginning of the next collegiate year (Sept. 1, 1896.)

The ayes and noes being called the vote stood as follows.

Ayes

Boswell,
Flournoy,
Gathright,
Gooding,
Green,
Hines,
James,
Matthews,
Patterson,
Peak,
Riddell,
Spurr,
Todd,

Noes.

Buell,
Kennedy,

A student, Mr. T. L. Campbell came before the Board of Trustees and read a petition asking for \$50.00 to assist in paying the expenses of some delegates from the Young Men's Christian Association to a convention in Knoxville, Tenn. from June 19,-28.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. Kennedy, Chairman of the Committee on appropriations submitted the following: viz.

Estimate of Receipts and Expenditures from July 1st, 1896 to July 1st, 1897.

RECEIPTS.

From State Taxes	\$320.00
" U. S. Fund of 1890	188.10
" Students Fees	20.00
" Rent	3.00
Total - -	<u>\$531.10</u>

EXPENDITURES.

For Advertising	\$4.00	For miscellaneous	\$9.00
" Dept. of Botany,	2.00	" postage	2.50
" " " Chemistry	4.00	" Repairs & Im-	
" " " Civil Eng.	1.50	prove.	15.00
" " " Geology	1.00	" Salaries of	
" " " Mech. Eng.	15.00	Profes. & etc.	350.00
" " " Military Instr.	1.00	Salaries of	
" " " Normal "	1.00	Employes	56.70
" " " Physics	3.00	Stationery &	
" " " Physi@logy	1.00	Printing	6.00
" " " Zoology	3.00	Students Labor	13.00
" Fuel & Light	30.00	" Traveling	
" Insurance	8.00	Expenses	6.00
	<u>74.50</u>	For Traveling	6.00
		" Trustees	
		Meetings	4.00
		" Water	2.40
		" Astronomy	.50
		" Emergencies	10.00
	<u>481.10</u>		<u>481.11</u>
	<u>555.60</u>	Total estimate of	
		expenditures.	
	<u>531.10</u>	Total estimate income	
	<u>24.50</u>	Excess of expenditures	
		over receipts.	

Estimate of Receipts and Expenditures of Experiment Station from July 1st, 1896, to July 1st, 1897.

RECEIPTS

From U. S. Fund,	\$150.00
Farm	13.00
Fertilizers,	42.00
Interest on bank deposit,	1.25
	<u>206.25</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries and other items charged to U. S. Acct.	150.00
Items charged to Farm Acct.	13.00
" " " Fertilizer "	42.00
" " " Interest "	1.25
	<u>206.25</u>

Mr. Green offered the following.

Resolved that budget, of appropriations for the various departments and items of expenditure, which the chairman of the committee on appropriations, has submitted and which the Secretary has just read, be approved and adopted.

Carried by ayes and noes as follows:

Ayes	Noes.
Boswell,	
Flournoy,	
Gathright,	
Gooding,	
Green,	
Hines,	
James,	
Kennedy,	
Matthews,	
Patterson,	
Peak,	
Spurr,	
Todd,	

Mr. Flournoy moved that a committee composed of the members be appointed by the chairman to call upon Governor Bradley to urge the necessity for financial relief to the College, if he convene the present Legislature in called session.

Seconded. Carried.

Chair mentioned the names of Messrs. Boswell, Matthews, and James.

President Patterson moved that the names of Messrs. Todd and Flournoy be added to the committee.

Mr. Flournoy moved that Mr. Gathright also be a member of the Committee.

Original motion with the amendments making the Committee composed of Messrs. Hart Boswell, J. G. Matthews, D. H. James, Thos. Todd, J. C. Flournoy, and J. T. Gathright, was then put and unanimously carried.

The following report of the Committee, on Military Instruction and College Discipline, composed of D. C. Buell, J. G. Matthews, and Thos. H. Hines, was approved.

To the Board of Trustees:

The condition of Military Instruction and College Discipline is something which can only be properly ascertained by actual inspection during the progress of the college session. The committee appointed by the Board to examine this subject in the College can, therefore, only report the very cursory observations which they have been able to make at this time, upon official statements of the college authorities, and upon current report. From the information which we have derived from these sources, we feel fully warranted in saying that the improvement in this department has been quite considerable in the past year, and very great indeed in the past two years. The battalion organization has been enlarged from two companies to three companies; the instruction in the Infantry and Artillery drills is now extended alike to all of the male students instead

of being distinct and exclusive as heretofore; the Dormitory students are formed in Mess Sections on the parade ground and marched to and from the Mess Hall; the companies are formed and marched to and from Chapel Services, instead of entering and retiring as a tumultuous mob heretofore; the sections for recitation are formed and marched regularly to and from the section rooms under the supervision of the officer of the day, who takes account of absentees and requires their presence; better order is preserved upon the grounds and in quarters; and in general we think that a more punctual attention to duty and a better college tone are to be found among the students. A great deal of this general improvement in tone has been brought about by requiring all of the male students, - Seniors as well as Juniors and Freshmen - to attend the regular duties, from which they have heretofore been exempt after having arrived at an assumed standard of proficiency, - an exemption which overlooked the fact that the object of the prescribed exercises and restraints is not to make expert soldiers, but with a certain amount of Military training to establish habits of punctuality, orderly deportment, and a proper obedience to authority.

We are far from thinking, however, that this deportment is yet all that is to be desired, nor is it to be expected that it can be, with the feeble influence exerted over the conduct of the students by the unwilling service of the Cadet officers, and only one person, the Commandant of the Corps, to perform the personal supervision that is necessary to produce the desired results. Despite the poor favor with which the proposition was received by the Board last year we are firmly of the opinion that the consideration of a small compensation in the form of salary to the Cadet officers, for the burdensome duties and onerous responsibility thrust upon them, would effect a most salutary change in the services of these officers and in the conduct of the whole student body. It is not perhaps possible to allow such compensation in the present stringent condition of the College resources, but we do not hesitate to recommend in the strongest terms its adoption as soon as the condition of the College Treasury will permit.

Under the same conditions we recommend the construction of a shed addition 20 feet wide along the whole front of the west Dormitory building, as a shelter for the students in the formation of ranks for the various Military duties.

We apprehend that there is need of improvement in the hygienic and seemly conditions of the rooms and Halls of the Dormitories. It would hardly be fair to judge by the appearances at this time as the rooms are in the process of being vacated by the students; but at least there is evidence that the sinks in the halls are improperly used in some cases. They ought to be kept scrupulously clean. Perhaps, they ought even to be discontinued, for the rule of strict cleanliness in such fixtures is difficult to be followed at the best.

We are of opinion also that more appearance of cleanliness and tidiness is possible about the Mess - Hall and Kitchen.

The water closet system requires complete over hauling and remodeling. It is now thoroughly objectionable.

The ceremony of Guard Mounting, required by the Regulations has not heretofore been put into practice, but will be, the Commandant promised in the future. The appointment of an officer with the nominal grade of Major in the battalion, as contemplated by the Regulations, to assist the commandant in his Military duties, has never yet been made. If properly bestowed it would have an exceedingly beneficial effect upon discipline.

We submit finally that the proper administration of the Military Department of the college - not as a primary object but as an adjunct - is not only rendered obligatory upon the State and the Board of Trustees by the terms of the Congressional endowment, but is capable of exerting the most beneficial influence upon the success of the College and the character and well - being of the students.

(Signed) D. C. Buell, Chairman
John G. Matthews,
Thomas H. Hines,

A & M. College,
June 3, 1896.

On motion ordered that the Secretary be directed to communicate the strictures indicated in the Report of Committee Military Instruction & etc. to the several college officers having these matters in charge.

On motion of Mr. Peak ordered that the Business Agent be re-imbursed for \$6.50 which he paid on a check for a student named L. H. McCain from Trimble County.

Adjourned to meet at 8 A. M. June 4, 1896.

The Board of Trustees met in the President's room at 8 A. M. suntime June 4, 1896.

Present:

Buell,
Flournoy,
Gathright,
Gooding,
Hines,
James,
Matthews,
Patterson,
Peak,

The reading of the minutes of the previous day's business was dispensed with.