

Irregularities

The Board Trustees of the State University met, in adjourned session, in the trustees' Room, in the Gymnasium building, Monday, August 5, 1912, at eleven o'clock. A.M.

There were present Governor McCreary, Chairman, President Barker, Supt. Hamlett, (Hamlett), Messrs. Clay, Davies, Breathett (Breathitt), Edlen (Edelen), Nichols, Patterson, Turner, Carpenter, Cox & Terrell.

Absent: Messrs. Stoll, Walker, Walthen (Wathen), Brown & Smith.

The meeting was called to order by Governor McCreary, and the minutes (minutes) of the June meeting were read by the Secretary and upon motion approved as read.

Governor McCreary reported that he and President Barker as a committee appointed at the last meeting of the Board, had communicated with the various railroad companies in regard to giving to the University students a half fare rate, and that they had already heard from the Chesapeake and Ohio, which was in favor of this reduction, and they hoped soon to hear favorably (favorably) from other roads.

Judge Lafferty presented to the Board the following order of business:

The following shall be the rules regulating the order of business of the Board of Trustees of State University:

- 1-- Reading the minutes of the previous meeting.
- 2-- Report of Executive Committee.
- 3-- Report of Board of control.
- 4-- Report of Faculty.
- 5-- Report of President.
- 6-- Report of Director of Experiment Station.
- 7-- Report of special committees.

8-- Unfinished Business.

9-- New Business.

10-- Call of Standing Committees:

On President's Report.

On Finance.

On Appropriations.

On Experiment Station.

On Salaries

On Internal Expansion

On Military Instruction and College Discipline.

On Minutes of the Faculty

On Nominating Executive Committee

On Nominating Board of Control.

On motion this program for all meetings of the Board was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Davies, as Secretary of the special committee stated that they were now ready to make a report and thereupon read the report in full.

Mr. Clay suggested as an amendment to section 20, that the words "upon their own motion or" be inserted before the words "upon the representation of the President", which upon motion unanimously adopted.

Gov. Cox proposed the following amendment in section 6, that the words "does not exceed" be substituted for "covers" in the sixth line, which amendment was unanimously adopted.

President Patterson moved that the further consideration of this report be postponed to the next meeting of the Board.

Mr. Clay offered as an amendment a motion that the report be read by sections and each section be acted upon when read, which was accepted and unanimously adopted.

Mr. Davies moved the adoption of the first section of the report, which motion was unanimously carried.

Motion was made that section 2 be adopted.

President Patterson suggested that the word "clerical" be inserted before the words "business forces" in Section 2, but this motion was lost on the vote being taken.

Section 2 was then adopted as read.

On motion section 3 was adopted unanimously as read.

On motion section 4 was adopted unanimously as read.

Motion was made that section 5 be adopted as read, which was unanimously carried.

Motion made that section 6 be adopted as amended, which was unanimously carried.

On motion section 7 was unanimously adopted as read.

On motion section 8 was unanimously adopted as read.

On motion section 9 was unanimously adopted as read.

On motion section 10 was unanimously adopted as read.

Motion was made by Mr. Clay that section 11 be referred to the December meeting of the Board.

Motion made by Mr. Hamlett that this section be adopted.

President Barker moved that hereafter, in the proceedings of this Board, no motion shall require a second, and this motion was unanimously adopted.

The vote was then taken on Mr. Clays (Clay's) motion, which was lost.

Mr. Hamlett's motion was next voted upon, and carried.

On motion section 12 was adopted as read.

President Patterson moved that the consideration of section 13 be postponed to the December meeting of the Board. Said motion, on vote being taken, was lost.

Motion was made and carried that section 13 be adopted as read.

On motion section 14 was adopted as read.

On motion section 15 was adopted unanimously as read.

On motion section 16 was adopted unanimously as read.

On motion section 17 was adopted unanimously as read.

On motion section 18 was adopted with the following amendment:

That the words "in such manner and in such part as may be directed by the executive committee", be inserted after the words "Patterson Hall."

On motion section 19 was unanimously adopted as read.

On motion section 20 was unanimously adopted as read.

On motion section 21 was unanimously adopted as read.

Motion was then made and carried that the report of the committee as a whole be adopted as amended, which is as follows:

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON BUDGETS, ETC.

1-- Make the Business Agent the sole Purchasing Agent.

- (a) Enforce the above by giving the Deans and Heads of Departments only the right to furnish a memorandum of requirements.
- (b) All requisitions to be filled out from such memoranda by the Business Agent, subject to the approval of the President, provided the Budget allowances are not exceeded.

The Executive Committee will hold the Business Agent jointly responsible with the President for the enforcement of this rule.

All expenditures not provided for in the Budgets must first receive the approval of the Executive Committee.

Any purchase made except by the Business Purchasing Agent, with the approval of the President, shall be charged to and deducted from the salary of the party making such purchase; a second violation to be reported by the Business Agent to the President for action of the Executive Committee.

- (c) Provide a supply room for staple supplies so that purchase of same can be made on a wholesale competitive (competitive) basis. Distribution of such supplies shall be made only by the Business Agent on the Memoranda required of the Deans or Heads of the Departments after proper charge has been made for same as per Budget allowance. The Supply room is also to be the receiving warehouse for all purchases, and the Business Agent will superintend the distribution of same.

- (d) All advertised Bids for contracts and supplies shall be opened publicly and awarded to the lowest and best bidder, but all bids may be rejected and new Bids advertised.

2-- Concentration of the Business forces of the University should receive immediate consideration.

3-- Rearrange the system of accounting to conform to the New general summary of business, etc. in line with the detailed annual report herewith submitted in Blue Prints.

This report to be made monthly hereafter and copies of same to be furnished to the Deans or Heads of Departments in so far as their Department is concerned so that there will be no reason why proper check shall not be kept that will regulate the expenditures in conformity with the Budget allowances.

Blue Print Copies of the General Monthly Report to be forwarded to members of the Executive Committee by the 10th of each month.

4-- Don't pass students bank or damage deposits through the general books of the University.

5-- Fund all debts of whatsoever nature owing by the University March 1, 1912, to conform with the recent act of the Legislature since it is a criminal offense on the part of the Trustees to create any further debts beyond the actual income of the University.

This rigid law calls for the closest scrutiny of the business affairs of the University.

The Business Purchasing Agent to be held responsible that this law is not violated.

He shall enforce all laws governing the Business Purchasing Agent's office with power to report all matters pertaining to same to the Executive Committee through the President.

He shall also be in full charge of all of the material Assets of the University such as buildings, grounds and supplies not distributed to the various colleges.

- 6-- We suggest the advisability of giving each Dean or Head of Department a fixed sum to run their respective departments, clothe them with full power to rearrange, merge, eliminate or add to their staffs in any way that their experience and judgment dictates along lines of maximum efficiency that the allotted Budgets will warrant, provided such allotment does not exceed all salaries, supplies, equipment and incidentals for their respective departments.
- It is to be understood, however, that any change in the staff shall first receive the approval of the President and under no circumstances shall any purchase of supplies, etc. be made except by the Business Purchasing Agent as provided under Rule 1.
- 7-- Meters for gas, water and electricity should be installed in each building and the Dean of each building should be held responsible for the maintenance of normal conditions.
- 8-- A complete revised set of by-laws, and regulations to govern the Administration Officers, Deans, Heads of the various Department and student body should be formulated under the supervision of the President by the opening of the Fall Term. Also codify all the Laws, Federal and State, having any relation to the University, Experiment Station, Agricultural College, etc.
- 9-- As there is not a complete record of the tangible Assets of the University in the shape of valuation of buildings, equipment, grounds, etc., we recommend that an Inventory with valuation of all the property of the University be made under the supervision of the Business Agent and submitted at the semi-annual meeting of the Board of Trustees in December.
- 10-- \$2000.00 to \$4000.00 can be saved annually in interest on loans, etc. by the consolidation of all University and Experiment Station funds, as any surplus in one fund can then be used to cover the wants of the other. Surplus funds yield only $2\frac{1}{8}\%$, while loans cost 5%. The State University includes and controls the Experiment Station, and a consolidation of funds and

cooperation in business affairs should contribute to greater efficiency. Now that the Director of the Experiment Station has been made Dean of Agriculture, the integral relation of the Experiment Station to the University should be emphasized.

11-- Lectures in English by Miss Kinkead should be discontinued as the \$1000.00 per annum paid for a weekly lecture can be better used for the improvement of the English Department.

12-- Athletics and Physical Culture should be placed under a General Director who shall properly organize and direct all Physical Instruction both In and Outdoor.

Athletics should be self-sustaining, but if the University is expected to help finance, then the income and disbursements must be placed under the control of the Business Agent. The University paid over \$3000.00 for athletics last year in addition to about \$5000.00 of gate receipts, or a total of over \$8000.00 for athletics and physical education.

13-- The Directors of Physical Education, for both men and Women, are relatively overpaid in comparison with similar departments in other Universities and it is the opinion of the Committee that a material reduction should be made in the salaries of both Professor Mustaine and Mrs. Stout. Provided the time devoted by them to the University work will compare with the average time of professors in general, their salaries should be fixed at \$1200.00 per annum.

14-- In addition to the usual preparation of necessary lectures and research work, we believe that fifteen hours should be the minimum teaching hours for each member of the teaching force during any week, except by the direction of the President, who shall give written reasons to the Executive Committee.

15-- Each department should make a schedule of teaching hours devoted to each subject with the name of the professor or instructor handling same so that it may be shown at a glance the actual number of hours taught by all Deans, Professors, Instructors, etc. each week.

- 16-- The purchase of nearly \$6000.00 of coal per annum naturally calls for a check on weights and distribution to the various buildings as well as the grade of coal furnished. Therefore a wagon scale should be installed and weights, etc. checked under the Business Agent's direction.
- Special attention should be given to Fuel Economy and only such grades of coal should be furnished that the Boiler Equipment and service required warrant.
- 17-- The provision for the protection of the records of the University are very inadequate, and in case of fire would cause irreparable loss, since the safe is not big enough to hold the books of the Business Agent, and there is no provision for the protection of the records of the Registrar. A fire-proof vault should be provided for the Business Agent's and the Registrar's records.
- 18-- On account of the lack of room at the Gymnasium for the growing number of students and the impossibility for both Physical Instructors to use same sufficiently for their respective needs, we recommend that the girls' Gymnasium shall be moved to Patterson Hall in such manner and in such part as may be directed by the Executive Committee. The removal of the Swimming Pool should be considered at an early date.
- 19-- Fees for tuition should be shown to the Credit of the Department furnishing same; also all damages assessed and collected should be shown what Department sustained same.
- 20-- The Executive Committee may upon the representation of the President suspend or amend any of these rules whenever conditions or experience justify such action.
- 21-- Special attention should be given to Fire Escapes and protection from Fire. All necessary Fire Escapes should be installed before the next Term.

It was reported that the University authorities have received and now hold the \$40,000.00 gift from the trustees of the Peabody Fund, and the Administrative officers asked instruction from the Board as to the disposal of this fund.

Motion was made and carried unanimously that Gov. Cox, Mr. Edelen, Mr. Turner and Judge Breathitt be appointed a committee to look into this whole matter of the endowment from the Peabody fund and report their judgment at the next meeting of the Board, which appointment was duly made.

The Board then adjourned to met (meet) at the Phoenix Hotel at 3. P.M.

The Board of Trustees met at the Phoenix Hotel at 3:15 P.M. Mr. Stoll who was not in attendance at the morning session, was present during the afternoon.

The special Committee submitted for the approval of the Board the budget for the coming year.

Motion was made that the budget be adopted as recommended and spread at large upon the minuets (minutes). On vote being taken the vote stood:

Yeas: Messrs. Terrell, Clay, Barker, Nichols, Brethitt, Stoll, Patterson, McCreary, Carpenter, Hamlett, Edelen.

Noes: None.

Here follows a copy of the Recommendations of the Special Committee on Budgets, Etc. which is filed in blue print.

A statement was then read by President Patterson, in which he refused to comply with the terms of the agreement made by him with the Board in April, 1912, and stating his reasons for so refusing.

The following resolutions was offered by President Barker:

WHEREAS a Special Committee was appointed by the Board of Trustees of the State University of Kentucky to take up with James K. Patterson as President of this University the question of his retirement; that Committee on December 14, 1909, at a regular meeting of this Board, made its report, which was adopted and which was as follows:

Gentlemen:

Your Committee which was appointed to look into and recommend to the Board, the terms of the retirement of James K. Patterson as President of this University, beg leave to make the following report to-wit:

Upon the resignation and retirement of President Patterson, that the University agree:

First: To pay to President Patterson for and during the remainder of his natural life, sixty (60) per cent of the present salary which he now received, which (60) per cent amounts to Three Thousand (\$3000.00) Dollars per year; that this sum be payable in equal monthly installments.

Second: That President Patterson be designated (designated) as President Emeritus of the University and shall continue as a member of its faculty.

Third: That he be permitted and allowed to sit with the Board of Trustees in its annual and semi-annual sessions and that he be permitted to participate in the deliberations of the Board, but without a vote.

Fourth: That he be recognized as an adviser and auxilliary (auxiliary) to the Vice-President of the University until a new President is selected.

Fifth: That he be given the privilege of representing the University at meetings of the National Associations, Kentucky Teachers' Associations, District Associations, County Associations and High Schools of the Commonwealth and that when he does so represent the University, all of his expenses be paid, but this privilege of representing the University shall not be exclusive and he shall not take precedence

in such representation over the new President when he is elected, should he be present at such Association.

Sixth: That the University rent to President Patterson the house and premise(s) which he now occupies for and during the remainder of his life for an annual rental of Two Hundred and Forty (\$240.00) Dollars per year.

R. C. Stoll, Secretary.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the whole of said Report or Resolution be set aside and held for naught, as of this date.

Mr. Edelen moved that the words "as of this date" be added at the end of the resolution, which amendment was adopted.

After discussion and an extended statement from President Patterson, a vote was taken which was as follows:

Mr. Edelen,	Yes.
Mr. Terrell,	Yes.
Mr. Breathett (Breathitt)	No.
President Parker, (Barker)	Yes.
Mr. Turner,	Yes.
Mr. Davies,	Yes, with the statement that his vote was

so cast because he thought it the best control to take to bring about a settlement of this trouble which would injure the University if allowed to continue.

Mr. Hamlett	Yes, for the same reason as Mr. Davies.
Mr. Stoll	No.
Mr. Nichols,	Yes, for the same reason as Mr. Davies.
Mr. Carpenter,	Yes, for the same reason as Mr. Davies.
Pres. Patterson,	not voting.
Gov. McCreary,	yes, for the same reason as Mr. Davies.

Yeas --- 9.

Noes --- 2.

Mr. Stoll moved that the Business Agent be directed to pay to President Patterson the amount due on his retireing (retiring) allowance to this date.

Motion made by Mr. Terrell that Mr. Stoll's motion be post poned until some action is taken in this matter by the courts, which motion was carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Davies that Mrs. Blackburn's annuity should be stopped and considered annualled.

On this vote stood as follows:

Yeas: Messrs. Breathett (Breathitt), Edelen, Terrell, Barker,
Turner, Davies, McCreary, Carpenter, Nichols, Hamlett.

Noes: Messrs. Patterson & Stoll.

Yeas: 9.

Noes: 2.

Motion was then made and carried to adjourn.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM
FOR ALUMNI "HOME COMING"

Sunday, May 31, Baccalaureate Sermon

Monday, June 1, Forenoon, Flag Raising, Lex. Sons of Revolution.
Night, General Reception

Tuesday, June 2, Morning, Class Breakfasts
Afternoon, Circus
Night, Senior Ball

Wed'day. June 3, Morning, Class Day
Afternoon, Alumni Business Meeting
Night, Alumni Banquet

Thursday, June 4, Morning, Commencement
2 p.m., Baseball Game;
4 p.m., Cadet Hop.

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J.F. Battaile, Mgr.

233 W. Short St.

LEXINGTON, KY.

Missing report(s)