

University of Kentucky
Lexington

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees, University of Kentucky for Wednesday, January 21, 1920

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees, University of Kentucky, met in regular monthly meeting in the President's office at the University on Wednesday, January 21, 1920. On roll call the following members were present: R. C. Stoll, P. P. Johnston, Jr., Rainey T. Wells, and R. P. Ernst. President McVey and Wellington Patrick, Secretary of the Committee were also present.

(1) Adoption of Minutes. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

(2) Report of the Business Agent. The report of the Business Agent was read and ordered filed.

(3) Donation from the Jockey Club. The following communication from Senator Camden was read and ordered incorporated in the minutes:

Versailles, Kentucky
December 24, 1919

President McVey
State University
Lexington, Kentucky

My dear President McVeys:

It gives me pleasure to inform you that in accordance with a resolution passed by the Board of Directors, at its meeting on December 19, The Kentucky Jockey Club, authorizes the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be presented to the Agricultural Department of the University to be used in the promotion of the Horse interests of the State of Kentucky.

I would be pleased to have you and Professor Hooper and Professor Anderson and Professor Good take one o'clock dinner with me, to discuss this matter, on any day that suits your joint convenience.

I would suggest this coming Sunday, the 28, or the 4th of January, and will ask you to please let me know if this will be agreeable to all of you.

With kindest personal regards, and the seasons greetings, always

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. N. Camden

The following resolution with respect to the donation was formally adopted by the Committee:

The Board of Trustees of the University of Kentucky desires to acknowledge the gift of the Jockey Club in the sum of \$5,000 and at the same time to express their appreciation. It is understood that the money shall be used for the advancement of the horse industry and it is accepted with that in view. The Secretary of the Board is instructed to send a copy of this resolution to the President of the Jockey Club.

(4) Contract with Great Southern Refining Company. A communication was read from Dean Cooper presenting for consideration a form of contract with the Great Southern Refining Company permitting that company to lay a pipe line across the University farm. On motion the matter was referred to President McVey and Mr. Stoll with power to act, and with instructions to enter into such contract as may be agreed upon.

(5) Attorney General's Opinion on Appropriation to Meet the Smith-Lever Funds. Mr. Stoll presented to the Committee the following communication from the Attorney General which was read and ordered incorporated in the minutes:

Frankfort, Kentucky
January 15, 1920

Honorable Richard C. Stoll
Chairman of Executive Committee
University of Kentucky
Lexington, Kentucky

My dear Sir:

This office is in receipt of your letter of January 14th in which you ask if Section 13 of Chapter 12 of the Acts of 1918, which Chapter is the Act creating the Budget Appropriation Commission, repeals the annual appropriation of \$62,000 a year to the University of Kentucky for Agricultural Extension Work, made under the provisions of Chapter 127 of the Acts of 1918.

Chapter 12 of the Acts of 1918 creating the Budget Appropriation Commission and defining its duties and powers, was approved by the Governor on March 16, 1918, and Chapter 127 of the Acts of 1918 making the annual appropriation to the University of Kentucky for Agricultural Extension Work was approved on March 29, 1918. The Budget Appropriation Commission Law did not carry an Emergency Clause. Chapter 127, above referred to, did carry an Emergency Clause. Section 13 of the Budget Appropriation Commission Act provides as follows:

"All appropriations heretofore made and continuing from year to year under previous laws are hereby repealed upon the taking effect of appropriations made pursuant to the provisions of this act."****

Section 18 of the same act provides: "All acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict."

It is the opinion of this office that section 13 and section 18 necessarily referred to laws in effect at the date of the passage of the Budget Appropriation Commission act, which necessarily was before March 16, 1918. At the time section 13 was enacted, chapter 127 of the Acts of 1918 was not a law, and it would seem to this office that it would necessarily follow that sections 13 and 18 would have no application to chapter 127 of the Acts of 1918.

In addition to this, it is a general rule of law that as to acts passed at the same session of the General Assembly, such a construction should be given to them, if possible, as to give force and effect to the provisions of each; and following this principle, it would seem to this office that the proper construction for the courts to put upon the two acts in question would be to hold that sections 13 and 18 apply only to acts passed prior to the session of 1918, and that the provisions of chapter 127 of the Acts of 1918 were intended to be an exception to the provisions of section 13 of the Budget Appropriation Commission act.

For the reasons stated above, it is the opinion of this office that it will not be necessary to submit to the Budget Commission and secure through it the appropriation provided for by the Act of 1918:

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Charles I. Dawson,
Attorney General.

(6) Geological Survey. President McVey reported to the Committee that as the result of an act passed by the last legislature the State departments of Geology and Forestry have been united into one department under a commissioner and deputy commissioner of geology and forestry. President McVey pointed out that about six years ago the geological survey was removed from the University to Frankfort; that about \$25,000 annually was available for carrying on the work; that the fields of botany and zoology in the State were practically undeveloped altho Kentucky is a rich field for this work and abounds in resources and material for botanical and zoological research; that unless something is done in the near future in these fields, outside agencies will develop the State along these lines. President McVey suggested to the Committee the advisability of the University's taking over the geological survey and also developing a survey in botany and zoology. The Committee received the matter favorably and requested the President to make proper representations to the Governor on this point.

(7) Building Site for Sigma Nu Fraternity. Mr. Keeling Pulliam representing the Sigma Nu Fraternity appeared before the Committee and made application for a building site for a fraternity house for the Sigma Nu. He stated that his fraternity was prepared to erect a building without the necessity of carrying a mortgage on the property and applied for a site on Winslow street. On motion the matter was referred to a committee consisting of Mr. Ernst, Mr. Johnston and President McVey.

(8) Purchase of Property on Winslow Street. A communication was read from Mr. A. A. Babilitz of Lexington offering for sale on behalf of a client of his, lot No. 191 on Winslow Street for \$750. On motion duly seconded, the President was authorized to make the purchase at the best price obtainable.

(9) Salaries. The matter of a bonus to members of the faculty, discussed at a previous meeting, was presented by President McVey, and a letter from Dean Cooper was read making certain recommendations regarding a salary bonus. The matter was referred to a committee consisting of Mr. Ernst, Mr. Wells, and President McVey for further consideration.

(10) Leave of Absence of Professor Killebrew. President McVey reported to the Committee that during the present year Professor C. D. Killebrew had been granted sabbatical leave of absence in accordance with the constitution and by-laws of the University; that Professor Killebrew had gone to the University of Michigan for the purpose of study; that subsequently he had been offered a position to teach in the University of Michigan; that after \$300 had been paid to Professor Killebrew, the matter had been brought to his attention. The President stated to the Committee that as a matter of principle such leave of absence was granted for the purpose of study. He therefore recommended that Professor Killebrew's salary while on leave be canceled, and that after December 1, 1920, no further payments be made to him. On motion duly seconded, the recommendation was approved.

(11) Appointments, Resignations, and Increases in Salary. The following list of appointments, resignations and increases in salary was presented by the President and on motion approved as recommended.

Appointments

Dr. Harry Best, hitherto engaged in Red Cross work at the University is to have his salary from the University fixed at \$650 a year, effective February 1, 1920.

Appointment of Miss Helen Fairhurst, stenographer in the Extension Division, at a salary of \$60 a month, effective January 1, 1920.

Appointment of Earl G. Welch as field agent in agricultural engineering for extension service at a salary of \$2,500 a year, effective February 1, 1920. He is a graduate of Iowa State College in agricultural engineering and for the past five years has been assistant in agricultural engineering at Georgia State College.

Appointment of E. N. Fergus as instructor in farm crops at a salary of \$2,000 a year, effective February 1, 1920. He is a graduate of Ohio Agricultural College, receiving his master's degree in 1918. Since May, he has been with the Indiana Experiment Station in charge of work that gives him the experience to carry on his work here.

Appointment of Moses Alperin as stenographer in the Department of Civil Engineering, at a salary of \$25 a month, effective January 1, 1920, to take the place of John Bitterman resigned.

Appointment of Kyle C. Westover as instructor in horticulture, at a salary of \$1,800 a year, effective on his arrival for duty. The appointment is made subject to specific action of the Board of Trustees on June 30 as to his employment for the coming year. He is to be employed in the position left vacant by the resignation of F. J. Sttton. He is a graduate of New Hampshire College of Agriculture.

Appointment of Miss Nocola Brent as clerk in the Public Service Department at a salary of \$50 a month, effective February 1, 1920.

Appointment of John Ligon, assistant county agent, Campbell County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$120.08 $\frac{1}{3}$ a month, effective December 1, 1919, for a period of three months.

Appointment of Robert M. Heath, assistant county agent, Oldham County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$120.08 $\frac{1}{3}$ a month, effective December 1, 1919, for a period of three months.

Appointment of Eugene L. Jackson as Vegetable Histologist in Experiment Station, effective March 1, 1920. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan.

Appointment of Miss Margaret Hoeing, stenographer in the Stenographic Bureau, at a salary of \$60 a month, effective January 5, 1920.

Appointment of Miss Pauline Wherry as Supervisor of Social Service Training at the University of Kentucky for the second semester of the present year, her salary to be paid by the American Red Cross.

Continuation of employment of E. J. Kilpatrick, county agent, McCracken County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$225 a month, effective January 1, 1920, for a period of twelve months.

Continuation of employment of J. T. Taylor, county agent, Jefferson County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$208 $\frac{1}{3}$ a month, effective January 1, 1920, for a period of twelve months.

Continuation of employment of R. T. Johnson, county agent, Floyd County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$125.08 $\frac{1}{3}$ a month, effective December 1, 1919, for a period of eight months.

Continuation of employment of W. R. Reynolds, county agent, Jackson, Leslie, Perry and Estill Counties, Kentucky, at a salary of \$168 $\frac{2}{3}$ a month, effective January 1, 1920, for a period of twelve months.

Continuation of employment of O. L. Cunningham, county agent, Fulton County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$216 $\frac{2}{3}$ a month, effective January 1, 1920, for a period of twelve months.

Continuation of employment of A. S. Chapin, extension specialist in poultry, at a salary of \$2,000 a year, effective February 1, 1920.

Continuation of employment of I. C. Graddy, county agent, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$150 a month, effective January 1, 1920, for a period of twelve months.

Continuation of employment of J. O. Horning, county agent, Barren County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$162.50 a month, for a period of twelve months, effective January 1, 1920.

Continuation of employment of Else Brunhoff, home demonstration agent, Jefferson County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$141 $\frac{2}{3}$ a month, effective January 1, 1920, for a period of twelve months.

Continuation of employment of B. A. Hensley, county agent, Johnson County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$141 $\frac{2}{3}$ a month, effective January 1, 1920, for a period of twelve months.

Continuation of employment of T. H. Jones, county agent, Lee County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$116 $\frac{2}{3}$ a month, effective January 1, 1920, for a period of six months.

Continuation of employment of Carl Wickland, county agent, Kenton County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$158 $\frac{1}{3}$ a month, effective January 1, 1920, for a period of twelve months.

Continuation of employment of R. R. Rudder, county agent, Whitley County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$116 $\frac{2}{3}$ a month, effective January 1, 1920, for a period of six months.

Appointment of K. L. Varney, county agent, Marshall County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$216 $\frac{2}{3}$ a month, effective January 16, 1920, for a period of twelve months.

Transfer and continuation of employment of Charles L. Taylor, county agent, Henderson County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$233 $\frac{1}{3}$ a month, effective January 1, 1920, for a period of twelve months.

Continuation of employment of Miss Willie M. Meguire, home demonstration agent, Simpson County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$125 a month, effective January 1, 1920, for a period of twelve months.

Continuation of employment of Anna Ruble Orr, home demonstration agent, Fulton County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$116 $\frac{2}{3}$ a month, for a period of six months, effective January 1, 1920.

Continuation of employment of Oscar Rice, county agent, Floyd County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$125 a month, for a period of twelve months, effective January 16, 1920.

Continuation of employment of Miss Lucy Belle Settle, home demonstration agent, McCracken County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$116 $\frac{2}{3}$ a month, for a period of twelve months, effective January 1, 1920.

Continuation of employment of Mrs. George P. Hatton, home demonstration agent, Calloway County, Kentucky, at a salary of \$125 a month, for a period of twelve months, effective January 1, 1920.

Increases in Salaries

Increase in salary of Miss Maple Moores, stenographer in the Registrar's office to \$85 a month, effective January 1, 1920.

Increase in salary of Mrs. Katherine Lyon, head of Stenographic Bureau, to \$100 a month, effective January 1, 1920.

Increase in salary for Miss Elma Allen, stenographer in the Stenographic Bureau, from \$60 to \$70 a month, effective January 1, 1920.

Increase in salary of Miss Susan C. Kidd, secretary in the Extension Division, from \$1,300 to \$1,600 a year, effective January 1, 1920.

Increase in salary of M. O. Hughes to \$3,200 a year, effective January 1, 1920. He resigned in December; his resignation was not accepted by the Board. He has been receiving \$2,500 a year for some years without an increase.

Increase in salary of Miss Mary Huls, a stenographer in the Department of Education, from \$60 to \$65 a month, effective January 1, 1920.

Increase in salary of Harry Allen, chemist in the Fertilizer Department, to \$1,500 a year, effective January 1, 1920.

Increase in salary of Miss Wilena Duncan, stenographer in the President's office, from \$60 to \$65 a month, effective January 1, 1920.

Increase in salary of Miss Minnie Pherigo, requisition clerk in the Business Office, to \$85 a month, effective January 1, 1920.

Increase in salary of Miss Mary C. Gormley, budget clerk in the Business Office, to \$85 a month, effective January 1, 1920.

Increase in salary of Miss Ethel Jelly, secretary in the College of Engineering, to \$100 a month, effective February 1, 1920.

Resignations

Resignation of Miss Lucille Rhoads, stenographer in the Stenographic Bureau, effective January 4, 1920.

Resignation of the following named county agents, effective December 31, 1919: W. G. Trice, Warren County; W. H. Rogers, Calhoun County; J. W. Sanders, assistant county agent, Jefferson County; O. L. Taylor, Nelson County.

Resignation of N. M. Cregor, extension specialist in agronomy, effective December 31, 1919.

Resignation of Miss Mabel Huston, clerk in the Public Service Laboratories, effective January 23, 1920.

Resignation of Dr. M. E. Pomeroy, effective December 30, 1919.

Resignation of Dr. G. R. Bancroft, assistant professor of Organic Chemistry, effective January 31, 1920.

(12) Bill of Olmsted Brothers. A bill of \$830.97 as balance of Olmsted Brothers' account for plans for the campus was presented. On motion the account was ordered paid if in accordance with the University's contract with Olmsted Brothers.

There being no further business the Committee adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Wellington Patrick,

Secretary of the Committee.

Missing report(s)