# **UCCSN Board of Regents' Meeting Minutes**

# **December 11-12, 1947**

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> REGENTS MEETING December 11-13, 1947

The regular meeting of the Board was called to order by Chairman Ross at 1:15 P.M., December 11, 1947, in the President's office. Present: Regents Sheerin, Cahlan, Hilliard, Ross; Comptroller Gorman and President Moseley.

Chairman Ross presented a Restraining Order and Order to Show Cause which had been duly served, together with Summons, on the Chairman and the Secretary of the Board, as follows:

# IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF LANDER

| RALPH KING, Plaintiff | ) Number: 2778          |
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| Vs. )                 | Filed: December 6, 1947 |
| THE BOARD OF REGE     | NTS, of )               |
| THE UNIVERSITY OF N   | NEVADA,)                |
| Defendant )           |                         |
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James T. Boyd,
D. W. Pirest, Oscar Zaph
and Brown and Wells,
Attorneys for plaintiff.

# RESTRAINING ORDER AND ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

UPON READING, the verified complaint filed herein, and particularly upon observing the allegations of said complaint upon which the prayer for a restraining order is predicated and the Court deeming that the same is just;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that an undertaking be deposited forthwith with the clerk of the Court, in the amount of \$500, as required by the provisions of section 8696, N. C. L. of 1929.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the defendant, THE BOARD OF RE-GENTS of THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, as a legal entity, and each and every individual member thereof, individually, is restrained from considering or acting upon any recommendation to the Governor of Nevada, for the appointment of an honorary board of regents, or any individual appointee to such board, until further order of this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the defendant appear before the above entitled Court, in the Courthouse of Lander County, located in the town of Austin, County of Lander, State of Nevada, on the 7th day of January, 1948, at the hour of 10 A.M., on said date, to then and there show cause, if any it has, why said act of the Nevada Legislature (43rd Session) of the year 1947, should not be adjudged unconstitutional and void, and show cause, if any it has, why said restraining order should not be made injunctive and perpetual, and why plaintiff should not be awarded his costs.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that duly certified copies of this order, be forthwith served upon:

- 1. Chairman Silas E. Ross, of the said Board of Regents, and
  - 2. Miss Alice Terry, Secretary to the Board of Regents.

DONE IN OPEN COURT, in the town of Austin, County of Lander, State of Nevada, this 6th day of December 1947.

W. R. Reynolds
District Judge

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the original to be filed herein.

/s/ D. W. Priest
One of the attorneys for plaintiff.

Motion by Mr. Hilliard passed unanimously that the matter be referred to the Attorney General for his advice.

At 1:30 P.M. an inspection tour of the physical plant of the University was conducted as follows:

- a Library
- b Journalism building
- c old Gymnasium
- d Quonset Huts

- e temporary classroom buildings
- f Orr Ditch
- g President's home
- h Dining Hall
- i Experiment Station Farm
- j South Virginia Farm
- k Experimental Dairy Farm

The Board recessed for the day.

At 9:30 a.M., December 12, 1947, the meeting was called to order by the Chairman in the President's office. Present: Regents Cahlan, Hilliard, Sheerin, Henningsen, Ross; Comptroller Gorman and President Moseley. Present also were Art Palmer, Assistant to the Legislative Council, and Allan Mc Gill reporter.

Motion of Mr. Sheerin passed unanimously that the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of September 20, 1947, and the special meeting of November 9, 1947, be dispensed with and that they be approved as submitted.

President's Informal Report:

# A. Enrollment

Fall figures are: Men 1252 Women 503 Total 1755

Of the above students, 856 are attending under the Veterans Education Bills as follows:

Under G. I. Bill 811
Under Vocational Rehabilitation 45
856

# B. Housing

Women housed 182 Men housed 349 Couples housed 148

Manzanita Hall Artemisia Hall Lincoln Hall
Students 83 Students 97 Students 127
Adults 1 Adults 1
84 98

Old Gymnasium Field House

Students 72 Students 12

Highland Terrace Housing Units

Dormitory No. 27 Students 40

Dormitory No. 28 Students 40

Dormitory No. 30 Students 50

130

Couples - 20 (not under University supervision)

Campus Housing Units Trailer Court
Students 96 Couples 36
Faculty 16

112 (8 units, 14 couples each)

# C. Personnel

# Faculty

- a) Miss Grace Semenza, who was appointed as Assistant in the Department of Economics, Business and Sociology at the June 7, 1947 meeting for the Spring semester, 1948, will not be able to accept the appointment.
- b) Dean John W. Hall, Professor Emeritus of the School of Education, died in Trumansburg, New York, November 25, 1947. Mrs. Hall passed away last September.

#### Student

 a) John Allen Bisbee died on November 26th of poliomyelitis at the Veterans Hospital. All possible precautionary measures were taken and no other case has been reported.

## Hospital

Present staff is as follows: (all on a 10-month basis)

Dr. Robert Locke, Physician - \$360 per month
Miss Mary Peck, R. N., Head Nurse - \$230 per month
Mrs. J. B. Lunch, Assistant to Head Nurse, \$112.50 per month
Miss Mary Rotter, R. N., Relief Nurse, \$50 per month

## **YWCA**

Mrs. Barbara Pinjuv, Executive Secretary to the Campus YWCA, is resigning as of December 20th or as soon thereafter as a

successor is named, in order to remain at home. Steps are being taken to secure someone to take her place.

The Advisory Board has been reorganized, and will be composed as follows:

## **Active Members**

Mrs. Richard G. Miller, Chairman Miss Margaret Ernst, Secretary Miss Alice Terry, Treasurer Mrs. Joe Moose Miss Alice Jane Chism Mrs. Harold Creek

## **Ex-Officio Members**

Mrs. John O. Moseley
Miss Elaine Mobley
Mrs. Ruth Belew (downtown Y Secretary)

# Student Members

Miss Marjorie Menu Miss Barbara Olesen Miss Joylin Johnson Miss Elizabeth Burr

Board of Athletic Control is composed of the following members:

Harry Frost, Chairman
P. A. Lehenbauer (faculty)
M. W. Deming (faculty)
Jordan Eliades (student, Block N)
James Glynn (Student Body President)
Joe T. Mc Donnell (Graduate Manager)
Eugene Mastroianni (Assistant Graduate Manager)

# D. Gifts

- Admiral James Fife sent a check for \$150 as a Christmas present to the University, which was credited to the President's Discretionary Fund.
- 2) Mr. William Pappas of Reno paid \$250 of the scholarship for our Greek woman student Miss Angeline Constantinidou.

- 3) Mr. Harry Calury of Reno contributed \$100 toward the scholarship fund for Miss Constantinidou.
- 4) The Soroptimist Club of Reno donated \$25 to the Student Union Building Fund.
- Dr. Charles W. Mc Nitt of Reno gave \$50 for use of the English Department in the purchase of a collection of books.

#### E. Miscellaneous

Extension Course - At the request of some 25 teachers in the Carson area and Miss Mildred Bray, the University is offering its first extension course to be taught for credit off the Campus. Dr. Paul Jensen of the School of Education is scheduled to begin a course in audio visual aid in Carson City on December 15th for a semester's duration. Accrediting and registration details will be handled through the correspondence study department under Dr. Deming.

The Christmas Nativity Scene on the southwest lawn of the Campus below the tram was constructed by Craig Sheppard of the Art Department with the assistance of Art students.

# President's Recommendations

A. Recommendations for Degrees

None.

B. Recommendations on Personnel

Civil Engineering

1) That, effective September 1, 1947, Weld Arnold be appointed as Lecturer in Civil Engineering for the school year 1947-48 at a salary of \$3000 for the school year.

Economics, Business and Sociology

- 2) That, effective February 1, 1948, Francis Bagley be appointed as Lecturer in Sociology at a salary of \$300 for the semester in the place of Miss Grace Semenza.
- 3) That, effective February 1, 1948, Thomas C. Wilson be appointed as Lecturer in Business Administration at a salary of \$300 for the semester.

# English

4) That, effective January 1, 1948, Dr. Robert M. Gorrell, Assistant Professor and Chairman of the Department of English, be increased in salary to \$3960 per year.

#### Home Economics

5) That, effective February 1, 1948, Miss Virginia Carroll be appointed as Assistant in Home Economics for the Spring semester 1948 at a salary of \$450 for the semester.

#### Horticulture

6) That, effective the Spring semester 1948, a Department of Horticulture be created in the College of Agriculture and that Dr. Philip A. Lehenbauer be appointed as Professor and Chairman of this new Department at no increase in his present salary and that it be understood that Dr. Lehenbauer will continue to teach courses in the Department of Biology of the College of Arts and Science until such time as there is a demand for his full time service in the College of Agriculture.

# Physical Education for Men

- 7) That, effective December 12, 1947, the resignation of James W. Coleman as Associate Professor of Physical Education for Men be accepted.
- 8) That, effective February 1, 1948, George A. Broten be appointed as Instructor in Physical Education for Men at a salary of \$1400 for the semester in place of Mr. Coleman.

# Physical Education for Women

9) That, effective July 1, 1948, Miss Elsa Sameth be retired as Professor of Physical Education for Women, with a retirement pay of \$110 per month for 12 months per year, and that the University supplement the earnings of her policy with the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Company by an amount sufficient to make \$110 per month.

Motion by Mr. Sheerin passed unanimously that the above recommendations, 1 to 9, inclusive, be approved.

The Board recessed at 10 A.M. as a Board of Regents and convened as a Board of Control for the Agricultural Experiment Station.

#### Recommendations on Personnel

- That, effective November 16, 1947, Ray K. Peterson be appointed as Horticulturist in charge of Tomato Plant investigations at a salary of \$4500 per year.
- 2) That, effective as soon as arrangements can be made, Mrs. Lois Cazier be appointed as Clerk-Technician in the Department of Soils at a salary of \$235 per month.

Motion by Mr. Cahlan passed unanimously that the above recommendations, 1 and 2, be approved.

The Board adjourned as a Board of Control for the Agricultural Experiment Station and re-convened as a Board of Regents.

- C. Recommendations on Policy
  - 1) Student Fees Motion by Mr. Hilliard passed unanimously that:
    - a) The following statement be deleted from the University Catalogue (page 68 of the 1947-48 issue):

Students enrolled for 5 or less semester hours will pay a fee of \$2 per credit hour in addition to the regular matriculation, registration and incidental fees.

- b) That the visitors fee be raised from \$1 to \$2 per course credit hour.
- 2) Use of the New Gymnasium Motion of Mr. Cahlan passed unanimously that no athletic teams be allowed to use the new Gymnasium unless they meet one of the following conditions:
  - Must be playing the University Varsity or Freshman Teams.
  - 2 Are participants in regular intra-mural program under the supervision of the Men's Physical Education Department.
  - 3 Are participating in the District or State High School basketball tournaments.

In view of possible misunderstanding as to the \$25 per day charged for high school basketball tournaments in the new Gymnasium, motion by Mr. Sheerin passed unanimously that a letter be written to the President of the Interscholastic League of Nevada pointing out that the \$25 is a daily service charge for light, heat and janitor service during the time the Gym is in use by the League, and that the University is very much in sympathy with the objectives of the League and willing to do everything possible to make their stay on the Campus pleasant.

Mr. Trego, reporter, came into the meeting.

Comptroller's Report and Recommendations

1 - Storage - 4 steel buildings have been received, 20 x 48 feet each, similar to the temporary classroom buildings, delivered to the University f. o. b. Reno without cost. It was tentatively planned to use them as follows:

1 20 x 48 ft. for the Fleischmann Dairy Farm
1 20 x 48 ft. for the South Virginia Farm
1/2 20 x 24 ft. for steam boiler for Mechanical Engineering Department

1 1/2 20 x 72 ft. for Buildings and Grounds

Motion by Mr. Sheerin passed unanimously that the request of Mr. Fleming that one building 20 x 48 ft. originally intended for the South Virginia Farm be made available for the Soils Department to be erected at the expense of the Agricultural Experiment Station, and that the Buildings and Grounds Committee of the Regents, together with the President, be authorized to find a suitable location for the building on the Campus, to be erected at once.

Motion by Mr. Sheerin passed unanimously that the location for the Buildings and Grounds storage unit as selected by the Buildings and Grounds Committee in the rear of the present Quonset Huts on the north end of the Campus, be approved.

Motion by Mr. Sheerin passed unanimously that the Comptroller be authorized to proceed with the installation of the new steam boiler for the Mechanical Engineering Department at an estimated cost of \$25,000.

2 - Agricultural Building Repairs - Motion by Mrs. Henningsen passed unanimously that the Comptroller be authorized to go ahead with installation of an oil burning hot water boiler with an auxiliary hot water storage tank in the basement of the Agricultural building at an approximate cost of \$1425.50, and the erection of an outside chimney on the west side of the building at an approximately cost of \$1100, in order to relieve the burden on the present hot water system and to furnish sufficient hot water for the Home Economics Department.

3 - Office Personnel - Motion by Mrs. Henningsen passed unanimously that the Comptroller be authorized to employ one additional Clerk, the salary to be paid from County funds, after January 1, 1948, when expenditures are made for support of County Agents and County budgets are filed in the Comptroller's office.

Motion by Mr. Sheerin passed unanimously that, effective January 1, 1948, Miss Mary Moulton, Clerk in the Comptroller's office, be increased to \$200 per month.

- 4 Lewis Retirement Motion by Mr. Cahlan passed unanimously that Maurice E. Lewis, Custodian of the Library building, be retired on July 1, 1948, at an amount equal to 1/3 of his average salary for the 5 years preceding June 30, 1948 (which is \$48.66) and that the University supplement the earnings of his policy with the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Company by an amount sufficient to make \$48.66 per month.
- 5 Gabbs Pilot Plant Equipment Negotiations have been under way with the War Assets Administration and the Federal Works Agency to secure the equipment for the Mining School of the University. The estimated cost for moving the material from Gabbs to Reno is \$2,000, and the installation cost is estimated to run from \$35,000 to \$40,000.

Director Carpenter appeared before the Board and expressed his desire to secure the pilot plant which, he said, would be of great benefit to Mining students. A suitable location would have to be found, perhaps off the Campus on leased ground.

Motion by Mr. Cahlan passed unanimously that the University continue negotiations with the Federal agencies to secure this pilot plant.

6 - Heating Plant - It was the consensus of opinion that the inverted siphon should be constructed to divert waters from the Orr Ditch before the Heating Plant building is constructed thereby enabling the Heating Plant building to be moved 25 to 30 feet further west, and leaving that much more room for the lower Campus.

Motion by Mr. Cahlan passed unanimously that the State Planning Board be asked to secure an opinion from the Attorney General on the following points:

- 1) Would the construction of an inverted siphon to divert waters from the Orr Ditch in order to make it possible to move the Heating Plant building west on the land now occupied by the Orr Ditch be a legitimate charge against the appropriation for the construction of the Heating Plant, in view of the fact that the inverted siphon is an integral part of this construction project?
- 2) Would it violate the provisions of Chapter 247, Statutes 1947, making an appropriation for the construction "of a modern, efficient and adequate Heating Plant" to construct only the Heating Plant and boilers at this time, taking into consideration the fact that the complete Heating Plant system cannot be constructed with the funds appropriated?

Reporters Mc Gill and Trego left the meeting at 12 noon. Mr. Palmer left at 12:15 and the Board recessed for luncheon at the University Dining Hall.

Agricultural Meeting - The recessed meeting was called to order by Chairman Ross at 2 P.M. in the Education Auditorium and the following order of business was pursued:

- 1 Remarks by Chairman Ross
- 2 Remarks by President Moseley
- 3 Introduction of students registered in the College of Agriculture
- 4 Introduction of faculty of the College of Agriculture
- 5 Introduction of resident staff of the Agricultural Extension Division
- 6 Introduction of field staff of the Agricultural Extension Division
- 7 Introduction of Experiment Station Staff
- 8 Introduction of others connected with the University of Nevada Agricultural program
- 9 Remarks by:
  - (a) Cecil W. Creel, Dean of Agriculture
  - (b) Verner E. Scott, Director of Residence Instruction,

- College of Agriculture
- (c) Charles E. Fleming, Director of Agricultural Experiment Station
- (d) Edward Records, Director of State Veterinary Control Service
- (e) Wayne D. Adams, Commissioner of State Food and Drug Control Service
- (f) George Hardman, State Soil Conservationist
- (g) Le Grand Walker, Manager of University Farms
- (h) Florence Bovett, Executive Secretary to Nevada State Farm Bureau
- 10 Remarks by members of the Board of Regents

Reporters Mc Gill and Trego were present throughout the afternoon.

The Board recessed at 4:30 P.M. and went with the entire agricultural group to the President's house for a reception honoring the members of the Board of Regents.

The recessed meeting of the Board was called to order by Chairman Ross in the President's office at 10 A.M., December 13, 1947, with all Regents, the Comptroller and the President present.

Also present were Jeff Springmeyer and Art Palmer of the Legislative Council, and Allan Mc Gill, reporter.

# Report of Committees

- a) Buildings and Grounds Committee reported that the bleachers have been installed in the new Gymnasium and have a seating capacity of 1200.
- b) President Moseley reported on his efforts to secure funds for publishing the material of Dr. Church in the development of his snow survey work. No definite progress has been made as yet but a further report will be given at the January meeting of the Board.

Reporter Trago came into the meeting.

#### **Old Business**

a) Race Track - The request of the State Agricultural Society that the University accept lease to the race track property for whatever use they may wish to make of it was brought up for reconsideration.

Motion by Mr. Hilliard passed unanimously that the State

Agricultural Society be notified that, in view of having received different sets of values on the buildings and land involved, the Regents are reconsidering their former resolution and will take the matter up again at their next regular meeting; in the meantime, the State Agricultural Society is free to do whatever they see with the property.

b) Outside Employment - President Moseley read a letter from Dean Wood as Chairman of the Administrative Council recommending that Mr. Plumley, Assistant Professor of Economics, Business and Sociology, and Mr. Smith, Associate Professor of History and Political Science, be allowed to continue their part time employment with other State agencies, but that their teaching load and their salary be pro-rated accordingly.

Motion by Mrs. Henningsen passed unanimously that the recommendation be approved for this school year because of present circumstances, but with the definite understanding that no further extension of time will be granted.

#### **New Business**

Dining Hall - The Student Improvement Committee appeared before the Board of Regents and under the Chairmanship of Henry Stewart requested that a thorough investigation of the University Dining Hall be made. Present also were Dean Mobley, Dean Griffin and Mr. Grayson. Two resolutions had previously been passed in a meeting held at the Dining Hall, as follows:

- That the Student Improvement Committee present the case to the Board of Regents.
- That from now on a financial statement be published monthly in the Sagebrush covering income and expenditures of the Dining Hall.

Chairman Ross thanked the students for coming before the Regents and for giving them this information, as well as for the research which they carried out, and stated that this matter would be investigated with a view of working out a plan which will be fair to everybody and practical to everybody.

The Board recessed at 12:40 noon to have luncheon at the Dining Hall, and was called to order at 1:30 P.M. by the Chairman in the President's office.

Motion by Mr. Sheerin passed unanimously that the President be

authorized to employ an expert in the field of College Dining Rooms, known and recommended by Dean Mobley, and that if this woman cannot be secured, the President be authorized to look for someone else qualified to analyze the managerial aspect of the Dining Hall and make recommendations.

Board of Athletic Control - The following members of Athletic Control appeared before the Regents: Harry Frost, Chairman, Meryl W. Deming, P. A. Lehenbauer, James Glynn, Joe Mc Donnell, Gene Mastroianni. Present also were F. W. Wilson, Chairman of the Faculty Athletic Committee, Art Palmer, Assistant to the Legislative Council, and Bob Trego, reporter.

Dr. Deming presented for discussion the statements regarding the Faculty Athletic Committee and the Board of Athletic Control as they appear in the University catalogue, the Rules and Regulations for University Faculty and the Regulations for the Guidance of Undergraduates.

Motion by Mr. Hilliard passed unanimously that the original resolution as adopted by the Regents on April 3, 1939, be the prevailing document and that all University publications be revised in accord with the statement appearing on page 75 of the University of Nevada Bulletin, Catalogue Issue, 1947-48, as follows:

The duties of the Faculty Athletic Committee are as follows:

To certify the scholastic eligibility of intending participants in all sports, both Freshmen and Varsity. Cases of ineligibility shall be reported both to the Coaches and students concerned.

The eligibility rules are printed in the current issue of Regulations for the Guidance of Undergraduates.

Mr. Mc Donnell brought up for discussion the matter of payment for permanent improvements to athletic facilities. The Board of Athletic Control, in the past, has paid for improvements and is asking that a policy be set regarding future payments. Mr. Mc Donnell was asked to present in writing a statement of such expenditures by the Board of Athletic Control together with a recommendation for the consideration of the Board of Regents.

Mr. Frost was requested to prepare recommendations on eligibility from the Board of Athletic Control to be presented to the Board of Regents.

Chairman Ross thanked the group for appearing; Chairman Frost

thanked the Regents on behalf of the Board of Athletic Control for the cooperation and good will of the Regents.

# Student Union Building

President Moseley told of the request of the Alumni Association as presented to him by Mark Yori, President, that the Alumni Association take the lead in raising funds for a Student Union building. By unanimous agreement, the request was granted, with the understanding that all other groups and individuals be allowed to participate in securing money for this pupose.

# Old Gymnasium

President Moseley expressed the hope that it will be possible to house the 72 now sleeping in the old Gymnasium in more suitable quarters with the least possible delay, not only for the benefit of the men, but also in order to make this space available for classes in Physical Education. In this connection, Regent Hilliard volunteered to go to Hawthorne to look at barracks which might be suitable for Dormitory housing.

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 P.M.

The next meeting was set for January 24, 1948.