

# UCCSN Board of Regents' Meeting Minutes

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The Board of Regents of the University of Nevada were called to order on September 10th by Acting Chairman Sullivan.

The following were present: Regents Sullivan, Baker and O'Brien.  
Absent: Chairman Abel and Mr. Curler.

The President of the University reported briefly on the following matters:

1. That there has been some effort on the part of Dr. Robinson of Reno, who was in communication with Washington, to divert the use of the Agricultural building for convalescent hospital purposes. The President was not in favor of such diversion and the Board expressed the opinion that the building was not suited for this purpose and they were not in favor of such a plan. The President read to the Board parts of his letter to Senator Henderson protesting the plan.
2. Students' Army Training Corps plan was outlined to the Board and the progress and status of barracks construction reported on.
3. A general statement of the finances, reporting that at the beginning of the year the University was in debt \$10,700, this being the remainder of the deficit with which the biennium began. Everybody has cooperated and a considerable saving has been made thus reducing the amount of the deficit. The President thought, due to the various savings which would be possible, that the amount of the deficit would be cleared away by the end of the year. Certain members of the faculty were giving considerable service to the S. A. T. C., and Training Detachment Instructors could be paid from government funds, i. e., Professors Palmer, Boardman, C. R. Hill, Mr. Turner, Mr. Blood and Mr. Fraser. The President also explained the plan he had at this time for certain salary

advances (to be presented later in the meeting) the same being now possible on account of the addition to the funds caused by the government contract for Training Detachment and S. A. T. C.

The President reported to the Board that Dr. C. W. Spencer, Professor of Political Science, had asked for and was given leave of absence for the duration of the war, to enter into overseas Y. M. C. A. work, also that Mr. C. W. Lantz, Assistant Professor of Botany and Horticulture, had asked for and was given leave of absence for the duration of the war, to enter research work for hook worm in the southern camps, both leaves of absence were recommended to be granted from the first of June 1918, and without pay, approval of this action was requested.

It was moved that the President's action in giving leaves of absence to Dr. Spencer and Mr. Lantz for the duration of the war, the same effective from June 1st, 1918 and without pay, be approved. Motion carried, all voting aye.

The President presented to the Board the resignation of Mr. B. F. Schappelle, Assistant Professor of Romanic Languages, dated as from the 1st of August 1918, Mr. Schappelle resigning to accept a position in the University of Pennsylvania to release a man there for war service.

It was moved by Regent O'Brien that the resignation of Mr. Schappelle, Assistant Professor of Romanic Languages, be accepted effective as from August 1, 1918. Motion carried, all voting aye.

The President presented to the Board for their approval the following appointments:

1. Charles Le Roy Brown (Nevada B. A. 1912; M. A. 1913) as Instructor in the Department of Biology for 10 months, beginning September 1, 1918, at \$125 per month, this being as per the recommendation of Professor Frandsen, and a temporary appointment as successor to Mr. C. W. Lantz, absent for the duration of the war.
2. Mrs. Blanche Chrisman Preston (B. A. Nevada 1915) as assistant in French for 9 months, beginning September 1, 1918, at \$66.66.
3. Miss Margaret Hunkin (Nor. 1918) as Stenographer-Departmental, vice Miss Fru Wortham, resigned, at \$75 per month, beginning September 1, 1918. Miss Hunkin had entered into

the position on August 19th at the rate of \$60 per month.

4. Appointment of W. W. Anderson as Principal of the Ely School of Mines to succeed V. M. Henderson, placed in position as Principal of Traveling School of Mines, at present at Yerington. The salary of Mr. Anderson to be \$200 per month beginning June 15th and the salary of Mr. Henderson \$225 per month beginning June 15th, 1918 and moving expenses of himself and family whenever the Traveling School is moved.
5. Mrs. Nettie Young for Janitor Service, regular full time, at \$75 per month beginning September 10th, 1918.
6. Mrs. Catherine Hand Luke, Clerk on probation in Comptroller's office at \$75 per month beginning August 1, 1918.

It was moved by Regent Baker that the recommendations of the President in the above six cases of appointments be accepted and approved. Vote:

Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Dr. Sullivan	Aye
Mrs. Baker	Aye

The President presented to the Board a list of promotions in rank and increases in salaries amounting in all to about \$4000 per year and stated his reasons for so doing and his plans for possibly raising the standard of the salaries of Professors at some early future date, as follows, effective September 1, 1918, except Mr. Doten and Mr. Norcross, effective July 1, 1918:

Promotions    Present Salary    To Salary    Present Rank    To Rank

Adams, Maxwell	\$2700	\$3000	Acting Dean	Dean of College of Arts & Sci.
Arden, Phil	1380	1500		
Blaney, Louise	1800	2000		
Blood, H.	1200	1500		
Denny, Maude	1650	2000		Assc. Prof. of Music
Doten, S. B.	3000	3300 (begin 7-1-18)		
Feemster, S. C.	1500	1650 (did not get 10% raise)		
Gassoway, D. L.	1200	1500		
Goggio, Charles	2000	2200		
Hartung, Sybil	900	1020 (shared equally Hyg. Lab and Drug Lab)		
Hill, H. E.	2310	2400		

Hill, C. R.	1800	2100		
Horn, Carl	1200	1500		
Layman, J. D.	2640	2750		
Lewers, Katherine	1980	2000		
Lynch, J. B.	1950	2100		
Mack, Margaret			Acting Dean	Dean
Mc Fadden, A. E. (about 900)	1080			
Mischon, J.	1095	1200		
Norcross, C. H.	3000	3300	(begin 7-1-18)	
Nyswander, J.	1800	2000	Asst. Prof.	Assoc. Prof.
			of Math	
Palmer, S. G.	1800	2400	Asst. Prof.	Prof. of
			Elec. Eng.	
Porter, Mrs. M. E.	450	585	(\$65 per mo. Sept to May, inclusive)	
Records, Edward	2750	3000		
Riegelhuth, K.	1750	2000		
Robeson, J.	1080	1200		
Sameth, Elsie	1650	2000	Asst. Prof.	Assoc. Prof.
			P. E. Women	
Sears, George	1800	2000	Instructor	Assoc. Prof.
			of Chem.	
Sissa, Louise	1650	1800		
Thompson, R. C.	2640	2750		
Traner, F. W.	1760	2000	Instructor	Asst. Prof.
			of Educatn.	
Turner, A. E.	1760	2000	Asst. Prof.	Assoc. Prof.
			Pub. Speak. Oral Eng.	
Young, J. R.	2530	2750	(added to list after resignation of Dr. James and accepted)	

The President at this point read to the Board the resignation of Dr. George F. James, Dean of Education, dated September 9th, to go into Y. M. C. A. work, and stated he wished to add one other name to the above list and make a recommendation in connection with the resignation of Dr. James. This recommendation the President stated as follows: That Dr. James has been generous in handing his resignation rather than taking status of leave of absence for the duration of the war, and since he had taught the Summer Session of 1918, he recommended that the Board should allow him his full salary for 3 months and his Summer School salary or let him have for July, August and September \$300 and \$450, and that his resignation be accepted from September 20, 1918.

It was moved by Mrs. Baker that the Board accept with great regret the resignation of Dr. George F. James as Dean in Educa-

tion and that in the final settlement there be paid to him in addition to his regular salary of \$300 each month for July, August and September, 1918, the sum of \$450 which completed the payment of \$600 for the Summer Session just closed (1918) and over which he had charge, the resignation of Dr. James to take effect from September 20, 1918. Vote:

Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Mrs. Baker	Aye
Dr. Sullivan	Aye

The President stated that now he wished to add to the list of salary increases the name of Dr. J. R. Young from \$2500 to Professor of Education at \$2750, and that he would ask Dr. Young to be Acting Head of the Department of Education for the time being.

It was moved by Regent O'Brien that the recommendations presented by the President in his list for increases in salaries and promotions in rank be accepted and approved. Vote:

Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Mrs. Baker	Aye
Dr. Sullivan	Aye

The President presented a request from Superintendent Dilworth of the Tonopah schools for the continuance of the arrangement whereby Mr. Ellsworth Bennett, Principal of the Tonopah School of Mines, might be permitted to assist in the Tonopah schools as teacher of Science during the coming school year, and recommended that this permission be granted on account of war emergency need still enduring, and that the permission be conditioned upon the provision that the schedule Mr. Bennett made with the Tonopah schools should not interfere with his schedule as Principal of the Mining School.

It was moved by Mrs. Baker that the recommendation of the President in regard to Mr. Bennett be approved and that he be permitted to teach in the Science Department of the Tonopah schools for the coming year, the same being a war emergency need. Motion carried, all voting aye.

The matter of allowance for the President for entertainment purposes for the coming year was brought before the Board provision for such allowance in addition to regular salary having been made by the Regents in the engagement contract with President Clark. Matter discussed as to amount and fund and the following motion was offered by Regent Baker:

Moved that President Walter E. Clark be paid in addition to his regular annual salary of \$7500, a yearly entertainment allowance of \$1000, the same to be paid from the Regents' Contingency Fund, in \$500 amounts each six months beginning July 1, 1918.

Vote:

Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Mrs. Baker	Aye
Dr. Sullivan	Aye

The claims of Professor J. E. Wier for \$231.78 for syllabi, prepared in 1913-15, held over from the March meeting was brought up, the President explaining the facts in the case and the policy of fees for History syllabi as handled in the past and outlined his plan for having the same work done in the University offices hereafter, and recommended that the claim of Professor Wier for \$231.78 be allowed in full for all syllabi that she had prepared for History classes during the College years 1913-14 and 1914-15.

It was moved by Regent Baker that the President's recommendation be approved and that Miss Wier be paid the sum of \$231.78 for syllabi for the History Department. Motion carried, vote standing:

Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Mrs. Baker	Aye
Dr. Sullivan	Aye

Meeting recessed until 2:00 o'clock P.M. same date.

The recessed meeting of the Board of Regents was called to order by Acting Chairman Sullivan at 3 o'clock.

The President presented a request from the management of the U. of N. Sagebrush, under date of September 10th, asking that they be allowed for the Sagebrush the sum of \$250 as in former years, the same to be in payment of 250 copies of the Sagebrush to be sent out to a mailing list prepared through the President's Office.

It was moved by Regent O'Brien that the U. of N. Sagebrush be granted the sum of \$250, as in former years, to be in payment of 250 copies of the paper to be sent to schools and individuals throughout the State, this list of names to be submitted by the management of the Sagebrush. Motion carried vote:

Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Mrs. Baker	Aye

The President reported the following:

1. That the registration to date (September 10) was 78 men, 115 women, total 193.
2. That he had taken up the matter of auto mileage allowances and had adjusted the same with the Extension Department on the basis of 4 1/2 cents per mile; when one or more passengers are carried, 5 cents. This 5 cents per mile may be divided among projects in any way desirable to the Extension Division provided that the sum total of mileage charge when passengers are carried, is not to exceed this 5 cents; and 8 cents per mile where individual members of the faculty use their private cars for trips on University business (see letter to Mr. Norcross for full detail, date August 12).
3. The matter of repairs to the Electrical building, as reported by C. R. Hill (see Document File 11-5), was passed.
4. Dr. James' salary claim as handled in the last meeting and allowed had been paid and receipt duly received from Mr. Price (receipt filed with papers in Document File 11-7).
5. That Mr. Bixby, Irrigation Engineer, was collecting the material belonging to the University and loan in various parts of the State. Also that he had been given permission to lend a pump to the Indian School. (Letters concerning same in Open File 625.)
6. That the Cochise Machinery Co. of Los Angeles had presented to the Mackay School of Mines some drills and mountings (see letter in File 587).
7. That Mr. Ellsworth Bennett had taken up his note to the University in full.
8. The V & T Railway, being released from government control, had restored passes to five members of the University staff.
9. The Allen Fisher Collection of Minerals had been received and installed in the Museum.
10. The Rhea Miller letter written in May had been returned unclaimed.

11. Report on the Crane Oil Company who were operating an experiment testing plant on the Campus.
12. Fire in Mechanical building on July 6th, discovered by Nightwatchman Robeson, and put out before any serious damage had been done.

The President presented a request from the Federation of Women's Clubs through Mrs. Norton for an ad for their 1918 year book, at the rate of \$20 per page.

It was moved by Mrs. Baker that the Federation of Women's Clubs be given a full page ad for their year book, at the rate of \$20.

Motion carried, vote:

Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Mrs. Baker	Aye
Dr. Sullivan	Aye

The President, on the recommendation of the Senate and the Registrar, presented the following for graduation, they having completed the work during the Summer:

Bachelor of Arts

Erastus A. Hansen

Certificate for One Year Normal Work

Edith C. Burns  
Ruth K. Raymond  
Adeline E. Savery  
Claire Hofer

It was moved by Regent O'Brien that the degree and certificates be authorized in accordance with the recommendation of the President. Motion carried, all voting aye.

The President stated that Harry C. Day had asked that he be given his degree on entering war service, he now being in an Officers Training Camp, the training in the camp to be in lieu of 10 credits which he now lacked of completing his work in the University of Nevada, College of Engineering. President Clark stated that he wished the whole matter of a policy in this regard and in regard to undergraduates leaving for active war service brought before the Senate for their consideration and recommendation at a later date.



Report was made by the President that the Riverside Mill Co. bonds held by the David Russell Estate were due and he had the matter for redemption up with that Company and would report again in December on the matter.

The Reno Y. M. C. A. through a committee had requested that Coach Whisman be permitted to give part time to the Y. M. C. A. of Reno for which they would pay a proportionate part of his salary.

It was moved by Regent Baker that the request of the Y. M. C. A. in regard to Coach Whisman giving them part time, be left to the discretion of the President with power. Motion carried, all voting aye.

The matter of compensation for Professor Frandsen who took charge of the work in the Hygienic Laboratory in the absence of Dr. Ruediger, on the following dates, May 27th to June 10th and August 5th to August 12, was presented by the President, with the recommendation that Professor Frandsen be allowed compensation for this time on the basis of 1/2 of the regular salary of the Director, or the amount in this particular case of \$93.75, the same to be paid from the Hygienic Laboratory funds.

It was moved by Mrs. Baker that the President's recommendation be approved and that Professor Frandsen be allowed \$93.75 for special work in the Hygienic Laboratory in May, June and August during the absence of the Director. Motion carried, vote:

Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Mrs. Baker	Aye
Dr. Sullivan	Aye

The Board of Regents resolved themselves into a Board of Control to handle certain Experiment Station matters.

The Board of Control having completed their work, they took up further matters before the Board of Regents, the same, pertaining to the Agricultural building. The items of the supplementary agreements of August 10, September 4, to be signed by the Board were read to the Board, and were recommended by the President for signature.

It was moved by Regent O'Brien that the supplementary contracts of August 10, 1918 and September 4, 1918 for the Agricultural building, be approved and that Dr. Sullivan be authorized to sign the same for the Board of Regents. Motion carried, vote:

Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Mrs. Baker	Aye
Dr. Sullivan	Aye

A list of unfinished items was read to the Board as presented by architect Lewis.

It was moved by Regent Baker that Mr. O'Brien, Dr. Sullivan and Mrs. Baker be appointed a committee of the Board of Regents to accept the Agricultural building when completed. Motion carried, all voting aye.

The Board went over to inspect the Agricultural building.

The Board adjourned, after inspecting the building, until the next regular meeting unless call for special meeting became necessary.

J. J. Sullivan, M. D.  
Acting Chairman

Louise Blaney  
Secretary