

UCCSN Board of Regents' Meeting Minutes January 25-26, 1947

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REGENTS MEETING January 25, 1947

The regular meeting of the Board of Regents was called to order by Chairman Ross at 9:30 A.M. in the President's office. Present: Regents Henningsen, Sheerin, Hilliard, Cahlan, Ross; Comptroller Gorman and President Moseley; and reporters Bob Trego, Frank Mc Cullough and Paul Weaver.

Motion of Mr. Sheerin passed unanimously that the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, December 21, 1946, be dispensed with and that they be approved as submitted.

Chairman Ross welcomed the two newly elected members of the Board, Mr. Albert Hilliard of Reno and Mr. John Cahlan of Las Vegas, saying that he wished for them the same satisfaction that those who had served before them had enjoyed.

Organization of the Board

- a) Mr. Sheerin nominated Mr. Ross as Chairman of the Board, and he was elected by unanimous vote.
- b) Mr. Sheerin nominated Mrs. Henningsen as Vice Chairman of the Board and she was elected by unanimous vote.
- c) Resolution to amend the Bylaws to change the number of members of the Executive Committee from 2 to 3, passed unanimously.

Mr. Sheerin nominated Mr. Ross, Mrs. Henningsen and Mr. Hilliard to serve as the Executive Committee, and they were elected by unanimous vote.

- d) By unanimous vote, it was agreed that the custom of appointing 1 or 2 members to a committee be followed:

Chairman Ross made the following appointments to the Committees of the Board:

Property Committee - Silas Ross, Albert Hilliard
Instruction Committee - Chris H. Sheerin
Library Committee - Albert Hilliard
Student-welfare Committee - Mary Henningsen, John Cahlan

e) Motion of Mrs. Henningsen passed unanimously that the Bylaws of the Board of Regents be referred to a committee for study, with recommendations for revision.

Motion of Mr. Cahlan passed unanimously that Mr. Ross, Mrs. Henningsen and Mr. Hilliard be named as the Committee on Bylaws, with President Moseley and Dr. Gorman as advisory members. Chairman Ross appointed Mr. Hilliard to serve as Chairman.

Governor Pittman and Mr. Robbins Cahill, of the State Tax Commission, were welcomed to the meeting at 10 A.M.

Governor Pittman stated that the purpose of their visit was to discuss the University budget with the members of the Board, and asked Mr. Cahill to open the subject.

Mr. Cahill explained that the Governor considers it vitally necessary to keep the State tax rate at 64 cents and he has so stated in his message to the Legislature, and he believes that to raise it would cause hardship on counties because of the State law limits the total tax rate to \$5. If the State tax is increased, the counties would have to cut down in proportion. The Governor is very sympathetic to the University's need for faculty increases. However, all that can be made available from the 64-cent rate is 2 1/2 cents above the present 12 1/2 cents, making the total to the University 15 cents, the income from which would amount to \$60,000 per year additional money during the biennium, making a total of \$360,000 per year income to the University.

This amount would be sufficient to meet the \$50,000 plan for salary increases, with \$25,000 for the Buildings and Grounds staff. In addition to this 2 1/2 cents increase for the University State tax, the Public Service tax will be increased from 1 1/2 cents to 2 cents.

Governor Pittman stated that he intends to recommend 15 cents for the University in his budget, and that the Board of Regents may go before the Ways and Means Committee with additional requests from new sources of revenue. The Governor will go along with the Legislature if they can find legal new sources of revenue.

Motion of Mr. Hilliard passed unanimously that the Board, the President and the Comptroller thank Governor Pittman and Mr. Cahill for their interest in the University and for their clear presentation of the tax picture as it effects the University.

Reporter Robert Bennyhoff came into the meeting at 10:30 A.M., during the discussion with the Governor.

President's Informal Report:

A. Enrollment - Present figures are:

Men	1105
Women	500
Total	1605

Of the above students, 867 are attending under the Veterans Education Bills as follows:

Under G. I. Bill	830
Under Vocational Rehabilitation	37
	867

In regard to out-of-state students, President Moseley explained that:

- (1) All Nevada students who have applied and who have qualified scholastically have been admitted.
- (2) Many of those admitted from out-of-state are blood relations of people who live in our trade area, from Susanville to Bishop, California.
- (3) We feel that the University should do its duty by accepting as many war veterans as it can house and accommodate.
- (4) Out-of-state students pay their way; out-of-state tuition fee is \$100 per semester.
- (5) It is necessary for Nevada students to go out of Nevada for education in specialized fields, such as Medicine, Dentistry, Forestry, Pharmacy, Nursing and advanced work for teaching, etc., and therefore, Nevada must reciprocate by accepting some out-of-state students.

B. Housing

women housed 202
 Men housed 263
 Couples housed 84

Manzanita Hall		Artemisia Hall		Lincoln Hall	
Students	93	Students	107	Students	127
Adults	1	Adults	1		
	94		108		

Old Gymnasium		Field House	
Students	39	Students	14
		Adults	3 (Teaching Fellows)
			17

Highland Terrace Housing Units
 Dormitory No. 27 Students 40
 Dormitory No. 28 Students 40
 Dormitory No. 30 Students 15 (not under University supervision)
 95

Couples - 17 (not under University supervision)

Campus Housing Units		Trailer Court	W. 2nd St.
Unit No. 1 - Couples	14	Couples	28
Unit No. 2 - Couples	14		
Unit No. 3 - Couples	14		
Unit No. 4 - Couples	14		
	56		

C. Gifts

- a) Mr. William A. Pappas of Reno has given \$500 to be applied toward the scholarship fund for the two Greek women students at the University.
- b) Mr. Donald R. Warren of Los Angeles, added \$500 to the Donald R. Warren Student Loan Fund, which was established by him in 1946.
- c) Mrs. Frank R. Payne of Reno donated \$750 to the President's Discretionary Fund.
- d) A local firm donated anonymously \$250 as a contribution to the Student Union Building Fund.
- e) A former employee of the University has contributed anonymously to the General Endowment Fund as follows:

May, 1941	Cash	\$ 250
September, 1941	Cash	50
November, 1941	Alexander Pantages Bond, p. v.	500
December, 1941	Cash	100
December, 1944	Mississippi River Power Bond p. v.	100
	Hudson Manhattan Railroad Bond p. v.	500
		\$1,500

Previous mention of the above gift has not been made by the President because of the donor's wishes.

D. University Calendar for 1947-48, with opening and closing dates as follows:

September 15, 16, 17	Registration and Orientation
January 30	First semester closes
February 2	Registration
June 5	Second semester closes

Summer Sessions

June 9	First term begins
July 16	First term ends
July 19	Second term begins
August 27	Second term ends

All reporters except Mr. Mc Cullough left the meeting at 11:30 A.M.

President's Recommendations:

A. Recommendations for Degrees

None.

B. Recommendations on Personnel

Administration

- 1) That, effective January 1, 1947, Mrs. Elizabeth Leeds Scott, Secretary to Dean Griffin, be increased in salary from \$150 to \$160 per month.

Agriculture

- 2) That, effective February 1, 1947, Donald Drown be re-appointed as Student Assistant in Animal Husbandry at a salary of \$50 per month, for the Spring semester, 1947.

- 3) That, effective February 1, 1947, Victor E. Spencer be reappointed as Professor and Head of the Department of Soils in the College of Agriculture on a 1/3 time basis, the remaining 2/3 of his time to be devoted to Soils Research in the Agricultural Experiment Station, and that his salary, \$4000 per year, be apportioned accordingly.
- 4) That, effective February 1, 1947, Dr. Eldon W. Wittwer be returned to active status as Professor and Head of the Department of Agricultural Economics at a salary of \$4200 per year, the salary granted to him at the meeting of February 2, 1946.
- 5) That, effective February 1, 1947, the title of Louis Titus be changed from Associate Professor of Agronomy to Professor of Farm Mechanics, in the Department of Agronomy.
- 6) That, effective February 1, 1947, Professor Louis Titus be increased in salary from \$3200 to \$3800 per year.
- 7) That, effective February 1, 1947 and until June 1, 1947, Verner E. Scott be appointed as Professor of Dairy and Poultry Husbandry in the Department of Animal Husbandry, on a 1/2 time basis, the remaining 1/2 time to be devoted to the Agricultural Extension Division, and that his salary, \$350 per month, be apportioned accordingly.
- 8) That, effective February 1, 1947, Dr. Laraine E. Dunn be appointed as Associate Professor of Soils in the College of Agriculture on a 2/3 time basis, and Assistant in Soils Research in the Agricultural Experiment Station on a 1/3 time basis, at a salary of \$3800 per year, apportioned accordingly.

Engineering

- 9) That, effective February 1, 1947, Professor J. R. Van Dyke, Head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, be increased in salary from \$3800 to \$4200 per year.
- 10) That, effective February 1, 1947, Professor I. J. Sandorf, Head of the Department of Electrical Engineering, be increased in salary from \$4000 to \$4200 per year.

- 11) That, effective February 1, 1947, H. B. Blodgett be appointed as Professor and Head of the Department of Civil Engineering at a salary of \$4200 per year.

Economics, Business Administration and Sociology

- 12) That, effective February 1, 1947, the resignation of Mr. Ellis Chadbourne as Instructor in Economics and Business Administration, be accepted.

Education

- 13) That, effective February 1, 1947, the resignation of Miss Joanna Chapman as Assistant Professor of Education, be accepted.
- 14) That, effective February 1, 1947, Miss Mildred Huber be appointed as Lecturer in Education, in place of Miss Chapman, resigned. Miss Huber's salary will be paid entirely by the State Board for Vocational Education.
- 15) That, effective February 1, 1947, Mr. Lloyd Dowler be appointed as Lecturer in Education. Mr. Dowler's salary will be paid entirely by the State Board for Vocational Education.

Physical Education for women

- 16) That, effective July 1, 1947, Miss Ruth Russell, Assistant Professor of Physical Education for women, be granted a leave of absence for the academic year, 1947-48, at 1/2 salary, \$1300 for the year.

Agricultural Extension Division

- 17) That, effective January 22, 1947, Mr. William S. Hayes be appointed as Extension Forester on a 1/2 time basis, salary of \$1800 per year, to be paid \$1200 from Federal Norris-Doxey funds and \$600 from University State Offset to the Norris-Doxey funds. Mr. Hayes will devote 1/2 time to the position of Assistant State Forester Fire Warden, for which the State will pay him \$1800 per year.

The Board acted also as a Board of Control for the Agricultural Experiment Station in items 3 and 8.

Motion by Mr. Sheerin passed unanimously that the above items 1 to 17, inclusive, be approved.

C. Recommendations on Policy

None.

Comptroller's Report:

- 1) Motion of Mrs. Henningsen passed unanimously that the Comptroller be authorized to invest \$25,000, received on January 8, 1947, from the Raphael Herman Estate, in U. S. Government Series G Bonds.
- 2) Motion of Mr. Sheerin passed unanimously that the claims presented as follows, be approved:

List No. 7, dated January 25, 1947, covering Regents Checks No. 67-168 to 67-173, inclusive, for a total of \$52,706.05.

Reporter Mc Cullough left the meeting at 12 noon.

Old Business

President Moseley reported that he had made several attempts to have Mr. Ogilvie call a meeting of the Citizens Agricultural Advisory Committee, but that he had been unsuccessful because, first, Mr. Ogilvie was away from Elko, and then was unable to leave his farm work, and now, with the Legislature already in session, Mr. Ogilvie felt that the Committee might not be able to meet and to prepare a report in time to be of value to the University. The Regents expressed a desire to have the Citizens Advisory Committee meet at the University as soon as possible. Mr. Sheerin was designated to contact Mr. Ogilvie personally and President Moseley to call him by phone, requesting that he call a meeting of the Committee.

The Board recessed at 12:15 noon for luncheon at the University Dining Hall and was called to order by the Chairman at 1:20 P.M.

New Business

- I. (a) The Regents recommend to the 1947 Legislature the adoption of a budget for the biennium, 1947-48, for salaries, operation and maintenance, in the total amount of\$1,700,955.50
- Less total anticipated income, based upon
current revenues 1,171,516.50

Total additional amount to be requested of
the 1947 Legislature\$ 529,439.00

- (b) The Governor's message regarding the University's budget was discussed, following which Chairman Ross summed up the understanding and agreements of the Board as follows:
- (1) The Board is grateful to the Governor for the additional 2 1/2-cent tax for the support of the University's program and the additional 1/2-cent for the Public Service Division.
 - (2) Comptroller Gorman is to be the Legislative Representative of the Board of Regents and is to go to the Legislature and ask for the difference between the 2 1/2 cents and the amount needed by the University to carry out its budget. If it is not possible for the Legislature to give this amount of money and if they should ask the University to cut it down in any way, he is to say that that is a matter for the Regents. The Regents are then to get together for a decision.
 - (3) Neither the President, nor any member of the Board of Regents or the faculty, is to go to the Legislature without being invited and then such invitations and such visits are to be reported to the President's office. No commitments are to be made by anyone, except on what has been already approved by the Board.
 - (4) The Board approves of the assistance the students and alumni are attempting to give, as outlined on the brief presented to the Board of Regents. The Board is to familiarize the Alumni Committee and the Student Improvement Committee with its procedure and request their cooperation.
 - (5) President Moseley, Comptroller Gorman and Dean Creel are to get together and work out the necessary plan and budget to carry out the program for the College of Agriculture and the 2 University Farms, which will be a supplement to the budget submitted to the Board of Regents at this meeting.

Dr. Gorman is to present this, also, to the Legis-

lature as coming from the Board of Regents.

- (6) The State Planning Board has recognized the needs of the University's building program, and has approved the sum of \$1,500,000 for this program. The Legislature is to be informed that this is our need and that we need it badly. The Classroom building having already been given to the University, the priority for the 6-year building program is as follows:

- (a) Heating Plant
- (b) Life Science building
- (c) wing on the Engineering building

with no order of priority for the

Library building
wing on the Agricultural building
Agricultural Administration building

By unanimous vote, the above program was adopted, and Comptroller Gorman was instructed to represent the University on this basis.

- II. President Moseley presented the request of the students in changing their Constitution to increase the ASUN fee from \$12.50 to \$13.50 for the Spring semester, 1947, and to \$13.00 for each semester thereafter. The increase at this time is necessary so that the Artemisia Board may receive additional income needed for publication of the Artemisia. This would give the Board \$4 instead of \$3 for the coming semester, and \$2 for each semester thereafter, making \$4 per year.

Motion of Mr. Sheerin passed unanimously that the Regents go on record as authorizing the Comptroller to collect this money if the changes in the ASUN Constitution are approved by the students.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 P.M. until the regular Commencement meeting, unless an emergency should arise and then a special meeting will be called by the Chairman.