

UCCSN Board of Regents' Meeting Minutes March 12-13, 1954

03-12-1954

Volume 7 - Pages 23-28

UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA REGENTS MEETING March 12, 1954

The Board of Regents met in regular session in the President's office at the University on Friday, March 12, 1954. The meeting was called to order at 9:40 A.M. by Chairman Ross. Present: Regents Hardy, Crumley, Lombardi, Grant, Ross, Comptroller Hayden and President Stout.

Reporters Bryn Armstrong, Bob Bennyhoff, Frank Johnson, George Umberhauer and Bob Laxalt covered the meeting.

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion by Mr. Crumley carried unanimously that the minutes of the meetings as follows be approved, that the reading thereof be dispensed with, and the action of the Executive Committee be approved.

- a) Regular meeting of February 8, 1954
- b) Executive Committee meeting of March 8, 1954

2. Comptroller's Claims

Claims which had been approved by the Executive Committee were presented for approval of the Board.

Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that the claims, as follows, be approved:

Regents Checks, Nos. 34-113 to 34-128 inclusive for a total of \$158,472.90 for February.

State Claims, Nos. 34-67 to 34-77 inclusive for a total of \$118,473.37 for February.

3. Personnel Recommendations

Before submitting his formal recommendations, President

Stout reported on his search for a Dean of the College of Education. Criteria used in the selection follows:

1. Success as a teacher in public schools.
2. Success as an Administrator of public schools.
3. Successful experience in both elementary and secondary schools.
4. Successful experience in College teaching.
5. Successful experience in College administration.
6. Successful experience in supervising a Student Teaching Program.
7. Successful experience in a College of Education Experimental Laboratory School.
8. Successful experience in organizing and administering a Graduate Education Program.
9. Successful experience in giving leadership to small schools.
10. Successful experience as a public speaker.
11. Successful experience in publishing scholarly materials in his field.
12. Successful experience in directing a Summer School Program.
13. Successful experience in setting up off-campus Graduate Education Centers for the in-service training of the teachers of the State.
14. A man who is well known and respected not only in this State and region, but also nationally.
15. A Ph. D. degree.
16. Knowledge of the problems of Western States.
17. Imagination, initiative and courage.

The President had written to the top Deans of Education in the country telling them of the job which needed to be done here and asking for names of people who could do it. About 65 men were considered for the Deanship. In summarizing, after considering the points in the criteria above, the President believed that Dr. Garold D. Holstine was the best person for the job.

President Stout then presented his personnel recommendations as follows:

- 1) Appointment of Garold D. Holstine as Professor and Dean, College of Education, and Director of Summer Sessions, at a salary of \$9650 per year, plus \$1000 for moving expenses, effective August 1, 1954.

Motion by Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that the above rec-

ommendation be approved.

- 2) Appointment of Howard Christensen as Cooperating Teacher in the Department of Education for the Spring semester 1954 at a total salary of \$120 for the semester.
- 3) Appointment of Mrs. Elsie Colvin as Cooperating Teacher in the Department of Education for the Spring semester 1954 at a total salary of \$120 for the semester.
- 4) Appointment of Cliff Gelmsteadt as Cooperating Teacher in the Department of Education for the Spring semester 1954 at a total salary of \$120 for the semester.
- 5) Supplemental contract for James M. Hoyt, Instructor in Economics, Business and Sociology, to offer an extension course in the evening, from February 1 to July 1, 1954, at a salary of \$337.50 for the 5 months period.
- 6) Appointment of Allvar H. Jacobsen as Associate Professor of Economics, Business and Sociology, effective September 1954, at a salary of \$5500 for the academic year 1954-55.
- 7) Appointment of Miss Ruth Joyce Hadley as Reference Librarian, effective July 1, 1954, at a salary of \$4500 per year, in the place of Mrs. Stephen, whose resignation takes effect June 30, 1954.
- 8) Appointment of Richard T. Donovan as Laboratory Technician on the Atomic Energy Project, Mackay School of Mines, effective March 1, 1954, at a salary of \$140 during the school year and \$280 during the Summer months.
- 9) Appointment of A. Mc Call Smith as Editor and Director of Public Information in the College of Agriculture, effective April 1, 1954, at a salary rate of \$5400 per year, \$4800 of which is charged to the Agricultural Extension Division and the remainder from the Agricultural Experiment Station.

Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that the recommendations, (2) through (9), be approved.

- 10) Resignation of Archie R. Albright as County Agricul-

tural Agent for Washoe County, effective February 28, 1954.

- 11) Resignation of Robert L. Fulton as Assistant County Agent in Clark County, effective March 15, 1954.
- 12) Resignation of Gene F. Empey as Extension and Experiment Station Editor, effective March 31, 1954.
- 13) Resignation of Mrs. Madge Schendel as Home Demonstration Agent in Lyon County, effective February 20, 1954.

Motion by Mr. Grant carried unanimously that the above recommendations, (10) through (13), be approved.

The Board recessed as a Board of Regents at 10:30 A.M. and convened as a Board of Control for the Agricultural Experiment Station to consider the following recommendations:

- 14) Transfer of Thomas Cook, Superintendent of Knoll Creek Field Station, to District Extension Agent for Eureka and White Pine Counties, effective February 16, 1954, at a salary rate of \$5100 per year.
- 15) Appointment of Clark Robert Torrell as Superintendent of Knoll Creek Field Station, effective February 16, 1954, at a salary rate of \$4200 per year, plus use of house, in the place of Mr. Cook, transferred.
- 16) Appointment of A. Mc Call Smith as Editor and Director of Public Information in the College of Agriculture, effective April 1, 1954, at a salary rate of \$5400 per year, \$600 of which is charged to the Agricultural Experiment Station (item 9 above), in the place of Mr. Empey, resigned.

Motion by Mr. Grant carried unanimously that the above recommendations, (14) through (16), be approved.

The Board adjourned as a Board of Control for the Agricultural Experiment Station and reconvened as a Board of Regents.

4. Student Union Building

Mr. L. E. Ferris, Architect, came into the meeting at 10:35 A.M. to present the plans for the Student Union building, representing the thinking of the various committees concerned with the Student Union. His sketch included proposed

additions as requested by the Board of Regents at its last meeting.

Motion by Mr. Grant carried unanimously that the Board of Regents accept Drawing B2, Scheme #4, dated January 18, 1954 original date, and February 24, 1954 as date of revision, by Ferris and Erskine, provided the President receives letters of approval from the Student Committee and the Faculty Committee on the Student Union Building. The motion further provided that the President write the State Planning Board asking that bids include alternates (1) excavating the area designated as "unexcavated" in the drawing, and (2) addition to the auditorium, and authorizing the Planning Board to proceed.

Mr. Ferris commended the University groups and individuals with whom he worked in preparing the drawings of the Student Union building.

Motion by Mr. Crumley carried unanimously that the President write to those, as he determines their identity, who have been of great help in planning the Student Union building, and that, in his letter, he state that it is being written by the direction of the Board of Regents and expresses the thanks of the Board and the President.

Mr. Ferris left the meeting at 11:30 A.M.

5. Agricultural Building

Mr. Hayden reported on a meeting attended by Regent Ross, Mr. Horn, Mr. Harry Linnecke (electrician), President Stout and Mr. Hayden, concerning additional electrical facilities for the Agricultural building. The following plan was recommended as best for the present and future needs of the Campus.

Bring an overhead line from the Power Company pole at Artemisia Hall to the Agricultural building, build a concrete vault at the north end of the Agricultural building as a permanent installation, install a transformer for adequate distribution, and the necessary conduits, etc., at a total estimated cost of \$14,158.70. It was pointed out that all except approximately \$1000 for bringing the overhead line from Artemisia Hall to the Agricultural building would be permanent improvement. An item was included in the current budget as a start on revamping the power lines of the Campus, to

which this would be chargeable.

Motion by Mr. Grant carried unanimously that the recommendation be accepted and that the University proceed to get preliminary plans and specifications preparatory to securing bids, that bids then be secured.

6. Mackay School of Mines Building

President Stout reported on progress of remodeling of the Mackay School of Mines building. An architect is now needed so that plans and specifications may be readied for bids on the remodeling of the Library of the Mines building. The President recommended that the firm of De Longchamps and O'Brien be considered.

Motion by Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that the architectural firm of De Longchamps & O'Brien be employed to draw plans and specifications for the Library in the remodeling job in the Mackay School of Mines building, and that then bids be secured.

7. Bureau of Mines Quonset Hut

The U. S. Bureau of Mines is discontinuing use of the Quonset hut, erected near the new Engineering building (Regents action of August 23, 1946). Request was made that the Quonset hut be donated to the University, since the U. S. Bureau of Mines had no further use for it. The request was not granted, but the following letter was received, dated January 22, 1954, from the:

DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE
Division of Surplus Property
Health and Education Program
100 Geary Street, Room 2000
San Francisco, 9, California

Mr. Minard W. Stout, President
University of Nevada
Reno, Nevada

Dear Mr. Stout:

In conformance with our telephone conversation this week concerning the Quonset building located on your property and excess to U. S. Bureau of Mines, we are

enclosing instructions to be followed in making application for the purchase of this building at public benefit allowance.

We propose to convey this building to you at 95% public benefit allowance, which means that the University will pay the United States \$250 and by use of the building for educational purposes for 5 years, the University will earn 95% discount granted and have full and unrestricted title to the building at the end of the 5 year period.

Very truly yours,

/s/ John P. Gifford
Regional Property Coordinator

President Stout recommended purchase of the Quonset hut out of Buildings and Grounds Capital Expenditure Funds.

Motion by Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that the Quonset hut be purchased on above terms, that the President be authorized to make formal application for the Quonset hut, and that Mr. Ross, Chairman of the Board, be authorized to sign the resolution for the Board of Regents.

8. Old Business

President Stout reported on the following matters, as requested in the last meeting of the Board:

- a) Sale of Milk from University Farm at Fallon - A letter from Dean Hutchison recognized the need for including in the next biennial budget a sum which would permit curtailment in commercial activities. For the present, Dean Hutchison pointed out that sale of dairy products was necessary for financial reasons.
- b) Schutte Gift - President Stout had conferred with Attorney Lester Summerfield concerning the bequest of Clarence H. and Edna R. Schutte, which named the University. Mr. Summerfield had advised that there is nothing for the University to do at this time. If the Schuttes outlive the Fleischmann Foundation, then, upon their death, the money would come to the University.
- c) Loan Funds (And Scholarship Funds) - A prepared list of

loan funds, with amounts and conditions under which loans are granted, was prepared for distribution to the Regents. Regent Ross suggested that it would be helpful to have the specifications and qualifications covering scholarships, as well as loan funds.

Motion by Mr. Crumley carried unanimously that a list be prepared for the Board of Regents showing scholarships and loan funds, rules under which each is operating, and wherever possible, source of regulations governing each; that this list be presented to the Regents for approval; and that annually a report be made to the Board of Regents of scholarships and loans granted.

9. University Farm

A letter from Mr. Virgil Wedge was received by each Regent concerning possible offer for the University South Virginia Farm. The Regents referred to the previous action of the Board (minutes of October 13, 1953) that any bona fide offer be made to the President of the University in writing.

It was unanimously agreed that the President send a letter to Mr. Wedge informing him that the conditions as adopted by the Board on October 13, 1954, and as stated in letter to him under date of October 16, 1954, still stand and that, if his client has an offer, it be made in writing to President Stout, who will transmit it to Mr. Crumley, Chairman of the Regents Committee on the College of Agriculture, for submission to the Board of Regents.

10. Engineering Curricula

Regent Hardy called attention to the growing need for the newer fields in Science and Engineering resulting from new and expanding industries in Nevada. He pointed out that students desiring study in these fields must now go elsewhere to complete their education.

Motion by Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that the Administration make a study of the desirability and the feasibility of adding the following courses to the curriculum of the University: (1) Nuclear Engineering, (2) Agricultural Engineering, and (3) Chemical Engineering.

The meeting adjourned at 1:35 P.M.