

# UCCSN Board of Regents' Meeting Minutes August 31, 1926

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The Regents of the University met in the Office of President Clark at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, August 31st. All members of the Board and President Clark were present, Judge Talbot arriving after the first 3 motions were passed.

The minutes of the meetings of June 26th and of July 31, 1926 were, on motion of Mr. Pratt, approved by the following vote:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye

List No. 8, Regents Checks, Nos. 6080 to 6091, for the net sum of \$40,740.46, and List No. 21, State Claims Nos. 226 to 238 for the net sum of \$48,778.44, were, on motion of Mr. Williams, approved by the following vote:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye

President Clark presented letters thanking the Board for recent salary increases from members of the University staff.

On the recommendation of President Clark, the salary of John Gottardi, Assistant Professor of Modern Languages, was advanced from \$1800 to \$2000, effective September 1, 1926. Mrs. Williams made the motion. Vote:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye

At the request of Librarian Layman, President Clark recommended

that Miss Thea C. Thompson be continued as first assistant in the Library at a salary of \$140 per month, effective August 29, 1926. Chairman Pratt moved the acceptance of the President's recommendation. Vote:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Judge Talbot	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye

On recommendation of Dr. H. W. Hill, President Clark recommended that Mrs. Rachel F. Kent be elected 1/2 time assistant in English at a stipend of \$800 for the University year 1926-27 to be paid in 10 consecutive monthly payments of \$80, beginning with the month of September, 1926. Mr. Williams moved the adoption of the President's recommendation. Vote:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Judge Talbot	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye

On recommendation of Dr. H. W. Hill, President Clark recommended that Mrs. Luethel Austin Stark be elected 1/2 time assistant in English at a stipend of \$800 for the University year, to be paid in 10 consecutive monthly payments of \$80, beginning with that for the month of September, 1926, and with the understanding that Dr. Hill must in advance approve any dramatic skit or play that she is to give during the year. Mrs. Williams moved the adoption of the President's recommendation. Vote:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Judge Talbot	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	No

President Clark recommended that Dr. Murgotten be advanced in salary from \$2700 to \$3000 as from September 1, 1926. Mr. Pratt moved the acceptance of the President's recommendation. Vote:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Judge Talbot	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye

President Clark read the following letter from Dr. Henry Albert and recommended that the University accept this gift and that Mr. Gorman should have the proffered automobile listed as a University car.

The work of the State Hygienic Laboratory requires considerable use of an automobile. I have, during the past 4 years, used my own car and submitted a monthly bill on the mileage basis. It will be more satisfactory from the standpoint of both the Laboratory and the person in charge, if the car is owned by the University. I shall be pleased to present the car which I have been using to the University for the use of the State Hygienic Laboratory. The car is a Chevrolet Touring, Model 490 (1921) Engine No. T49204. This year's license number is 924. The car is in good serviceable condition. It has been driven about 20,300 miles and was, early this year, equipped with 4 new tires and a new battery.

Mr. Williams moved that the proffered gift of Dr. Albert be accepted and that the President be instructed to write a letter of thanks to the donor. Vote:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Judge Talbot	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye

Judge Talbot suggested that a garage might be erected on the Laboratory grounds and the President agreed to look into this possibility.

On the recommendation of the President, Judge Talbot moved that the following plan of Dr. Albert for carrying on the work of the State Hygienic Laboratory during his 10 month's leave of absence from September 1, 1926 to July 1, 1927, should be approved:

- a. Dorothy E. Foster to be Acting Director from September 1, 1926 to July 1, 1927 at a salary of \$175 per month;
- b. Dr. A. L. Grover to be consultant at a salary of \$50 per month for a 1-hour per day service from September 1, 1926 until Dr. Albert's return;
- c. Mrs. Marie Strassburger and Miss Marjorie Roach to be

employed on a month to month basis at \$125 per month as Technicians, their salaries to begin with September 1, 1926;

- d. Stenographic appointment to be left in the hands of Miss Foster with understanding that the rate is 37 1/2 cents per hour;
- e. If there should be large increase in the paid, private work of the Technicians, an extra person at \$125 per month may need to be employed.

Vote:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Judge Talbot	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye

Bids for supplying the University's fuel oil for the coming year were opened. The California Petroleum Corporation, Shell Oil Company, Union Oil Company, Standard Oil Company and Associated Oil Company quoted prices. All bids were the same, \$1.89 per bbl., save that of the California Petroleum Corporation, which was 4 cents below the market. After the bids had been read, the two representatives of Reno Oil Agencies withdrew.

Mrs. Catherine Luke appeared to ask the Regents to consider the purchase of 40 acres of land of the Evans Estate, lying to the north of the University Campus and to the east of Virginia Street and west of the Western Pacific tracks, at the price of \$500 per acre. Some of the land lying below the ditch carries with it water rights and may be cultivated. After presenting her cause, Mrs. Luke withdrew.

Judge Talbot stated that originally the Evans holding in the Highland Ditch had been 200 inches. President Clark is to consult with the agent of the heirs, secure a blueprint showing the irrigable and non-irrigable land, to find out what water right the irrigable land carries and whether or not the Evans Estate would offer the land to the University at a price less than \$500 per acre.

President Clark read the following letter from Dr. Albert to Governor Scrugham for the information of the Board of Regents:

August 28, 1926

Governor James G. Scrugham  
Carson City, Nevada

Dear Sir:

A few days ago, I discussed with President Clark of the University the budget for the State Hygienic Laboratory for the biennium of 1927-28.

I quote from the budget presented the following relative to the discontinuance of private work by the Laboratory:

The public health portion of the work of the Laboratory has grown to such an extent that it seems advisable to discontinue the performing of work of a private or personal nature, except for consultations on the part of the Director. The increase in work consists not only of an addition to the number of specimens examined, but also of an increase in the type of diseases in which the Laboratory can be of service, and an increase in the complexity of the work due to refinements in laboratory methods.

If private work is eliminated, it will, of course, mean the loss of income from that source. The public health work is, however, of such importance that it seems advisable to limit the work of the Laboratory to such. The private work which needs to be done can be taken care of by the pathologists of the local hospitals.

President Clark feels that the income for the "service" divisions of the University may not permit the appointment of the staff as recommended and at the same time eliminate the income from private work. I suggested that in view of the epidemiological work which we were doing, the State Board of Health may be willing to contribute the salary for a Technician for the Laboratory -- namely \$1500 per year, or \$3000 for the biennium. President Clark accordingly asked that I present this matter to you and the State Board of Health. I may say that if the organization of the State Board of Health remains as it is at present and it should be decided to employ an Epidemiologist, it would not be possible to secure a competent one for less than about \$3500.

If I can be of any further service, please call on me.

Very respectfully submitted,

/s/ Henry Albert

Recessed until 1:30 P.M.

Reconvened at 1:30 P.M., all members of the Board and President Clark being present.

Upon notification by the Comptroller through the President that \$3337.07 of University funds have laid uninvested in Carson since June of this year, Chairman Pratt moved that whenever the Comptroller finds uninvestment of University funds in Carson City, he shall make formal written request to the State Treasurer that the University uninvested funds shall be invested at the earliest possible time and offer suggestions, if he may have any, as to the bonds to be purchased. It is understood that the President will advise the Comptroller of desirable bond purchases whenever such may come to his attention. Vote:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Judge Talbot	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye

President Clark reported that to date there is no candidate for the John Armstrong Chaloner Fellowship in the Mackay School of Mines.

President Clark presented Engineer Brickham's report and blueprints on connection with the Heating Plant as we ought to make it to Hatch Station. After some discussion of the requirements Judge Talbot moved that the Chairman and the President be authorized to have this work done in the best way possible. Vote:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Judge Talbot	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye

After a discussion as to the damage to the plastering in Hatch Station due to the moving of the building, Judge Talbot moved that the Chairman and President be authorized to employ two or more experts to determine the safety of the building and to

decide what plastering and repairs may be needed in the Hatch building and to estimate what damage to plastering, if any, is due to the moving and for which the contractor, Mr. Mosier, is liable under his contract. After this decision is reached, the Chairman and President are authorized to pay to Mr. Mosier, the balance due him on his contract less his share for any damage caused by the moving of the building. The Chairman and President are authorized to have such necessary repairs made and plastering done as they may deem necessary to put the building in good condition. Vote:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Judge Talbot	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye

Judge Talbot moved that Chairman Pratt be instructed to put in his bill for 1000 miles auto travel at the usual rate of 10 cents per mile and that the amount be paid from the General University funds. Vote:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Judge Talbot	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Not Voting

After discussion of the bids for oil and consultation with Comptroller Gorman, the bid of the Union Oil Company was accepted, on motion of Chairman Pratt, for the coming University year. Vote:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Judge Talbot	No
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye

Mr. Williams moved that the name of the new women's Dormitory should be Artemisia Hall. Vote:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Judge Talbot	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye

No further business appearing, the Board adjourned with understanding that the next meeting of the Board or of the Committee shall be at 9 o'clock on Thursday, September 30th. The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for November 30th, when a full Board meeting is to be had and when the copy of the biennial report to the Governor is to be well in hand for approval of the members.

Walter E. Pratt  
Chairman

Carolyn M. Beckwith  
Secretary