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UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA REGENTS MEETING June 6, 1953

The Board of Regents met in regular session in the President's office at the University, and was called to order by the Chairman at 1:45 P.M. Present: Regents Hardy, Lombardi, Grant and Chairman Ross; President Stout and Comptroller Hayden. Regent Crumley was in Elko, having arrived there only recently from Los Angeles, and situations developed which prevented his attending the meeting. Reporter William Gillis was present throughout the meeting.

1. Minutes of Previous Meetings

Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that the minutes, as follows, be approved, and that the actions of the Executive Committee in (b) and (c) be also approved:

- (a) Regular meeting of April 10, 1952
- (b) Opening of bids for Lincoln Hall work on May 19, 1953
- (c) Executive Committee meeting of May 22, 1953

2. Victory Heights Housing Project

The Regents were presented with a petition from Mr. and Mrs. Marion Escobar and Mrs. Mary Murphy, representing the occupants of the Victory Heights Housing Project, in which they asked for further study and reconsideration of the rental increase, passed by the Regents at their meeting on April 10, 1953. President Stout recommended that the petition be accepted and its contents studied.

Motion by Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that the Regents accept the petition and refer it to the President, Dean Carlson, Dean Mobley, Comptroller Hayden, and the representatives of the Victory Heights Housing group, for further study and for report back to the Regents.

3. Comptroller's Claims

The following claims, approved by the Executive Committee, were presented for approval of the Board:

Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that they be approved as follows:

Regents Checks, Nos. 23-136 to 23-149 inclusive for a total of \$150,937.68 for April.

State Claims, Nos. 23-105A to 23-113 inclusive for a total of \$103,692.57 for April.

Regents Checks, Nos. 23-150 to 23-166 inclusive for a total of \$155,554.15 for May.

State Claims, Nos. 23-114 to 23-122 inclusive for a total of \$38,910.41 for May.

4. Budget Material for the coming biennium was distributed by Mr. Hayden, consisting of the operating budget based upon anticipated income.

Motion by Mr. Grant carried unanimously that the budget, as presented, be approved.

5. Lincoln Hall Renovation

- a) Fire Alarm System - Mr. Hayden reported on the relative merits and costs of the bell and the horn type systems of alarm, and recommended the installation of the Reichel Automatic Fire Alarm System. In presenting his report, Mr. Hayden quoted from a letter dated June 5, 1953 from Mr. R. E. Hansen, General Contractor for Lincoln Hall Remodeling, as follows:

IBM System

Manual control system with gong or buzzer warning. No outside connection. \$1403

Auxiliary box system, manual control, connected to fire lines, no test \$3303

Alternate system to firehouse, no test, automatic detection, no maintenance \$4600

Reichel System

According to plans and specifications,
Lincoln Hall completion \$5500

Motion by Mr. Grant carried unanimously that the recommendation of the Comptroller, that the Reichel Automatic Fire Alarm System be installed in Lincoln Hall, be accepted.

- b) Bathrooms - There was further discussion concerning the need for completely remodeling the toilet and bathrooms in Lincoln Hall. Plans for such remodeling have been drawn by Architect Mills and approved by Mr. Horn, and Mr. Hansen has estimated the work at \$14,749.84, which price would include demolishing and rebuilding the toilet and bathrooms on 3 floors of Lincoln Hall. There was then discussion as to whether this item could be considered as an extra on the contract for remodeling Lincoln Hall or whether there should be a separate bid for the work.

Motion by Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that the matter be referred to the Attorney General for opinion.

6. Insurance, University Buildings and Contents

Mr. Hayden presented figures showing present insurance coverage by the State of each University structure and its contents. He presented figures showing, also, the replacement cost in each case, and pointed out that in every instance present coverage is low. He suggested that insurance be placed to cover present replacement values. The President recommended that this be done.

Motion to Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that the Comptroller forward these figures to Mr. Grant Robinson, Secretary of the Board of Control, with the request that insurance coverage be placed accordingly.

7. Candidates for Degrees

- a) President Stout presented the list of candidates for degrees which had been approved by the Dean and the faculty of the College of Arts and Science, and recommended that they be approved by the Regents.

Motion by Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that the candidates be approved and that they be granted the indicated

degrees, as follows:

Bachelor of Arts

Elizabeth Harris Aplin	Betty Jean Kling
William B. Arant	Constance Jean Lee
Robert Emmett Barrett	Miriam Mardelle Leonesio
Sally Margaret Bassemier	Robert Orval Lindsay
Robert L. Beamish	Darlene Barbara Lowry
Margaret Ann Bell	Frank Edward Marfisi
Clair Marie Biale	Robert H. Marker
Lila May Bradshaw	Robert Earl Martin
Cornelius Joseph Cahill, Jr.	Tom Malcolm Massey
Peter Phillip Cladiane, Jr.	Jack Irwin Mc Auliffe
Dorothy Katherine Coates	Katherine de V. Meyer
Eugene J. Conover	Margaret M. Mokler
John F. Cowley, Jr.	Karl Mueller
Edith C. Crawford	Beverly Joan Myles
Esther Louise Doyle	Richard I. Nannini
Harold Louis Eakes	John Kaye O'Neill
Thelma Ruth Ennor	Helen Frances Orr
Harold C. Fields	Martha Oviatt
Irene Shaw Findley	Dale J. Riddle
John Louise Foster	Harry Donald Rovetti
Alan Neil Garrett	Charles Coverton Ryerse
Gene Gillette Garriott	Margaret Allyn Sewell
Jeannilee Gibson	Elsie Jane Shaver
Mary Patricia Hagerty	Malcolm Ward Short
Anne Helms	Mary Margaret Smith
Norma Lynn Horner	Donald S. Thompson
Nancy Jacqueline Houghton	John Mathew Trendler
Anna Mary Ianni	Lura Janet Ward
Nan Delores Imperatrice	Jean Wilton
William Raley James	Daniel Lee Young
Patricia Alice Jefferson	Jeanne Frances Zelayeta

Bachelor of Arts in Journalism

Charles Milton Aplin	Barbara Hendrickson
Robert J. Bandoni	Lois Kattenhorn Kurtz
John W. Benson	George Gerald Lindesmith
Joseph Albert Bugica	Robert Ernst Moran
James Dwight Dalbey	Carol Oldham
Maurice Clinton De Vore	James Fiske Stubbins
Douglas Allan Douglass	Harold Alvin Ziegler
William Matthew Harper, Jr.	

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

William Ernest Becker	Joe Franklin Melcher, Jr.
Harriet Parke Bengochea	Beverly Poe Johnson
David Lee Buckman	Jack Francis Luwe
Wallace Franklin Burnett	John Dickerson Mackay
Phyllis Lucile Carpenter	William Martin Pelter
V. Tuck Chin	John Louis Sandorf
Betty Victoria Cristani	Albert Arthur Springmeyer
Diane Fairfield	Weldon Carl Upton
Procter Ralph Hug, Jr.	Margaret Yim

- b) President Stout presented the list of candidates for degrees which had been approved by the Dean and faculty of the College of Agriculture, and recommended that they be approved by the Regents.

Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that the candidates be approved and that they be granted the indicated degrees as follows:

Bachelor of Science in Agriculture

William Kenneth Cockrell	Elwin Dean Pulsipher
Phillip Bernard Mc Vey	Richard Alma Reid

Bachelor of Science in Home Economics

Elizabeth Anning	Dorothy Inez Harmon
Alice Ann Facha	Wilma Gadda Horsley

- c) President Stout presented the list of candidates for degrees which had been approved by the Dean and the faculty of the College of Engineering, and recommended that they be approved by the Regents.

Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that the candidates be approved and that they be granted the indicated degrees, as follows:

Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering

David Andrew Arneson	Charles F. Moss
Daryl M. Doyle	Raymond Saibini
Keith Edwin Gosling	John F. Smales
Albert Richard Graul	David Washburn Towner
John A. Jensen	Donald Nolan Wooden

Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering

Alexander Gonzalez Vale Myles
Alfred Joseph Hamilton James W. Osmun, Jr.

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Lyle Allen Joy

- d) President Stout presented the list of candidates for degrees which had been approved by the Dean and the faculty of the Mackay School of Mines, and recommended that they be approved by the Regents.

Motion by Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that the candidates be approved and that they be granted the indicated degrees, as follows:

Bachelor of Science in Geological Engineering

Zana Earl Arlin Eugene Warren Wheeler
David Hand Richard Edward Williamson
John Martin Kelly William Edward Williamson
Jack Anders Rykken

Bachelor of Science in Metallurgical Engineering

Fred Roland Lee, Jr. John Mc Donald Robertson
Edward Mack Lytle, Jr.

Bachelor of Science in Mining Engineering

Louis Avery Donald Sexton Randall
Jack Irving Crowell Victor Haig Stafford
Earle Vernon Dempsey Donald Crawford Tibbals
Fred J. Fulton Harry A. Varischetti
Edgar A. Hollingsworth John Howard Wilmoth

- e) President Stout presented the list of candidates for advanced degrees in Arts and Science which had been approved by the Dean and the faculty of the College of Arts and Science and by the Committee on Graduate Study, and recommended that they be approved by the Regents.

Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that the candidates be approved and that they be granted the indicated degrees, as follows:

Master of Arts

Arthur Maurice Boardman Dorothy M. De Whitt

Master of Science

Hollis Fredrick Kroetch Robert Stuart Leonard

- f) President Stout presented the list of candidates for advanced degrees in Engineering which had been approved by the Dean and the faculty of the College of Engineering and by the Committee on Graduate Study, and recommended that they be approved by the Regents.

Motion by Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that the candidate be approved and that he be granted the indicated degree, as follows:

Civil Engineer (C. E.)

John Edgar Witte

8. U. S. Bureau of Mines Request

The request of the U. S. Bureau of Mines for additional land adjoining the site of the new Bureau of Mines building was discussed.

Motion by Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that, before action is taken, the Bureau of Mines officials be requested to furnish information giving proposed use of the land and the exact plot being requested.

9. Student Union Building

The President read the following letter concerning the Estate of Mr. W. E. Travis:

Estate of W. E. Travis
221 Pine Street
San Francisco 2, California

June 2, 1953

Frederick W. Ackerman
Executor

Mr. James E. Wood
Post Office Box 2549

Reno, Nevada

Re: Estate of Wesley Elgin Travis

Dear Jim:

Receipt of your letter of May 29, 1953, advising that the University of Nevada Board of Regents will meet on June 6, 1953, is acknowledged.

I believe that it is a good idea for you to appear before the Board of Regents at this meeting. At such time you should advise them that you have furnished us with copies of the Act adopted by the Legislature with respect to the W. E. Travis bequest. The Regents should be requested to furnish me with two copies of the Bill certified and authenticated by an appropriate State official, showing that the Statute has been duly and regularly adopted, signed by the Governor, and is now effective.

If possible, I would like to be informed as to how much money, if any, at this time is contained in the fund known as the "Jot Travis Student Building Fund". As you know, this is the fund from which money is to be drawn in order to match or equal sums received by the University from the Travis Estate.

The University should be requested to forward to me a certified copy of any resolution which they may have adopted relative to the acceptance of the bequest. If no such resolution of acceptance has as yet been passed, we would like the Regents to adopt one so that a certified copy of the same can be filed in the pending probate proceedings.

You should advise the Regents that you have been informed that it is the present plan to effect a ratable or partial distribution of Estate assets during the month of September. Under this distribution, the University can expect to receive in the neighborhood of between \$150,000 and \$160,000. Included in the amount that will be paid to the University will be the sum of \$100,000, representing the amount to which it is entitled in order to place the University on an equal status with the other charitable and educational legatees who participated in a prior distribution. The Regents should be advised of our plans in this regard in order that they

can be in a position to participate by seeing to it that there are sufficient moneys in the "Jot Travis Student Union Building Fund" established by the Act above referred to, to match the planned distribution.

I am very much interested as to the progress made thus far by the University in connection with the preparation of the building plans, and if the same is available, would appreciate receiving a copy of such architectural sketches as may have been prepared.

It will also be appreciated if you will furnish me with any and all general information that you might ascertain during your attendance at the meeting.

Should you be in need of assistance from time to time in connection with such conferences as you might have with the University Regents and other State officials, I will be glad to furnish the same to you.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Frederick W. Ackerman
Executor

Following general discussion,

Motion by Mr. Grant carried unanimously that the President be instructed to prepare a suitable resolution to be spread on the minutes of this meeting, and that a copy be transmitted to Mr. Ackerman.

The resolution follows:

WHEREAS, the University of Nevada was named in the Will of Mr. W. E. Travis to receive a sum of money toward the erection of a Student Union building, the wording of the bequest being as follows:

University of Nevada
Reno, Nevada 30% but not to exceed \$300,000

.....Said bequest to the University of Nevada,
is made on the specific condition that it be used
to construct on the Campus of the University of
Nevada at Reno, Nevada a building to be known as
the "Jot Travis Student Building" for use by the
students of the University of Nevada for recreation

purposes and containing suitable offices for bona-fide student organizations and offices for the Alumni Association, and upon the further condition that at least an equal sum be furnished by the State of Nevada and/or others within two (2) years after my death for use in conjunction with my said bequest for the construction of said building.

and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Nevada, in its 1953 session, passed Assembly Bill number 381 providing matching funds for the bequest of Mr. W. E. Travis, and the Bill has been duly signed by the Governor of the State of Nevada,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada, now being in a position to meet the terms of the bequest of Mr. W. E. Travis, do accept the bequest, and do hereby direct the Secretary of the Board of Regents to so notify the Executor of the Estate of Mr. W. E. Travis.

Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that President Stout and Regent Hardy be authorized to go to San Francisco to confer with Mr. Ackerman concerning the bequest of Mr. W. E. Travis.

It was unanimously agreed, also, that the President meet with the State Board of Finance to go over the request of Mr. Ackerman with them.

10. Personnel Recommendations were presented by the President and the following actions taken:

a) Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that the following recommendations be approved:

- 1) Salary increase for Mr. Louis Chase, Plumber on the Buildings and Grounds staff to \$4140 per year, effective July 1, 1953.
- 2) Appointment of Robert L. James, Instructor in Economics, Business and Sociology, to the position of Faculty Resident in Lincoln Hall, effective September 1, 1953. Remuneration for the position of Faculty Resident will be rent free use of the apartment furnished, plus utilities, during the academic

year. The rental value of the apartment may be conservatively estimated at \$75 per month. During the 3 Summer months, the Faculty Resident will pay to the Men's Dormitory Account \$75 per month for the use of the apartment.

- 3) Additions to the salary list passed by the Board of Regents on April 10, 1953, as follows:

	Salary	Recom.	
	1952-53	1953-54	
Biology			
Item 3-Thomas M. Little, Assistant			
Professor	\$4400	\$4400	
English			
Item 2-Charlton G. Laird, Professor	6200	6822	
Item 4-Robert A. Hume, Professor	5600	6180	
Item 6-Robert M. Gorrell, Associate			
Professor	5100	5600	

- 4) Appointment of Walter Palmer, Jr. as Associate Professor of Economics, Business and Sociology at a salary of \$2800 for the Spring semester, 1954.
- 5) Appointment of John P. Reed as Instructor in Economics, Business and Sociology at a salary of \$4200 for the school year 1953-54.
- 6) Appointment of Dr. Magdalen Eichert as Associate Professor of Education at a salary of \$5300 for the school year 1953-54.
- 7) Appointment of Lewis E. Ward, Jr. as Instructor in Mathematics at a salary of \$4200 for the school year 1953-54, in the place of E. Allan Davis, on leave.
- 8) Appointment of Edward Wesley Hiler as Instructor in Psychology and Philosophy at a salary of \$4100 for the school year 1953-54.
- 9) Appointment of Darrell B. Le Maire as Laboratory Assistant in the Mining Analytical Laboratory, Mackay School of Mines, beginning June 16, 1953, at a salary of \$280 per month during the Summer months, and \$140 per month during the school year.

- b) Motion by Mr. Grant carried unanimously that leave of absence be granted to E. Allan Davis, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, without pay, for the school year 1953-54, in order that he may accept a fellowship from the Ford Foundation for the Advancement of Education.
- c) The Board of Regents recessed at 3:30 P.M. and convened as a Board of Control for the Agricultural Experiment Station to consider the following personnel item.

Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that Richard A. Gerity be reappointed as Graduate Assistant in the Agricultural Experiment Station at a salary of \$2000 per year, effective July 1, 1953.

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

- d) Regent Hardy referred to the resignation of Walter V. T. Clark from the Department of English, as reported in the local papers, and asked for information regarding the status of Mr. Clark. The President informed him that Mr. Clark was a Lecturer, that he did not have tenure, that his previous contracts had been on a semestral basis, and that he had been offered a contract by Dean Wood for the first semester of the coming school year, which he turned down. Mr. Clark held no position at the University at the end of the school year from which to resign.
- e) The Regents reiterated their stand that faculty wives not be employed except in an emergency situation and then only on a temporary basis and for specific assignments.

11. Informal Report was presented as follows:

- 1) Gifts received during the past semester:
 - a) An anonymous donation of \$100 to the President's Discretionary Fund.
 - b) An Inness painting from Mrs. H. F. Bain of Steamboat Springs, Nevada, for the Art Department.
 - c) Contribution of \$5 from the Smith Valley Civic Club for the purchase of books in the Library.

- d) Contribution of \$10 from the Home Gardens Civic Club, Reno, Nevada, for purchase of books in the Library.
- e) Contribution of \$10 from the Gabbs Women's Club for the purchase of books in the Library.
- f) Contribution of \$10 from Reno Women's Civic Club for the purchase of books in the Library.
- g) Loan of 3 rifles from the Sportsman, Reno, Nevada, for use of the ROTC Rifle Team during the Southwest Rifle Match at Texas Western, at El Paso.
- h) Transportation furnished by Stead Air Force Base for the ROTC Rifle Team to attend the Southwest Rifle Match at El Paso, Texas.
- i) Check for \$30,000 to be used for laboratory and scientific equipment in the Mackay School of Mines, from J. C. Kinnear, Jr., representing Mr. Charles R. Cox, President of the Kennecott Copper Corporation.

2) Alumni Chapter Meetings

- a) At Elko, Nevada, on the evening of May 16, 1953, attended by the following from Reno:

President and Mrs. M. W. Stout
Mr. and Mrs. Wally Rusk
Dean S. G. Palmer
Dean William D. Carlson
Mr. Carl Digino
Mr. Hugh Smithwick
Mrs. Adele Maclean
Miss Alice Terry

- b) At Ely, Nevada, on the evening of May 29, 1953, attended by the following from Reno:

President M. W. Stout
Mr. and Mrs. Wally Rusk
Dean William D. Carlson
Mr. and Mrs. William I. Smyth
Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mastroianni
Mr. and Mrs. Jake Lawlor

Dean Elaine Mobley

- 3) Death of Dean Robert Stewart, Emeritus Professor of Agronomy, occurred on February 2, 1953, in Reno.

Motion by Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that the President's informal report be accepted and the Secretary be instructed to write a note of thanks to the donors of gifts.

The meeting adjourned at 4 P.M.