# UCCSN Board of Regents' Meeting Minutes August 6-7, 1958

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> UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA REGENTS MEETING August 6, 1958

The Board of Regents met in Room 205, Morrill Hall, University of Nevada on Wednesday, August 6, 1958. Present: Regents Anderson, Bastian, Elwell, Hardy, Thompson; Comptroller Hayden, Engineer Rogers and Acting President Wood. Regents Broadbent, Grant and Sawyer were absent because of business commitments. Regent Lombardi was detained at the hospital. The meeting was called to order at 9:20 A.M. by Regent Hardy, appointed as senior member of the Board, to preside in the absence of the Chairman and the Vice Chairman.

Neil Humphrey of the Nevada Taxpayers' Association, Leola Wohlfeil of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, and A. N. Jacobson, Legislative Auditor, were present as observers. Reporters Jim Hulse and Bryn Armstrong covered the meeting.

## 1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Upon motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Elwell, the minutes of the meeting of July 11-12, 1958 were unanimously approved.

#### 2. Comptroller's Claims

Mr. Hayden presented the following claims for approval, with the recommendation of Acting President Wood:

Regents Checks, nos. 78-310 to 78-316 and 89-1 to 89-18 inclusive for a total of \$357,525.08 for July.

State Claims, nos. 89-1 to 89-17 inclusive for a total of \$246,899.83 for July.

Motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Dr. Anderson, carried unanimously that the claims be approved.

#### 3. Gifts

Gifts which had been received by the University were presented to the Board for acceptance as follows:

#### Miscellaneous

From Atomic Energy Commission, Washington, D. C. - \$40,000 for purchase of equipment and materials to be used in the educational and training program as requested by the University of Nevada.

From KOLO-TV of Reno - studio facilities in the amount of \$632.25 during April and May for presentation of the "Written Word".

From the Nevada State Medical Association - 7 medical books for the Orvis School of Nursing.

From Ella Bell Jones, Caliente - various nursing journals and magazines for the Orvis School of Nursing.

From Drs. Paul Wiig and Silas Ross - medical books and journals for the Orvis School of Nursing.

From Board of Trustees, Lyon Health Center, Yerington - an autoclave for the Orvis School of Nursing.

From Arthur E. Orvis - an original oil portrait of himself as the founder of the Orvis School of Nursing.

From Curtiss-Wright Corporation, Wood Ridge, New Jersey - \$2083 as the July payment for Curtiss-Wright Project No. 1.

From Mrs. Harold Hunter, Las Vegas - a chemistry scale for the Nevada Southern Regional Division.

#### Scholarships

From Edgerton, Germeshausen and Grier - \$1000 to cover the EG&G Scholarships in Electrical Engineering and Physics for the coming year.

From the Executor of the Holmshaw Estate - \$2100 for the Harry F. Holmshaw Scholarship Fund.

From the Southern Nevada Chapter of Nevada Society of

Registered Professional Engineers - a Scholarship Loan Program in the amount of \$400 as per attached:

Southern Nevada Chapter
of the
Registered Professional Engineers;
Engineering Scholarship Loan Foundation

- The fund is to be made available as a loan to a student who has reached his Junior or Senior year.
- That the student be enrolled in some branch of Engineering or in the Mackay School of Mines. However, in event the faculty determines that there is no worthy student who wants the loan, in the Colleges noted above, then the faculty, at their option may select a student from another of the Science Schools such as Physics or Chemistry.
- That there be at least one member of the faculty of the School of Engineering or from the Mackay School of Mines on the committee that selects the student.
- 4. That the student must start repayment of the loan within one calendar year after leaving school, except in event of required military duty. The student at his option might start repayment of the loan within the specified year or start repayment upon termination of his military career.
- 5. That the interest rate be only a token rate. The rate will be determined by the faculty.
- 6. That the faculty administer the distribution and the collection of the loan.
- 7. That from the proceeds of the loan there be purchased life insurance acceptable to the faculty, with an assignment thereon covering the amount due upon the loan in event of death of the borrower.

Southern Nevada Chapter Nevada Society of Registered

#### **Professional Engineers**

Motion by Mr. Elwell, seconded by Mr. Bastian, carried unanimously that the gifts be accepted and that the Secretary write an appropriate note of thanks to the donors. The Administration was asked to seek clarification of item no. 7 of the conditions of the Southern Nevada Chapter of Nevada Society of Registered Professional Engineers Scholarship Loan Program.

#### 4. Personnel Recommendations

Dr. Wood presented and discussed the personnel recommendations as follows:

#### **COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE**

#### Reappointments as follows:

Sidney D. Root, Jr., as Graduate Assistant in Health, Physical Education and Athletics at a salary of \$1200 for the academic year 1958-59.

Evelyn P. Falk as Assistant in Mathematics at a salary of \$600 for the Fall semester 1958.

Elisabeth S. Constantino as Assistant in Mathematics at a salary of \$300 for the Fall semester 1958.

## Appointment as follows:

William Henry Dennett as Graduate Assistant in Physics at a salary of \$1500 for the academic year 1958-59 (new position under the Fleischmann Foundation Grant).

## Supplementary contract as follows:

Paul F. Secord, Associate Professor of Psychology and Sociology, to carry on research under the grant from the National Institute of Mental Health during July and August 1958, at a total salary of \$1731.

#### NEVADA SOUTHERN REGIONAL DIVISION

## Resignation as follows:

Celesta Lowe as Library Technician effective August 31, 1958, for personal reasons.

#### Reappointment as follows:

Herbert C. Wells as Lecturer in Civil Engineering in the Evening Division at a salary of \$450 for the Fall semester 1958.

#### COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

#### Appointments as follows:

Helen L. Wells as Associate Professor of Home Economics at a salary of \$8200 for the academic year 1958-59 (to fill an unfilled position).

Dorothy Brownfield as Associate Professor of Home Economics at a salary of \$7800 for the academic year 1958-59 (replacement for Dorothy Sidwell).

Elizabeth White as Assistant Professor of Home Economics at a salary of \$6600 for the academic year 1958-59 (new position).

Motion by Dr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Bastian, carried unanimously that the personnel recommendations be approved.

Regent Thompson had to leave the meeting at 9:30 A.M. to go to Court, and in the absence of a quorum, the meeting recessed until Dr. Lombardi arrived at 9:45 A.M.

## Bid Opening

A meeting for opening bids was held in the President's office at 4 P.M. on Friday, August 1, 1958. Notice had duly appeared in local papers calling for bids for Rough Grading for Cattle Feeding Station, Main Station Farm, Reno. Present: Engineer Rogers, Dean Adams, Comptroller Hayden and 2 members of Eckley Construction Company.

Bids were opened by Mr. Hayden as follows:

Helms Construction Company - accompanied by certified check - \$5430.48. Work to commence within 10 calendar days and be completed within 30 days.

Eckley Construction Company - accompanied by bid bond - \$3570.00. Work to commence within 10 calendar days and be completed within 10 working days.

The bids were referred to the University Engineer for study and recommendation.

Recommendation: The bid of Helms Construction Company is not acceptable as it is not signed. The bid of Eckley Construction was the low bid and is consistent with the estimate prepared in this office. I therefore recommend that this bid be accepted and a contract be drawn with this firm for the work involved. The money for the project will be furnished by the Agriculture Experiment Station.

Respectfully submitted,

James D. Rogers University Engineer

## Approved:

James E. Adams, Dean Fleischmann College of Agriculture P. W. Hayden, Comptroller Wm. R. Wood, Acting President

Motion by Mr. Hardy, seconded by Mr. Elwell, carried unanimously that the recommendation and the awarding of the bid be approved.

#### 6. Ladino Dairy - Elcano Request

Dr. Wood called on Mr. Rogers to report on his study of the boundary line at the Ladino Dairy (University Experimental Dairy Farm), necessary in the consideration of the request for quitclaim by Attorney Clark Guild, Jr., on behalf of his client, Paul Elcano. Mr. Rogers had searched the records of deeds, maps and available agreements regarding the boundary line, but the results of the study were not conclusive. Upon recommendation by Dr. Wood,

Motion by Dr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Hardy, carried unanimously that the matter be referred to the Attorney General for study and advice, and that Attorney Guild be so notified.

#### 7. Housing and Home Finance Agency

Dr. Wood received a letter dated July 16, 1958 from the Housing and Home Finance Agency enclosing an agreement for acceptance by the Board of Regents, as follows:

#### AGREEMENT FOR PUBLIC WORKS PLAN PREPARATION

Project No. Nev. 26-P-3002 Contract No. H-602-517

To: Board of Regents, University of Nevada Reno, Washoe County, Nevada

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 560, 83rd Congress, as amended, and your application, as modified and supplemented, and subject to the terms and conditions, dated -----, attached hereto and made a part hereof, the United States of America, acting by and through the Housing and Home Finance Administrator, hereby offers to make you an advance of not to exceed \$51,761 to aid you in financing the cost of plan preparation, to consist of preparation of final plans comprising complete working drawings, specifications, cost estimates, soil tests and related work to allow advertising and bidding for the proposed construction of College housing units (housing for married students; men's dormitory and dining hall).

By the acceptance of this offer, you agree to complete the above-described plan preparation within 130 days from the date hereof and covenant that you will repay the advance when required to do so under the provisions of said Law and terms and conditions.

This offer must be accepted, if at all, within 60 days from the date hereof.

This 16th day of July, 1958.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Housing and Home Finance Admin.

/s/ Robert E. Mc Cabe
Acting Regional Administrator

In order that no unnecessary time would be lost to the University, Chairman Grant had requested the Secretary to poll the Board of Regents by telephone, and the vote was: Anderson, Broadbent, Elwell, Grant, Lombardi, Thompson - in favor of accepting the agreement; Regents Bastian, Hardy and Sawyer were traveling and could not be reached. Having received a majority vote of the Board, the Chairman signed

the agreement. The matter was here presented for ratification and inclusion in the minutes.

Motion by Mr. Hardy, seconded by Dr. Anderson, carried unanimously that the acceptance of the agreement and the signature by Chairman Grant be ratified.

# 8. Housing and Dining Hall Fees

Dr. Wood presented the recommendations of the Housing - Dining Hall Fee Committee, as follows: These rates were set to meet the loan obligation with the Housing and Home Finance Agency, in the event the University receives the money for construction of married housing, dormitories and dining hall.

As the result of the deliberations of the Housing and Dining Hall Committee, it is respectfully requested that the following fees be put into effect for the below new housing units and dining hall when completed:

Dining Hall \$540 per academic year

New Dormitories \$200 per academic year

Married Student Housing \$65 per month - plus

utilities

It is further recommended that effective September 1, 1959 rates for Lincoln Hall, Hartman Hall, Manzanita and Artemisia be as follows:

Lincoln Hall \$190 per academic year
Artemisia Hall \$190 per academic year
Manzanita Hall \$190 per academic year
Hartman Hall \$190 per academic year
No change - \$90 per
academic semester

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sam M. Basta Chairman Housing-Dining Hall Fee Committee (Ad Hoc)

cc: Dean Mobley
Robert L. Kersey
P. W. Hayden
James Rogers

unanimously that the recommendation be accepted and the fees set accordingly.

#### 9. Orr Ditch Solution

Mr. Rogers reported on progress in negotiations with the Orr Ditch Company, as per Resolution in minutes of meeting of June 1, 1958. The agreement proposed by the Orr Ditch Company had been submitted to the Attorney General, who replied, "This office has examined the proposed contract between the University of Nevada and the Orr Ditch Company relating to the construction of a siphon to alter the course of the Orr Ditch located on the University Campus, and we approve the contract as to its form." A letter from the State Engineer stated, "This office becomes involved in matters pertaining to change of point of diversion of water from the natural stream (Truckee River), place of use or manner of existing water rights; therefore, improvements or realignments on the ditch are matters to be taken up with the officials of Orr Ditch Company."

Motion by Mr. Hardy, seconded by Mr. Bastian, carried unanimously that the President be authorized to execute an agreement with the Orr Ditch Company for construction and maintenance of the proposed siphon, in accordance with terms of enabling legislation.

## 10. Paving - Wells Avenue

Mr. Hayden presented a letter from the City of Reno Comptroller requesting formal approval by the Board of Regents for claim against the State in the amount of \$10,500 for the University's share of the paving project on North Wells Avenue from East Ninth Street north to Sadlier Way to comply with provisions of Assembly Bill No. 356.

Motion by Mr. Hardy, seconded by Mr. Elwell, carried unanimously, that contingent upon appropriate checkings by the University Engineer, the City Comptroller be notified that the Board of Regents approves payment, in the amount of \$10,005 as provided by legislation.

# 11. Biennial Budgets

Dr. Wood discussed the process by which the budgets were checked and studied since the last meeting of the Board. He and Mr. Hayden met each Dean and Division Head individually, went over the compilation of requests from the faculty

in an attempt to remove errors, inconsistencies and duplications on personnel and equipment. The requests were checked against increased enrollment and expenses of the program, and as a result, certain revisions are here presented. The Regents were given statements of changes for further study, with action on the entire budget to be taken at the next meeting.

The Regents requested that the Deans and Division Heads again review carefully, with the Acting President and the Comptroller, the total budget with a view to possible reduction prior to the final presentation to the Regents at the September meeting.

## 12. Engineering Transfer Board

At the suggestion of Mr. Elwell, the Transfer Board in the College of Engineering was discussed, with the view to its immediate improvement. The unsafe condition with this Transfer Board was brought to the attention of the Regents by Dean Blodgett in his presentation of budget needs at the last meeting of the Board.

Motion by Mr. Elwell, seconded by Mr. Hardy, carried unanimously that the Dean of Engineering and the University Engineer be asked to check into the conditions of the Transfer Board to see what can be done to improve the safety factors, and to report at the September meeting.

The next meeting was set for Saturday, September 6, 1958.

The meeting adjourned at 1 P.M.