A special meeting of the Board of Regents was held at their Office on Monday, the 5th day of January, 1897, at 10 o'clock A.M., same being called by Regent H. L. Fish. Present: W. E. F. Deal, H. S. Starrett, J. N. Evans.

The newly elected members J. N. Evans and H. S. Starrett having qualified, the Board proceeded to organize as follows:

On motion of H. S. Starrett, seconded by W. E. F. Deal, J. N. Evans was elected President of the Board. W. E. F. Deal placed Geo. H. Taylor in nomination for Secretary of the Board, which was seconded by H. S. Starrett. J. N. Evans placed H. B. Rule in nomination for Secretary of the Board without a second. Upon a roll call, J. N. Evans voted
for H. B. Rule and W. E. F. Deal and H. S. Starrett voted for Geo. H. Taylor. Thereupon Geo. H. Taylor was declared elected Secretary of the Board to hold his Office at the pleasure of the Board.

On motion of Mr. Deal, seconded by H. S. Starrett, the salary of the Secretary of the Board was reduced to Fifty Dollars per month until April 1, 1897.

On motion of Regent Deal, it was ordered that Messrs. Scheeline & Osbourn as Agents be given the policies on Morrill Hall building expiring as follows: $2500 January 30, 1897 for 3 years @ 1% and $5000 January 30, 1897, for 3 years @ 1%, in the Lancashire of England and the Firemans Fund of San Francisco. T. P. Bradshaw was given the policy on Morrill Hall building expiring January 30, 1897, in the County of Hartford for $2500, 3 years @ 1%.

On motion of Regent Deal, the regular order of business was laid aside and President Stubbs presented his monthly report.

The President of the University made a verbal report of the proceedings of the Annual Convention of the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experimental Stations held at Washington, D. C., on November 10, 1896, which he attended as the rep-
resentative of this University and Agricultural College at the request of the Board of Control of the Experiment Station. After having the report, the Board unanimously thanked the President for the services performed by him.

The President of the University read his report for the years 1895-96, which was adopted.

Board adjourned to 1:30 P.M.

Adjourned meeting of the Board met at 1:30 P.M., same members being present.

President Stubbs recommended that he may be permitted to employ Lieutenant Hamilton in the University for the second term of this College year as he may deem desirable, and the compensation therefore shall be first approved by the Board of Regents.

On motion of W. E. F. Deal, seconded by H. S. Starrett, it was ordered that the above recommendation be entered on the minutes and be taken under advisement for further action.

Minutes of meetings held from August 31 to December 3rd, inclusive, were read and approved.
Claims were presented and allowed from the several funds as follows:

**Building Funds**

- Reno Mill & Lumber Co. Girls Dormitory 65.31
- Reno Mill & Lumber Co. Boys Dormitory 24.72

$90.03

**Agricultural and Mechanical College Fund**

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No further business appearing, the Board adjourned to meet at the call of the President of the Board.

J. N. Evans

President
Geo. H. Taylor

Secretary