A special meeting of the Board of Regents was held on Saturday, April 17, 1897 at 2 o'clock P.M. Present: J. N. Evans and H. S. Starrett. Absent: W. E. F. Deal.

The Secretary was instructed to read the advertisements for bids of the Mechanical building as appeared in the Nevada State Journal and the Evening Gazette of Reno.

The hour having arrived to open the bids for the construction and completion of the Mechanical building, Regent Evans moved, seconded by Regent Starrett, that the Board proceed to open the bids as follows: (2:15 P.M.)

George A. Booth 5740.00
Regent Starrett moved that the bid of George A. Booth for $5740, being the lowest and the best bid, that it be accepted, which was carried. The building to be completed on or before August 15, 1897. The Contractor to furnish a Bond for the sum of Four Thousand Dollars with two approved Sureties qualifying in the sum of Two Thousand Dollars each, conditioned for the performance of the contract, payments to be made in the following manner: Fifteen Hundred Dollars ($1500) when the building is completed, according to the plans and specifications to and including the laying of the first floor joists; Fifteen Hundred Dollars when the building is completed, according to the plans and specifications to and including the second floor joists and the laying of the under floor thereon; One Thousand Dollars when the building is completed, according to the plans and specifications to the roof and the roof put on and in place; the balance of Seventeen Hundred and Forty Dollars when the building is finished and completed, according to the said plans and specifications and the terms of the contract. The acceptance of said building to be made when the Contractor shall furnish good and sufficient
vouchers showing that all claims for labor performed and materials furnished in the construction of said building have been fully paid and discharged.

On motion of Regent Starrett, the President of the University is authorized to take the plans of the Mechanical building to San Francisco and obtain an estimate of the cost of the heating plant of said building.

No further business appearing, the Board adjourned.

J. N. Evans
President

Geo. H. Taylor
Secretary