Reno, Nevada
August 1, 1917

The meeting of the Board of Regents was called to order on August 1, at 10:50 A.M., by Chairman Abel.


The meeting was recessed until 1:30 P.M. same date.

The meeting of the Board of Regents was called to order at 2:00 P.M.

Present: Regents Curler, Baker, O'Brien, Sullivan, Abel and Acting President Lewers.

Acting President Lewers presented his report.

The report was discussed and the recommendations contained therein acted on as follows:

It was moved by Dr. Sullivan that the $6,512.96 deficit in the Dining Hall account be paid from the Student Fee Fund. Vote:

Mr. Curler Aye
Mr. O'Brien Aye
Mrs. Baker Aye
Dr. Sullivan Aye
Mr. Abel Aye

It was moved by Regent Curler that the recommendation as to the use of the form of accounting and the method of conducting the Dining Hall be adopted. Vote:

Mr. Curler Aye
Mr. O'Brien Aye
Mrs. Baker Aye
Dr. Sullivan Aye
It was moved by Dr. Sullivan that the recommendation of the Acting President that Miss Margaret E. Mack be made Acting Dean of Women for the coming year, with the title of Assistant Professor in the Department of Biology, at a salary of $2000 per year, beginning July 1, 1917, and that Miss Elizabeth Kempton in addition to her duties as Custodian of the Dining Hall be made assistant to Miss Mack insofar as the Manzanita Hall duties are concerned and that her salary be placed at $1500 per year, beginning July 1, 1917, be approved. Record vote:

Mr. Curler Aye
Mr. O'Brien Aye
Mrs. Baker Aye
Dr. Sullivan Aye
Mr. Abel Aye

It was moved by Regent Curler that the recommendation of Acting President Lewers that the salary of Mr. J. D. Laymon, Librarian, be increased to $2640 per year, beginning July 1, 1917, and that of Mr. S. C. Dinsmore, Food and Drugs Commissioner, be increased to $2750 per year, beginning July 1, 1917, be approved and adopted. Vote:

Mr. Curler Aye
Mr. O'Brien Aye
Mrs. Baker Aye
Dr. Sullivan Aye
Mr. Abel Aye

The recommendation relative to the increase in Dr. W. B. Mack's salary and his connection with the Stock Commission and the general matter of Professors of the University accepting money from other sources was discussed. It was moved by Dr. Sullivan that the recommendation of Acting President Lewers that Dr. W. B. Mack's salary be increased to $3300 per year, and that he also be allowed to receive a salary from the Live Stock Commission, as Secretary of that body, be approved, providing the Secretaryship of the Nevada Stock Commission does not interfere with Dr. Mack's work at the University. Vote:

Mr. Curler No
Mr. O'Brien Aye
Mrs. Baker Aye
Dr. Sullivan Aye
Mr. Abel No
The Chairman read a letter from Mr. H. B. Bulmer, Chief Inspector of the Food and Drugs Department, dated July 29, 1917, relative to an increase in salary. It was moved by Mr. Curler that the salary of Mr. Bulmer be increased to $1650 per year beginning July 1, 1917, that being an increase of 10%. Vote:

Mr. Curler           Aye
Mr. O'Brien          Aye
Mrs. Baker           Aye
Mr. Abel             Aye
Dr. Sullivan         Aye (He qualified his vote that he wished to make the salary $1800 per year.)

Acting President Lewers in explanation of the budget said that the amounts as shown for the various Departments were comparatively small but that there was a reserve fund to meet requirements for special apparatus and material. He advised that Professor Frandsen has need for some materials and equipment for the opening of the year, that is in excess on the amount on the budget for that Department by $200, and he gave permission to use the $200 from the reserve fund, and wished the approval of the Board for this action.

It was moved by Regent Curler that the action of the President in allotting $200 from the reserve fund for the Department of Biology be approved. Vote:

Mr. Curler           Aye
Mr. O'Brien          Aye
Mrs. Baker           Aye
Dr. Sullivan         Aye
Mr. Abel             Aye

The Board went into executive session at 2:50 P.M.

The Board returned to open session at 3:30 P.M.

The Chairman read to the Board 3 letters from Mr. Gorman, Comptroller, under dates of July 20 and 25, 1917, relative to Mr. Gorman's taking a trip to San Francisco to obtain prices on steel, lumber and lead for the Agricultural building.

Acting President Lewers presented the bids that had been received for the excavation of the basement for the Agricultural building, as follows:

A. M. Keefer for $2485 and J. Bernasconi for $1960
It was moved by Regent Curler that the action of the Chairman of the Board and the Acting President of the University in sending Mr. Gorman to San Francisco to look into the steel situation with reference to the Agricultural building, be approved. Vote:

- Mr. Curler Aye
- Mr. O'Brien Aye
- Mrs. Baker Aye
- Dr. Sullivan Aye
- Mr. Abel Aye

It was moved by Regent Sullivan that the action of the Acting President and the Comptroller in entering into a contract with the Ralston Iron Works of San Francisco for the necessary steel for the Agricultural building and with Holbrook, Merrill and Stetson for the lead, be approved. Vote:

- Mr. Curler Aye
- Mr. O'Brien Aye
- Mrs. Baker Aye
- Dr. Sullivan Aye
- Mr. Abel Aye

It was moved by Regent Curler that the Board approve the action of the Comptroller in calling for bids for the excavation for the Agricultural building. Vote:

- Mr. Curler Aye
- Mr. O'Brien Aye
- Mrs. Baker Aye
- Dr. Sullivan Aye
- Mr. Abel Aye

It was moved by Regent Curler that the consideration of the bids presented for the excavation for the Agricultural building be postponed until the following morning at 10 o'clock. Motion was carried.

The report of the Comptroller dated August 1, 1917 was read.

That portion of the report pertaining to the lumber and the plumbing fixtures was postponed until the following morning for consultation with the architect.

The Chairman presented the form for a lease for quarters for the Ely School of Mines, and after discussion it was moved by Regent Curler that Dr. Francis Church Lincoln be authorized to rent a
room in the Ely Record building for the Ely School of Mines and to enter into a lease with Messrs. Leonard and Chapin for the period from July 15, 1917 to December 31, 1918, at a monthly rental of $20, with the privilege of renewal. Vote:

Mr. Curler          Aye
Mr. O'Brien         Aye
Mrs. Baker          Aye
Dr. Sullivan        Aye
Mr. Abel            Aye

The matter of redwood tanks for oil storage for which bids were received was discussed and the matter held over pending any arrangement which might later be made whereby the University could take delivery of oil in carload lots. The Acting President was instructed to notify Mr. Allenbach of the Allenbach Fuel Oil Company, that the University did not wish to purchase any storage tanks at this time.

The Chair asked Regent Sullivan to preside.

Regarding the bill of $39.60 presented by P. F. Collier and Sons of San Francisco for a set of Lodge Histories purchased by Professor J. E. Wier, without requisition, the following motion was presented by Regent Abel: I move that the bill of F. P. Collier and Son of San Francisco for $39.60 be rejected. Vote:

Mr. Curler          Aye
Mr. O'Brien         Aye
Mrs. Baker          Aye
Dr. Sullivan        Aye
Mr. Abel            Aye

Regent Abel resumed the Chair.

Dr. W. H. Evans, U. S. Inspector of the Hatch and Adams Funds accounts of the Experiment Station upon invitation of the Board, discussed with the Board informally matters pertaining to his visit.

The matter of the salary of Sergeant Fink was laid over until the following day.

The matter of the method of paying the salary of Dean George F. James was considered. It was moved by Regent Curler that the Comptroller be notified that the salary of Dr. George F. James in connection with the Department of Education is $250 per month and is to be paid in that way and that the $600 for the
Summer School work will be paid at the close of the Summer session. Vote:

Mr. Curler          Aye
Mr. O'Brien         Aye
Mrs. Baker          Aye
Dr. Sullivan        Aye
Mr. Abel            Aye

It was moved by Regent Curler that the Comptroller be notified that the order heretofore made paying $3 per day to laborers on the grounds extends also to laborers on the Farm. Vote:

Mr. Curler          Aye
Mr. O'Brien         Aye
Mrs. Baker          Aye
Dr. Sullivan        Aye
Mr. Abel            Aye

The matter of the budget for the Extension Division was presented and discussed particularly in relation to the salary of Dr. Stephen Lockett, who the Director of Extension had placed on his budget for $50 a month instead of $91 as heretofore, with the expectation that the difference in salary would be taken care of in the Department of State Veterinary Control. No action was taken relative to the salary of Dr. Lockett or the bill for his traveling expenses for the month of July, other than a suggestion of the Acting President that the salary be handled for July as for June.

It was moved by Regent Curler that the matter regarding the budget be laid over until the following day. The motion was carried.

The bills of Braun-Knecht and Heimann of July 26 for one Ainsworth Analytical Balance, No. 1256, for $125, and of July 30 for one Thompson No. 5 Button Balance, complete, for $306, were presented, and the Acting President recommended that the same be paid for from the Mackay Fund, or if possible that one of them should be paid for from the State Assayer Fund. The Acting President explained however that they were standard equipment needed in the Mackay School of Mines. The matter was referred to the Acting President to take up with the Governor to learn if it might be possible to have these paid for from the State Assayer Fund.

The bids from the Porteous Decorating Company and the Reno Wall Paper and Paint Company for painting Morrill Hall and Hatch Station were laid over until August 2nd.