

UCCSN Board of Regents' Meeting Minutes September 13-14, 1917

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The meeting of the Board of Regents was called to order at 2:20 P.M. in the Office of the President.

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

A letter was read from the Sagebrush Editor and Business Manager asking the usual assistance from the Board, requesting that the same however, be increased to \$300 instead of \$250. Mr. Curler offered the following motion: I move you that the Sagebrush be allowed the sum of \$250 as in former years and that the Secretary be instructed to notify the Editor and Business Manager of the Sagebrush that in the preparation of the budget the Board simply made allowance for \$250 and have no more than can be expended in that way. Vote:

Dr. Sullivan	Aye
Mr. Curler	Aye
Mr. Abel	Aye
Mrs. Baker	Had not arrived when the vote was taken
Mr. O'Brien	Had not arrived when the vote was taken

A letter was read from Dr. F. C. Lincoln relative to quarters for the Tonopah School of Mines and the matter was referred without motion or further action to the Acting President (see former action File 6-13 and minutes of August 2, 1917).

A communication was read from Mr. Frederick M. Lee of San Francisco relative to continuing the audit. It was moved that in response to Mr. Lee's letter of August 17, 1917, that he be notified that the Board of Regents does not wish to have him continue the audit any further. All voted aye.

A letter was read from the Johnson Service Company of San Francisco dated September 5, 1917, accompanied by a catalogue, relative to a heating system for the Agricultural building. It was moved that in reply to the letter from the Johnson Service Com-

pany in regard to installing a heating system in the Agricultural building, at the meeting of the Board on August 24th, it was decided not to establish such a heating system and the Board sees no reason now for changing this decision. Motion was carried.

A letter was read from Dr. James relative to the mode of paying his salary and the Secretary was instructed without motion to write Dr. James stating the decision was made in this regard by reference to the minutes covering his appointment, and quoting these minutes to him (see minutes of July 13, 1915).

A communication from the Automatic Refrigerating Company of San Francisco dated September 11 was placed before the Board and Secretary was instructed to state to that Company that the Board does not wish at this time to take up the matter of putting a refrigerating plant in the Agricultural building.

Regent Curler reported to the Board that a check for \$9.65 representing refund on a scrip book 11361 had been reported as sent to the Comptroller's office, but the same had not been received. Mr. Curler gave to the Board his experience with the use of the scrip books vs. tickets.

It was moved by Regent Sullivan that the Comptroller be authorized to execute a bond to the Transcontinental Scrip Bureau of San Francisco in order to secure the refund of \$9.65 on Scrip Book No. 11361. All voted aye.

The matter of the position of the Board relative to the salary having been paid Mr. Brown, Emeritus Professor, was discussed and the following motion was offered by Mrs. Baker, that in response to the question of the Comptroller as to whether or not he is entitled to pay the salary of Professor Emeritus Brown to his widow, it is the understanding of the Board that it is not under the law permitted to do so without formal action on the part of the Board and the Governor, and the Secretary is instructed to write to the Attorney General on behalf of the Board submitting to him for his opinion on the following questions:

1. If at the time of his death we would be authorized to put his widow on the payroll of the University if it should be made to appear that he left her with insufficient support?
2. That if under this law we could use the money that has heretofore been paid to Professor Brown for the support and education of his minor children instead of giving it to the widow?

3. If we put his widow on the salary roll of the University whether we have any power to rescind that action prior to her death and take her off?

Regent Sullivan took the Chair.

The matter of Miss Sameth's letter referring to a previous letter was taken up and the following motion offered by Regent Abel: I move you that in response to the letter from Miss Elsie Sameth under date of April 9, 1917, that the Board of Regents feels that it cannot give her any increase over the 10% that has been added this year, that the Board is not in a position to provide assistance for 3 months each year - October, November and April - and that in regard to the other matters of equipment, those are referred to Acting President Lewers for his consideration.

Acting President Lewers made the recommendation that Miss Ruth Pyle, Clerk in the office of the Director of the Experiment Station, be allowed leave of absence for 3 months without pay. It was moved by Dr. Sullivan that the recommendation be approved. Motion carried.

The Acting President recommended that the requisition presented by Mr. Doten providing for the construction of a machinery shed at the Experiment Station Farm be approved, payable out of the Public Service Funds, the building to be a frame building. It was moved by Dr. Sullivan that the recommendation be approved.

Vote:

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

Mr. Norcross appeared before the Board by invitation and the Board listened to a detailed statement from him of the organization, work -- general and under the emergency fund -- personnel of the staff, and future plans of the Extension Division. Informal discussion was maintained at considerable length and the entire ground in these respects covered and the budget discussed in relation to the staff and the different phases of the work.

The following motion was offered by Regent Sullivan: I move that the summary of Extension work for the year ending June 30, 1918, as presented by the Acting President, be received and placed on

file and that the Officers and salaries for the Smith Lever Extension Division as shown on pages 5 and 6 of that report be approved, as follows:

Name	Title	Yearly Salary	How Paid
C. A. Norcross	Director	\$3000	Fed. S. L. \$2750 State Coop. 250 ----- \$3000
Frances Hancock	State Leader in Home Econ.	\$1800	Fed. S. L. \$1650 State S. L. 150 ----- \$1800
Mrs. J. Meskimons	Asst. State Clb. Leader to Miss Johnson	\$1320	Fed. S. L. \$ 350 State S. L. 120 U. S. D. A. 840 ----- \$1320
V. E. Scott	State Leader in Dairying	\$2000	Fed. S. L. \$ 500 U. S. D. A. 1500 ----- \$2000
Louise P. Peck	Co. Demonstrtr Washoe & Humboldt Counties	\$1500	State S. L. \$ 60 Emergency 1440 ----- \$1500
Leah Barker	Co. Demonstrtr Douglas & Ormsby Counties	\$1500	Fed. S. L. \$ 125 State S. L. 150 Emergency 1225 ----- \$1500
Evelyn Hayes	Co. Demonstrtr Lyon County	\$1500	State S. L. \$ 60 Emergency 1445 ----- \$1500
J. I. Wilson	County Agent Lyon County	\$1700	State S. L. \$ 113 State Coop 20 Fed. S. L. 125 Emergency 1442

				\$1700
Lester Harriman	County Agent Douglas County	\$1796	State S. L. State Coop Emergency	\$ 60 20 1716

				\$1796
C. G. Vinson	County Agent Washoe County	\$1500	Fed. S. L. State S. L. Emergency	\$ 250 150 1100

				\$1500
Dr. S. Lockett	Veterinary Demonstrator	Balance of salary from Public Serv. \$600 per year all from Fed. S. L.		\$ 600

				\$ 600
Gladys Wood	Secretary	\$1500	Fed. S. L. State S. L. Emergency	\$1000 200 300

				\$1500
Mrs. Freda Metcalf	Stenographer	\$ 900	Fed. S. L. State S. L. Emergency	\$ 475 175 250

				\$ 900

Southern Nevada Agricultural Board

Adelaide Phillips	Co. Demonstrtr Clark & Lincoln Counties	\$1320	So. Nevada U. S. D. A.	\$ 420 900

				\$1320
S. E. Merrill	County Agent Clark & Nye Cos.	\$1800	So. Nevada U. S. D. A.	\$ 900 900

				\$1800

Northeast Nevada Agricultural Board

J. C. Lambert	County Agent	\$1800	All from N. E. Nevada County Fund
Norma J. Davis	County Demonstrator	\$ 240	All from Elko County p/t Emergency Fund

Vote:

Mrs. Baker	Aye
Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Dr. Sullivan	Aye
Mr. Abel	Abe
Mr. Curler	Had been excused from the meeting before this vote was taken

It was moved by Regent Baker that the two other positions as follows: County Agent for Humboldt County at a salary of \$1700 per year, \$60 to be paid from the State Smith-Lever and \$1640 from the Emergency money, and a County Demonstrator for Churchill County at a salary of \$1500 per year, \$60 to be paid from State Smith-Lever and \$1440 from Emergency money, be created, and that the Director of Extension and the Acting President of the University be authorized to find suitable persons to fill these positions and submit the names at the next meeting of the Board of Regents for confirmation. Vote:

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

The Board then approved the Smith-Lever payroll for \$920.08 covered by checks 1769 to 1781 inclusive and the Chairman signed the check for the same.

The Chairman then read a telegram from Walter E. Clark, dated New York, September 13, accepting the election as President of the University.

Mrs. Hattie Brown Henderson appeared before the Board by appointment in the interest of her mother regarding a continuance of the Emeritus salary having been paid to Mr. Richard Brown.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned until the regular December meeting, the second Tuesday of the month.

J. F. Abel
Chairman

Louise Blaney
Secretary