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REGENTS MEETING

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The special meeting of the Board of Regents was called to order by Chairman Ross at 9 A.M. in the office of the President, December 11, 1948. Present: Regents Henningsen, Cahlan, Sheerin, Ross, Regent-Elect Sam Arentz, Jr., Comptroller Gorman and President Moseley. Mr. Ross stated that the purpose of the meeting was to consider the budget for the next biennium.

Comptroller Gorman presented the proposed budget as tabulated from requests of the various Departments and Divisions of the University. Each Regent and the President were supplied with a copy. It was decided to take up the Public Service Division by Departments, and then consider the Academic Division of the University, and this procedure was followed.

Mr. Jeff Springmeyer, Legislative Counsellor, came into the meeting at 9:30 A.M. and was given a copy of the proposed budget. Mr. Springmeyer spoke briefly on the need for presenting to the Legislature reports and budgets in such a way that they will be easily understood.

At 10 A.M. Mr. Creel appeared before the Regents and discussed the Extension Division budget. He also reported on his conference in Washington with Secretary Brannan concerning the Newlands Farm, who urged that Senator Mc Carran be kept informed of the action and wishes of the University regarding the Farm. A paragraph was read from a letter from Mr. P. V. Cardon, Research Administrator of the U. S. D. A., as follows:

The most recent incident of a serious nature relating to decreases in appropriations occurred in May 1947 when our 1948 requests were under consideration. The House Committee had approved a decrease of \$100,000. This was restored by the Senate with the following proviso:

....the Committee felt that the various irrigation and

dryland experiment stations proposed for closing under the conditions of the House bill should be maintained until the respective states are given adequate opportunity to provide funds for their operation. At least part of these stations have permanent values to states concerned and they should have the opportunity of providing support for them and to accept the responsibility for them.

It would appear that the approaching session of the Nevada Legislature gives "adequate opportunity" for the State to provide for the Fallon, Nevada, station.

The following resolutions adopted at the annual meeting of the Nevada State Farm Bureau were read:

RESOLUTION - It is probable that the United States Department of Agriculture will discontinue the Newlands Field Experiment Station at Fallon on July 1, 1949, as a place of study and research. It has offered to donate the Farm with its improvements and equipment to the University of Nevada Agricultural Experiment Station for use as a laboratory to carry on further research of general agricultural problems, livestock feeding and dairying, and therefore, the Nevada State Farm Bureau requests the Board of Regents of the University to accept this property on behalf of the Nevada Agricultural Experiment Station and continue its use as an Experimental Farm.

The Nevada State Farm Bureau also requests the State Legislature at its next session to appropriate sufficient additional funds to the Board of Regents in order to maintain the high state of production of the Farm; to pursue further research work and also improve and maintain the buildings, equipment and livestock on the Farm.

RESOLUTION - We wish to commend the Agricultural Experiment Station for the fine progress made during the past two years in:

1. The Soil Fertility investigative program.
2. The production of tomato transplants in Clark County.
3. The Range and Meadow Hay improvement program at the Knole Creek Experiment Station in Elko County.
4. The production of high quality, high yielding and disease-free alfalfa.

We recommend that the Nevada State Farm Bureau ask the Legis-

lature to continue these projects.

Reporter Frank Mc Cullough came into the meeting at 10:20 and reporter Lloyd Rogers at 10:45 during the above discussion, and remained until noon.

Motion by Mr. Sheerin, seconded by Mr. Cahlan, passed unanimously that the Board of Regents request the 1949 Legislature to pass an enabling Act authorizing the Board of Regents of the University to take title from the Federal Government of the Newland's Experimental Farm at Fallon, with an appropriation of \$10,000 for the biennium for the operation of the Farm; and that the Comptroller be instructed to have the proper Bill drawn up and presented to the Legislature.

Mr. Creel next proceeded with the discussion of his Agricultural Extension budget, pointing out the difficulty of coordinating salaries for his people on a 12-month basis with those of the faculty on a 9-month basis.

The Board recessed at 12:30 noon for luncheon in the University Dining Hall and was called to order at 1:30 P.M. with the 4 Regents, Mr. Arentz, Dr. Gorman, President Moseley and Mr. Springmeyer present.

Reporter Rogers returned at 1:45 P.M. and Mr. Mc Cullough at 1:50 P.M. and remained throughout the afternoon.

Mr. Creel and Mr. Fleming met with the Regents from 2:10 until 2:20 P.M. for discussion on the Experiment Station budget. Mr. Fleming was instructed to prepare a breakdown on the operation of the Newland's Farm at Fallon showing the necessity for the State to appropriate \$5,000 per year for the coming biennium. The budget of the Agricultural Extension Division was returned for a more detailed breakdown.

Mr. Ross read a letter from Mr. Hilliard outlining Mr. Hilliard's attitude on the proposed salary increases.

After general discussion on the budget, motion by Mr. Sheerin, seconded by Mr. Cahlan, passed unanimously that the Regents return the proposed budget to the President and the Comptroller for screening, and re-figuring salaries on the new proposed salary schedule as follows:

Instructors	\$2400 - \$3900
Assistant Professors	3600 - 4800
Associate Professors	4400 - 5600

Professors 5200 - 6000
Deans and Directors 6000 - 7500

and that the new budget be prepared as soon as possible, that copies be submitted to each member of the Board of Regents for study and consideration at the next meeting of the Board.

President's Recommendations:

A. Personnel

- 1) Motion by Mr. Cahlan passed unanimously that Dr. Earl W. Sheets be appointed as Acting Professor of Animal Husbandry and Acting Head of the Department of Animal Husbandry at a salary of \$540 per month for the 6-month period January 1, 1949 to June 30, 1949, in place of Professor F. W. Wilson, who died on December 7, 1948.

B. Policy

- 1) Motion by Mrs. Henningsen passed unanimously that the following recommendation of the Dining Hall Committee be approved:

That men and women who reside in the University Dormitories for one or both sessions of the 1949 Summer School be required to board at the University Dining Hall.

That the cost for board and room, double occupancy, be \$90 for the session of 5 weeks.

That the cost for board and room, single occupancy, be \$100 for the session of 5 weeks.

That the Summer session students who do not live in the Dormitories but who desire to eat in the Dining Hall regularly may do so by paying in advance for the 5-week session. People who desire to take only occasional meals may do so by paying the guest rates which will be posted and which may be subject to change from time to time.

Breakdown on the above amounts for board and room is as follows:

Board - \$15 per week for 5 weeks	\$75
Room - single occupancy - \$5 per week 5 weeks	25
Room - double occupancy - \$3 per week 5 weeks	15

Comptroller's Claims

Motion by Mrs. Henningsen passed unanimously that the following claims, as approved by the Finance Committee, be approved:

List No. 5, dated November 30, 1948, Regents Checks Nos. 89-107 to 89-138, inclusive, for a total of \$187,583.27.

List No. 5, dated November 30, 1948, State Claims Nos. 89-88 to 89-107, inclusive, for a total of \$68,510.90.

Dr. Gorman reported that, as of October 28, 1948, the University received title to the Clark Field Housing Units (Victory Heights) and the Trailer Court on West Second Street.

Death of F. W. Wilson

Motion by Mrs. Henningsen passed unanimously that Dr. Gorman be appointed to draw up resolutions on the death of Professor F. W. Wilson, and that copies be mailed to the family of Mr. Wilson.

It was the unanimous opinion of the Board that, in view of the fact that Mr. Wilson's work will be taken over by Mr. Maloney and Mr. Reed, and in view of Mr. Wilson's long service at the University, his salary be allowed for the full month of December, 1948.

Building Program

Chairman Ross said that the State Planning Board has asked the Regents to let them know which building the Regents consider to be first in their proposed building program.

Motion by Mr. Sheerin passed unanimously that the State Planning Board be informed that it is the unanimous opinion of the members of the Board of Regents that the next building on the Campus, in order of importance, is the Laboratory building or such units of that building as can be constructed with the funds which we may be able to secure.

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 P.M. with the next meeting subject to the call of the Chairman, tentatively set for January 8, 1949.

RESOLUTION ON THE DEATH OF FREDERICK W. WILSON

With profound regret the Regents of the University of Nevada received notice of the death on December 7, 1948, of Professor Frederick W. Wilson of Reno, a loyal member of the University staff since 1915.

The University and its students, the City of Reno and the State of Nevada have suffered a great loss in the passing of this distinguished citizen, teacher and friend.

Upon his graduation from the Kansas State Agricultural College, he entered the services of the University of Arizona where his integrity and ability were soon appreciated. A farm owner, himself, he had a practical, as well as theoretical understanding of the problems of western agriculture, and recognizing his ability, the University of Nevada asked him to join the faculty of this institution to formulate a program to build up the College of Agriculture. He remained on the University staff until the time of his death.

As a member of the faculty of the University of Nevada, Professor Wilson was extremely active in the improvement of the teaching of Agriculture at the University, and in the practical application of the same principles for the benefit of the livestock men of the State, who soon grew to respect his judgment and sincerity. The high esteem in which he was held by the farmers and businessmen of Nevada has long reflected favorably on the University and has been of great value in cementing relationships between the people of Nevada and their only institution of higher education.

He was not only a fine teacher and a wise advisor to the farmers of the State, but he was also a friend and advisor to the students and alumni. He served on numerous student boards and worked out many complex problems for his young friends. He was especially interested in athletics and served in that field for many years quietly and without any public acknowledgment of his valuable work.

During his more than 3 decades of service thousands of students have passed through the University of Nevada and many of them have become outstanding citizens through the aid and encouragement of Professor Wilson. Friendly, understanding and sympathetic, he had countless friends among the alumni of the University.

On the behalf of the President, faculty, students and alumni of the University of Nevada, the Regents extend deepest sympathy to his widow and sons in their irreparable loss of

a loving husband and father.

For the Board of Regents.

Chairman of the Board

Vice President and Comptroller

Attest:

Secretary of the Board