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Minutes of the Board of Trustees, University of Kentucky, for the regular quarterly meeting, December 18, 1919.

The Board of Trustees of the University of Kentucky met in regular quarterly session in the President's office at the University on Thursday, December 18, 1919, (it having been ordered by the Executive Committee at its recent meeting that the meeting be called for that date owing to the fact that Governor Morrow's inauguration took place on December 9, the date required by law for the regular meeting.) The following members were present: Governor Edwin P. Morrow, V. O. Gilbert, J. M. Elliston, Richard P. Ernst, H. M. Froman, R. G. Gordon, J. R. Rash, P. P. Johnston, Jr., J. I. Lyle, R. C. Stoll, James W. Turner, Rainey T. Wells, Frank McKee, and W. E. Grady. At the invitation of President McVey, State Superintendent elect, George Colvin attended the meeting. President McVey and Wellington Patrick, Secretary of the Board, were also present.

The meeting was called to order by Governor Morrow and short talks were made by Governor Morrow, Superintendent Gilbert, and R. C. Stoll.

On motion the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published.

(1) Candidates for Degrees. President McVey presented to the Board the following list of candidates for degrees, accompanied by a letter from the Secretary of the Senate as follows:

December 17, 1919

To the Members of the Board of Trustees.

University of Kentucky.

Gentlemen:

The Senate of the University of Kentucky certifies to you that the following persons have completed the course of study required for the degrees indicated and recommends that the same be granted:

Bachelor of Science in Agriculture

George Fultz Reddish

Bachelor of Laws

Marous Carlisle Redwine Erle Monroe McGuffey Rebekah Maxine Paritz

Respectfully submitted,

Ezra L Gillis,

Secretary to the Senate.

On motion by Mr. Gordon, seconded by Mr. Ernst the Board authorized that the degrees recommended by conferred.

(2) Election of Alumni Members to the Board. At the hour of 12:00 o'clock, noon, as required by the rules, the secretary of the Board, in the presence of visitors opened the ballots for the election of Alumni members to the Board. The Secretary reported to the Board that on October 31 he had mailed 1730 ballots to the Alumni of the University; that 132 of these had been returned by the postal authorities; and that 472 ballots had been cast. The result of the count of the ballots as required by the regulations, was as follows:

Harvey Arthur Babb	211	votes
Will Logan Bronaugh	223	votes
Avory Early Ewan	172	votes
William Henry Grady	280	votes
Howard Payne Ingels	228	votes
Earl Benton Webb		

Three ballots were not counted, the Board ruling that they had not been cast in accordance with the regulations. On motion by Mr. Gordon, duly seconded, the Secretary of the Board was instructed to certify the names of Will Logan Bronaugh, William Henry Grady, and Howard Payne Ingels to the Governor of the State as having been selected by the Alumni of the University. The ballots were ordered filed in the records of the Board.

(3) Resignation of John R. Downing as Treasurer. Mr. Stoll presented to the Board the resignation of John R. Downing as Treasurer of the University, which on motion, duly seconded, was accepted.

- (4) Election of W. A. McDowell as Treasurer. The Board then proceeded to elect a treasurer of the University. W. A. McDowell, President of the Phoenix and Third Trust Company of Lexington was placed in nomination as was also Mr. Fred Stiltz, President of the Bank of Commerce of Lexington. On vote, the President of the Board declared that Mr. McDowell had been elected.
- (5) Olmsted Plans for the Campus. President McVey presented to the Board the final plans of Olmsted Brothers on the development of the University campus. The President of the University was requested to have photostats of the plans sent to the members of the Board for consideration and final acceptance of the plans by the Board was deferred until a later meeting.
- (6) Memorial Building. President McVey reported briefly to the Board the status of the Memorial Building, stating that about \$165,000 had been subscribed and that possibly \$200,000 would be subscribed before the campaign closed. On motion, duly seconded, action was deferred until it shall be definitely known what amount is subscribed.
- (7) New Dormitory named Neville Hall. On recommendation of President McVey, the building known as the New Dormitory was named Neville Hall in honor of Professor J. H. Neville who was for many years professor of Latin and Greek at the Institution and also served as vice-president for a time.
- (8) Southern Refining Company Granted a Permit to Build a Pipe Line on University Farm. President McVey presented to the Board a request of the Southern Refining Company to build a pipe line across the University farm a distance of about 1,500 feet, the pipe line to be laid along the fence. On motion, duly seconded, the President of the University was authorized to enter into a contract with said company giving them permission to lay such pipe line.
- (9) Biennial Report to the Legislature. President McVey then read to the Board his biennial report to the Legislature. (This report is appended to these minutes and not published as a part thereof as it is to be printed and to become a public document in a short time.)
- (10) Appointments, Changes in Salary, and Resignations. The following list of appointments, changes in salary was recommended by the President and approved by the Board as recommended:

Appointments

The following letter from Dean Gooper, dated December 17, 1919, with reference to the employment of Mr. G. T. Wyatt, was read, approved, and ordered incorporated in the minutes: "Mr. G. T. Wyatt, district agent, has made inquiry through Assistant Director Bryant and requested that he be given written notification relative to his appointment and employment, same to be effective January 1, 1920, this to include a statement of his monthly salary. I recommend that the employment of Mr. Wyatt as district agent be continued at a salary rate of \$208 1/3 a month, his services to extend from month to month at the pleasure of the Board of Trustees."

Appointment of F. N. Barrett as State leader of Junior Club Work at a salary of \$2,500, effective January 1, 1920.

Increases in Salary.

Increase in salary of F. E. Merriman, district agent, from \$2,500 to \$3,000 a year, effective January 1, 1920.

Increase in salary of R. W. Jones from \$1,500 to \$1,800 a year, effective January 1, 1920.

Increase in salary of W. G. Terrell from \$1,500 to \$1,800, effective January 1, 1920.

Increase in salary of Miss Mable Huston, clerk in the Public Service Laboratories from \$65 to \$70 a month, effective January 1, 1920.

Resignations

The following letter from Dean Cooper with reference to the resignation of Mr. M. O. Hughes was read by President McVey:

December 17, 1919

President Frank L. McVey,

University of Kentucky.

My dear President McVey:

I transmit herewith copy of resignation of Mr. M. O. Hughes. Mr. Hughes is a most valuable member of our ex-

tension staff and I feel it would be inadvisable for the Institution to accept his resignation. I have written him as per the enclosed copy.

I wish to recommend that you do not accept Mr. Hughes' resignation as his value to the Agricultural College in extension work is such that he cannot be replaced. In accordance with the request in his letter of December 12, I recommend that he be granted a leave of absence, without pay, for the period of sixty days, it being understood that he will answer urgent calls during that time, we paying him a reasonable per diem and his expenses. Following his return to work, I shall desire to make special recommendation relative to his salary.

I know many people in the State will very much appreciate action of the Board as I have indicated and I would suggest that after the Board has passed upon the matter, either you give such item to the press or permit me to give such item as seems advisable.

Yours very truly,

Thomas Cooper,

Dean and Director.

President McVey stated to the Board that Mr. Hughes was one of the most valuable men in the employ of the University. He stated that a few years ago the Country Gentleman had published a highly complimentary article regarding Mr. Hughes, mentioning him as one of the twelve best farmers in the United States. The President recommended to the Board that Dean Cooper's recommendation be concurred in. On motion, duly seconded, the Board passed the following resolution:

The Board of Trustees of the University acknowledge the receipt of Mr. M. O. Hughes letter of resignation, and desire to express their appreciation of Mr. Hughes valuable service to Kentucky, and to say that in their opinion, it would be a misfortune to the State for Mr. Hughes to withdraw from his work with the Extension Department, and therefore they have declined to accept his resignation. It is their hope that Mr. Hughes will continue his work and give the State the advantage of his wisdom and long experience in the encouragement of agricultural development in Kentucky.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Wellington Patrick,
Secretary of the Board.