

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

May 16, 1934

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Normal School on Wednesday May 16, 1934. Those present were Dr. W. D. Kirkpatrick, Chairman; Mr. Verne Branigin, Secretary; Mr. Steve Saunders, and President C. H. Fisher. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

REDUCTION OF SALARIES OF FACULTY TO BALANCE BUDGET.

A report was submitted showing the balance available for salaries and wages during the present biennium. According to the report, further reductions in salaries will have to be made to balance the budget by March 31, 1935. The policy adopted last year was that the faculty are paid for the actual time employed. Last summer the faculty were not paid for a month and a half. This year, since school will not open in the fall until October 1, the faculty will have two months vacation, and therefore will lose two months salary. This amount of vacation is made possible by employing most of the faculty during the first half of the summer session, and the rest of the faculty during the second half. Upon motion it was agreed that the faculty will not be paid for the months of August and September 1934. The President explained that over and above this, we shall still be short about twelve thousand dollars in salaries and wages for this biennium if we continue the present payroll, which is equivalent to one month's payroll for the faculty, office staff, and employees.

Attention was called to the fact that the State University and the State College had agreed to restore one half of the cut in salaries for the faculty as of April 1, 1934. These institutions collect fees from students that we are not permitted to collect, and which make it possible for these institutions to increase salaries.

ROOM RENT AT EDENS HALL TO BE INCREASED.

Because of the difficulty in making ends meet by the management of Edens Hall, it was recommended that the room rent be increased twenty-five cents a week, or one dollar per month; making a total charge for board and room of twenty-five dollars per month. Upon motion it was agreed that the room rent be increased according to the recommendation.

LETTER FROM BELLINGHAM COMPLIANCE BOARD.

A letter was read which had been received from Thomas Voyce, Secretary of the Bellingham Compliance Board, regarding the employment of Mrs. E. E. Roose, janitress. The letter complained that the husband and son of Mrs. Roose were both employed, that the family had two automobiles, and that someone else should be employed who is in greater need than Mrs. Roose. The letter recommended a woman for the position of janitress who is not acceptable to us. Moreover, an investigation into Mrs. Roose's circumstances disclosed the fact that the statements regarding the financial condition of the Roose family made by the Bellingham Compliance Board are not correct. The President was instructed to discuss the matter with the Secretary of the Compliance Board and to try to arrive at some mutual understanding.

REPRESENTATION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT COMMENCEMENT ACTIVITIES.

It was agreed that Mr. Branigin should represent the Board at the Alumni banquet on Saturday evening, June 2, at the Leopold Hotel. It was also agreed that Mr. Saunders should represent the Board at the Commencement exercises on Thursday June 7 at 10 A. M.; and in case Mr. Saunders could not be present Dr. Kirkpatrick would take his place.

BILLS WERE AUDITED AND ALLOWED AS FOLLOWS:

Voucher checks No.	-	State (none)
Voucher checks No. 454	-	505 Student Association
Voucher checks No. 21870	-	21990 Local
Voucher checks No. 10050	-	10099 Edens Hall

ADJOURNMENT.

*Vernon Branigan*  
Secretary

*W.D. Kirkpatrick*  
Chairman