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October 12, '25

Meeting of Board of Trustees was called to meet in Cheney on above date at 4:00 p.m. Those present Mrs. Mary A. Monroe, Chairman, Senator Myers, and President Showalter. Mr. Lund was unable to come because of a situation which arose at the last moment and required his personal attention.

Consideration was given to the financial statement which has been mailed to each member of the Board together with the President's comments that the greatest of care would need to be exercised in order to continue all of the work of the Institution on an efficiency basis with the financial allowance at hand. It was pointed out that the classes had been increased in size and that each instructor was working on a full teaching schedule. It was further explained that with the increased enrolment the Institution had reached the capacity in building space, and if the Institution is to continue in growth it must look forward to added building facilities.

Unanimous approval was given to the election of the three critic teachers - Mrs. Edith B. Brown, Mrs. Eula Sims Williams, and Mrs. Nona Duffy - as recommended by Superintendent Horrall.

The recommendation of Mr. J. W. Hungate, Head of the Applied Sciences and Arts Department, that Miss Astrid Rosen be elected for one year was approved. Approval of the appointment of Mr. W. H. Tallyn, who was selected by Mr. Euchanan to serve in Mr. Shaffer's place during his absence, was given.

The temporary appointment of Miss Mary Porter as assistant in the Health Education Department was approved.

The Trustees examined the tentative budget which had been arranged at the request of the Governor. After a thorough discussion the unanimous opinion was expressed that some of the lower salaries of the faculty should be adjusted on an equitable basis. The President pointed out the fact that quite a number of the members have been working on a minimum salary basis for a number of years, and the splendid service rendered warranted the recognition which can be given through an increased salary. The fact was further mentioned that unless increases could be given there would be a loss through resignation of several members of the instructional staff.

The Trustees expressed the opinion that the tentative budget requirement was entirely too low and would need some adjustment before placing the same before the Committee of the Special Session of the Legislature called to meet in November.

Leaves of absence were presented from Miss Cecil Dryden and Miss Vivian Turner, but final action was deferred until there could be the full membership of the Board of Trustees present.

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The Trustees unanimously approved the purchase of a Crescent dishwashing machine and a double section pressure cooker from M. Sellers & Company of Spokane who were the lowest bidders for this equipment.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p. m.

Mary A. Mourse Chairman Byard of Trustees

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