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BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The Board of Trustees of the Eastern Washington College of Education met at the Davenport Hotel for luncheon at 12:15, Thursday, April 14, 1938. Present: James P. Dillard, Richard S. Munter, Joel E. Ferris, Richard T. Hargreaves, and H. N. Stronach.

40 MILL LIMIT: Mr. Hargreaves reported that he was scheduled to attend the meeting of the Presidents of the higher institutions of the State to consider 40 mill limit initiative 129. This measure will permit the legislature to take the two mills now allocated to the higher institutions for use of the cities. This will throw the higher institutions into competition with the public schools for revenue. The conference of the presidents of the institutions is to consider the feasibility of filing the present 40 mill measure as it is which has been generally successful and would leave the two mills, as at present, for the higher institutions.

LIBRARY BUILDING: The matter of interviewing Governor Martin about funds for the building of the library was discussed at some length. It was the unanimous opinion of the Board that Mr. Hargreaves should go with President McConnell of Ellensburg to discuss with the Governor the availability of funds for the new buildings. It was the general feeling that the Trustees need to know what the prospects for beginning construction of the building in June are. The plans will be out by the middle of May. It is the general impression that construction should be begun not later than June 15, if the building is to be under cover before winter breaks.

APPOINTMENTS: The following teachers who are now substituting were appointed to permanent positions: Miss Viola Cassidy, salary \$2400; Miss Eveus Newland, salary \$2400; Miss Loretta Maloney, salary \$2100; and Dr. Charles P. Schleicher, salary \$2600.

SALARIES: The salaries of the following teachers and employees were increased in accord with the agreements made when they were hired: Mr. George Barr, \$2100 to \$2300; Miss Bernice Bryan, \$2300 to \$2400; Miss Jessie Lane, \$2200 to \$2400; Mr. Willis Merriam, \$2200 to \$2400; Mr. Paul Rozell, \$2100 to \$2300; Mr. Lester Moore \$1320 to \$1380; Mr. William F. Bryan, \$1200 to \$1320.

FIRE ENGINE: Mr. Stronach submitted the opinion he had from the Attorney General as to whether the College could contribute from the dormitory funds for the purchase on a City fire engine and whether or not the legislature could appropriate monies from State funds toward the purchase of fire fighting equipment for the city. The Attorney General held:

"The obligation to maintain and equip a fire department rests upon the municipal authorities and while the college considered as an institution might have need of a particular type of fire protection not available, nevertheless, in our opinion the board of trustees is not authorized to contribute money to the city of Cheney for the purpose of purchasing additional fire fighting equipment admirable as such an arrangement might appear to be as

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a practical matter. Such an undertaking would need a specific legislative appropriation."

The meeting adjourned at 1:40 to meet next week.

R. J. Hargreaves
Acting Secretary

Approved: Richard S. Hunter
Chairman, Board of Trustees