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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Held in George M. Rasque Office and Davenport Hotel
July 29, 1949

The Board of Trustees met in the office of George M. Rasque and Son, Architects, at 2:00 p. m. July 29, 1949. Those present were J. Harold Anderson, chairman; Dave S. Cohn and Mrs. Frank Laughbon, members; Walter W. Isle, President; and George M. Rasque, architect.

OPENING OF BIDS

The first order of business was the opening of bids on the construction of the proposed residence hall for women. Three major bids were received: general construction, mechanical, and electrical. The attached tabulation indicates the bids received on the project, together with the bids for alternates specified in the bid sheet.

Bids on the general construction were received from the following firms: Halin-Spilker; H. George McInnis; Clyde Ludberg; H. Halvorson; Roy L. Bair; Hazen-Clark; Central Construction Co.; Gus Bouten; Busboom-Rauh; S. S. Mullen, Inc.

Bids on the mechanical construction were received from the following firms: Arnold-Jeffers; Warrne-Little-Lund; Standard; James Smyth; Peck-Gale; Bradley-Heiser; Isbister's; Hamilton.

Bids on the electrical construction were submitted from the following firms: Brown-Johnston; Electric Smith; Power City; Maxwell's; Watt Electric; Tate Electric; Chamberlin Electric; Hughes Electric; Leon Hampton Co.; H. L. Cottrell.

After considering the implications and possibilities of the several bids, the Board decided to withhold final action until such time as the sale of proposed bonds could be completed. The Board, therefore, authorized the architect to secure from each of the three low bidders of each group a statement as to the length of time the respective bidders would guarantee the bid. It was the hope of the Board that the sale of bonds could be consummated within a month's time and thus in time to take advantage of the bids submitted.

RIC WIL LINE

Mr. Rasque submitted the problem that had developed on the campus pertaining to defects that have appeared in an installation of Ric Wil line. Samples of pipe were submitted to show damage that appeared to have been done from chemical action caused by leakage through the Ric Wil covering. Mr. Smyth of the Smyth Plumbing Company, which firm had installed the Ric Wil line, was also present and participated in the discussion. In as much as there was some doubt expressed as to just what was the responsibility for the problem, the chairman of the Board was authorized to write to the Ric Wil Company, requesting that company to send a

representative to the campus for an inspection of the line. It was the decision of the Board that construction work in replacing the line must be started at an early date, probably within ten days, in order that the line might be re-installed before the opening of the fall quarter. Attached to the minutes is a copy of the letter written by Mr. Anderson, president of the Board, to the Ric Wil Company and a copy of the telegram received in reply.

The Board then adjourned to Room 206 of the Davenport Hotel and resumed session there at approximately 4:00 p. m.

MINUTES OF JULY 8 APPROVED

The minutes of the meeting of the Board for July 8, 1949, were read and approved.

REPAIR PROGRAM

The President submitted an outline of the program of repairs and improvements needed to be done before the opening of the fall quarter. After some discussion of this project, the program was approved and the work authorized.

1.	Repair of roofs as per Mr. Lane's report - - - -	\$2082.00
	Industrial Arts Building	
	Hudson Hall	
	Martin Hall	
	Faculty Housing & other temporary buildings	
	Senior Hall	
2.	Replace shades at Senior Hall - - - - -	990.72
3.	Redecorate 40 rooms in Hudson Hall - - - - -	250.00
	labor & material	
4.	Redecorate Monroe Hall suites - - - - -	850.00
5.	Install kitchen cabinets in Monroe Hall - - - -	75.00
6.	Install stove and icebox in Monroe Hall - - - -	258.28
7.	Install stove and icebox in Senior Hall - - - -	258.28
8.	Install three stoves Hudson Apartments - - - -	355.14
9.	Replace shower curtains in Hudson Hall - - - -	175.10
10.	Repair Venetian blinds Senior Hall - - - - -	115.00
11.	Purchase rug shampooing machine - - - - -	325.00
12.	New vacuum cleaners for halls of residence - - -	400.00
	Total	\$6,114.42

Instructional Plant

1.	Redecorate elementary classroom and halls - - -	1,117.00
2.	Recheck and tighten all connections on football field lighting. Re-switch at transformer house for 200 amp. load; increase secondary lines from transformer pole to drill hall service for 200 amp. load; relocate knife switch at transformer pole for emergency service - - - - -	1,000.00
3.	Refinish 135 desks; 26 tables - elementary school	400.00
4.	Replace shades at Showalter Hall - - - - -	2,245.00
5.	Repair and replacement of sidewalks - - - - -	1,000.00
	Total - - - - -	\$ 5,762.00

The President was instructed to prepare an application to be submitted to Governor Langlie for funds sufficient to cover the following projects:

1. Projects which were included in the appropriations carried in the supplemental appropriations bill which was vetoed by the Governor:

Repair roofs	- - - - -	\$2,082.00
Industrial Arts Building		
Hudson Hall		
Martin Hall		
Faculty Housing and Temporary Buildings		
Senior Hall		
Replace shades at Showalter Hall	- - - - -	2,245.00
Repair and Replacement of sidewalks	- - - - -	1,000.00
Installation of telephone system	- - - - -	9,500.00
Installation of new clock system, IBM bell and buzzer system from Showalter Hall to all campus buildings	- - - - -	6,500.00
Aluminum piping to augment physical education playfield watering	- - - - -	2,000.00
Repairs, remodelling basement and first floor Showalter Hall	- - - - -	\$5,000 to 25,000

2. An item sufficient to cover the cost of the installation of utility connections for the new residence hall in the amount of approximately \$55,000. It was the opinion of the Board that this portion of the residence hall construction project should not be charged to the residence hall fund, but should be an obligation of the general college campus improvement program.
3. An amount which would be sufficient to cover the repair or replacement of the Ric Wil line referred to above. This amount would be determined after agreeing upon an adjustment with the Ric Wil people and the contractor installing the line.

RENTAL CHARGES

The President submitted a report containing the recommendations of the Victor Wilson Realty Company of Cheney and the Cheney Branch of the Spokane and Eastern Bank, listing recommended revision of present rental rates on faculty housing facilities in order that these rates might be made comparable with prevailing rental in Cheney and this area. After considering these recommendations, the Board approved the following schedule to be made effective as of September 1, 1949:

Units	Present Charge	Victor Wilson Recommendation	Bank Recommendation	Adopted Rate
Faculty Housing				
1-bedroom	25.00	30.00	35.00	32.50
2-bedroom	30.00	35.00	40.00	37.50
3 bedroom	32.50	40.00	45.00	42.50
Hudson Apts.	45.00	45.00	45.00	50.00
House-3 bedroom (Dickinson)	45.00	55.00	60.00	57.50
House-3 bedroom (Haas)	21.00	55.00	60.00	57.50
Sutton Apt. (Hungate)	45.00	52.50	60.00	60.00

SALE OF HOUSES IN BLOCK 27

The President reported that only one bid had been received for the sale of the two buildings in Blk. 27, which is the site of the proposed residence hall. This bid proposed to buy only one building for the sum of \$400. The Board authorized the President to accept this bid and arrange for the sale of the building if no better proposition could be secured.

HANSEN-PARR REPAIR CONSTRUCTION

The President reported satisfactory work completed by the Hansen-Parr Construction Company in correction of defects in the installment of concrete steps in the approach to the Field House and in the construction of the extension to the bleachers at the football field.

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL

In accordance with policy adopted previously, the Board approved the payment of one-half the travel expense of the following persons:

Amsel Barton - \$52.77 (one-half of \$105.55)
 Zelma Morrison - \$136.05 (one-half of \$272.10)
 Gladys Philpott - \$69.92 (one-half of \$139.85)

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The requests for leaves of absence for the following persons were approved for the fall quarter, 1949:

Dr. David A. Barber, with pay
 Miss Mary Swerer, without pay

DR. EARL PECKHAM

The Board approved the appointment of Dr. Earl Peckham as associate professor of education at a salary of \$4200 per year of three quarters.

USE OF FIELD HOUSE BY CHENEY

The Board approved the request of the City of Cheney for the use of the Field House in connection with Southwest Spokane County Fair.

MORLITE VENETIAN BLINDS

The Board authorized the acceptance of the bid of the Morlite Venetian Blind Company in the amount of \$344.82 for thirty-three Venetian blinds to be installed in the Music Building.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

The Board spent sometime discussing the recommendations of the Associated Student Body and of the Director of Student Employment covering the revision of policy governing student labor and student employment on the campus. This recommendation was as follows:

1. The transfer of all cost of services and conveniences by organizations that have local funds, or make charges for their activities, from the state payroll to their own funds.
2. The use of students in positions of service in the dining halls and in the book store in place of full time employees wherever possible.
3. The abandonment of the beat arrangement in favor of straight hourly work.

In approving the No. 3 item of the recommendation, the Board recommended that some arrangement be worked out for using students who participate and devote a great deal of time to extra-curricular activities for fire patrol and similar services on the campus. It was the recommendation of the Board that a regular student volunteer fire organization be developed as a further guarantee against fire in the temporary construction on the campus.

LETTERS IN REGARD TO PROPOSED LEGISLATION

The Board instructed the President to write Senator Maybank, chairman of the Senate Banking and Currency Committee, in support of proposed legislation which would make funds available for loans to colleges and universities for the purpose of constructing residence facilities. Copies of this letter were to be sent to Messrs. Anderson and Cohn who were in turn to write individual letters to

Senators Cain and Magnuson in support of proposed legislation.

TRAVEL FOR PRESIDENT ISLE

The Board approved the proposed trip of the President to Minneapolis, Chicago, Kansas City, and San Francisco for the purpose of interviewing applicants for vacancies now existing on the staff.

LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR

The President was instructed to prepare a letter to the Governor similar in form and substance to the letters already submitted by the University of Washington and Washington State College, outlining needs of those institutions for capital construction, to be considered in connection with the allocation of funds contemplated under the proposed state bond issue.

PAYMENT FOR SUPERVISION OF PRACTICE TEACHING

After discussing further proposed charges for supervision of practice teaching in the Spokane City Schools, the Board authorized the addition of \$2.00 to the present laboratory and course fee, proceeds from this additional income to be devoted to the payment of such supervision. It was agreed that the same policy should apply to supervision of practice teachers outside the Spokane City Schools.

REPORT ON SALE OF BONDS

Mr. Hasfurther appeared before the Board and reported on progress in connection with the proposed bond issue and the fulfillment of agreement made with the Board at the July 8 meeting. The Board then spent some time in discussing the problem growing out of this report. It was agreed that Blyth and Company, Inc., should be notified of the intention of the Board to terminate the agreement entered into at the close of one week's additional time if a satisfactory arrangement for marketing the bonds had not been accomplished at that time. It was further agreed by the Board that it would be their intention to accomplish the sale by means of open bidding and that the combination of firms represented by Messrs. Paine, Merrill, Martin, and Joy would be retained for procedure in connection with such sale.

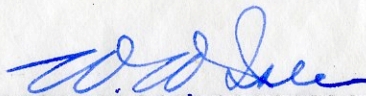
DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was further agreed that the Board would hold a meeting on August 21 to complete arrangements for the sale of the bonds.

MEETING ADJOURNED.

APPROVED:


Chairman, Board of Trustees


President of the College