STATE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT
IMPERIAL HOTEL, PORTLAND, OREGON
March 27, 1935

MEETING #55

The Board convened in a special executive session at 11:30 a.m. at the Imperial Hotel in Portland, Oregon, pursuant to a call for a special meeting issued by President Marks. The following members were present:

ROLL CALL

C. A. Brand
Leif S. Finseth
B. F. Irvine

Willard L. Marks
Herman Oliver

Chancellor W. J. Kerr, Secretary C. D. Byrne, and President C. V. Boyer of the University were also present.

INCOME
ESTIMATES
AND SALARY
RESTORATION
FOR BIENNium
1935-1936

The Chancellor presented certain alternatives for estimating millage income for the ensuing biennium and for estimating income from student fees, and also alternate plans for salary restoration. These alternatives had been presented to the Finance Committee just previous to the Board meeting.

The Board voted that the State Tax Commission's estimates on assessed property valuations be followed in determining the probable millage income for the biennium, and directed the Chancellor to get a written statement from the Tax Commission on its estimates.

The Board adopted the plan of a uniform 10 per cent restoration of the 5 to 30 per cent salary cut for all regular salaried staff members and employees throughout the System and for full time employees paid on a wage basis, the new schedule to be effective March 1, 1935, and continuing through the fiscal year 1935-36.

The Board voted to accept as the basis for its estimate of student fee income for the biennium the report of the registrars on enrollment for the two years of the next biennium (6.5 per cent increase in 1935-36 over 1934-35, and 3.4 per cent increase in 1936-37 over 1935-36), and gave the Chancellor authority to modify these estimates in the light of developments.

BUDGET
ADDITION,
PORTLAND
EXTENSION

The Board authorized the Chancellor to approve additions to the Portland Extension Center budget for the spring term made necessary by increased enrollment and demands for additional subjects, the amount of the budget addition to be determined after conference with Director Powers.

HIGHER
EDUCATION
BOOKLET

The Board voted to refer to the President of the Board, the Chancellor, and the presidents of the two major institutions, with power to act, the matter of cooperating with the private colleges and universities of Oregon in issuing a booklet on higher education to be sent to the high school seniors of the state.
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LEASE FOR EASTERN OREGON BRANCH STATION

The Board approved the leasing of 1,360 acres of land from the Northern Flouring Mills Company for range pasture land in connection with the experimental work at the Eastern Oregon Livestock Branch Station, the annual rental to be $950, the lease effective March 1, 1935, to March 1, 1936, with option for extension.

SEVEN-WEEK SUMMER SESSIONS AT E.O.N.S. AND S. O. N. S.

The Board approved the recommendation that the 1935 summer sessions at the Eastern Oregon Normal School and the Southern Oregon Normal School be eleven-week sessions instead of six-week sessions, with the provision that there be no budget additions to conduct these extended sessions.

MEMORIAL UNION BOND PAYMENTS

The Board authorized the interest and principal payment on the Memorial Union bonds amounting to approximately $13,825, which is due on April 15. The payment is to be made from funds set aside for this purpose.

SEED HOUSE FOR THE EXPERIMENT STATION

An offer has been received from the Federal Government to erect a seed house at an approximate cost of $13,000 for the use of the Experiment Station, with the provision that the site for the building be deeded to the Federal Government.

The Board voted to accept the offer of the Federal Government to erect a seed house for the use of the Experiment Station, providing a deed to a site can be supplied without violating the state law which prohibits the Board from conveying state property except through legislative authorization.

SOIL EROSION PLANT BREEDING WORK

The Chancellor announced that the Federal Government is considering locating soil erosion plant breeding work in the Northwest, possibly at Corvallis or some other location in the state, in cooperation with the College Experiment Station. Action by the Board was deferred pending securing of additional information in regard to the project.

The Board adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

WILLARD L. MARKS, President
CHARLES D. BYRNE, Secretary