Meeting #281-1
In compliance with the November 14, 1959, written request of a majority of the members of the Board for a special meeting and at the call of the President of the Board, the Oregon State Board of Higher Education convened in special session at the General Extension Division Building, Portland, Oregon, on November 23, 1959.

ROLL CALL
The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by the President, Mr. Henry F. Cabell, and on roll call the following answered present:

- Mr. J. W. Forrester, Jr.
- Mr. Allan Hart
- Mr. Charles Holloway, Jr.
- Mrs. Cheryl S. MacNaughton
- Mr. Douglas McKean
- Dr. Ralph E. Purvine
- Mr. Henry F. Cabell

Absent: Mr. A. S. Grant and Mr. Wm. E. Walsh.

Others present: Chancellor J. R. Richards; Secretary E. M. Pallett; President Branford P. Millar of Portland State College; Dr. J. E. Brooks, Assistant to the President, Portland State College; Mr. W. T. Lemman, Jr., Business Manager, Portland State College; Mr. D. R. Larson, Assistant to the Dean, General Extension Division; Mr. Kenneth Bragg, Legislative Fiscal Officer; Mr. Irvin Eitreim, Management Analyst, Department of Finance and Administration; Comptroller H. A. Bork; Budget Director R. L. Collins; Mr. J. I. Hunderup, Assistant to the Comptroller; Dr. J. M. Swarthout, Dean of Faculty, Portland State College; Mr. H. R. Clisham, Director of Public Services, Portland State College; and Mr. Cyrus Nims, Director of the Physical Plant, Portland State College.

RE ABSENCES
Mr. A. S. Grant and Mr. Wm. E. Walsh were absent because of court cases.

Purpose of Meeting
President Cabell opened the meeting by stating that the principal purpose of the meeting was to consider the previously approved plans for the possible future construction of a tower over a three-block area at Portland State College and to consider preliminary plans for the proposed Classroom Building-South.

Campus Tour
President Cabell stated that arrangements had been made for a tour of the campus in order to give Board members and others a perspective of the present and future development of the campus, particularly with reference to the location of the Classroom Building-South. Members of the Board and others then visited the new library now under construction and inspected the site of the proposed Classroom Building-South which will be located between Harrison and Hall streets on Park Avenue. At the conclusion of the tour, members of the Board and others returned to the meeting place.
The Chancellor advised at the September 15, 1959, meeting that there had been discussion with regard to the original developmental plans for the three blocks south of Old Main at Portland State College which contemplated the construction of buildings from seven to eight stories above the ground level. He also indicated that these original plans provided for the possible future construction of a tower, probably six stories in height and about 60 feet wide, which would begin at the south end of State Hall, bridge Montgomery Street, continue over the College Center-Library Building, bridge Harrison Street, and extend over the north portion of the Classroom Building-South. At that meeting the Chancellor stated that further study was being given to determine whether the original concept of the tower should be reaffirmed or abandoned.

President Millar outlined the various factors pertaining to the building program and campus planning at Portland State College. He stated that the campus consists of three areas: (1) Old Main; (2) the three-block complex of which the most southerly block is Block 199, the site of the proposed Classroom Building-South; (3) a three-block area for expansion south of Block 199, including Shattuck school (two blocks) and one block beyond. President Millar reported that the Portland School District had decided to close the Failing school and continue to operate the Shattuck school. Consequently, Shattuck school is not available for purchase by the Board at the present time, and the possible purchase thereof at a later date is now uncertain. President Millar indicated that the resultant limitations on expansion south of Block 199 had definite implications for the building program at Portland State College.

Director Hart expressed the opinion that use of the area south of Block 199 is less desirable due to the uncertainty of acquiring Shattuck school and that acquisition of property south of Block 199 should proceed slowly until Portland State College is certain that it wishes to move in that direction. He indicated that perhaps a re-study of the campus plan should be made.

President Millar and the Chancellor then advised that the architects and institutional staff members had restudied the cost implications of providing for a tower. It was stated that the incremental costs already incurred for buildings completed or now being constructed were about $27,530. The added cost to be incurred for construction to be undertaken within the near future for the College Center Addition and the Classroom Building-South would entail approximately $19,780.

Incremental costs anticipated thereafter for the future construction of additional floors over the three blocks would amount to about $17,970. Therefore, the total additional cost for providing structural strength for the construction of a tower would be $65,280.

Because it is not possible at this time to predict accurately the requirements of the institution because of the implications of the continued use of Shattuck school by the Portland School District, President Millar, with the concurrence of the Chancellor, recommended that future building plans make provision for the possible construction of the tower.
Following the presentation and discussion, the Building Committee conferred and recommended the reaffirmation of the original concept of providing for the possible future construction of the tower.

The Board concurred in the recommendation of the Building Committee.

On January 27, 1959, the Board approved the sketch of the external design for Classroom Building-South at Portland State College and authorized Architects Stewart and Richardson to prepare preliminary plans for the construction of the building. Today, President Millar and the architects presented plans for the building which is expected to be constructed on Block 199, Portland, bounded by S. W. Harrison, Park, Hall and Broadway. The land site would encompass all of the westerly half of the block and would also extend approximately 8 1/2 feet in the eastern portion of the block. The structure would be five stories in height, consisting of a basement and four additional floors. Connections would be provided to the College Center Building to the north by a utility tunnel under Harrison Street and also by a bridge 16 feet wide at the third floor level, with provision for a future bridge at the fourth floor level. The design of the building contemplated the erection at a future date of three additional stories, and provision was made for the possible construction of a tower at a later time over the northerly portion of the building. This tower would also extend over the College Center-Library Building and the southern portion of State Hall.

The appearance of the new building would harmonize with and conform to the architectural style established by other campus buildings recently constructed or now under construction. Corridor arrangements at the east side of the building would meet the needs of the building to be erected at this time and would also recognize requirements for additional facilities when the building is ultimately extended to S. W. Broadway. It was indicated that two stairways and one elevator were to be included in the initial construction and that additional vertical transportation would ultimately be available by means of escalators in the Student Center-Library Building. Horizontal transportation would be provided by bridges connecting the campus buildings.

President Millar indicated that the architects and institutional personnel have studied the space requirements of the institution carefully and have attempted to provide classrooms and laboratories in such sizes as would assure the greatest utilization of the areas proposed for construction at this time. Institutional studies showed that the greatest need was for classrooms housing 40 or fewer students.

The facilities to be provided would include a total of 44 classrooms and laboratories, which would contain approximately 1,389 student stations, and faculty offices for the Division of Humanities. Space would also be allocated for offices and workrooms needed by the staffs of the registrar, business manager, and the centralized mimeograph department. Heat would be provided from the campus central heating plant located in State Hall.
The gross floor area of the building to be constructed would be about 109,590 square feet, including the bridge and tunnel, but excluding approximately 2,400 square feet in the monitor on the roof. The basement would house the foreign language laboratory, the speech clinic, offices, classrooms, and the mimeographing department; the first floor would contain the offices of the registrar and business manager; the second floor would be devoted to the art department, including art education; and the third and fourth floors would consist principally of offices and classrooms.

It is estimated that the direct construction cost would be $2,134,343, and the total project cost including site acquisitions, fees, equipment, etc., would be $2,750,000, which was the amount of the appropriation provided by the 1959 legislature.

President Millar, with the concurrence of the Chancellor, recommended that the preliminary plans be approved and that the architects be authorized to proceed with the preparation of final plans and specifications for the project.

The Building Committee discussed the program and indicated that they concurred in the recommendations of President Millar and the Chancellor.

The Board approved the preliminary plans and authorized the architects to proceed with the preparation of final plans and specifications.

The Chancellor reported that the Governor had requested the Board to meet in Salem as well as on the campuses. However, the Governor had not requested the next meeting of the Board to be in Salem nor did he plan to appear with the Board at that meeting. The Chancellor therefore recommended that the Board meet on December 8, 1959, on the Oregon State College campus in Corvallis since the progress report on the Oregon State College Liberal Arts curriculum was scheduled for that meeting.

The Board concurred in the recommendation of the Chancellor, and the President of the Board announced that the next meeting of the Board would be held in Corvallis.

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 P.M.

Henry F. Cabell, President
Earl M. Pallett, Secretary