
ADJOURNED SESSION, AUGUST 23, 1904.

When the Board of Trustees met, pursuant to adjournment, the following members were present: Messrs. Bayliss, Bullard, Dickirson, Hatch, Kerrick, McKinley, McLean, and Nightingale and Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Abbott, and Mrs. Evans; absent, Governor Yates. Vice President Burrill was absent.

OPENING WRIGHT STREET FURTHER SOUTH.

Petitions for and against opening Wright street through to the street running north of the cemetery were referred to the Committee on Buildings and Grounds for investigation and report at the September meeting.

A proposition from the Munsell Publishing Company with regard to making an appropriation for putting in a forthcoming history of Champaign County portraits of certain persons now or formerly connected with the University was heard, and a vote to appropriate \$100.00 therefor was lost.

FENCING FORESTRY PLANTATION.

It was voted to enclose by a suitable fence the Forestry Plantation, and the Committee on Agriculture was instructed to have this done.

KEEPING HORSES.

Mr. Kerrick, at the request of the Committee on Agriculture, offered the following propositions with regard to keeping horses for University officers and instructors.

1. That stabling and care for one team, and for one or two carriages, without coachman's service, be afforded the President of the University at \$17.50 a month.
2. That stabling and care for one horse, and one carriage, be afforded the Dean of the College of Agriculture at \$10.00 a month.
3. That stabling and care for one horse, and one carriage, be afforded the Professor of Animal Husbandry at \$10.00 a month.
4. That the University purchase a team of typical coach horses, and a suitable vehicle, for the exclusive use of the University.

These propositions were referred for further consideration to the regular meeting in September.

The following resolution, offered by Mr. Bullard, was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Students' Welfare, in conference with the Registrar, and the Deans of the University, be instructed to prepare a printed plan calculated to aid new students in their first registration, and in other matters relating to the University.

THE PRESIDENCY.

The Committee on the Presidency made the following report, which was received, and the Committee was discharged with the thanks of the Board:

URBANA, ILLINOIS, August 23, 1904.

To the Board of Trustees:

Your special Committee on the Presidency desires to report that soon after its appointment it began investigations for a successor to President Draper. The Deans of the several colleges of the University were invited to meet the Committee in a conference over the situation, and a full and free expression of opinion was interchanged. A request signed by a large number of the Faculty was duly considered, and numerous letters and recommendations by citizens and newspapers of the state interested in the University and its work were received and carefully examined. The Committee was unanimous in the opinion that the Presidency should be filled by a man who had attained eminence in general educational supervision; who had already had a large experience in the operation and management of a university consisting of a number of diverse departments; who had largely grown up with and was in warm sympathy with the plan and aim of higher education by the state: who was, if possible, a native of Illinois, at least who was for years a citizen of our state and familiar with our constitution, our laws, our free school system, the temperament, character, and resources of our people and the history, traditions, scope, and possibilities of this great University; and who was a man of good personal presence, affable, gentle, courageous, and of irreproachable character, and of strong moral influence.

Your Committee takes pleasure in saying that it has secured such a man to recommend for the Presidency of the University, and presents the name of Doctor Edmund Janes James to this Board and recommends his election.

FRED. L. HATCH,
A. F. NIGHTINGALE,
S. A. BULLARD,

Special Committee.

The Board then went into Committee of the Whole to discuss the Presidency. The Committee rose and reported that Mr. Bayliss had been chosen Chairman, and Mr. McKinley, Secretary, and suggested that a recess be taken until 1:30 o'clock when the Committee might continue its deliberations further.

AFTERNOON SESSION, AUGUST 23, 1904.

When the Board met after the recess the same members were present as in the morning, and the Board continued in Committee of the Whole. The Committee rose and by its Secretary reported that it advised the adoption by the Board of the following propositions:

1. That the salary of the President be fixed at \$8,000.00 a year, payable in twelve monthly installments; except that for the ten months from Sept. 1, 1904, to June 30, 1905, the salary shall be \$8,000.00, payable in ten monthly installments, beginning Oct. 1, 1904.

2. That the President's House be furnished the President in proper condition, free of charge, with light, fuel, water, and care of grounds; that the residence be kept in repair by the Board; and that such minor changes be made as the President may require, and the appropriation committee approve.

3. That the sum of \$2,000.00 be appropriated for furniture and furnishings for the President's House, to be selected by the President, and approved by the proper committee.

4. That the President be authorized to select and appoint a President's secretary, with the approval of the Board, at a salary not to exceed \$2,000.00 per annum of twelve months.

5. That stabling, care, and feed in the University stables for not to exceed three horses, and stabling and care not to exceed two vehicles, be granted free of charge to the President.

This report was received and considered by sections.

It was moved to accept the first proposition.

A motion to amend, substituting \$7,000.000 for \$8,000.00 was lost, by the following vote:

Yeas: Messrs. Dickirson, Bayliss, and Kerrick; nays, Messrs. McLean, Bullard, Hatch, Nightingale, and McKinley, and Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Alexander, and Mrs. Evans; absent, Governor Yates.

The motion was then adopted.

The second proposition was adopted.

A motion to lay the third on the table was lost. The proposition was then adopted by the following vote:

Yeas: Messrs. McLean, Bullard, Hatch, Nightingale, and McKinley, and Mrs. Abbott, and Mrs. Evans; nays, Messrs. Dickirson, Bayliss and Kerrick and Mrs. Alexander; absent, Governor Yates.

The fourth proposition was adopted.

It was moved to amend the fifth proposition so that the new President should have his horses kept on the same terms as President Draper's were kept. The motion to amend was lost by the following vote: Yeas, Messrs. Dickirson, Bayliss and Kerrick, and Mrs. Alexander and Mrs. Abbott; nays, Messrs. McKinley, Bullard, Hatch, McLean, Nightingale, and Mrs. Evans; absent, Governor Yates.

The proposition was then adopted.

It was then voted to proceed to elect a President.

Edmund Janes James and Eugene Davenport were put in nomination.

A ballot was taken, and the vote stood: Mr. James, 9; Mr. Davenport, 2.

The election of Doctor James was then made unanimous by a rising vote.

It was voted that the President-elect be given a vacation of two months, with expenses paid, at such time as he may select, after consultation with the members of the Board.

The Board then adjourned to meet at 1:30 o'clock, Friday, August 26, 1904.

W. L. PILLSBURY,
Secretary.

F. L. HATCH,
President.
