

February 21, 1938

A meeting of the Board of Regents of the Morehead State Teachers College was held at the office of the President on Monday, February 21, 1938, at 4:00 P. M.

The President presented the following letter from Hon. H. W. Peters, Chairman of the Board:

"You are hereby authorized to call a special meeting of the Board of Regents of the Morehead State Teachers College to meet in your office on February 21, 1938, to consider such business as may properly come before the Board at that time".

and stated that notice of this meeting had been given by telephone to and accepted by each member of the Board of Regents.

The following Regents were present:

H. W. Peters, Chairman
Dr. A. O. Taylor
Mrs. A. W. Young
Donald H. Putnam, Secretary

Absent: W. A. Caskey

H. A. Babb, President, was also present.

Minutes Read and Approved: The minutes of the last previous meeting of the Board of Regents, held August 31, 1937, were read and, on motion, duly seconded and carried, were ordered approved.

Release of Lien on Fraley Property, Item No. 8, Mortgage from Citizens Bank: The President presented a letter of date November 22, 1937, addressed to the Board of Regents by Citizens Bank, Morehead, Kentucky. The letter from the Citizens Bank stated that the Bank had sold to Henry Glover the residence property situated on Sun Street in the City of Morehead, and running through to Second Street, being the parcel of real estate known as the Fraley property, identified as Item No. 8, and fully described in the mortgage from Citizens Bank to Morehead State Teachers College. The Bank requested that the College release its lien by virtue of said mortgage on this piece of property identified as Item No. 8 in the mortgage.

On motion of Mrs. Young, seconded by Dr. Taylor, all voting aye, Mr. Harlan Blair, Business Manager of the College, was authorized and directed to release the lien of the College, with respect to said Item No. 8, on the margin of the record of said mortgage in the office of the Clerk of the Rowan County Court.

Sale of Bishop Property: The President reported that, pursuant to direction of the Board of Regents, and its action at meeting on August 31, 1937, he had advertised for sale, at public auction, the one and one-half story, frame house and frame garage, situated on the lot directly opposite the President's residence and known as the Bishop property. The President stated that the property

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had been duly advertised to be sold at public auction on the 7th day of September, 1937, on condition that the house and garage were to be torn down and removed from the property; that at said sale, the house and garage were sold to James L. Nickell for the sum of \$347.00 being the highest bid for said house and garage, and that the amount of \$347.00 had been paid in cash to the Business Manager.

Leave of Absence to Z. Taylor Young: The President presented the following letter, of date December 23, 1937, from Z. Taylor Young, requesting a leave of absence during the sessions of the Kentucky Legislature:

"President H. A. Babb
Morehead State Teachers College
Morehead, Kentucky

Dear President Babb:

Being elected a member of the 1938 House of Representatives which convenes January 4, 1938, I hereby request a leave of absence from active duty from January 4th to sine die adjournment of the legislature.

I trust that this will meet with your approval.

Cordially yours,

Z. Taylor Young".

together with his reply thereto of date December 23, 1937.

"Mr. Z. T. Young
Morehead, Kentucky

Dear Mr. Young:

Your letter of December 23, requesting a leave of absence from active duty as an employees of this institution from January 4, 1938, to the date of the sine die adjournment of the State Legislature, has been received. I am glad to approve this request temporarily, and I shall also place the matter before the Board of Regents at its regular meeting, at which time I feel sure your request will be formally approved and the leave of absence granted".

Very sincerely,

H. A. Babb
President

On motion of Mr. Putnam, seconded by Dr. Taylor, all voting aye, it was ordered that leave of absence be granted to Mr.

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Z. Taylor Young, effective January 4, 1938, for the period of the 1938 sessions of the Kentucky Legislature.

Commerce Department Established: The President reported that in line with discussions at a meeting of the Board of Regents on August 31, 1937, and following subsequent discussions with the members of the Board, a Commerce Department has been established at the College beginning with the opening of the second semester of the 1937-1938 school year.

On motion of Dr. Taylor, seconded by Mrs. Young, all voting aye, the establishment of the Commerce Department was approved.

Resignation of Mrs. Nancy Alfrey as Manager of the Grill and Cafeteria: Resignation of Mrs. Nancy Alfrey as Manager of the Grill at the Cafeteria, effective September 1, 1937, was presented.

On motion of Mrs. Young, seconded by Dr. Taylor, all voting aye, the resignation of Mrs. Alfrey was accepted.

Employment of Mrs. Maud Clay as Manager of Grill: The employment of Mrs. Maud Clay as Manager of the Grill in the College Cafeteria, at a monthly salary of \$50.00, on motion of Mrs. Young, seconded by Dr. Taylor, was duly approved, all voting aye on call of the roll.

R. W. Jennings appointed Head of Commerce Department: On motion of Mr. Putnam, seconded by Dr. Taylor, all voting aye on call of the roll, the appointment of R. W. Jennings as Head of the Commerce Department, effective February 1, 1938, for the period to September 1, 1938, on the basis of an annual salary of \$2,500.00, payable monthly, was duly approved.

L. K. Rice appointed Extra Teacher in the Department of Education: On motion of Mr. Putnam, seconded by Dr. Taylor, all voting aye on call of the roll, Mr. L. K. Rice's appointment as an extra teacher in the Department of Education, effective February 1, 1938, for the period to June 3, 1938, on the basis of an annual salary of \$2,000.00, payable monthly, was duly approved.

Miss Mildred Morris employed as Secretary in Extension Department and Faculty Stenographer: On motion of Mr. Putnam, seconded by Dr. Taylor, all voting aye on call of the roll, the employment of Miss Mildred Morris as Secretary in the Extension Department and as Faculty Stenographer, effective January 6, 1938, at a monthly salary of \$100.00 per month, was duly approved, Miss Morris taking the place of Miss Evallee Wood, resigned.

Employment of Kenneth Bush, Cook: On motion of Mr. Putnam, seconded by Dr. Taylor, all voting aye, on call of the roll, the employment of Kenneth Bush as cook, effective February 1, 1938, at a monthly salary of \$50.00, to take the place of Mrs. Lula K. Smith, resigned, was duly approved.

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Report on Claim of College for \$11,875.88 against the Estate of Samuel McKee Bradley, Bankrupt:

✓ The President then presented a letter under date of January 10, 1938, from Mr. Earl W. Senff, attorney, together with copy of Order entered on the 16th day of December, 1937, in the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Kentucky, in the matter of Samuel McKee Bradley, Bankrupt, allowing claim filed by the College in the amount of \$11,875.88, with interest thereon from June 30, 1929, as a general claim against the estate of Samuel McKee Bradley, Bankrupt, being claim No. 40, filed in said bankruptcy proceeding. On motion duly made and seconded, copy of the Order was ordered filed.

Claim of Struck Construction Company for Interest Declined: The President presented a letter dated December 20, 1937, from W. H. Rice, Superintendent Buildings and Grounds, regarding claim of the Struck Construction Company for interest for the additional time over forty-five (45) days from date of acceptance before final payment was made to them on the general contracts on the Science Building and Men's Dormitory Building.

On motion of Dr. Taylor, seconded by Mrs. Young, all voting aye, the claim of Struck Construction Company for interest was declined, it being the opinion of the Board that the contractor was not entitled to interest.

Case of Mona Pearl Jones: The President reported on his discussion with Mona Pearl Jones requesting assistance from the College on account of the expense of an operation and treatment to her hand which was cut on glass while she was employed in the cafeteria.

On motion duly made and seconded, all voting aye, President Babb was requested to submit the case to the Attorney General's office with request for an opinion as to whether or not the College could assume the expense of an operation and treatment of the hand of Miss Mones.

On motion of Mr. Peters, seconded by Dr. Taylor, all voting aye, on call of the roll, the President was authorized to assume, for the College, the expenses of an operation on Miss Jones' hand, not exceeding \$100.00, and the expense of hospital treatment, not exceeding \$50.00, in the event the opinion of the Attorney General held that the College could legally assume this expense.

Financial Report: The financial report of the College for the period July 1, 1937, to December 31, 1937, was presented and, on motion duly made and seconded, all voting aye, was received and filed.

Resolution to the Kentucky General Assembly: The Resolution introduced in the Senate of the Kentucky General Assembly

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on February 17, 1938, by Senator Wallen Allen Crockett of Mason County, making various charges and requesting an investigation by the Senate of the administration of Morehead State Teachers College was brought to the attention of the Board by President Babb, and the Resolution was thoroughly discussed by the President and the members of the Board present.

On motion duly made and seconded, all voting aye, the following resolution was adopted:

"WHEREAS, on February 17, 1938, Senator Wallen Allen Crockett of Mason County, introduced in the Senate a resolution seeking the appointment of a Legislative Committee to investigate the administration of the Morehead State Teachers College, and to make recommendations to the Board of Regents of the said institution and to the Governor of the Commonwealth, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the Morehead State Teachers College in regular session on February 21, 1938, carefully considered each of the ten charges preferred in the resolution, and

WHEREAS, the individual members of the Board of Regents of the Morehead State Teachers College are familiar, more or less in detail, with all the administrative acts of the college authorities, and

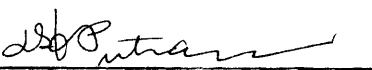
WHEREAS, the financial and other affairs of the College have been and are under constant supervision from duly constituted authorities of the State Government who have made no complaints.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Board of Regents of the Morehead State Teachers College state that the charges named in the resolution are unfounded, unnecessary, untrue and based solely upon rumor, prompted and designed only for the specific purpose of embarrassing the administration of the college and retarding the splendid educational progress recently obtained by the institution.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Board of Regents be instructed to notify the President of the Senate and Chairman of the Rules Committee of our feeling in this matter, and also of our entire willingness to cooperate with all State authorities for the betterment of this college and the advancement of education throughout the State".

On motion, duly seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned.


Chairman


Secretary