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Proceedings, Trustees Bowling Green Normal College

Bowling Green, Ohio, March 24, 1919

The Board of Trustees of the Bowling Green Normal College met on above date with President J. R. Collins, Treasurer D. C. Brown, and Secretary F. H. Reynolds present. Dr. H. B. Williams, President of the College, was also present.

The following bills were read and upon motion by Brown, seconded by Reynolds, were ordered paid, fund designation to be made by President Williams, the vote being yes: Collins, Brown, Reynolds:

Reynolds:
- Keil Lumber Co., City Lumber 2.74
- Current Events, New York City 100 Current Events 15.00
- Beckley-Cardy Co., Chicago Pencils 5.75
- Normal College Farm, City Milk and cream 1.50
- Lasalle & Koch Co., Toledo Cloth, etc. 2.12

Elliott Wayne Oil & Supply Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind. Packing & gauge glasses 17.05

E-5
- Keil Lumber Co., City Hot bed sash 20.00
- Prieur Hardware Co., City Doubletree 3.00

E-Library
- World Book Co., Yonkers-on-Hudson, N.Y. Books 4.62
- National Geog. Society, Washington, D.C. 11.00
- University Society Inc., New York Books 22.00
- Baker & Taylor Co., New York City 11.01

E-Other
- Lasalle & Koon Co., Toledo Dress forms 13.00
- Ohio Northern Pub. Service Co., City Westinghouse Motor 423.00
- A. Fronay & Co., City Thimbles 2.44
- Lyon & Neely, Chicago Books 18.43
- Dauid Glass & Crockery Co., Toledo China 14.95
- Blades Pen & Paper Co., Toledo Gibraltar paper 7.34
- W. E. Bardeen, Syracuse, N.Y. Equip. for Geography 1.20
- National Mfg. Co., Des Moines, la. Seed corn tester 14.75
- Beckley-Cardy Co., Chicago Book covers 6.50
- Denoyer-Geppert Co., Chicago Map 12.75
- Charles Scribner's Sons, N.Y.City Books 1.95
- Library Bureau, Chicago Guides 9.90
- Gaylord Bros., Syracuse, N.Y. Binders & book supports 29.12
- Hoover & Co., New York City Music 19.22

E-9
- L. Wolff Mfg. Co., Chicago Brass nuts .50
- Chas. H. Burnig & Bro., Cincinnati Tube cleaner 9.00
- McKeever Electric Co., Columbus Trunnion flush switches 4.54
- Johnson Service Co., Chicago Valves & leather cups 2.56

E-4
- Ohio Nor. Pub. Serv. Co., City Light and power 49.88

E-6
- H. B. Williams, City Express advanced 14.76
- H. W. Campbell, City Expense account 47.00
- C. F. Reeds, City 45.04
- E. H. Gan, Fremont 15.34
- F. H. Reynolds, Wapakoneta 211.11
- T. & O. C. Ry., City Freight 1.11
- C. J. Biery, City Expense account 45.79
- H. B. Campbell, City 42.12
- C. F. Reeds, City 40.77

E-7
- Western Union Teleg. Co., City Telegrams 1.29
- Wood Co. Tel. Co., City Telephone service 6.25

E-9
- J. W. Whitker & Co., City Repair davenports 1.50
- Ohio State Reformatory, Mansfield Bulletins 200.00

The following pay rolls were read and upon motion by Brown, seconded by Reynolds, were ordered paid, the vote being yes: Collins, Brown, Reynolds:

- H. B. Williams, President 1 mo. 158.33
- E. G. Walker, Dean 1 229.16
- G. W. Beattie, Instructor 1 257.51
- F. G. Beyermann 1 211.11
- C. J. Biery 1 244.44
- Laura Heaton 1 136.86
- Harriet Hayward 1 222.22
- E. G. Hess 1 233.33
- W. P. Holt 1 244.44
- U. G. McCann 1 200.00
- Ruth McConn 1 136.86
- Caroline Nielsen 1 144.44
The Secretary presented for the record the following letter:

Wapakoneta, Ohio, March 15, 1919

Hon. John G. Price
Attorney General of Ohio
Columbus, Ohio

Dear Sir:

The Board of Trustees of the Bowling Green State Normal College held a meeting in your office Thursday of this week, March 15th, in consultation with Mr. Donald Melhorn of your staff. At this meeting it was suggested that the matters about which the Board desired information should be presented to your department in a series of questions. Before asking these, however, it seems well to state some facts concerning the conditions that prevail.

The Steinle Construction Company of Fremont, Ohio, was awarded the contract for the construction of a Training School building at the Normal College. This building was to have been completed by July 1st, 1917; a bond was given by the Aetna Surety & Bonding Company guaranteeing the completion of the building according to contract; the work is partially completed, something over $55,000 having been paid The Steinle Construction Company; the remainder of the appropriation is still available for the completion of the contract. For some time, however, no work has been done on the building. In the fall of 1919 The Steinle Construction Company, through its attorney, Mr. Chas. S. Druggan, of Columbus, asked for an extension of time for the completion of the work. This was granted, the time being extended to September 1st, 1919. This action was taken by the advice of the Attorney General. The files in your office will show the steps that were taken by the Board of Trustees; the work on the building has stopped entirely; claims for material furnished The Steinle Construction Company from various firms have been filed with the Board; the situation shows no evidence of improvement.

The Board of Trustees and the President of the College are particularly anxious that the building be completed by September 1st, 1919. It will be needed for school work the coming college year.
The Board of Trustees would like answers from your department to the following questions:

1 - Is the bond given by the Aetna Surety & Bonding Company good as to covering this contract and does the extension of time granted by the Board in any way affect it?

2 - Can the Board compel immediate and substantial progress in this work under the terms of the contract to insure completion by September 1st, 1919?

3 - If the Board can compel immediate and substantial progress under the terms of the contract, how should it proceed?

4 - If the Board should proceed on its own account under the terms of the contract to complete the building and the appropriation should not be sufficient to finish it, can the Board compel the bonding company to make up the deficiency?

5 - If the Board can’t proceed on its own account to complete the building and the Aetna Surety & Bonding Company does not proceed, can the penalty of $15.00 per day be imposed after September 1st, 1919?

6 - What disposition shall the Board make of the claims filed with it against The Steinle Construction Company?

In short, the Board wants the building completed by September 1st, 1919. What is to be done to bring that about? The contract and bond are both on file in the Auditor of State’s office.

Yours very truly,

F. E. Reynolds
Secretary of Board of Trustees

President Williams presented the following receipt from the Treasurer of State for farm sales which had been forwarded by Treasurer Brown:

DEPARTMENT OF TREASURER OF STATE
Columbus, Ohio, Mar. 27, 1919 No. 2241

To the Payer:
State Normal College, Bowling Green, Ohio, has paid into the State Treasury
GENERAL REVENUE FUND $167.30
One Hundred and sixty seven dollars and thirty cents (167.30)
collected from sources detailed in the above account.

D. R. Baker, Cashier
For Treasurer of State

There being no further business the Board adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

Attest: F. E. Reynolds Secretary

President