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December 1, 1938

The Board of Trustees of the Bowling Green State University met in a regular meeting at its office in the Administration Building at 3:00 o'clock on December 1, 1938. All of the members of the Board were present: F. J. Prout, president; L. N. Montgomery, secretary; Mrs. Bessie S. Dwyer, treasurer; and Dr. Edward B. Pedlow and E. E. Coriell. Dr. R. E. Offenhauer, University president, was also in attendance.

The minutes of the meeting of November 21, 1938, were read and approved.

The following report was submitted by the president: REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PRESIDENT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES as of December 1, 1938.

PWA

I would recommend the approval of a Resolution to request approval by the PWA of the revised estimated cost of a college building project of the Bowling Green State University, Docket OH-1390-F.

PWA

We have the following letter from Mr. Schooley covering Project OH-2093-F for the construction of the men's dormitory:

November 28, 1938

Board of Trustees
Bowling Green State University
Bowling Green, Ohio

Gentlemen:

After a careful examination of the bids received for the above project by us today, I recommend the acceptance of the following bids:

GENERAL CONTRACT Knowlton Construction Co.
Bellevfontaine, Ohio

Item 1. General Contract for Men's Dormitory for the sum of $124,300.00

PLUMBING CONTRACT W. J. Gillespie
140 North Main Street, Bowling Green, Ohio

Item 2. Plumbing Contract, for Men's Dormitory for the sum of $10,387.00

Item 7. Alternate "P-2" (Wrot Iron on Tocnan Iron Pipe in lieu of steel pipe) for the sum of $266.00

Item 8. Alternate "P-3" (Installation of Vacuum Cleaning System) for the sum of $1,266.00

Total Amount of Plumbing Contract $11,919.00

Item 3. Heating Contract, for Men's Dormitory for the sum of $8,987.00

Item 9. Alternate "H-1" (Wrot Iron Pipe in lieu of Tocnan Pipe) for the sum of $40.00

Total Amount of Heating Contract $9,027.00

ELECTRICAL CONTRACT Wing Electric Co.
Worthington, Ohio

Item 4. Electrical Contract, for Men's Dormitory for the sum of $6,062.00

I recommend the above as being the lowest and best bids received for the respective branches of the work.

Should the above recommendations meet with your approval, please instruct the Director of Public Works to enter into contract for your Department with the above mentioned Contractors in the several amounts as named.

Very truly yours,

(signed) JOHN P. SCHOOLEY
State Architect and Engineer

You will note that Mr. Schooley has not included in his recommendations

GENERAL CONTRACT
Alternate "G-1", Reversible Sash $3,100
Alternate "G-2", Rubber Tiling $2,400

I would like your opinion on the advisability of taking up these alternates. If these alternates are exercised it would cost for construction, $156,808. I would recommend without question the installation of rubber tiling the Hall ways and in the recreation rooms. This would greatly reduce the noise and confusion in the building which is an essential item.
I have here a sample of the reversible sash. You can, from an examination, reach your own conclusion regarding it. It undoubtedly has some good points.

Now may I give you a picture of our financial situation as we face it at this time. To consider both alternates, the total cost of construction, exclusive of architect’s fees and contingencies, would amount to the sum of $196,888.00.

It is thought conservative that we provide for contingencies in the sum of 4,000.00.

Preliminary expenses in the sum of 100.00.

Taking into account these items plus 6% for architect’s fees the total cost would amount to 170,862.48.

Of this amount the Federal Government has granted us the sum of 73,636.00.

We have in unpledged government bonds 49,000.00.

We have pledged unsold bonds in the sum of 51,500.00.

On these bonds we should have the advantage of a slight premium. Taking into account these different items, it seems clear that it will be necessary for us to provide approximately 45,000.00.

In your former action you authorized me to negotiate a loan looking forward to this particular situation. I would now ask that you direct and authorize me to negotiate a loan or sell bonds in the sum of not to exceed $45,000; it being understood that any excess monies would revert back to our dormitory funds.

At a former meeting I announced the death of Dr. Clayton C. Kohl. Dr. Kohl was an outstanding member of our faculty and during his long tenure here performed an unusually good service. It would seem fitting, since Dr. Kohl was most helpful and in very close touch with the men students of the University, that we perpetuate his memory on the campus by naming the Men’s Dormitory “Clayton C. Kohl Hall.”

Respectfully submitted,
R. E. Offenhauer

It was moved by Pedlow and seconded by Coriell that the following resolution be passed: Voting aye: Prout, Montgomery, Mrs. Dwyer, Pedlow and Coriell. Motion carried.

A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST APPROVAL BY THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC WORKS OF THE REVISED ESTIMATED COST OF A COLLEGE BUILDING PROJECT OF THE BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY, BOWLING GREEN, OHIO, DOCKET OH-1390-F.

Whereas, on the 26th day of April, 1938, the Board of Trustees of the Bowling Green State University filed an application with the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works for the construction of a Women’s Physical Education Building and Natatorium;

Whereas, the cost of the aforesaid project was thereafter estimated to be $250,000, being the total of the following breakdown of the estimated cost, and upon which the allotment was based:

1. Preliminary Expenses $ 500.00
2. Land and rights-of-way 0.00
3. Construction costs 235,950.00
4. Engineering & architectural expenses 15,500.00
5. Legal, administrative & other overhead 0.00
6. Interest during construction 0.00
7. Miscellaneous costs 0.00

Total $250,000.00

and;

Whereas, since the date of such approval, bids have been received for construction of the project, and it is now apparent that the estimated cost heretofore indicated should be revised; further that such revision provides for the purchase of equipment other than such as is included in existing contracts by the sponsor from contemplated state appropriation of funds;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Bowling Green State University, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works be and the same is hereby requested to indicate its approval of the following revised estimated cost of the project:

1. Preliminary expenses $ 100.00
2. Land and rights-of-way 0.00
3. a. Contracts awarded & contemplated 273,821
   b. Contingency for construction only 2,000
   Total construction costs 275,823.00
4. Engineering & architectural expenses 17,000.00
5. Legal, administrative & overhead 0.00
6. Interest during construction 0.00
7. Miscellaneous costs 100.00

Total $293,021.00

and;
Whereas, the revised estimate exceeds the original estimate in the amount of $43,021, we the Board of Trustees of Bowling Green State University, do hereby make available additional funds for aforesaid project not in excess of $45,000.

Section 2. That this resolution shall go into immediate effect.

Passed this 1st day of December, 1938.

(signed) F. J. Prout
President

(signed) L. N. Montgomery
Secretary

It was moved by Mrs. Dwyer and seconded by Pedlow that the Board of Trustees approve the recommendations of Mr. Schooley, State Architect and Engineer, for the Men's Dormitory as per his letter of November 28, 1938, and accepted as of July 5, 1938 (Docket No. Ohio 1390-F)

Voting aye: Prout, Montgomery, Mrs. Dwyer, Pedlow and Coriell. Motion carried.

It was moved by Pedlow and seconded by Montgomery that Mr. Carl Wahl, Director of Public Works, be directed to enter into contracts for the construction of a Men's Dormitory under PWA Docket OH-2093-F; that R. E. Offenhauer, president of Bowling Green State University, be directed and authorized in accordance with Section 7923-1 of the Ohio Code to issue notes in the name of the Board of Trustees of the Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio, or sell bonds using the authority of the Board of Trustees of the Bowling Green State University, to issue notes in the name of the Board of Trustees of the Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio, or sell bonds using the authority of the Board of Trustees of the Bowling Green State University, in the sum of not to exceed $42,000. Voting aye: Prout, Montgomery, Mrs. Dwyer, Pedlow and Coriell. Motion carried.

It was moved by Coriell and seconded by Pedlow that funds be made available in the amount of $93,926.48 as sponsor's portion for the construction of a men's dormitory under PWA Docket OH-2093-F; that R. E. Offenhauer, president of Bowling Green State University, be directed and authorized in accordance with Section 7923-1 of the Ohio Code to issue notes in the name of the Board of Trustees of the Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio, or sell bonds using the authority of the Board of Trustees of the Bowling Green State University, in the sum of not to exceed $42,000. Voting aye: Prout, Montgomery, Mrs. Dwyer, Pedlow and Coriell. Motion carried.

It was moved by Coriell and seconded by Mrs. Dwyer that the name for the new men's dormitory under PWA Docket OH-2093-F be "Clayton C. Kohl Hall". Voting aye: Prout, Montgomery, Mrs. Dwyer, Pedlow and Coriell. Motion carried.

It was moved by Pedlow and seconded by Coriell that the Waiver from the Federal Emergency Management of Public Works dated November 13, 1938 be attached to the Offer on Docket OH-1390-F and become a part of said offer. Voting aye: Prout, Montgomery, Mrs. Dwyer, Pedlow and Coriell. Motion carried.

The following records were order written into the minutes:

(1) Waiver

To be attached to Offer made by the United States of America to the Board of Trustees of Bowling Green State University, Ohio, dated as of June 24, 1938, and accepted as of July 5, 1938 (Docket No. Ohio 1390-F)

Paragraph 3 (b), Part II, Terms and Conditions (PWA Form No. 230), provides that intermediate grant requisitions may be filed and paid at any time after the Applicant has deposited in the Construction Account its share of the cost of the Project (such share being referred to as Applicant's Funds).

The Applicant has deposited $26,000 in cash in the Construction Account and represents that the balance of $111,500 of Applicant's Funds will be made available to it by a State appropriation of $80,000 for this Project, now on deposit in the State Treasury, and by the sale, as required, of $31,500 in United State Treasury Bonds now held in escrow by The Bank of Wood County, Bowling Green, Ohio. The Applicant represents that it desires to continue receiving interest on its bond investment as long as possible, and feels that in the interest of economy it is not justified in liquidating any of its bonds at this time, with a resultant interest loss. The Applicant has requested a waiver of the above referred provision to the extent necessary to permit it to requisition and receive intermediate grant payments.

Paragraph 3 (b), Part II, Terms and Conditions, providing that intermediate grant requisitions will not be honored until the Applicant's Funds have been deposited in the Construction Account, is hereby waived to the extent necessary to permit the payment of intermediate grant requisitions before all of the Applicant's Funds have been deposited in the Construction Account, and provided further, that nothing contained in this waiver shall affect the limitation on the total amount of the grant set forth in Paragraph 1 of the Offer.

Approved:

By (signed) E. W. Clark
For the Assistant Administrator

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Federal Emergency Administrator
of Public Works

December 1, 1938
December 1, 1938
Bowling Green State University
Bowling Green, Ohio

To - The Bank of Wood County Co., Bowling Green, Ohio

1938

Sold U.S. Treas. Bonds 3 1/2% 1949-52 #1892B-93C
$10,000 @ 108 8/32
$11,907.50

Handling Cost, Postage, ins. 27.50
Accrued int 157.55

Sold U.S. Treas. Bond 3 1/2% 1949-52 #33707H
$1,000 @ 108 9/32
$1,088 27/32

Handling Cost, postage, ins. 42.38
Accrued Int. 214.84

Total $23,980.27

Sold U.S. Treas Bonds 3 1/2% 1946-49 #28201A-02B
$3000 ea @ 108 23/32
$3,040.81

Handling Cost, postage, ins. 177.55
Accrued Int. 121.84

Total $28,517.82

It was moved by Montgomery and seconded by Pedlow that the meeting adjourn to meet again at the call of the president. Voting aye: Prout, Montgomery, Mrs. Dwyer, Pedlow and Coriell. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Attest:

[Signature]

December 22, 1938

The Board of Trustees of the Bowling Green State University met in a regular meeting at its office in the Administration Building at 2:30 p.m. o'clock on December 22, 1938. All of the members of the Board were present: F. J. Prout, president; L. N. Montgomery, secretary; Mrs. Bessie S. Dwyer, treasurer; and Dr. Edward B. Pedlow and E. E. Coriell. Dr. R. E. Offenhauer, University president, was also in attendance.

The minutes of the meeting of December 1, 1938, were read and approved.

The following report was submitted by the president: REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PRESIDENT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES as of December 22, 1938.

Faculty The Board of Trustees is now authorized to appoint, subject to your confirmation, Dr. Samuel H. Lowrie as successor to Dr. C. C. Kohl. Dr. Lowrie was born February 13, 1894 and is therefore 44 years of age. He was granted the A.B. degree by Rice Institute, Houston, Texas in 1917; A.M. degree from Columbia in 1922; doctor's degree from Columbia in 1932. Dr. Lowrie has taught in Stamford Junior College, Soo Chow University, Soo Chow, China, Muskingum College in this state, was professor of sociology and government in the University of Sao Paulo, Brazil. I recommend that Dr. Lowrie be employed at a salary of $3375 using the academic year of nine months as a base and be given the rank of associate professor. Dr. Lowrie is married and has two children, ages twelve and fourteen.

I appoint, subject to your confirmation, Duncan N. Scott as instructor in English and journalism at a salary of $2500 using the academic year of nine months as the base. Mr. Scott has a B.A. degree from the Sul Ross State Teachers College, Alpine, Texas; Bachelor of Journalism degree, School of Journalism, University of Missouri; M.A. degree from the University of Texas with an English major and now lacks only 18 hours of completing his work for the doctor's degree. He is teaching at the present time in the New Mexico State College, State College, New Mexico. He is 29 years of age, married, with one daughter five years old. Mr. Scott is teaching English and journalism and supervising the publications of the New Mexico State College, also acting as publicity director and doing for them considerable radio speaking. Dr. Allen of our faculty taught at the University of Texas last summer. Professor Scott was there at the same time. Dr. Allen speaks of him in the very highest way.