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President Prout reported that next fall he was reducing the occupants in North Dorm by approximately 150 students. Experience last year had indicated that we were attempting to accommodate too many students for the facilities available at North Dorm. He requested that the Board of Trustees approve the expenditure of approximately $2500.00 to renovate the building and improve the toilet and bath facilities, this amount to be paid from the North Dorm account. It was moved by Mr. Donnell, seconded by Mr. Bachman, that President Prout be authorized to proceed with the renovation and other improvements in North Dorm at an estimated amount not to exceed $2500.00 to be paid from the North Dorm account. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

President Prout reported to the Trustees that in the original plans and specifications for Dorms 8 & 9 there was no provision for cabinets and sinks in the kitchen for one building, Dormitory No. 8. The office of State Architect and Engineer requested the contractor to give a figure for this work which totaled $2,724.22 for stainless steel 5££n cupboard; however, and alternate was submitted as a deduction in the amount of $700.00 if plastic covering was used in lieu of stainless steel. He recommended the Trustees that this extra order be approved using the plastic in the total amount of $4,024.22 to be paid from the $350,000.00 Dormitory Loan account for the construction of these buildings. It was moved by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Bachman, that this extra order be issued against the $350,000.00 Dormitory Loan account. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

The President then presented a request from Dr. Clyde Hissong asking for an extension of his leave of absence. It was his wish that it be indefinite but would extend four years. After considerable discussion Mr. Bachman moved that Dr. Clyde Hissong be given another four year leave of absence till September 1, 1953, but notice of acceptance or rejection of a teaching position here must be in the hands of the President of the University by July 1, 1953. Mr. Schwyn seconded, on roll call all voting yes.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

President

Secretary

Bowling Green, Ohio
August 5, 1949

The Board of Trustees met on the above date and roll was called; members present were Mr. Donnell, Mr. Rodgers, and Mr. Bachman. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following change orders were presented for the Board's approval:

1. Extra order in favor of the Watts Construction Company --- $977.00 to cover boiler footers.
2. Extra order --- rough new toilet, dorms 8 & 9, on first floor, for use of employees; estimate, $900.00.
3. Extra order --- cabinets for kitchen in dorm 9, $2024.22.
5. Extra order --- Watts Construction Company, stubbing tunnel, new Science Building, $475.00.
6. Extra order --- extension to solid rock, new Science Building, $4700.00.

Mr. Donnell moved the above orders be approved, Mr. Bachman seconded it; on roll call all voting yes.

The President reported that the University Chevrolet, driven by our Mr. Ranev, was wrecked on August 2. He asked for authorization to purchase a new car. Mr. Bachman moved he be authorized to purchase a new Chevrolet or similar car. Mr. Donnell seconded, all voting yes on roll call.

President Prout reported that when the new heating plant was originally designed it was not known what type of boiler was to go in, therefore detailed footing plans could not be prepared. John Paul Jones informed us that with the type of boilers which are being furnished there will be an extra order to the general contractor in the amount of $797.00 to provide adequate footers for the boilers and that a change order should be issued to the Watts Construction Company in this amount. Motion made by Mr. Bachman and seconded by Mr. Donnell that an extra order be issued to Watts Construction Company in the amount of $797.00 to cover boiler footers. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

The President asked the Board to consider the architect for the second addition to the heating plant. Mr. Bachman moved that in view of the fact that John Paul Jones, Cary and Miller of Cleveland had designed the first unit, they should design the second Unite, the Department of Public Works be so notified, and a contract entered into. Mr. Donnell seconded, all members voting yes on roll call.
The President then called the attention of the Board to the securing of an architectural firm for the drawing of the plans and specifications for a new addition to the library building. He indicated funds for this addition would not be available until approximately October 15. However, time could be saved by approval at this time. Mr. Donnell moved that the firm of Sims, Cornelius, and Schooley be approved for this work. Mr. Bachman seconded, all voting yes.

The following personnel changes were presented. Mr. Bachman moved they be approved; Mr. Donnell seconded, on roll call all voting yes.

Changes in payroll for the month ending July 31, 1949:

**New Employees: (Civil Service)**
- Dorothy Skriletz, started July 1, 1949, total yearly salary $2200.00
- Rita Avery, started July 1, 1949, total yearly salary $1410.91
- Helen Lorenzen, started July 1, 1949, total yearly salary $1410.91
- Jane Avery, started July 15, 1949, total yearly salary $1410.91

**Resignation: (Civil Service)**
- Bernard Lowe, resigned at end of working day, May 31, 1949

**Leave of Absence: (Civil Service)**
- Marion Woods, leave of absence for two months (July 5 to Sept. 5)

**Change of Name:**
- Donna (Lehmann) Knaggs, married

**New Employees: (Administrative)**
- Hubert Schwarz, General Manager and Laboratory Technician, started July 1, 1949, total yearly salary $3500.00
- James Limbacher, Assistant Director of Journalism, started June 15, 1949, total yearly salary $2400.00

**Resignation: (Administrative)**
- Aurel C. Shau, resigned at end of working day, June 30, 1949

**Leaves of Absence: (Administrative)**
- Ruth Sikes, leave of absence from July 11 to July 25 (2 weeks)
- Virginia Merrill, leave of absence from July 1 to August 1 (one month)

**Continuations on Payroll:**
- Helen B. Rhonehouse, June 13 to August 13 ($200.00 for two months)
- Josephine James, June 13 to August 13 ($130.00 for two months)

The following Contract with the Bank of Wood County of Bowling Green for the depository of University funds was presented and approved:

**CONTRACT FOR DEPOSIT OF PUBLIC FUNDS**

WHEREAS, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Wood County, Ohio, did on the day of August 24, 1949, accept the proposal of the BANK OF WOOD COUNTY COMPANY OF BOWLING GREEN, WOOD COUNTY, OHIO, to receive and safely keep on deposit the active funds of said Bowling Green State University for a period of two years from the 24th day of August, 1949; and

WHEREAS, said Bank has deposited with said Bowling Green State University good and sufficient securities in the sum satisfactory to said Board, which are additional security for funds over and above that insurance provided by The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, which securities may be exchanged and decreased, or increased, according to the amount of funds on deposit by agreement between said Bank and said Bowling Green State University; now, therefore,

It is agreed between said Bowling Green State University and said THE BANK OF WOOD COUNTY COMPANY that the active funds of said Bowling Green State University shall be deposited in and received and safely kept by said Bank, from and after the date hereof for the period of two years as follows: Payments shall be made from said funds only as directed by the orders, checks, or drafts drawn or signed by the proper officer named by said Board, and as provided by law. In case of a change in the person holding the office, the official successor shall be entitled to all the powers and privileges under this contract, but not until after the Bowling Green State University has notified the said Bank in writing that the new officer has been duly qualified and entered into his office.

Bowling Green State University shall at all times be entitled to receive from the Bank a complete statement of the deposits and payments therefrom.

The insolvency of the Bank or its failure to pay upon due presentation any order, check or draft lawfully drawn upon it, shall terminate this Contract and entitle the Bowling Green State University to withdraw all funds and sell securities sufficient to pay all funds on deposit.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE Parties have hereunto set their names, this day of 1949.
President Prout reported that it will be necessary for Mrs. Stanley, our Cashier, to take a month's leave of absence to undergo an operation. Mr. Kreischer will be away from Bowling Green at approximately the same time. He requests authorization from the Board of Trustees to have Mr. Zilton Ringer sign all local checks in absence of both Mrs. Stanley and Mr. Kreischer, but such authority shall not exceed beyond September 1, 1949.

Mr. Bachman presented his credentials from Governor Lausche advising his reappointment to the Board of Trustees for a five year period beginning May 17, 1949. The oath of office was presented to Mr. Bachman.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

E. T. Roddgers
President

Secretary

Bowling Green, Ohio
September 13, 1951

The Board met on the above date, all members present.

The minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

The dormitory financial report was presented and studied.

President Prout read the following letter from Dr. Missong:

State of Ohio
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Columbus
July 15, 1951

Dr. Frank J. Prout
President
Bowling Green State University
Bowling Green, Ohio

Dear Dr. Prout:

Your letter of July 12 gives evidence once again of your willingness, with the approval of the Board of Trustees, to go far beyond what I would feel justified in presenting to you for consideration as a reasonable request for a leave of absence.

Appreciating immensely, as I do, this traditional practice of yours which involves going beyond the second mile in cooperation with the state administration, I must still confess that this same attitude of cooperation places squarely upon me the responsibility for a very difficult decision which now must be made from a purely personal point of view.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my work as Director of Education, made doubly pleasant as a result of the dynamic leadership and support which emanates from the Governor's office and the fine cooperative attitude of the members of the State Department of Education staff. On the other hand, Bowling Green is my home and I have always looked upon the assignment of State Director of Education as an interlude in my professional career as a member of the faculty of Bowling Green State University.

As you know, when I accepted Governor Lausche's invitation to become State Director of Education, I explained to him that I had no intention of remaining for the four-year period and, consequently, my leave of absence at that time was for a limited period. A change in the conditions of my leave of absence as Dean of the College of Education and as Chairman of the Committee on Graduate Instruction disturbed my plans to such an extent that there seemed to be no mutually acceptable option except continuance as Director of Education for the full four-year term.

With the return of Governor Lausche last January, the completion of the picture changed completely and I was exceedingly glad that fate had thus given me an opportunity once again to be a member of his administrative staff.

Now I am faced with a situation almost identical with the situation which prevailed when Governor Lausche called me four years ago. At that time I agreed to accept the Governor's invitation if a mutually satisfactory leave of absence could be arranged with you for subsequent approval by the Board of Trustees. As of today, if I should be faced with the necessity for making a choice between...