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Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of New Mexico, held April 6, 1912.

Present: R.W.D. Bryan, President, Dr. J.A. Reidy, Secretary and Treasurer, and Mr. Nathan Jaffa.

Word was received from Judge A.W. Cooley, and Mr. H.L. Bickley, stating that it would be impossible for them to be present.

On motion, Messrs. Bryan and Reidy were appointed a committee with power to act to arrange for the placing of a fire plug with fire alarm connection on the campus of the University.

On motion, Messrs. Bryan and Reidy were appointed a committee with power to act to arrange for and cause to be made the necessary repairs and improvements upon the University buildings in preparation for the opening of the next term.

On the recommendation of Dr. E. McQueen Gray, a motion was made and carried that three hundred dollars ($300) be appropriated for the payment of the services of Mr. Charles J. Andrews as Musical Director of the Male Chorus of the students of the University.

On motion, Prof. John D. Clark, Associate Professor of Chemistry, was allowed a vacation during his sabbatical year; that is, the school year of 1913 and 1914, with the understanding that he provide a substitute approved by the President of the University.

The location and selection of lands donated to the University by the Enabling Act was discussed and each member of the Board was urged to make every possible effort to determine at as early a date as possible the proper lands for such selection.

Mr. R.W.D. Bryan, President, nominated as President of the University Dr. David R. Boyd; and on motion the nomination was unanimously confirmed.

On motion, Dr. Boyd, as President, was given a salary of three thousand dollars ($3000), for the first year, beginning July 1st, 1912, which was to be accepted with the agreement and understanding that thereafter each year the salary should be increased five hundred dollars ($500) per year, until it should reach five thousand dollars ($5000) and house rent, provided the funds of the institution enabled the Board to make such increase, and the Board obligates itself to use every reasonable effort to provide such funds, either by increased appropriations, or by economical administration; that either party to this contract may terminate their relations at the end of any year by giving notice in writing before the close of the fall semester of that year.

To take the place of a formal contract, the following letters were exchanged between the President of the Board of Regents and Dr. Boyd:

April 9, 1912

Dr. David R. Boyd,
Albuquerque, N.M.

Dear Sir:

The Board of Regents of the University of New Mexico, at a meeting held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on April 6, 1912, elected you President of the University of New Mexico at a salary of $3000.00 for the first year, beginning July 1st, 1912, with the agreement and understanding that thereafter each year your salary would be raised $500.00 per year until it reached $5000.00 and house rent, provided the funds of the institution enabled the Board to make such increase, and the Board pledges itself to use every reasonable effort to provide such funds, either by increased appropriation or economical administration.
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It is further understood that either party may terminate this relationship at the end of any year by giving notice in writing before the fall semester of that year.

I trust that you will accept this appointment under the above terms and conditions, and that your future connection with the University will be interesting to you and profitable to the University and to the State, at the head of whose educational system it stands.

I wish to assure you that you will have the loyal and enthusiastic support of the Board of Regents in every effort you may make to advance the interests of the institution and make it the power for good that it should be.

Hoping to hear from you at once, I remain,

Sincerely,

(Signed) R.W.D. Bryan

President Board of Regents.

Night Lettergram—

New York, N.Y., Apr. 18, 1912

Hon. R.W.D. Bryan,
Albuquerque, N.M.

I hereby accept the presidency of the University of New Mexico under the conditions stated in your letter of April ninth. I shall make every effort to meet the reasonable expectation of the friends of the University and hope to merit the kind assurance of support of the regents.

Letter follows.

David R. Boyd.

After consultation with Dr. Gray, it was agreed that his active connection with the University will cease July 1st., 1912, but that he shall receive his salary to September 1st., 1912, in accordance with the terms of his contract with the Board.

On motion Dr. Boyd was given full power to take such steps as in his judgment might be deemed desirable in the matter of soliciting students for the University during the coming summer vacation- either personally or by employing a member of the Faculty.

Mr. R.W.D. Bryan, President of the Board, placed in nomination the following persons, and their nominations and assignments as given, and the salaries stated were unanimously confirmed and ratified by the Board, with the understanding that such changes in the assignments and duties as may be deemed advisable might be made at any time hereafter.

Charles E. Hodgin, Dean of the College of Letters and Arts, and Professor of Education—with a salary of $1800.

M.F. Angell, Dean of the College of Science and Engineering and Professor of Physics and Engineering, with a salary of $1800.

Josephine S. Parsons, Associate Professor—to be assigned—with a salary of $1400.

Ethel A. Hickey, Associate Professor of English, with a salary of $1400.

Della J. Cislo, Librarian and Associate Professor of Library Science, with a salary of $1400.

John D. Clark, Associate Professor of Chemistry, with a salary of $1400.

Jenner A. Pynch, Associate Professor of Geology, with a salary of $1400.

Herman H. Conwell, Associate Professor of Mathematics, with a salary of $1300.
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Warren I. Moore, Associate Professor of Classics,
with a salary of $1200.

Leon B. Stephan, Assistant Professor of German and Latin,
with a salary of $1200.

G. R. Roberts, Assistant Professor of Civil Engineering,
with a salary of $1200.

A. O. Weese, Assistant Professor of Biology,
with a salary of $1000.

Anita Thomas, Instructor in Spanish,
with a salary of $1000.

Mendel Silber, Assistant Professor, subject to assignment.
Salary to be adjusted when assignment is made.

Helena Egyptiades, Director Dept. Music, with a salary of $1000.

On motion the Board adjourned to meet during Commencement Week, 1912.

[Signature]