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A special meeting of the Board of Trustees was held Friday, April 25, 1958, at eight p.m., in the College Commons. Present Mr. V.J. Bouillon, Chairman, Dr. Clarence Nurmi, Dr. Roy Wahle, Mr. Herbert Legg, Dr. Robert E. McConnell, President, Mr. Kenneth Courson, Secretary. Others included Mr. Paul Bechtel, Dr. J. Wesley Crum, Dr. Martin Kaatz, Mr. Clifford Wolfsehr, Mrs. Sidnie Mundy, Dr. Roy Ruebel, Mr. Reino Randall, Mrs. Lenore Ransom, and Mr. Frazier of the Pacific Northwest Company. Mr. Bouillon suggested that since the minutes of the previous meeting had not yet been approved that they be passed to the next regular meeting of the Board. There was no objection.

Mr. Bouillon introduced Mr. J.G. Frazier, of the Pacific Northwest Company, who represented the underwriters handling previous bond issues of the College. Mr. Bouillon stated that he and President McConnell had met with representatives of the Pacific National Bank and the Pacific Northwest Company last Monday afternoon and had requested the Pacific Northwest Company to prepare a written proposal for consideration of the Board at tonight's meeting. Immediate action, he stated, was necessary in order to safeguard the preliminary approval of an application made by the College for HHFA funds. Mr. Frazier, in submitting the proposal of the Pacific Northwest Company and others, stated that the proposal would be for a refunding issue of approximately \$600,000.00. A copy of this proposal is attached to the minutes of this meeting. Mr. Legg questioned whether or not the outline of the Pacific Northwest Company as now presented differs from a proposal which was made at the Spokane Board meeting. Mr. Bouillon stated that the present proposal is different in that this proposal is a refunding program calling in the old bonds and issuing new bonds at a slightly higher rate of interest. There also is the problem of being unable to locate all outstanding bonds. The present proposal would be entirely legal since the proposed bonds are issued under a new bond resolution. Bond attorneys have stated that even though the new bonds are financed at a higher rate of interest the proposal would still be legal. He stated further that on approximately a \$600,000.00 issue the effective rate of interest would be 3.56 or approximately one-half percent over the present issue. Dr. Wahle asked regarding the Pacific Northwest proposal and its acceptance, and if accepted, when could action be accomplished. Mr. Frazier stated that if accepted tonight the Board of Trustees will have a firm deal which the Government would accept and the refinancing would then be an accomplished fact. Mr. Legg wondered whether or not the Board had any further obligation to the First Washington Corporation. Mr. Bouillon stated that the First Washington Corporation did not make a proposal along such lines as the Pacific Northwest Company has done. The First Washington proposal was based on a new issue which would become a third lien to the present bonds now outstanding at an interest rate of approximately five percent. President McConnell stated that the Pacific Northwest Company's proposal looked like a very good proposition and the proposal as submitted should be accepted or rejected by the Board now. Mr. Bouillon recommended acceptance of the proposal of the Pacific Northwest Company. Dr. Wahle questioned whether or not the proposal as made should be on a bid basis

or a negotiated basis. Mr. Bouillon stated that the plan is actually a renegotiation of an old contract which changes provisions of the former bond program. He suggested that the Attorney General be requested to look over the proposal before final acceptance. Mr. Frazier stated that this was a firm bid from his syndicate. The bid is presented for immediate acceptance on behalf of the syndicate and he has no authorization to extend the time. He suggested, however, that if the Board wished to accept the proposal subject to approval of the Attorney General that it would be satisfactory with him. It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Dr. Nurmi, that Mr. Bouillon's recommendation be accepted and that he be authorized to sign the agreement, dated April 25, 1958 between the Pacific Northwest Company and the Board of Trustees, on behalf of the Board, as presented for the purchase of bonds not to exceed \$600,000.00. Said proposal to be subject to the approval of the Attorney General as to form. The motion carried.

President McConnell presented a list of suggested salary adjustments which would become effective July 1, 1958, or if the faculty member is not employed during the summer session the salary to become effective upon his return to the faculty in the fall quarter. He indicated that the persons for whom salary adjustments are being made are those who are in the lower brackets. The change proposed would be considered a special increment and is not out of line with comparable positions within the rank. Mr. Legg asked whether or not the Faculty Council had considered the readjustments, and were the adjustments compatible with the Faculty Code. Dr. Kaatz read a section of the code dealing with special increments and found that the increments would not be in conflict with the code. It was moved by Dr. Wahle, seconded by Dr. Nurmi, that the suggested adjustments be adopted and that the following salaries become effective either July 1, 1958 or September 1, 1958, as the case may be:

	New Salary	Increment
Dudley	\$ 5,700	\$ 200
Irish	6,300	600
Hansen	4,400	200
Mathewson	5,800	100
Fuller	5,900	200
Bray	5,700	300
Wiberg - Assist. Prof.	5,400	100
Lundberg	6,363	400
Kaatz	6,381	400
Rodins	6,325	400
Uber	5,900	100
Flam	5,500	100
Dunnington	5,700	200
Smith	5,900	200
Kiser	6,000	202
Kohler	6,400	65
Woods	5,948	200
Johnson, M.	5,700	200
Wilson	5,700	200

The motion carried.

President McConnell then stated that the adjustments, with the exception of Wiberg, are in accordance with the provision of the code at the present time. In the case of Mr. Wiberg the promotion will be granted

contingent upon his completion of additional requirements.

Mr. Burkhard and Mr. Hargis were then called in to discuss the progress being made on the Campus Site Development. A copy of Mr. Burkhard's letter is attached to the minutes of this meeting. Mr. Burkhard stated that on account of the pass being closed until one-thirty p.m., beginning May 1, 1958, it might be well to postpone the bid opening until three-thirty p.m. in order to give those persons from Seattle ample time to arrive on the campus for the opening. Mr. Burkhard stated that most bids were sent by carrier and any delay, of course, would cause the bid to be thrown out. Dr. Wahle stated that it would be to our advantage to have as much bidding as possible. If there is any possibility of bids being delayed we should take steps to adjust the bid opening in order to encourage the bidders to come to Ellensburg. President McConnell expressed a word of caution on the delay of bid opening due to additional expense of advertising and so forth, feeling that it was the responsibility of the bidder to be aware of the pass being closed and should adjust the time accordingly. It was moved by Dr. Nurmi, seconded by Mr. Legg, that the time of bid opening be changed to five p.m. Tuesday, May 6, 1958. The motion carried.

Mr. Burkhard stated that if a list of architects is being considered for the purpose of preparing plans, specifications and so forth for the construction of dormitory building that he would like to be considered as an applicant. Mr. Burkhard stated that the campus development program has been under consideration for approximately a year. He presented copies of a campus map which had been developed as a starting point in planning for overall campus expansion. He stated that copies would be made available to all Board members.

Mr. Hargis spoke on the heating problems and wondered what is being done to keep the present lines in operation. He stated that the capacity of the present plant is limited and consideration should be given as to the use of the present plant in the building expansion program north of the tracks. He stated that continuity in engineering thinking would bring about much better results in campus planning. Mr. Legg asked to what extent the problem of campus expansion has been discussed with planning groups. Mr. Burkhard stated that much of the material which he presented has been discussed with the planning groups. There needs to be developed a positive program for carrying out this plan. Dr. Wahle stated that the Board's proposal was to open up all avenues of communications so that faculty, staff members, and students may be used to present their ideas on the development of the campus. We need coordinative function so far as architectural services are concerned. He stated that it behooves the Board to find an architect of competency who could work with the Board, faculty and committees. He stated that continuity could not be present without other advice and help. It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Dr. Wahle, that the Board express appreciation to Mr. Burkhard and to Mr. Hargis for the work that they had done in preparing the preliminary site program and to take the matter of further planning under advisement. The motion carried.

After some discussion it was moved by Dr. Nurmi, seconded by Mr. Bouillon, that Cowan and Paddock be employed as architects for preparing the plans and specifications on the student housing project. The motion carried. Mr. Legg, in voting "No," stated that he was not prepared to vote on selection of an architect at this time since the procedure of making recommendations to the Board for the employment of architect had

not been carried out. He further stated that other interested architects had not been considered for employment on the project.

The Site Development Building Committee report was discussed. Mr. Legg asked how the committee was selected. Dr. Crum stated that the Long Range Planning Committee made student selection after students had been recommended by personnel groups. It was moved by Dr. Wahle, seconded by Dr. Nurmi, that the recommendation of April 25, 1958 of the Site Development Building Committee be adopted with the following correction made on paragraph 5: "That a planning architect be employed when recommended by the committee and approved by the Administrative Council and the Board of Trustees." The motion carried.

It was moved by Dr. Wahle, seconded by Mr. Legg, that the Site Development and Building Committee bring the names of three architects for College planning to the Board and the conditions of employment to be negotiated. The motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Dr. Wahle, that the Site Development and Building Committee be authorized to select consultants for the purpose of obtaining estimate of costs on the construction of Library Building and a Classroom Building.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary