MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

President's Office

February 22nd, 1917.

ll o'clock A. M.

Present, President Kedzie, Messrs. Beaumont, Doherty, Waterbury, Wallace and Graham.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been in the hands of the members, were approved without reading.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, Mr. B. A. Knowles of Azalia, Michigan, was appointed Instructor and Superintendent of the Poultry plant at a salary of \$1200.00 per year beginning January 27th.

On motion of Mr. Waterbury, the resignation of Mr. W. N. Clark as Instructor in Animal Husbandry, to take effect March 10th, was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Beaumont, the communication from Mr. Martin F. Carmody in regard to payment for labor performed as inspector of grapes under supervision of Mr. Elsworth, was referred to Director Baldwin and Mr. Woodman with power to act.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the proposal of Mr. Hudson that he furnish an automobile to be used in connection with his work as Superintendent of the Farm, and that the College provide the gasoline and repairs, was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Beaumont, the request of Prof. Johnston that he be authorized to employ an additional instructor at a salary of \$1200.00 per year beginning September 1st, was granted.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, Mr. Lindemann was authorized to attend the meeting of the National Educational Association of America at Kansas City for the purpose of delivering an address on "The Michigan Plan for Conducting Home Gardens," with expenses paid.

On motion of Mr. Beaumont, the recommendation of Prof. Pettit that Mr. P. B. Wiltberger be appointed to the position formerly held by Mr. Woodin at a salary of \$1000.00 half to be paid from the Experiment Station and half from the College, was approved.

The President presented a communication from Prof. Ryder in regard to certain matters relating to the Summer School, which on motion of Mr. Doherty was referred to the President and Secretary with power to act.

The President presented communications from Mr. Sidney Boyce of Saginaw and Earle P. Robinson, County Agent for Saginaw County, in regard to the milk weed fibre investigation.

On motion of Mr. Wallace, the Secretary was directed to secure full information concerning the possibilities of this fibre from the manufacturer's standpoint, together with the opinion of the fibre expert in the federal department of agriculture, and to continue Mr. Boyce upon the College payroll including the month of January for which he has not been paid.

B.A.Knowles employed-Poultry Dept

W.N.Clark resigns.

In <u>re.pay</u>ment for labor to M.F.Carmody

Mr.Hudson to have automobile.

English
Dept.-Additional
instructor.

Lindemann to attend meeting.

P.B.Wiltberger employed.

Summer Schl matters.

In <u>re</u>.milk weed fibre investiga-tions.

Sec'y.to secure opinion of manufacturers.

The President presented a set of resolutions from the Berrien County Horticultural Society signed by President Jacob Friday and Secretary F. J. Thayer in reference to the department of markets.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the Secretary was directed to correspond with the authors of the above resolutions and make inquiry as to what information they have received in regard to this matter and from whom it wasobtained.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the salary of Miss Nellie Strudley was made \$800.00 per year beginning February 1st, and the salary of Miss Mary Cherry \$600.00 from the same date.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, Mr. C. L. Brewer was elected Director of Physical Training at a salary of \$4500.00 per year beginning September 1st, 1917.

On motion of Mr. Wallace, the fee for Physiology 2 c was made \$1.00.

Upon the President's calling attention to the serious illness of Sergeant Cross, the following resolution was on motion of Mr. Beaumont, adopted:

RESOLVED, That we have learned with great regret of the severe sickness of Sergeant Patrick J. Cross whose efficient service in the Military Department is much appreciated, and offer him our fullest sympathy, with the hope that he may soon be restored to full and vigorous nealth.

On motion of Mr. Beaumont, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, The necessity for national defense and preparedness looms up before our people as it has not done since the days of the Civil War, and

Whereas, In daily anticipation of the necessity of an appeal to arms for the protection of our national rights, the President and the Congress are seeking in every way possible to strengthen our defenses and to put the military arm of the Government in condition for efficient service, therefore Be it

RESOLVED, That Michigan Agricultural College, inspired from its earliest years with a profound sense of patriotism and responsibility for the national welfare, and with a full appreciation of the gravity of the present situation, freely offers to the Government of the United States all of its facilities for military training, all of its efforts to promote a high sense of patriotism among its students, and the assurance that its thousands of young alumni and undergraduates who have here received military training, will be found waiting the call of the President.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the request of Prof. Eustace for permission to attend a Horticultural conference in Chicago with expenses paid, was approved attend

The Secretary presented a letter from Mr. Watkins making application for the purchase of a strip of land 66 ft. wide intersecting certain lands described as follows and belonging to the Agricultural College.

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On motion of Mr. Doherty, the Public Domain Commission was authorized to sell such a right of way across the above described lands to the Eastern Michigan Power Company upon the same terms as the sale made to this company and reported by Mr. Carton, Secretary of the Public Domain Commission, under date of April 28th, 1916.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the Secretary was authorized to employ a competent bookkeeper to succeed Miss Maxwell at a salary not to exceed \$1000.00 per annum.

Berrien Co. Hort.Boc. criticises Dept.of Markets.

Strudley & Cherry increase in salary.

C.L.Brewer employed.

\$1.00 fee for Physiology 2c

Resolution concerning Sergt. Cross.

Resolution offering facalities of M.A.C. to Govt.

Eustace to meeting.

Eastern Mich.Power Co asks to purchase land.

Mr.Carton authorized to make such sale.

President

Emeritus Snyder re-

signs.

The Secretary presented the following letter from President Emeritus

Snyder:

Feb. 22, 1917.

To the Honorable State Board of Agriculture,

Gentlemen:-

When I accepted the position of President Emeritus it was with the understanding on your part as well as my own that I would actively serve the College and thereby earn the salary attached to the position. While I have performed various functions and cooperated in many efforts, there has not opened up that broad field for constructive work which we both had in mind at the time. I feel, therefore, in honor bound to tender you my resignation which I do herewith.

Thanking you for the many courtesies which you have shown me, I am,

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. L. Snyder.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, President Emeritus Snyder has presented his resignation upon the ground that contrary to his expectation no opportunity for the employment of his services has developed, commensurate with the salary established by the Board at the time the position was created and

Whereas, It seems eminently fitting that one who has for so many years been intimately connected with the educational affairs of the state and nation, should retain his official connection in this field, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the resignation be not accepted but that the salary for the reason cited be discontinued.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the name "Kedzie Chemical Building" as fixed by the Board at its last meeting for the chemical laboratory, was changed to the "Kedzie Chemical Laboratory."

On motion of Mr. Waterbury, the President was authorized in his discretion, to permit Mr. McBride to attend a series of conferences that may be called looking to the establishment of a National Chamber of Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the expense accounts of the Board Members were approved.

On motion djourned.

Secretary.

Resignation not accepted but salary discontinued.

Kedzie Laboratory name given Cham'l.Bldg.

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