

## **Centre College Board of Trustees - 1904**

**Lexington, Ky., February 11, 1904**

The Board of Trustees of Central University met pursuant to call. There were present: Drs. Barbour, Smith, Thompson, Warren, Blanton, Blayney, Glass, Rout, Condit, Sweets and Messrs. Welsh, Alexander, Threlkeld, Humphrey, Quisenberry, Barret and Yerkes. The following qualified by taking the required oath, viz., Rev. John Barbour, D.D., Dr. A. J. Alexander, G. W. Welsh, J. R. Barret, and John W. Yerkes.

The committee appointed by the Executive Committee made report recommending the name of Rev. William L. McEwan, D.D., of Pittsburgh for president of the University. On motion, the election was taken by ballot, resulting in the unanimous election of Rev. William L. McEwan, D.D.

On motion, Drs. Blayney, Blanton, and Hon. John W. Yerkes were appointed a committee to press on Dr. McEwan the acceptance of the position to which he had been elected.

On motion, the report asked for by the Education Commission of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. was referred to the chairman of the Executive Committee.

On motion, the efforts of Dr. Blanton to reach Mr. Andrew Carnegie were approved. An amount not exceeding \$50 was appropriated for a display at the World's Fair at St. Louis.

On motion, it was ordered that the annual meeting of the Board be held on the first Thursday of March, provided Dr. McEwan decided to meet the Board on a visit to Danville at that time.

The thanks of the Board were extended to Mr. and Mrs. William L. Threlkeld for their generous hospitality in entertaining the Board.

Board adjourned.

*John A. Cheek, Secretary, Gelon H. Rout, President*

**Danville, Ky., April 7, 1904**

The Board of Trustees of Central University met in the Y.M.C.A. room, Centre College, Danville, Ky., at 12 noon. In the absence of the president, Dr. Gelon H. Rout, Rev. J. McClusky Blayney, D.D., was elected president pro tempore. There were present: Drs. Blayney, Blanton, Hunter, Beattie, Glass, Warren, Condit, Thompson, Sweets, Messrs. Threlkeld, Fox, Bullitt, Quisenberry, Welsh, and Simpson.

As a vacancy in the Board existed by reason of the death of Dr. William C. Roberts, the members of the Synod of Kentucky U.S.A. presented the name of John A. Cheek to fill the vacancy. Mr. J. A. Cheek was unanimously elected to fill the office of Trustee.

Vice President Dr. Lindsay H. Blanton called the attention of the Board to an agreement between Dr. William C. Young and Mr. Thomas Lindsay Blayney that Mr. Blayney, after graduation at Centre College, had gone to Europe to prepare himself for the chair of Modern Languages in Centre college. The agreement was ratified by Dr. Roberts when president. Mr. Blayney is now ready to return to America, and the Board was asked to consider the name of Mr. Blayney as instructor in the chair named. It was moved and carried to refer the whole question to the Executive Committee.

Messrs. John A. Simpson and John A. Cheek having taken the oath of office before a notary public for Boyle County, Ky., were enrolled as members of the Board.

The question of electing a president was taken under consideration. Dr. Blayney, the chairman of the committee to nominate a president, made a statement of what had been done since Dr. McEwan declined. Endorsements of Rev. Frederick W. Hinitt, D.D., Ph.D., were read. Dr. Lindsay H. Blanton made a report of a visit to Fairfield, Iowa, and the result of a conference with Dr. Hinitt.

On a ballot vote Dr. Frederick W. Hinitt was unanimously elected president of Central University at a salary of \$3,000 per annum, and the use of the president's house and grounds attached. On motion, Dr. Blayney was instructed to telegraph at once to Dr. Hinitt the announcement of his election.

After recess for luncheon, business was resumed. Dr. Blanton asked for instruction about retaining the services of Prof. Edward Saxon as Instructor in Oratory. It was referred to a special committee consisting of Dr. Blanton and Dr. John C. Fales to confer with Prof. Saxon and Caldwell College, and if possible retain Mr. Saxon at a salary of not exceeding \$1,000.

Drs. Hunter and Warren were excused from further attendance.

A note of Mr. Daniel Bedinger with accumulated interest was ordered to be collected by the Executive Committee.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Mrs. John C. Fales and Mrs. John A. Cheek for the lunch served today .

A vote of approval for the diligence and success of the committee to nominate a president was passed.

Securing an instructor for the Gymnasium [*Old Boyle-Humphrey Gymnasium*] and associated work was referred to Dr. Blanton, Dean Fales, and Prof. Gordon at a salary not to exceed \$750.

The acting chairman was instructed to convey to Dr. Gelon H. Rout, president, the sympathy of the Board in view of his present illness.

Board adjourned and was closed with prayer.

*John A. Cheek, Secretary*

#### **Danville, Ky., April 25, 1904**

The Executive Committee of Central University met at the Citizens National Bank, Danville, Ky. Present: Drs. Blayney, Beattie, Blanton, Smith, Hunter, Messrs. Fox, Quisenberry, Welsh.

On motion, the local members of this committee were appointed as a subcommittee with power to act in the matter of changing the date of Commencement.

On motion, Dr. Thomas Lindsay Blayney was elected as Instructor in Modern Languages for one year, 1904-05, at a salary of \$1,000.

On motion, the Treasurer was directed to pay to the estate of William C. Roberts \$250 as the balance of the salary due to W. C. Roberts to January 1, 1904.

The Secretary was authorized to fill out the blank for the College Endowment commission, binding this Board for not exceeding \$500.

In the claim of Henry M. Edmonds [*instructor in physical culture*] for additional salary, the Secretary was authorized to show Dr. Roberts recommendations and the action of the Board. The Treasurer was authorized to pay the expenses of Drs. Blanton and Blayney while acting as a nominating committee.

On motion, Dr. Blanton was requested to get an estimate of the total expenses of making a display at the World's Fair at St. Louis.

Dr. Dunlap's bill, \$50 in small pox care, was ordered paid.

Committee adjourned.

*John A. Cheek, Secretary*

### **Danville, Ky., June 6, 1904**

Board of Trustees of Central University of Kentucky met in Second Presbyterian Church, Danville, Ky., and was opened with prayer. There were present: Drs. J. McClusky Blayney, Harvey Glass, William C. Condit, Lindsay H. Blanton, Charles T. Thompson, Messrs. William L. Threlkeld, Rev. David M. Sweets, Charles C. Fox, John W. Yerkes, Henry C. Read, Dr. A. J. A. Alexander, John A. Simpson, and John A. Cheek. On motion, Dr. J. McClusky Blayney was elected president pro tempore of the Board.

A communication about certain lands in Florida was referred to a committee consisting of Messrs. Yerkes and Fox to report at this meeting of the Board.

On motion, Dr. Blayney was authorized to sign the diplomas of the present year and the previous year, as president of the Board.

The Board took recess until Tuesday at 8:30 a.m.

The Board met in same place on Tuesday, June 7th 1904, at 8:30 a.m. and was opened with prayer. There were present all the members enrolled last evening, and in addition Drs. Edward W. Warren, Francis R. Beattie, J. Kinsey Smith, Messrs. James R. Barret, George W. Welsh, Thomas W. Bullitt, and Robert T. Quisenberry.

At request of the secretary, Dr. Charles T. Thompson was appointed to assist the Secretary in keeping the minutes of this meeting. The minutes of the previous meetings of the Board and of the Executive Committee were read and approved.

The secretary reported that the names of the committees on Finance and Morals and Discipline had been lost or misplaced before the minutes were recorded. On motion, the Committee on Finance was constituted as follows: Edward W. C. Humphrey, Charles C. Fox, Robert T. Quisenberry, and George W. Welsh; and the president pro tempore was authorized to appoint the committee on Morals and Discipline which was done as follows: Drs. Francis R. Beattie, William C. Condit, and Dr. A. J. A. Alexander.

A committee consisting of Messrs. John A. Cheek, Dr. Francis R. Beattie, and Hon. John W. Yerkes were appointed to arrange a docket for the business of the Board.

The Treasurer's report was read and received and ordered entered on the statement book of the Board. A special committee consisting of Dr. Francis R. Beattie, John A. Simpson, James R. Barret, and George W. Welsh was appointed to consider the Treasurer's report and make report at this meeting of the Board on any items requiring attention.

The report of Dean John C. Fales was received and considered. The recommendations of the Faculty of Centre College to confer the degrees of B.A., B.S., M.A., and M.S. was adopted and degrees conferred as follows.

Bachelor of Arts

Harvey Park Barrett  
Francis Powell Cheek  
John McElroy Cochran  
Benjamin Franklin Ewing  
Edmont Pendleton Lane  
Carl Theodore Michel

Joseph Davidson Harkins  
William Harry Higgins  
John Calvin Hopkins  
Edwin Kagin  
Mark Mitchell  
John West Powell  
William Frank Wyatt

Bachelor of Science

John Robert Anderson  
Harry Brown  
Sanders Eaves Clay  
Gustavus D. Crain  
Paul Doneghy  
Milton Jameson Durham  
Joseph Crittenden Finnell  
James Robert Ginn

Edwin Lee Gowdy  
Herbert Green  
Thomas Jackson  
Ernest Given Howe  
Thomas Albright Stewart  
George William Tarkington  
David Butler Thurman  
George Foley Wycoff

Master of Arts

Andrew Whitley Bright  
Alfred Alcorn Higgins  
John Rockwell Smith

Danville, Ky.  
Stanford, Ky.  
Henderson, Ky.

Master of Science

Edward Bedell Snyder

Charleston, West Virginia

Report of Dean Throckmorton of the College of Law was read and referred to a special committee consisting of Messrs. Charles C. Fox, Robert T. Quisenberry, and Hon. John W. Yerkes.

On recommendation of Faculty of College of Law the degree of Bachelor of Laws was conferred on:

William Wiley Craft  
Edward Courtney Davis  
Clarence Evans  
Robert Riddell Friend  
Steuben Godbey  
Herbert Livesey King  
Clyde Roland Levi

Frank Amos Lyon, Jr.  
Clarence Miller  
George Duncan Milliken  
Louis Pechanick Pink  
Charles Beard Schoolfield  
George Foley Wycoff

The report of the librarian was read and considered and the card case requested granted.

The reports of the professors of geology and biology, of chemistry, physics, English, history were each read and received, and referred to the Executive Committee. Report of the professor of philosophy was received, read and filed. The reports of the professors of mathematics, modern languages, Latin, Greek, and the instructor in oratory were each read, received, and referred to the Executive Committee.

A communication from Mr. D. Douglass Flattery read and on motion placed on the table.

Rev. John Barbour, D.D., appeared and was enrolled as a member of the Board.

Vice President Rev. Lindsay H. Blanton read his report which was received and considered.

Board took recess until 2 o'clock p.m., when the Board was to meet in the Y.M.C.A. room at the College Gymnasium.

At 2 o'clock p.m. the Board met in the gym, and the consideration of the Vice President's report was continued. The recommendations were referred to the Executive Committee.

On motion, Mr. John W. Barr, Jr. of Louisville, Ky., was appointed to act as alternate of Edward W. C. Humphrey in his absence in cutting coupons from bonds in the vault of the Fidelity Trust Co. of Louisville, Ky.

The memorial of President William C. Roberts was read and adopted, which was as follows:

William Charles Roberts, the late lamented president of the University, was born in Aberystwyth, Wales, September 23, 1832, being the son of Charles Cross Roberts. He came to this country when a young man, entered Princeton University and graduated with distinction in 1855. He at once entered Princeton Theological Seminary and graduated thence in 1858. He entered immediately upon the work of the ministry, and held important Pastorates as follows: First Church, Wilmington, Delaware, 1858-1862; First Church, Columbus, Ohio, 1862-1864; Elizabeth, N. J., 1864-1882. From the year 1882 till his death in 1903 he occupied important executive positions in the service of the church. He was Secretary of the Board of Home Missions from 1882 till 1886. He was called to the presidency of Lake Forest University in 1886 and remained in this position till 1892 when he was made Senior Secretary of the Board of Home Missions which position he retained till 1898. He was honored with the Moderatorship of the General Assembly in 1889 and was chairman of the Revision Committee 1890-1892. He was also a member of the General Councils of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches in 1877, 1884, 1896 and for twenty years was a trustee of Princeton University.

In the year 1898 Dr. Roberts was called to the presidency of Centre College, Danville, Ky., in which important position he rendered his final service to the church and Christian education. In 1901 he took a leading, prudent, and helpful part in the deliberations which resulted in the consolidation of the educational institutions of the two Synods of Kentucky [*Centre College and Central University*]. He was deeply devoted to the welfare of the institution of which he was head, and he had plans for the extension of its work and influence, which he was not spared to mature. For about a year before his death he began to fail, and he gradually declined till the end came rather suddenly on November 28, 1903.

In addition to his work as pastor, Executive Officer of the Home Mission Board, and as an educationist he was the author of several useful books. The chief of these are: *The Great Preachers of Wales*, *Translations of the Shorter Catechism into Welsh*, and *New Testament Conversions*. In 1858 he married Mary Louise Fuller of Trenton, N. J., who proved a noble help-mate to him, and who now survives to mourn his loss.

Your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. That the Board of Trustees expresses its appreciation of the long and faithful and fruitful service which Dr. Roberts rendered to the church at large, and it places on record its testimony to the conscientious and useful work which he did as president first of Centre College and afterwards of Central University, and it further gives an expression to the sense of loss which the Church and this institution have sustained by his decease.
2. That this memorial be inscribed upon the minutes of the proceedings of the Board, and that a copy of the same be sent to the family of the late Dr. Roberts, together with an expression of the sincere sympathy of the Board with them in their affection and loss, and the prayer that the divine consolation may be given them.

The ad interim committee on rules and regulations of the College of Law made a report. Pending the discussions, a reconsideration of the action about Dean Throckmorton's report this morning was taken. The report of the Dean and the ad interim committee were referred to the Executive Committee for further action.

The Treasurer announced that Mrs. Roswell Miller had notified him of her withdrawal of the Miller Prizes. Hon. John W. Yerkes then authorized the prize to be offered next year, and agreed to raise the \$150 to pay same.

Dr. Smith and Mr. Threlkeld and Rev. M. Sweets were excused from further attendance on this meeting.

The committee to whom were referred a communication about certain Florida lands reported recommending that the deeds requested be referred to the commissioners of the Kentucky School for the Deaf, Danville, Ky., for approval, with the understanding that Central University will sign said deeds if requested by said commissioners.

The contract between the faculty of the Hospital College of Medicine, Louisville, Ky., and Central University of Kentucky for a twenty years lease and sale of certain real estate in Louisville, Ky., used by said Hospital College was read, and on motion was approved, and Gelon H. Rout, president of this Board, was authorized to sign same on behalf of Central University of Kentucky.

Following is a copy of said agreement.

This agreement made and entered into this 1st day of December 1903, by and between Central University of Kentucky (hereinafter designated as Central University) party of the first part, and P. Richard Taylor, H. Horace Grant, Frank C. Wilson, Theo Hunt Stucky, L. S. McMurtry, S. G. Dabney, Philip F. Barbour, Edward Speidel, John Edwin Hays, G. A. Hendon, their associates and successors as herein provided for, parties of the second part, Witnesseth

In consideration of the mutual covenants and undertakings of the parties hereto, as herein expressed, it is agreed between them as follows, to wit:

I. Central University hereby leases to the parties of the second part, for a term of twenty years beginning December 1, 1903, and terminating December 1, 1923, that certain tract or parcel of land in the City of Louisville, County of Jefferson, State of Kentucky, with the buildings and improvements hereon bounded and described as follows, to wit: "Fronting sixty feet on the south side of Chestnut Street between Floyd and Preston Streets extending southwardly between parallel lines of equal width throughout 200 feet to an alley, the west line thereof being feet from Floyd Street, being the same property upon which the Hospital College of Medicine now stands", and covenants to keep the second parties in said term of said premises during said term of twenty years. Said premises are to be used as a college of medicine as hereinafter described and not otherwise.

II. The second parties agree to pay to Central University as rent for said premises, during each year of said term, the sum of \$1,107.50 payable semi-annually in equal installments on the first days of June and December each year. Each of said installments is represented by a promissory note for \$553.75 bearing even date herewith payable to the order of Central University and payable and negotiable at the Union National Bank of Louisville, Kentucky, and signed in the name of the Hospital College of Medicine by H. H. Grant, Treasurer, it being agreed by the second parties, that each of said notes, signed in the form aforesaid, is the act and the joint and several promissory note of the second parties and is to have the same effect as if signed by said several second parties. Said notes are numbered serially from one to forty and are payable two in each year for twenty successive years after December 1, 1903, the first two notes being payable on the first days of June 1904 and December 1904 respectively, and the last two notes being payable on the first days of June 1923 and December 1923 respectively. It is believed by both parties that the said leased premises are under the constitution and laws of Kentucky exempt from tax action. If however, said premises shall hereinafter become, or if it shall be hereafter held that same, during the whole or any part of said term are subject to taxation for state, county or leity purposes, the second parties agree to pay the same and will indemnify and hold harmless Central University against taxes.

III. The second parties shall be at liberty from time to time during the term of this lease, to alter or rearrange the buildings now upon the property, or to add to or erect new or additional buildings on the premises all at their own expense, but not in such manner as to impair or lessen the value of the buildings as they now stand.

IV. The second parties shall at their own expense keep the present improvements and any improvements hereafter made upon the premises in good repair, and insured against destruction by fire or wind in solvent companies for a sum of not less than \$20,000. If they should fail to do so, Central University may at the expense of the second parties take out such insurance and make repairs.

V. Central University agrees that at the expiration of said term of twenty years, it will sell to the second parties and the second parties agree that they will at said time purchase from Central University the premises herein above mentioned at the price of \$22,150 cash in hand to be then paid, provided however that if at any time during said term of 20 years the leased premises shall become or shall by proper courts be held subject to state, county and leity taxation or either, then and in that event there shall be deducted from said sale price of \$22,150 the sum of \$100 per annum for the entire period during which the premises as aforesaid have been subject to taxation.

VI. The second parties now constitute the faculty of Central University in the medical department thereof, which is established on said premises, subject to the terms and provisions hereinafter mentioned, Central University agrees to continue said department and to continue the second parties as the faculty thereof during the term of this lease, and the second parties agree earnestly and faithfully to conduct the same in such manner as to maintain for said department a high and honorable standing as compared to the other medical schools of the country.

VII. Central University will confer all proper and usual medical degrees upon the recommendation of the faculty.

VIII. If either of the second parties shall die, or shall resign as a member of the faculty, or by reason of ill health or other cause shall be disabled from performing his duties as a professor or teacher in said medical department, his obligations and his rights and privileges under this agreement shall thereupon cease. His successor, when recommended by a majority of the remaining members of the faculty, will be appointed by Central University to fill the vacancy, provided however,

1. That the appointee shall be a man of good moral character and of reasonably fair attainments in the medical profession.
2. That he shall sign this agreement and assume all obligations of his predecessor.

The members of the faculty as constituted from time to time, pursuant to this agreement shall constitute the second parties hereto, and shall be bound by same in all its terms, as if it had been originally executed and delivered by said then existing members of the faculty.

IX. The income derived from tuition and other fees paid by students in the said medical department of Central University shall be collected and received by the second parties as agents for Central University, and distributed among them as their compensation for services as professors or otherwise in said medical department in proportions according to agreement among themselves; provided however that all rentals, repairs, insurance and other obligations imposed hereby upon the second parties in behalf of Central University shall be paid in full before any such apportionment or distribution of said funds shall be made to or among the second parties. The funds so collected, received and distributed shall be the entire compensation to be paid by Central University to the second parties for their services to the University and Central University shall be under no obligation to pay them any other or further compensation nor shall Central University become liable at anytime for any expenses of conducting the Institution.

X. If the second parties shall at any time fail to or refuse to pay the rentals or perform the duties and obligations herein undertaken by them for a period of six months, Central University shall have the option at any time thereafter to terminate this contract. Thereupon the rights and obligations of both parties hereunder shall cease and determine, as of the date

of such termination. obligations previously incurred there under shall not be affected thereby.

XI. If at any time any member of the faculty shall become so far obnoxious to the other members thereof, that his resignation shall be requested by two-thirds of the faculty, such member shall resign, or shall be removed from his professorship by Central University, and thereupon the vacancy shall be filled in manner and form as hereinbefore provided with reference to death and resignation. Thereupon the obligations of such retiring member and all his rights under this agreement in so far as Central University is concerned shall cease and terminate. Any rights which he may have as between himself and the second parties hereto shall depend upon and be determined by agreement between themselves.

XII. The second parties or some of them are bound upon certain obligations secured by the following mortgage on what is known as the Gray Street Infirmary, viz.

A mortgage bearing date September 28, 1900, recorded in the Jefferson County Court Clerk's office in deed book 545, page 24, securing bonds of the par value of \$10,000.

The parties of the second part bind themselves to cause said mortgage debt to be paid off at the rate of \$1,000 per annum, and to cause said entire mortgage debt to be paid off within nine years from this date. After the expiration of said period of nine years and whenever said mortgage shall have been paid off or released, if so paid off or released before the expiration of said period, the second parties shall begin and during each year thereafter shall pay to the Fidelity Trust Company as Trustee the sum of \$1,000 to be held as a sinking fund to secure to Central University the payment at the end of twenty years from this date of the purchase price of \$22,150 above mentioned. The Trust Company, shall as nearly as practicable, keep said fund invested in good interest bearing securities to be approved by the second parties.

In lieu of said \$1,000 per year cash the second parties may deposit in said Trust Company good solvent mortgage bond or bonds to be approved by Central University. In either event the second parties, being owners of the fund, shall be entitled to receive the income there from. The deposit of money or bonds as herein provided for shall be on the first day of December in each year.

Securities in the hand of the Trust Company may at any time be sold by it and reinvested with the consent of Central University and the Treasurer of the second parties.

Witness the corporate name and seal of Central University, and the names of the several second parties, this the day and year first above written.

Central University  
of Kentucky  
by G. H. Rout, President  
Board of Trustees

P. Richard Taylor, Dean  
H. Horace Grant, Treasurer  
Frank C. Wilson  
Theo Hunt Stucky  
L. S. McMurtry  
S. G. Dabney  
Philip F. Barbour  
Edward Speidel  
John Edwin Hays  
G. A. Herndon

Hon. Thomas W. Bullitt was excused from further attendance on this meeting of the Board.

The request of President Hinitt elect for an office in the College buildings was referred to the Committee on Buildings and Grounds, with directions to carry out his request. On motion it was ordered that the salary of President Hinitt begin July 1, 1904, and the action of the treasurer in paying him \$50 for preaching the Baccalaureate sermon was approved.



A committee consisting of Doctors Blayney, Blanton, Warren, and Thompson were appointed to arrange for the inauguration of President Hinitt, with the purpose of having both Synods of Kentucky invited to attend the inauguration to be held in Danville.

The request of President Hinitt for a stenographer was referred to the Executive Committee.

A recess was taken until 8 o'clock p.m., the meeting to be held in the Second Presbyterian Church. At the appointed time and place the Board resumed its session.

The ad interim committee on the affiliated schools and their relations to the University reported progress, and asked to be continued for another year, which was granted.

The S. P. Lees Institute at Jackson, Ky., one of the affiliated schools, was recommended for aid to the College Board of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. and to the General Assembly's committee of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church in U.S. for the amount of \$750 in each case to be used in its support next year.

The special committee appointed at this meeting to consider and report on the Treasurer's report made the following report which was adopted:

The special committee to whom was referred the treasurer's report for consideration beg to report,

1. We would, first of all, commend the care and diligence of the Treasurer and the Finance Committee in their handling of the funds of the institution, and we would express satisfaction with the clear and detailed financial statement of the Treasurer, which has been placed in our hands. And we would recommend that the Treasurer and Finance Committee exercise care that all interest on unpaid subscriptions to the funds of the Institution be regularly collected.
2. We have examined the several items of expenditures for the current year, and would call attention to the following items in regard to which there might be some reduction. (a) The bonus to the *Central News* and the *Cento* we think should not exceed \$150 a year, (b) The sum of \$630 for canvassing for students we think might be curtailed, (c) The sum of \$1,020 for three janitors seems to us rather more than is really necessary.
3. We recommend that the Board and Executive Committee exercise as great economy as is consistent with efficiency in all appropriations for the next year. In particular, we would suggest (a) that there be no increase in salary list for this year; (b) that in making appropriations for assistants and appliances in the several departments, the utmost economy be exercised; and (c) that in general every proper effort be made to keep the expenditures as nearly as possible within the income.
4. We would recommend that steps be taken to get rid of the deficits of the last two years. With this end in view we recommend that the Executive Committee be instructed to devise some plan whereby this deficit may be extinguished by special subscriptions. And we would further recommend that the Executive Committee be directed to formulate, and carry into effect some plan whereby suitable equipment may be provided for the scientific department, without drawing upon the regular funds of the Institution for this purpose.

Prof. Frank H. Chase was elected Instructor in English for another year at a salary of \$1,400, the Board however reserving the right to terminate his services at any time during the year, if in the judgment of the Executive, Prof. Chase fails to properly control the students in his classroom. The secretary is instructed to furnish a copy of this action of the Board to Prof. Chase, and secure his acceptance of this condition.

Mr. John A. Cheek resigned his position as a trustee, which was accepted.

A recess was taken after which the members of the Board of Trustees which had been elected by the Synod of Kentucky (U.S.A.) presented the name of Dr. Frederick W. Hinitt for the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. John A. Cheek, and by unanimous action of the Board Dr. F. W. Hinitt was elected a trustee.

Board took recess until 8:45 o'clock a.m. next morning. Board met in Second Presbyterian Church at 8:45 a.m.

The minutes were read and approved for record. The Treasurer was instructed to present to Dr. John C. Fales \$100 for his faithful and efficient services as Dean of the Faculty during the vacancy in presidency. The Treasurer was directed to pay Mr. Henry M. Edwards [*instructor in physical culture*] for apparatus bought by him and left at the gymnasium.

After prayer the Board on motion adjourned.

*John A. Cheek, Secretary, Gelon H. Rout, President*

#### **Danville, Ky., June 8, 1904**

The Executive Committee of Central University met in the Second Presbyterian Church. Present: J. McCluskey Blayney, Francis R. Beattie, Lindsay H. Blanton, Charles C. Fox, and George W. Welsh.

Mr. Henry Jackson and William J. Price were elected professors in the College of Law for one year at a salary in each case of \$50 per month for the time required to give instruction in the subjects, as assigned to each by the Dean of the College of Law.

Committee adjourned.

*John A. Cheek, Secretary*

#### **Danville, Ky., August 3, 1904**

The Executive Committee of Central University met at the Citizens National Bank. Present: J. McCluskey Blayney, Francis R. Beattie, Lindsay H. Blanton, John G. Hunter, George W. Welsh, Frederick W. Hinitt.

Report of the professor of geology was laid over for future action. Report of the professor of chemistry was considered, and an assistant allowed at salary not to exceed \$100 for the year. Report of the professor of physics was considered, and an assistant allowed at not exceeding \$100. Report of professor of English was considered, and an assistant and curator of the reading room allowed at a salary not exceeding \$125. Report of professor of history was considered, and the sum of not exceeding \$25 for new books in American history was allowed. Report of Prof. Alfred B. Nelson [*professor of mathematics*] was considered, and cost of 10 additional desks was allowed.

Recommendations in Vice President's report were approved as follows.,

1. Philip B. Moss of Fort Smith, Arkansas, was appointed to take charge of the College Home for the next year.
2. That a committee of five members of the Board of Trustees be appointed to take into consideration the whole question of College fees, and report to the next regular meeting of the Trustees.
3. That a committee of three members of the Board, of which President Hinitt shall be one, and chairman be appointed to inquire into the necessity or propriety of enlarging and better supplying the Danville Academy.

Mr. Waller C. Hudson was employed to take charge of the Gymnasium for the coming year at a salary of \$200 and his tuition and contingent fee, with the free use of a room in the Gymnasium [*Old Humphrey-Boyle Gymnasium*].

On motion, duly carried, it was decided to be the sense of this committee that the department of Dr. John C. Fales [*professor of geology and biology*] should receive consideration at the hands of the Board next in order.

Committee adjourned.

*John A. Cheek, Secretary*