

## Centre College Board of Trustees Minutes - 1905

**Danville, Ky., January 16, 1905**

The Executive Committee of Central University met at the office of President Hinitt. Present: J. McCluskey Blayney, Francis R. Beattie, Lindsay H. Blanton, Frederick W. Hinitt, and George W. Welsh.

President Hinitt presented a list of three courses of study for Centre College, marked Course "A" Classical, Course "B" Modern Language, and Course "C" Scientific. These three courses, as found on following page of this record, were adopted and approved, and the entrance requirements therein named were made effective in September 1906; and this committee recommended to the Board of Trustees that one degree of Bachelor of Arts be given for all three courses.

Judge A. P. Humphrey of Louisville, Ky., was requested to take the place of Hon. William C. P. Breckinridge, deceased, on the committee to look after the litigation in the Madison Circuit Court and in the Court of Appeals of Kentucky growing out of the consolidation of the two institutions.

Dr. Lindsay H. Blanton explained to the committee an exchange of streets at Jackson, Ky., which was desirable, which was approved, and 120 feet running with this street was sold to [blank space] for [blank space] dollars, and the deed ordered made, the proceeds of the sale to be applied on the debt of the S. P. Lees Institute.

Miss Kate Hinitt was employed as stenographer and typewriter in the President's office at a salary of \$300 for the year beginning September 1, 1904.

The resignation of Prof. Frank H. Chase [professor of English] was accepted as well as his proposition about compensation, and the Treasurer was instructed to make payments as stipulated to carry out same.

President Hinitt was authorized to make arrangements for instruction in English for the balance of the College year.

Committee adjourned.

*John A. Cheek, Secretary*

[See [http://www.centre.edu/web/library/sc/digital/pdf/bt\\_1905a.pdf](http://www.centre.edu/web/library/sc/digital/pdf/bt_1905a.pdf) for course requirements as attached to this page in the volume of minutes]

**Louisville, Ky., March 31, 1905**

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees of Central University of Kentucky was held in the parlor of the Galt House. Those present at the hour named in the call took recess until 4 o'clock p.m. to meet in same place. At 4 o'clock p.m. the Board met with Francis R. Beattie, Charles T. Thompson, Edward L. Warren, Lindsay H. Blanton, J. McCluskey Blayney, Frederick W. Hinitt, John Barbour, David M. Sweets, Thomas W. Bullitt, William L. Threlkeld, Edward W. C. Humphrey, Charles C. Fox, A. J. A. Alexander, and George W. Welsh, present. The oath of office was administered to Drs. Beattie, Warren, Hinitt, Messrs. Bullitt and Threlkeld and Dr. Thompson, by Zella M. Hulse a notary public for Jefferson County, Kentucky.

The report of President Hinitt was received and read. The offer of Mr. Andrew Carnegie to give \$30,000 for a library, on condition an additional \$30,000 was raised for its endowment, was read and on motion of President Hinitt it was accepted. A special committee, consisting of President Hinitt, Messrs. Welsh, Alexander, and Bullitt,

was appointed to report a plan for raising the required amount, which committee was to report to an adjourned meeting of the Board to be held the next morning.

A copy of a letter from Mr. Anthony Dey to Dr. John W. Scott of Lexington was read to the Board, indicating his desire to assign his right of nominating in scholarship heretofore given by him to Centre College to the Second Presbyterian Church of Lexington, Ky. The Board granted the request of Mr. Dey subject to the restrictions under which these and other scholarships given to Centre College at that time was created.

The recommendation of President Hinitt that the degree of B.A. be granted for all three courses, adopted by the Executive Committee at its meeting January 16, 1905, was approved and adopted by the Board.

In view of the condition of the finances of the College, the Board did not see its way clear to continue the employment of Prof. Edward Saxon in Oratory, but expressed its appreciation of the qualifications of Prof. Saxon and the work done by him in this department.

Mr. Thomas Lindsay Blayney was continued as Instructor in Modern Languages for the year 1905-06 at a salary of \$1,600 per annum.

President Hinitt was authorized to expend as much as \$500 to secure proper assistant in the athletic department for the coming year.

Board took recess until 9:30 a.m. Board met in Parlor of the Galt House.

Special committee on plan to raise money to secure the Carnegie library reported through Mr. Thomas W. Bullitt that the whole matter should be put in the hands of President Hinitt, with authority to appoint subcommittees in Danville and elsewhere.

President Hinitt gave notice of changes in the bylaws to be acted on at the regular meeting of the Board in June as follows.

1. That chapter six, section five, be amended by striking out the words: "This signature will entitle him to all the privileges of a college student, and no one who is not matriculated is entitled to them."
2. That chapter nine, section two, be amended by the addition of the words, in third line after the word deposit, "of one dollar." In line four, to strike out the words, "in September and January" and in their place the following words, "at the opening of each term."
3. In chapter twelve, section one, strike out the words: "one half of the tuition and contingent fee is payable on matriculation and the remainder on January 10th of each year", and in their place substitute the following: "Tuition shall be paid as follows: at the opening of first term \$18.00 tuition, \$6.00 contingent fee, at the opening of second and third terms \$16.00 tuition and \$5.00 contingent fee." In the last line of same section, strike out the words "professor in charge" and insert in their place "treasurer of the College."
4. In chapter fourteen, section four, strike out in third line the word "second" and the words "and M.S." In the fourth line strike out the words "one of three or four courses of" and in the seventh and eighth lines the words "It may be done however in two years by spending only a part of the time in Danville." In fourth line after the words "examination on" insert the following: "A major and minor course of study of not less than fifteen hours per week during the year. The Faculty shall provide proper regulations for the governing of this course."

Mr. Charles C. Fox and Robert T. Quisenberry were requested and authorized to act as attorneys to attend to the suit in the Boyle Circuit Court of J. B. Caldwell on action of Mrs. Mary J. Lyons against Central University.

The employment of an instructor in English for the year 1905-06 was placed in hands of President Hinitt with authority to offer a salary of \$1,200 for the first year, with an increase of \$200 for the second year if he gives entire

satisfaction, and for the third year a salary of \$1,600 and an election to a professorship, if at that time he has given entire satisfaction during the whole time of his employment.

The Secretary was requested to notify all the members of the faculties of Centre College and the College of Law, that it is the request and wish of the Board of Trustees that they wear caps and gowns on Commencement day.

Board adjourned.

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

### **Danville, Ky., June 12, 1905**

The Board of Trustees of Central University of Kentucky met in Second Presbyterian Church. Present: Francis R. Beattie, J. McCluskey Blayney, Gelon H. Rout, Lindsay H. Blanton, Charles T. Thompson, Frederick W. Hinitt, David M. Sweets, Thomas W. Bullitt, William L. Threlkeld, Robert T. Quisenberry, Charles C. Fox, Henry C. Read, and George W. Welsh. Letters were read from Drs. Hunter and Warren, Messrs. Barret, Yerkes Humphrey, and Dr. Smith, giving reasons for nonattendance, which were sustained.

The resignation of Dr. J. Kinsey Smith was presented by the secretary, and President Hinitt was requested to communicate with him and request his withdrawal of same.

The reading of the minutes was deferred, and the report of the President was received and read to the Board.

Dr. Charles T. Thompson was appointed to assist the Secretary in keeping the minutes of the meeting.

It was ordered that the contract with the Hospital College of Medicine be recorded in full in the minutes of the Board for the meeting when the same was approved. The minutes of the Board and of the Executive Committee were approved as far as recorded, and the Executive Committee was authorized to approve the balance when recorded by the Secretary.

Board took recess until 9 o'clock a.m. tomorrow. Board met at 9 o'clock a.m., June 13, 1905.

The original contract with the Hospital College of Medicine and its faculty was ordered deposited in the safety deposit box "Z" in the Fidelity Trust Co., Louisville, Ky.

The following reports were read to the Board and ordered filed: Report of Vice President, Librarian, Dean of College of Law, Professors of Geology, Biology, History and Political Science, Greek, Latin, Modern Languages, Philosophy, Mathematics, and Chemistry.

A communication from the student body in regard to the services of Prof. Edward Saxon was received and filed.

The report of President Hinitt was taken up, and its recommendations considered seriatim. The following recommendations were approved and adopted:

1. The recommendations of the Dean of the College of Law as stated in his report, viz. (a) that the present faculty be retained for the ensuing year, (b) the salaries to remain the same, \$100 per month to Prof. Rodes, \$50 each per month to Professors Price and Jackson, or \$25 when lecturing only half the usual number of hours per week, and \$50 per month to the Dean, with \$100 additional for the work and responsibility of administration, making in all a total of \$1,200, which is \$200 less than the receipts of the school last session, (c) that in event the receipts of the school next session exceed the amount appropriated above to the payment of salaries and that needed for current expenses, the balance remaining unpaid on the salaries of this session be retained in the treasury of the Law School, subject to

appropriation only under the unanimous direction of the President and Vice President of the University and the Dean of the Law School.

2. That the arrangement with Prof. Leslie C. Bosley for maintaining the Academy be continued on same basis for another year, which is the free use of the academy building and a bonus of \$300.
3. The election of an athletic instructor to have full charge of all the athletic work of the College with salary to be paid as follows: from the College funds \$650, room in Gymnasium building to be given as equivalent of \$50, the balance to be paid from the funds of the Athletic Association.
4. The election of Prof. Maurice G. Fulton as Instructor in English for the coming year at salary of \$1,200.
5. That the matter of library assistant and other assistants be left to the discretion of the President of the University.
6. That provision for maintenance of the department of oratory be left to the President in connection with the Executive Committee.
7. That the sum of \$400 be provided for the clerical forces of the President's office.
8. That the President be authorized to secure a secretary for the College Y.M.C.A., provided a suitable man can be found for the work at a cost of not over \$300 for the coming year.
9. That the President be authorized to expend \$1,500 in the equipping of the department of biology, the said amount to be a first charge on funds to be secured under the general plan of improvement already approved by the Board.
10. That the President in connection with the Committee on Buildings and Grounds be authorized to proceed with repairs and betterments needed on the College buildings in order to place same in creditable condition.
11. The adoption of the following resolutions: Be it resolved that in case any manager or managers of a student athletic organization induces a player in any intercollegiate game who is not a bona-fide student of the College and so certified by the faculty committee on athletics, or violates the intercollegiate rules of athletic contests by playing a "ringer" or other dishonorable practice, that, such fact being established to the satisfaction of the faculty of the College, such student manager or others responsible shall by that act be excluded from the College.

The following degrees were conferred on the graduating class in Centre College.

#### Bachelor of Arts

William Barkley Alexander	Pine Bluff, Ark.
Francis West Andrews	Memphis, Tenn.
Landoff Watson Andrews	Flemingsburg, Ky.
Richard Samuel Ayres	Pineville, Ky.
Paul Bond Collins	Frankfort, Ky.
Waller Chenault Hudson	Lancaster, Ky.
Stephen Breckinridge Lander	Princeton, Ky.
Gibney Oscar Letcher	Henderson, Ky.
Robert Crockett Logan	Christiansburg, Ky.
Robert Johnston McMullen	Midway, Ky.
Vand Darius Robinson	Louisville, Ky.
George Owen Sanders	Okolona, Ky.
John Milton Perkins Thatcher	Somerset, Ky.
George Smith Watson	Frankfort, Ky.

#### Bachelor of Science

Joseph Bird Cowherd	Shelbyville, Ky.
John Lewis Gill	Lancaster, Ky.
Joseph Edwin Linney	Danville, Ky.
Charles Harrison McChord	Lebanon, Ky.

John Lawrence Martin	Owenton, Ky.
Philip Ball Moss	Fort Smith, Ark.
Edward Cosby Roy	Louisville, Ky.
Arthur Waggener Rhorer	Middlesboro, Ky.
Herbert Spencer	Jackson, Ky.

When work due in mathematics is completed to the satisfaction of the professor of mathematics, the degree of Bachelor of Science on:

John Edward Sampson	Middlesboro, Ky.
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The degree of Bachelor of Law on following graduates of the Class in College of Law:

Damon McCluskey Cooper	Vine Grove, Ky.
Denver Bennett Cornett	Harlan, Ky.
Hugh Berry Fleece	Campbellsville, Ky.
Washington Fithian Lilleston	Paris, Ky.
Hartwell Henderson Linney	Danville, Ky.
Paul Poage	Ashland, Ky.
Elijah Thaddeus Rose	Stillwater, Ky.
Henry Green Sandifer	Danville, Ky.
Henry Alexander Wise	Craddockville, Va.

On recommendation of the Faculty of Centre College the degree of Master of Arts on following candidates:

Francis Powell Cheek	Danville, Ky.
Gus D. Crain	Louisville, Ky.
Henry Alexander Wise	Craddockville, Va.
William T. St. Clair	Louisville, Ky.

The Honorary degree of LL. D.:

Rev. Henry E. Dosker, D.D.	Louisville, Ky.
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Liddell and Scott Greek Lexicon was ordered purchased for the use of Prof. John W. Redd's room. The Chairman of the Board was authorized to prepare a form for the scholarship given by Anthony Dey to Centre College and sign same on behalf of the Board.

A recess was taken until 2 o'clock p.m., the meeting to be held in the Gymnasium. Board met at 2 o'clock p.m. in the Gymnasium.

Committee appointed to visit the S. P. Lees Institute reported that they had visited same, and found it in satisfactory condition and recommended the hearty support of this Board, which was adopted and ordered filed.

The ad interim committee on the affiliated schools reported progress and was continued.

The President and Vice President were authorized to ask on behalf of the S. P. Lees Institute the same aid as last year from the College Board (U.S.A.) and the General Assembly's Committee of Home Missions (U.S.) for the coming year.

In the case of discipline referred to by the President of the University the following action was taken:

1. That the Board endorses the position taken by the faculty in the case of these students; and approves of the discipline which it inflicted on them.
2. That in view of the expression of regret made by these students to President Hinitt, and in view of their future welfare, the Board regards the discipline thus inflicted to be sufficient to serve the ends contemplated.
3. That in view of all the circumstances of the case of these young men, the Board decides to grant their respective degrees along with the other members of the class.
4. That President Hinitt be requested to communicate the substance of this action to these young men in such a way as he deems best.

The standing committees of the Board for next two years were appointed as follows:

Executive Committee

Rev. J. McCluskey Blayney, D.D., Chairman, Rev. Lindsay H. Blanton, D.D., William L. Threlkeld, Rev. Charles T. Thompson, D.D., Rev. Francis R. Beattie, D.D., George W. Welsh, Charles C. Fox, and Robert T. Quisenberry.

Finance Committee

Edward W. C. Humphrey, Chairman, Charles C. Fox, Robert T. Quisenberry, George W. Welsh.

Buildings and Grounds

Robert T. Quisenberry, Chairman, Charles C. Fox, David M. Sweets, George W. Welsh.

Morals and Discipline

Francis R. Beattie, D.D., Chairman, William C. Condit, D.D., A. J. A. Alexander

The amendments and changes in the bylaws, notice of which was given by President Hinitt at the meeting of the Board held in Louisville, Ky., March 31 and April 1, 1905, were adopted.

A communication from Dr. Lindsay H. Blanton, Vice President, in regard to a reduction in his salary was referred to a committee consisting of Dr. Francis R. Beattie, Rev. David M. Sweets and Charles C. Fox.

The report of the Treasurer was read, received, and ordered spread on the statement book.

The contract with the Principal of the Hardin Collegiate Institute was approved.

Board took recess until 8:30 a.m. tomorrow to meet in the Second Presbyterian Church.

Board met in Second Presbyterian Church at 8:30 a.m.

Committee to confer with Dr. Lindsay H. Blanton, Vice President, reported as follows, which was adopted:

The special committee appointed to consider the communication of the Vice President of the University in regard to the reduction of salary beg to report that they have conferred with Dr. Blanton, have considered the whole question, and recommend that the salary of the Vice President be fixed at \$2,000 a year and traveling expenses (which for the past four years have cost the University only about \$125 a year).

A vote of thanks was extended to Professors Samuel R. Cheek, John W. Redd, and others who did extra work during the past year.

The report of the committee on a docket was adopted and is as follows:

## Order of Business

1. Meeting called to order and opened with prayer.
2. Roll called and excuses for absence given.
3. Oath of office administered to new members.
4. Reading of minutes of Board and Executive Committee, and these approved.
5. Communications read.
6. Report of the President of the University.
7. Report of the Vice President.
8. Report of the Treasurer.
9. Reports of the several professors, the librarian and Dean of the College of Law.
10. Reports of standing committees - 1905
  - (a) on Buildings and Grounds - 1907
  - (b) on Finance - 1909
  - (c) on Morals and Discipline - 1911
11. Reports of special committees.
12. Action on degrees - regular and honorary.
13. Appointment of standing committees.
14. Reports regarding the affiliated schools.
15. Miscellaneous business.
16. Reading of minutes.
17. Closed with prayer. The minutes were read and approved for record.

Board adjourned to meet in Second Presbyterian Church at 8:30 p.m. on Monday evening before Commencement.

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

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A letter from Mr. Thomas W. Bullitt concerning his subscriptions to Central University and fees for legal services due him addressed to Dr. Francis R. Beattie was read to the committee. The following action of the committee was taken unanimously:

Resolved that Col. Thomas W. Bullitt be released from all present unpaid subscriptions to the old Central University, and his subscription of \$500 to the consolidated university in consideration of his full release of the University of all liability for legal services of every kind rendered to this date, except such services as may have been rendered in the present suits pending in the Madison Circuit Court or in the Court of Appeals against the University.

Committee adjourned.

*John A. Cheek, Secretary*

### **Danville, Ky., September 28, 1905**

Executive Committee of Central University of Kentucky met in law office of Charles C. Fox. Present: Frederick W. Hinitt, Lindsay H. Blanton, George W. Welsh, Charles C. Fox, and Robert T. Quisenberry.

Dr. Gelon H. Rout, President of Board of Trustees, was authorized to sign and deliver a deed from the University conveying the one half interest in the dormitory building on the grounds of the Hardin Collegiate Institute to M. C. Marion.

The following action was taken governing and regulating scholarships in Centre College of the University, and was directed to be printed in full in the next catalogue:

*[See [http://www.centre.edu/web/library/sc/digital/pdf/bt\\_1905b.pdf](http://www.centre.edu/web/library/sc/digital/pdf/bt_1905b.pdf) for scholarship requirements as attached to this page in the volume of minutes]*