The Board met at 8:00 o'clock P. M.

The Chair announced the election of Mr. S. A. Burns as a member of the Board and instructed the Secretary to add his name to the roll, and to proceed with the roll call.

The following members were present:

Col. Alan Johnstone, Chairman; Messrs. Tillman, Wannamaker, Manning, Timmerman, McKeown, Evans, Burns. Messrs. Bradley, Mauldin, and Rawl entered after the roll call.

The Chairman stated that in accordance with a former resolution, a copy of the Minutes of the November, 1915, meeting had been sent to each member of the Board for such corrections or alterations as might be necessary. There being no corrections or alterations offered, the minutes were declared adopted.

The President read a letter from Mr. Lever explaining his inability to attend this meeting.

The Chairman stated that on account on sickness Col. Donaldson would not be present.

The following Committee assignments were announced by the Chair:

Finance and Scholarship – Mr. Burns
Executive – Mr. Evans.

The President presented his report, and upon motion, duly seconded, the same was received as information.

The President’s recommendations were next taken up in the following order:

Under the authority of the By-laws, the President requested that his acceptance of the following resignations be approved:

1. C. A. McLendon, Field Assistant in Plant Pathology, Salary $800. Effective February 1, 1916.

3. J. A. Goodwin, Supt. Coast Experiment Station, salary $1,500. Effective Jan. 1, 1918. (This resignation was called for by the Board.)


Moved by Mr. Mauldin: That the President's action be approved.  

Motion adopted.

The President requested the approval of the following appointment:

W. A. Schillerter, Field Assistant in Plant Pathology, Salary $800.00. Effective February 1, 1918, to hold until July 1, 1918.

Moved by Mr. Bradley: That the appointment be approved. 

Motion adopted.

The President recommended that Mr. F. L. Carroll be promoted to the position of Head Bookkeeper at the salary of the position, $1,500, effective May 1, 1918, and that Mr. E. B. Elmore, now Clerk in the Commandants Office, be elected to the position of Assistant Bookkeeper at the salary of $1,100, for the first year, to be increased to $1,300, thereafter.

Mr. Mauldin, Chairman of the Finance Committee, advised the Board that his Committee had endorsed the President's recommendations in this matter.

Motion adopted on roll call vote. Eleven members present and all voting aye.

The President presented the resignation of Capt. T. P. Buckett, whose present salary is $1,000. and recommended that Capt. Buckett be offered $1,300. to remain. In this connection, the President read a letter from Col. Jones bearing on the matter.

Moved by Mr. Wannamaker: That the President be authorized to offer Capt. Buckett the increase in salary in order to retain his services.

Motion adopted on roll call vote. Eleven members present and all voting aye.
The President recommended that the proffer of the Southern Railway Company to establish a loan fund to be known as the "Southern Railway Loan Fund - William Wilson Finley Foundation" be accepted.

After the correspondence bearing on this matter had been read by the President it was-

Moved by Mr. Wannamaker: That the Board accept the offer, leaving the details to be worked out by the President.

Motion adopted by unanimous rising vote.

The President recommended that the following scale of charges be made for students at the summer school:

1. For rural ministers' nine day course-
   Matriculation fee.......................................................... $ 1.00
   Board, Laundry, Light, Water and Room........ 4.50
2. For all other courses-
   Matriculation fee.......................................................... $ 1.00
   Weekly Incidental fee.................................................. 1.00
   Board, laundry, light, water and room........ 3.50 per week.
3. For all students who remain less than five days, $1.00 per day for living expenses in addition to the matriculation and incidental fee.

All of which recommendations were adopted as presented.

Moved by Mr. Mauldin: That the recommendation be adopted.

Motion adopted.

The President recommended that the following rule be made in regard to freight and express bills paid by the Treasurer and turned over to officers of the College for approval and return:

"That officers of the College shall receive the Treasurer for all freight, express, telephone and telegraph bills delivered to them, and that all such bills not returned by the 25th of the next month ensuing shall be charged to the officer who signed the receipts and the amount deducted from the salary payment for said ensuing month, and that no refund be made except by authority of the Board."

Moved by Mr. Wannamaker: That the recommendation be adopted.

Motion adopted.

The President recommended that the Fort Hill Land Co., be
granted permission to connect to our water and electric lines, and that residents on the company's property be charged for at the same rates for light and water as are paid by residents on the College campus. That a charge of $5.00 per hydrant be charged for hydrants used only for fire protection; all other hydrants to be metered.

Moved by Dr. Timmerman: That the recommendation be adopted.

Motion adopted.

The President recommended that permission be granted to give post graduate work in certain divisions of the College that in the judgement of the President are equipped and manned to do such work without additional expense or interference with the regular under-graduate work, and that certificates covering the work done be issued to students at its completion.

Moved by Mr. Manning: That the recommendation be adopted.

Motion adopted.

The President recommended that one year's farm experience be made an entrance requirement for students registering to take the Agricultural course. Students who have not had this farm experience shall as a pre-requisite to graduation devote to farm practice at the College three months between the Sophomore and Junior classes, and as many Saturday afternoons during the Junior year as may be considered necessary, or in lieu of this, be required to spend two summer vacations on some approved South Carolina farm where they will be required actually to do all kinds of ordinary farm work.

Moved by Mr. Manning: That the recommendation be adopted.

Motion adopted.

The President recommended that the provision which requires a candidate for Bachelor's Degree to live at least two-thirds of one session in barracks be construed to apply whenever possible to the Freshman and Sophomore class.
Moved by Dr. Timmerman: That this matter be left to the discretion of the President.
Motion adopted.

The President recommended that the following appropriations be made for the Veterinary Division:

1. Travel, printing and office expenses ......................................... $620.00
2. Drugs and hospital supplies ..................................................... 100.00
3. Feed for animals in hospital .................................................... 50.00

Motion adopted by Mr. Bradley: That the appropriations be allowed.

Motion adopted on roll call vote. Eleven members present and all voting aye.

The President recommended that the following appropriations be made for the Agricultural Department:

4. Travel for Director ................................................................. $ 50.00
5. Postage and stationery ............................................................. 200.00
6. Feed for Mules (Horticultural Division) ...................................... 100.00
7. Tools, implements and machinery (Agronomy Division) 240.00

Moved by Mr. Mauldin: That the appropriations for the Agri'tl Dept. and Coast Stations be allowed.
Motion adopted on roll call vote. Eleven members present and all voting aye.

The President recommended that the following miscellaneous appropriations be made:

17. Additional coal ......................................................................... $1,200.00
18. Sewer line from Schillattle's residence ..................................... 84.50
19. Fire Escape ladders (150 feet) ............................................... 150.00
20. Brick for Hospital ...................................................................... 339.00
21. Brick for laundry ...................................................................... 22.54
22. Deficit on summer school ......................................................... 135.37

Motion adopted on roll call vote. Eleven members present and all voting aye.
Senator Tillman suggested that the President look into the matter of having the doors of the Main Building open outwardly instead of inwardly as at present.

This suggestion was sanctioned by the Board.

The President presented the following items for consideration:

32. Material and labor for finding and equipping hog grazing crops, Coast Station. $300.00

This item was recommended by the Agricultural Committee.

Moved by Mr. Bradley: That this appropriation be made.

Motion adopted on roll call vote. Eleven members present and all voting aye.

24. Transfer $100.00 from item 401 to item 405 - Crop Pest Commission.

Moved by Mr. Manning: That the transfer be allowed.

Motion adopted.

25. Permit Pee Dee Station to erect office and seed house of approximate cost of $500.00 out of receipts from Potash Sales.

Moved by Mr. Wannamaker: That this be allowed.

Motion adopted on roll call vote. Eleven members present and all voting aye.

The President presented, without recommendation, the following items:

1. The claim of Mr. C. W. Noble, thru his attorney Mr. T. M. Raynor, for injuries caused his son by alleged hazing together with the evidence and correspondence in the case.

Moved by Mr. Evans: That the President transmit to Mr. Raynor a copy of the testimony of the cadets along with a refusal of the Board to admit the claim.

Motion adopted.

2. Judge Wood's inability to serve as a member of the Board of Visitors in the 8th District.

Moved by Mr. Wannamaker: That the rules be suspended and that the Secretary cast the unanimous ballot of the Board for Mr.
McColl's election.

Motion adopted. The Secretary cast the ballot and Mr. McColl was declared duly elected. Amount due: $100. Mr. McColl donated.

Section 2. Instructions as to the preparation of the 1916-'17 budget and the advertising of scholarships.

Section 3. Resolution: The session is adjourned. No action was taken on the proposed sale of school land. The advice of the Board as to whether to seek collection of the following debts by legal means, or to charge them to the cadet incidental fund. These debts were brought over from the session 1914-'15, and we have exhausted every means within our power to make collection:

- John Smith, Lake City, Note Due Jan. 30, 15... $43.75
- A. B. Schachte, Charleston, Note due Jan 28, 15... $33.50
- E. M. Grady, Orangeburg, Note Due Oct. 13, 14... $30.25
- W. L. Dennis, Newberry, Note Due Nov. 26, 14... $15.45
- E. M. Grady, Orangeburg, Check Dec. 7, 14... $33.50

Total: $138.45

The following cadets who were dismissed or suspended borrowed the following sums with which to get home, and have never repaid them:

- May 7, '15 - C. L. Brown, Charleston... $23.00
- Mar. 14, '15 - J. L. Cock, Taxahaw, S. C... 10.00
- Sep. 23, '14 - H. E. Craig, Greenwood, S. C... 15.50
- May 26, '15 - J. W. Gregg, Marion, S. C... 10.00
- May 24, '15 - A. B. Schachte, Charleston, S. C... 7.00

Total: $38.90

Moved by Mr. Evans: That these items be sent to local attorneys for collection, and in the event they could not be collected, that they be charged off the books.

Motion adopted.

Moved by Mr. Rawl: That the President of the College convey to Col. Hardin the Board's sympathy and best wishes for his recovery.

Motion adopted by unanimous rising vote.

Moved by Mr. Wannamaker: That we adjourn.

Motion adopted - Board adjourned.
The Board re-convened at 11:17. Resolution motion

Present: - Col. Alan Johnstone, Chairman; Messrs. Wannamaker, Manning, Bradley, Timmerman, Mooney, Burns, Mauldin, Pawl.

Moved by Mr. Wannamaker: That the President send Dr. Rasley to Atlanta and St. Louis to see if inspections of horses and mules are being made and make a report to the President who shall include the report in his annual report to the Legislature. Motion adopted unanimously. Ina. International Tally

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