MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CLEMSON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE
HELD AT THE WADE HAMPTON HOTEL, COLUMBIA, S. C.
December 27, 1949

The Executive Committee of the Board at its meeting on December 19, 1949 requested that the full Board of Trustees have an early meeting to pass upon recommendations made at its meeting with respect to awarding a contract for the construction of the Agricultural Engineering Building.

Each member of the Board was personally contacted by the Secretary prior to the call to determine if the date recommended was acceptable and the meeting was called when it was determined that a quorum would be present.

Chairman Christie Benet called the meeting to order at 11:50 A. M. and on roll call the following eleven members were present: Messrs. Christie Benet, Chairman, Paul Sanders, T. B. Young, R. M. Cooper, James F. Byrnes, Edgar A. Brown, Ben T. Leppard, J. F. McLaurin, W. A. Barnette, F. E. Cope and T. W. Thornhill. Others present were Messrs. R. F. Poole, President, G. H. Hill, Assistant Business Manager and A. J. Brown, Secretary-Treasurer. Messrs. Daniel and Douthit were unable to be present due to previous engagements.

In opening the meeting the Chairman stated that the object of the meeting was to consider recommendations of the Executive Committee. As means of placing the business of the day before the Board he asked Mr. R. M. Cooper, Chairman of the Executive Committee, to make a report on the action of the Executive Committee at the meeting of that committee held December 19. Mr. Cooper complied with the request. As further information the chairman quoted section 141 of the By-laws. He also had read for the information of the Board the figures on the bids submitted on the Agricultural Engineering Building. Section 138 of the By-laws was also quoted.

The subject was discussed fully, freely and frankly with each member given an opportunity to present his views. When it appeared that each member had been fully informed on all phases of the matter the following resolutions were presented.

1. Moved by Mr. Cope and Seconded by Mr. Thornhill: That the Board approve the action of the Executive Committee - "That all bids for the construction of the Agricultural Engineering Building as submitted and publicly read on December 6, 1949 be rejected on the grounds that all such bids were in amounts over and above the appropriation made for the building."

Unanimously carried by "aye" vote of the eleven members present.

2. Moved by Mr. Cope and Seconded by Mr. McLaurin: That the recommendation of the Executive Committee relative to revising the By-laws be not approved.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

3. The President recommended that the Board authorize the construction of a Poultry Brooder House at the Poultry Plant at
cost of $3,000.00 to be paid from Farm Products Funds.

Moved by Mr. Cope and Seconded by Mr. Cooper: That the recommendation be approved.

APPROVED

4. The President recommended that the Board authorize the construction of a Scale Shed and Pit at the Dairy Barn at the cost of $1,000.00 to be paid from Farm Products Funds.

Moved by Mr. Barnette and Seconded by Mr. Leppard: That expenditure of $1,000.00 from Farm Products Funds for Scale Shed and Pit at the Dairy Barn be authorized.

APPROVED

5. The President recommended that approval be given to purchase 1/4 acre at Ridgeland, South Carolina at a cost of $50.00 to bring existing property lines to the Public Street in the town of Ridgeland, South Carolina.

Moved by Mr. Cooper and Seconded by Mr. McLaurin: That approval be given to the recommendation.

APPROVED

6. Authority was requested to increase U. S. Government property bond from $225,000.00 to $350,000.00 to cover the value of R.O.T.C. Government property at Clemson in the physical custody of the College Business Manager, as requested by the War Department.

Moved by Mr. Thornhill and Seconded by Mr. Young: That authority be granted to increase the U. S. Government property bond to $350,000.00 as recommended.

APPROVED

7. The President recommended that authority be given to construct a Storage Building for the Extension Service at an area approved by the Grounds and Buildings Committee near the present Education Department garages at a cost of approximately $2,500.00 to be paid from Extension Reinvestment Funds. This has been recommended by the S. C. Sinking Fund Commission.

Moved by Mr. Barnette and Seconded by Mr. McLaurin: That the recommendation be approved.

APPROVED

8. The President requested authority to construct a small Dairy to replace the one now being removed from the new housing area at approximate cost of $1,000.00.

Moved by Mr. Brown and Seconded by Mr. Thornhill: That the requested authority be granted.

APPROVED

9. Moved by Mr. McLaurin and Seconded by Mr. Thornhill: That all measures and recommendations made at this special meeting, which, according to the By-laws, require a roll call vote of nine or more members, be hereby adopted and confirmed and that the Treasurer be authorized to issue his checks for all expenditures authorized at this meeting.

The resolution was unanimously adopted on roll call vote, eleven members present voting "aye".

APPROVED
Moved by Mr. Cope: That the Board now adjourn.

MOTION ADOPTED

The Board adjourned at 1:45 P. M.

APPROVED: 

CORRECT:

Christie Benet, Chairman

A. J. Brown, Secretary