

Houston, Texas, October 5, 1953  
Meeting No. 534

The Board of Regents of The University of Texas met in special session in the home of Miss Ima Hogg, Houston, Texas, at 10:00 a.m., October 5, 1953, with the following present: Regents Sealy (Chairman), Warren (Vice-Chairman), Jeffers, Sorrell, Tobin, Voyles, and Woodward; Chancellor Hart; Comptroller Sparenberg; Endowment Officer Taylor; President Wilson; Judge Scott Gaines; Mrs. Tormollan; and Secretary Stewart. Regents Oates and Lockwood were unable to attend this meeting.

Miss Hogg had as her guests, besides the members of the Board of Regents and Administrative Officials of The University of Texas: Mrs. Alice Hanszen; Mrs. Thomas E. Hogg; Dr. Robert Sutherland, Director of the Hogg Foundation for Mental Hygiene; Mr. John Flannigan, President of United Gas Corporation and President of the Houston Chamber of Commerce; Mrs. Lemuel Scarbrough, Member of the Citizens' Advisory Committee to Hogg Foundation; Brigadier General W. E. Steele, USAF, Commanding Officer of Lackland Air Force Base; Lieutenant Colonel Frank Rasor, USAF; First Lieutenant James M. Ardoin, USAF, of Lackland Air Force Base; Dr. James A. Bethea, Executive Director of the Board for Texas State Hospitals and Special Schools; Mr. Tom Slick, Founder of Southwest Research Institute of San Antonio; Mr. W. A. Smith of the Smith Construction Company of Houston; Mr. William B. Ferguson, General Manager of Hogg Brothers; and Mr. Harry R. Jones, Attorney for Hogg Brothers.

Miss Hogg, as hostess of this meeting and a luncheon which was to be served after the meeting, welcomed the group and introduced Dr. Robert Sutherland, who acted as Chairman for the informal meeting, and who in turn introduced the members of the Board of Regents and Administrative Officials and other guests.

Dr. Sutherland gave a resume of the accomplishments of the Hogg Foundation for Mental Hygiene of the University and presented charts which he had prepared showing the progress that has been made since 1940. He also reported that the Hogg Foundation for Mental Hygiene was a private endowment which is administered by the Board of Regents of The University of Texas, and that it is the largest single endowment of the University. Dr. Sutherland then introduced Chairman Sealy who expressed the appreciation of the Regents and Officials to Miss Hogg for the privilege of meeting in her home, and for the privilege of hearing of the various phases of the Hogg Foundation. He also expressed the pride that the University felt in the Hogg Foundation for Mental Hygiene, and stated that it was one of the most significant contributions to the University and the people of Texas.

Dr. Sutherland then introduced Mr. Flannigan, Mrs. Scarbrough, General Steele, Dr. Bethea and Mr. Slick who made informal talks on the mental health program of the Hogg Foundation as it applies to business and industrial personnel, child guidance, military personnel, and State mental hospitals; and also stressing the need of further research on the fundamental aspects of mental illness.

The Regents then held a short business meeting, and the following items were presented:

REPORT ON THE THOMAS GILCREASE FOUNDATION.--Chairman Sealy reported that Regent Voyles and several members of the Faculty of the University had visited the Thomas Gilcrease Museum in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and had reported that the collections of the Gilcrease Foundation were remarkable and outstanding and would give distinction to any University which acquired these very valuable collections.

These collections consist of a library and documentary objects of historical value, American art, artifacts from the Culture of that area of the continent west of the Mississippi River and extending far into Latin America, Latin American documents and books and other significant holdings. Judge Woodward presented to the Board the following resolution concerning the acquisition of these collections:

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RESOLVED by the Board of Regents of The University of Texas that the efforts of the University Development Board to secure for the people of Texas through their University the incomparable Gilcrease collection, be and the same are hereby enthusiastically endorsed and approved; be it further

RESOLVED that the Board of Regents of The University of Texas shall supplement and support the continuing efforts of the Development Board in this behalf to the fullest possible extent.

Upon motion by Judge Woodward, seconded by Mr. Sorrell, the Board approved and adopted the resolution. Chairman Sealy also reported that he would contact Mr. Lester Whipple of San Antonio, Attorney for the Gilcrease Foundation, and inform him of the action taken by the Board at this meeting.

AIR CONDITIONING EXISTING HILL HALL AND ADDITION OF ASSEMBLY ROOM IN BASEMENT OF NEW DORMITORY FOR MEN.--President Wilson reported that he had received the following letter from Mr. Gus M. Hodges, Chairman of the Athletic Council and Mr. D. X. Bible, Athletic Director, concerning the subject above indicated:

"It is our understanding that recent legal decisions have been issued permitting the air conditioning of existing structures on the University campus. In view of this fact, we wish to recommend that existing Hill Hall be air-conditioned as a part of the new Dormitory for Men and Cafeteria construction project. The maintenance and operation of the completed structure containing both existing Hill Hall and the new dormitory will be greatly simplified if it is entirely air-conditioned rather than being just partly air-conditioned. Furthermore, under this new proposal, the heating systems of both the existing Hill Hall and the new dormitory will be coordinated under one system of control.

"We have had several conferences with the architects and engineers for the Cafeteria and Dormitory for Men, and they recommend that the air-conditioning of existing Hill Hall be made a part of the new project as will be noted in the attached letters from them. We have received estimates from the architects and engineers for the air-conditioning of existing Hill Hall. They estimated the work will cost \$105,000, excluding fees. I believe Mr. Charles Sparenberg and the architects have agreed that the architectural and engineering fees in connection with this proposed work can be an extension of their present contract for services in connection with the Cafeteria and new Dormitory for Men.

"The Assembly Room in the basement of the new Hill Hall extension wing, as mentioned in our memorandum of June 30, is a most desirable addition to our facilities. The architects have estimated the cost of this room to be \$15,800.

"The Athletic Council therefore respectfully requests approval of these appropriations--\$105,000 plus fees for air-conditioning existing Hill Hall and \$15,800 for the construction of the Assembly Room in the basement of the new Hill Hall extension wing--and taken from the Athletic Council General Fund #6325.

"Since the architectural plans are now being prepared, it is of extreme importance to the architects and engineers to know at this time whether or not these projects are approved."

These recommendations contemplate that the air-conditioning machinery and equipment would be placed in the basement of the New Cafeteria building to serve all three buildings. President Wilson recommended, with the approval of Chancellor Hart and Comptroller Sparenberg, that the Board approve the above recommendations, which were based on conferences with, and recommendations of, Mr. Bible, the Athletic Council, Page, Southerland and Page, Zumwalt and Vinther, and Mr. Mark Lemmon, Consulting Architect of the University, concerning the air-conditioning of these buildings. Upon motion by Judge Woodward, seconded by Mr. Voyles, the Board approved the recommendation.

REQUESTED PAYMENT OF 95% OF CERTAIN ITEMS TO FARNSWORTH AND COMPANY, INC., GENERAL CONTRACTOR ON M. D. ANDERSON HOSPITAL FOR ARCH BUILDING.--Comptroller Sparenberg presented a recommendation approved by Chancellor Hart, that the following recommendation was received from MacKie and Kamrath, Architects on the M. D. Anderson Hospital, be approved by the Board:

"This office is in receipt of several requests from sub-contractors on the above project, transmitted to us by the General Contractor for reduction of the 15% retainage to 5% on items which are 100% complete.

"Since the time of our request for approval on certain items made in our letter of 24 June 1953, progress has been made in many additional phases of the work, and we respectfully request that this office be authorized to approve substantial completion of all sub-contracts and/or equipment at such time as they become complete, with the exception of the plumbing and air-conditioning sub-contractor, and that payment be made in the amount of 95% of these items, provided that satisfactory evidence is furnished that all payrolls, material bills, and other indebtedness connected with the work have been paid.

"Enclosed is a copy of a letter from Farnsworth & Chambers Company, Inc., dated 14 September 1953, enclosing a schedule of items substantially complete as of 1 September 1953, and for which the contractor requests payment on the next estimate."

Comptroller Sparenberg explained that this recommendation, if approved, would result in an additional payment of \$236,921.20 to be included in the next estimate. MacKie and Kamrath submitted the written consent of Aetna Casualty and Surety Company to such action with the above recommendation. Upon motion by Judge Woodward, seconded by Mr. Voyles, the Board approved the recommendation.

FILING OF SUPPLEMENT "U" TAX RETURN, VARNER PROPERTIES (HOGG FOUNDATION: W. C. HOGG MEMORIAL FUND).--Mr. Jeffers, Chairman of the Regents' Land and Finance Committee, presented the following report concerning the Supplement "U" Lease Income from certain Varner Properties:

Your Land and Finance Committee has reviewed the income tax return, form 990-T, which the University is required to file as of October 15, 1953, in connection with Supplement U Lease Income from certain Varner Properties. Upon advice from Mr. Benjamin L. Bird, Tax Attorney, it is proposed to file this return in the name of "University of Texas (Hogg Foundation: W. C. Hogg Memorial Fund)." It is also recommended that Mr. Jack G. Taylor, Endowment Officer, and Mr. C. H. Sparenberg, Comptroller, be authorized to sign this tax return, Mr. Taylor as principal officer in connection with the operation of the properties and Mr. Sparenberg as chief accounting officer, and that the Secretary be authorized to add the seal of the University.

Upon motion by Mr. Jeffers, seconded by Mr. Warren, the Board approved the report.

ADJOURNMENT.--The Board of Regents adjourned at 1:00 p.m. until the next regular meeting of the Board to be held in Austin, Texas, on October 23 and 24, 1953.

Maryvenice E. Stewart, Secretary