The May meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma was held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 10, 1956, in the Office of the President of the University, Norman.

The following were present: Regent Rayburn Foster, President, presiding; Regents Grisso, Savage, Morgan. ABSENT: Regents Little, McBride, Benedum.

Regent Grisso requested that a correction be made in the minutes of the April 26 meeting (par. 1 - p. 5379) on the football ticket policy. Following a discussion Regent Savage moved to strike this paragraph and insert the following: "It was further moved, and voted, that large block owners be permitted to distribute the tickets now held, to individuals of their choice, but such block holders must retain a minimum of four as now held. Blocks of four or less may not be assigned." The motion was unanimously carried.

The minutes, as corrected, were approved.

Regent Grisso moved, and it was voted, "That assistants in the Attorney General's Office be classified on the same basis as employees of the University, and that they be permitted to purchase tickets at the same price as University employees."

In order to have a full statement of the Football Ticket Policy, with amendments and corrections to date, the following is inserted in the minutes of this date:

REPORT OF THE TICKET COMMITTEE
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

(Originally submitted
2/11/56 - pp. 5348-5350)

HOME GAMES

1. The holders of the 1955 season tickets for home football games shall have the prior right to the same, or better, seats in the stadium in 1956 and subsequent years, provided that they re-order within the period designated by the Business Manager of the Athletic Department.

2. No preference shall be shown to any group or the members of any group in improving seat locations, and the improvement of seat locations in the stadium shall be based solely upon the length of time season tickets have been continuously purchased by the ticket holder.
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3/8/56 - p. 5353 - All big buyers of tickets holding priorities for more than 20 be reduced by 50% of seats between goal lines on the west side. Provided no big buyers ticket be reduced below 20.

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p. 5353 - All big buyers of tickets holding priorities for more than 20 be given the opportunity to purchase additional tickets in locations other than between goal lines on the west side.

4/26/56 - p. 5378 - That the President confer with the Business Manager of Athletics and work out in a satisfactory manner those tickets that have been cut off in excess of twenty (20), where there is satisfactory evidence that those tickets over a period of years have been used by the same individual, and that they were in blocks for convenience, recognizing the fact that when we voted the limitation on the blocks we were endeavoring to limit the large blocks that were being used for business purposes, and not to take away the privilege from individuals. It was the sense of this Board in adopting the ticket policy that those people who have been using the tickets be privileged to use the tickets.

5/10/56 - p. 5406 - It was further moved, and voted, that large block owners be permitted to distribute the tickets now held, to individuals of their choice, but such block holders must retain a minimum of four as now held. Blocks of four or less may not be assigned.

COURTESY TICKETS

1. The list of courtesy card holders for home football games shall be abolished and a new list of courtesy ticket holders established to include the following:

   Members of the State Legislature
   Justices of the Supreme Court
   Justices of the Criminal Court of Appeals
   *The Attorney General

   *At the meeting on May 10 (p. 5406), the following was adopted: "The Regents also voted to classify assistants in the Attorney General's Office as employees of the University and permit the purchase of tickets at the same price as to University employees."

   Presidents of Oklahoma Colleges and Universities
   Members of the Board of Regents for Higher Education
   The Commanding Officer of NATTC, Norman
   A selected list of Newspapers, Radio and TV Stations
   (This list being compiled by Joe W. McBride.)

Following is a copy of Regent McBride's statement (3/8/56 - p. 5350):
"Mr. Chairman: I would like to offer a substitute to the Ticket Committee report to the Board of Regents under the sub-head, Courtesy Tickets, Item No. 1, where the newspaper and radio courtesy list is to be compiled by Joe W. McBride. First, I would like to be relieved of the responsibility of selection for the Board of Regents.

"Second, I propose that names of individuals be dropped from newspaper and radio lists and that the publishing or operating company alone be named the receiver of the courtesy.

"Third, I propose that the following names and newspapers be dropped from the list: A. D. Phillips, The Atoka County Times; E. K. Gaylord, Oklahoma Publishing Company be dropped to be placed on the Oklahoma Publishing Company list; Austin Bealmear, Associated Press, be counted with the Associated Press allotment; the same with Carter Bradley with United Press, change to United Press allotment; G. C. Paine, Pauls Valley Enterprise, for this is now owned by the Pauls Valley Daily Democrat; add the name of The Sentinel Leader, Sentinel, Oklahoma; J. L. Jones, Tulsa World, transfer to the World allotment; cancel Dexter Publishing Company, since this is a legal publishing newspaper and not a newspaper; cancel Woodward County Republican since it is not of the two first newspapers and is a print from a same shop; Southwest Jewish Chronicle; International News Service transfer to allotment with I.N.S. and add the name of The Gotebo Record.

"Fourth, I propose that the Oklahoma Publishing Company, who has been granted 30 tickets, be cut to 20 on the West side and be granted 10 on the East; that the World Publishing Company, Tulsa, be given 12 tickets on the West side and six on the East; that all other daily newspapers in the state with 9,000 to 100,000 circulation be granted two tickets on the West side and four on the East side; that newspapers with a circulation from 4,000 to 9,000 be granted two tickets on the West side and two on the East; that other dailies less than 4,000 be granted two tickets on the West side; that all weekly newspapers of 1,000 or more circulation be granted two tickets on the West side and that all weekly newspapers of less than 1,000 circulation be granted two tickets on the East side. The variation to be 100 circulation either way at the breaking point. This apportionment recognizes circulation distribution and relative worth. This also cuts the West side requirements for newspapers from a total of 372 West side tickets to approximately 269. This helps eliminate the dog-race between newspapermen and legislators for West side seats.

"Fifth, I decline to comment on the radio courtesy ticket situation.

"Sixth, if I may I wish to remind you that the total of all the courtesy tickets that have been offered in the past is less than two percent of the gross and is an exceedingly low amount for expenditure of time and money for good will and helpfulness that could not be had in any other way. Too, may I remind you that only a few years ago the University of Oklahoma was extending every courtesy to enlist a little extra promotion from the newspapers and even yet the University of Oklahoma maintains a press release department to keep all the newspapers of the state 'flooded' with OU propaganda, not only for sports but for all other avenues where publicity is asked for that which goes
beyond the scope of factual everyday news. If, this extra publicity is not deemed wanted by the University along with personal column and editorial comment, I suggest that the University do away with the press departments and let the press come, if and when it desires, ask its questions, if and when it desires, and get its information from whatever source, if and when it desires. The press, the Fourth Estate, is by long-time tradition and precedent a moulder of public opinion because of its intimate writing and careful distribution. Everyday it becomes more apparent to all phases of political, social, industrial and cultural living to encourage the press to help attain those ends. A small courtesy in return to the press for such cooperation has always been deemed as proper and as a matter of respect for the Fourth Estate. 'Tis only a tidbit courtesy but it is one that accepts the Press on an invitation basis to give a little bit of extra attention to the desires and ends of the four above named promotionally needed ways of life. In one month, if from the country newspapers alone, extra 'propaganda' is published for the benefit of OU to the tune of $15,000 worth of space, free and voluntary, mostly because there is that spirit of wanting to cooperate and be helpful, then the mere courtesy ticket is not even the beginning of a return in appreciation for such extra graciousness as given by the newspapers. Let us not forget the story of the killing of the goose that laid the golden egg. Someday the University of Oklahoma may need the Press of Oklahoma, as in the last bond issue campaign, then the University must remember that newspapermen too are human, they are also intelligent, they also have the powers of memory and they too, like all of us, like a little pat on the back, small recognitions, no matter how small, just so that friendship is returned.

"Finally, I wish to be recorded that none of the complimentary tickets of the former complete list, now being allotted, with a few exceptions as above noted, be curtailed, but that the University recognize, and in its very small way, pay this tidbit of invitation and respect to those who are ever helpful in their positions for the University welfare.

"Seventh, I will also hold paragraph Sixth, upon my judgment, to be released to the Oklahoma Press Association for examination."

2. Courtesy ticket sections of equal size, sufficient to provide for the courtesy ticket holders, shall be established in Sections 5 and 31 in the stadium. Persons entitled to courtesy tickets shall be permitted to state their preference for seats in the courtesy sections or in the north end of the stadium, and the distribution of courtesy tickets shall be on a "first ordered, first served" basis.

3. Not more than two courtesy tickets shall be allotted any person, and a charge of $1.00 per ticket per game shall be imposed for handling charges, etc.

4. Persons entitled to courtesy tickets shall be notified by mail by the Business Manager of Athletics, and those failing to order within the period specified by the Business Manager shall be deemed to have waived their courtesy tickets for the ensuing season.
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PRIORITY PLAN FOR DISTRIBUTION OF TICKETS
FOR FOOTBALL GAMES AWAY FROM HOME

1. No fewer than 10% of tickets allocated to Oklahoma shall be reserved for alumni of the University.

4/26/56 - p. 5378 - This matter referred to Boyd Gunning, Kenneth Farris, and President Cross to work out a policy.

2. Lettermen - (All football lettermen and all other lettermen earning the award before 1940.)

3. Season Ticket Holder - (Re-order patrons only.)

4. Lettermen - (All lettermen except football lettermen earning the award after 1940.)

5. Season Ticket Holder - (New orders) (No re-order privilege)

6. Life Alumni Members

7. Annual Alumni Members - (No re-order privilege)

SPECIAL POLICY ON PRIORITY PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION OF TICKETS FOR THE OKLAHOMA-TEXAS GAME

1. Season Re-Order Patrons - Reduce all Texas applications received from season re-order patrons to number of season tickets re-ordered for 1956.

2. Life Alumni Members - All life members who are not season re-order patrons, who in 1955 held four or less Texas tickets may retain the re-order privilege for the same quantity. Those who held more than four Texas tickets will be reduced to four tickets with a re-order privilege. All new life members will be limited to two Texas tickets with a re-order privilege.

4/26/56 - p. 5376 - Alumni holding life memberships up to and including April 15 be considered "old life members" under the rules and thereby entitled to a maximum of four Texas tickets if they purchased four or more Texas tickets in 1955 and previous years.

3. Other Priority Patrons - Lettermen, courtesy card holders, and Touchdown Club members, who are not season ticket re-order patrons, will be reduced to a maximum of four tickets and will retain the re-order privilege so long as their priority is maintained.

4. Annual Alumni Members - Effective at once, annual alumni members will no longer have the re-order priority. All members who are not season ticket re-order patrons, who are paid on April 1 each year, will be mailed an alumni ticket application. These applications will be filled in accordance with the revised priority plan with no re-order privilege.
Alumni who have been annual members for a period of five consecutive years, or longer, and who have purchased four or more tickets during the same period of years shall be entitled to order not more than four Texas tickets on a re-order basis.

5. Other Texas Ticket Holders - All patrons who purchased Texas tickets in 1955, who are not season ticket holders, lettermen, courtesy card holders, Touchdown Club members and life alumni members shall no longer have re-order priority. Applications from these persons will be filled in accordance with the revised priority plan with no re-order privilege.

6. New Season Ticket Holders - Effective at once, the new season ticket holders will not have the re-order privilege. These applications will be filled in accordance with the revised priority plan with no re-order privilege.

EMERGENCY CASES

The Business Manager of Athletics with the approval of the President of the University (4/26/56 - p. 5378) is authorized to deviate from any of the policies hereby established to take care of cases of unusual emergency.

President Cross reported the plans and specifications for the Library Addition have been completed by the architects, Coston-Frankfurt-Short. They have been approved by the University Architect; Dr. Arthur McAnally, Librarian; and others concerned.

President Cross recommended that the plans and specifications be approved, and that the Regents authorize advertising for bids on this project. The bids will be tabulated and presented at the June 14 meeting.

Motion by Regent Morgan, seconded by Regent Savage, and voted, to approve the recommendation.

President Cross stated bids have been received and tabulated on 612 reams of Warren's Book Paper. Identical bids of $7,258.86, less 2% f.o.b. Norman, late June delivery, were received from the Western Newspaper Union, Oklahoma City, and Tulsa Paper Company, Tulsa, the only two dealers in the state. In line with the policy of rotating purchases, he recommended that the contract in the amount of $7,258.86 be awarded to Western Newspaper Union.

Approved.

President Cross reported also, bids have been received and tabulated on 715 reams 250 sheets of Warren's Westbrook Gloss Paper. Identical bids of $8,364.20, less 2%, f.o.b. Norman, 4 to 5 weeks delivery, have been received. President Cross recommended that this bid be awarded to the Tulsa Paper Company, Tulsa. Approved.
President Cross called attention to the Commencement Exercises to be held on Sunday, June 3. He urged the members of the Board to attend these exercises, and also other functions which begin with Baccalaureate Services in the various churches of Norman, the Alumni Luncheon at 12:30 in the Union Ballroom, reception at 3:00 p.m. and the Graduation Exercises at 7:30 in the Stadium. He stated this is the year for reunions for classes beginning with 1906.

President Cross requested authorization to make adjustments in the salaries of the following from the amounts approved in the 1956-57 budget submitted at the April 26 meeting:

- Mortimer Schwartz, Professor of Law and Law Librarian, from $7,536 to $7,920;
- George Wadsack, Assistant to the Dean and Registrar, from $4,860 to $5,100.

Unanimously approved.

President Cross called attention to the "Report of Meeting" on the Murray Case Sells matter held at Fort Worth, Texas, on May 2, 1956, a copy of which was mailed to each Regent. No action was taken on the matter.

President Cross explained to the Regents that final approval of the plans for the Speech and Hearing Clinic Building must be secured from the government agency handling Hill-Burton grants before the grant is finally authorized. He reported also it is essential that a contract be let and construction started in this fiscal year, and for that reason it appears necessary to call for bids prior to the June 14 meeting.

President Cross recommended, and it was voted, to authorize calling for bids when approval by the government agency handling Hill-Burton grants has been secured, and that the plans and bids be considered at the June 14 meeting.

PERSONNEL

FACULTY

LEAVES OF ABSENCE:

Richard V. Andree, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, extension of leave of absence without pay, June 1, 1956 to September 1, 1957. To accept appointment in the project for training high school science teachers at Oklahoma A. & M. College.
Eunice M. Lewis, Assistant Professor of Education, University School, leave of absence without pay, June 4 to August 6, 1956. To conduct workshops on this campus and at Louisiana State University.

Edith R. Steanson, Assistant Professor of Education, University School, leave of absence without pay, June 4 to August 6, 1956. Health, workshop activities.

APPOINTMENTS:

Max Jamer, reappointed Visiting Associate Professor of Physics, $5,232 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

George R. Grantham, Assistant Professor of Civil Engineering and Sanitary Science, $5,628 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

Lee O. Thayer, Instructor in Business Communication, $4,512 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

Gwen Ada Abbott, Instructor in Speech, Speech and Hearing Clinic, $377.78 per month, June 1 to August 1, 1956.

CHANGES:

Frank Elkouri, Advisor to President's Office; Professor of Law, salary increased from $7,356 to $7,728 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

Clifford J. Craven, Dean of Students, beginning date changed from September 1, 1956 to July 1, 1956.

James O. Melton, promoted from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor of Mechanics and Engineering Metallurgy, September 1, 1956.

Seymour Feiler, Instructor in Modern Languages, salary increased to $3,900 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

August R. Vavrus, Instructor in Modern Languages, salary increased to $3,900 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

RESIGNATIONS:

Robert H. Rucker, Assistant Professor of Plant Sciences; Landscape Architect, August 15, 1956. To accept full time teaching position with Texas Technological College.

Donald I. Meyer, Assistant Professor of Physics, June 1, 1956. Currently on leave of absence without pay.

Vivian Frazier, Instructor in Physical Education for Women, June 1, 1956. To accept better position.
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Joan Leguillon, Instructor in Speech, Speech and Hearing Clinic, June 1, 1956.

Donald Norton Brown, Teaching Assistant in History, September 1, 1956. Has been appointed as Graduate Assistant.

GRADUATE ASSISTANTS

APPOINTMENTS:

Dewey H. Sifford, Department of Chemistry, $1,500 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

David Paul Cullen, School of Civil Engineering, $1,200 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

James Edward Dempsey, School of Geology, $1,200 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

William Gregware, School of Geology, $1,200 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

Robert F. Hansen, School of Geology, $1,200 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

Dwight Ernest Waddell, School of Geology, $1,200 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

Philip Charles Withrow, School of Geology, $1,200 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

David Eugene Conrad, Department of History, $750 for 4½ months, September 1, 1956.

Bobby Andrew Creech, Department of Mathematics and Astronomy, $1,200 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

Charles Ray Dees, Department of Mathematics and Astronomy, $1,200 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

Joseph Nissen Snyder, Department of Mathematics and Astronomy, $1,200 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

Floyd Russell Vest, Department of Mathematics and Astronomy, $1,200 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

Raymond Sims, Department of Physics, $1,200 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

William Robert Hood, Department of Psychology, $1,500 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

Genell Overmyer, Department of Speech, $1,200 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.
SUMMER SESSION

APPOINTMENTS:

Margaret Shelley, Visiting Associate Professor of Music Education, $600 per month, June and July, 1956.

Fulton K. Fears, Assistant Professor of Mechanics and Engineering Metallurgy, $460 per month, June and July, 1956.

Clyde Smallwood, Instructor in Philosophy, $142.50 per month, 3/8 time, June and July, 1956.

Elizabeth M. Fuller, Visiting Lecturer in Education, $600 per month, June and July, 1956.

Robert Wayne Schmidt, Graduate Assistant, American Heart Foundation, $150 per month, June and July, 1956.

W. Walter Bishop, Jr., Graduate Assistant, Department of Chemistry, $120 per month, June and July, 1956.

Inez Elizabeth McFall, Graduate Assistant, Department of Chemistry, $150 per month, June and July, 1956.

Kenneth Edward Gibbons, Graduate Assistant, School of Geology, $120 for June, 1956.

John L. Zaharis, Graduate Assistant, Department of Zoology, $120 per month, June and July, 1956.

DECLINED TO ACCEPT APPOINTMENT:

James O. Melton, Assistant Professor of Mechanics and Engineering Metallurgy.

Roger Simonds, Assistant Professor of Philosophy.

SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, RESEARCH ASSISTANTS

APPOINTMENTS:

James Arthur Horn, California Company Scholarship (Civil Engineering), $450 for 9 months, September 1, 1956.

Morton M. Urvetzy, Research Fellowship, National Institute of Health Grant (Chemistry), $200 per month, part time, June 1 to August 1, 1956.
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NON-ACADEMIC

CHANGE:

Landon Hunt, title changed from Supervisor of Power Plant and Mechanical Equipment to Assistant Director, Physical Plant, salary rate increased from $6,360 to $6,840 for 12 months, May 1, 1956.

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS

APPOINTMENTS:

Farris Webb Coggins, M.D., Clinical Assistant in Gynecology, clinical rates, April 1, 1956.

William F. Denny, M.D., Chief Resident and Clinical Assistant in Medicine, clinical rates, July 1, 1956.

David Clinton Mock, Jr., M.D., Clinical Assistant in Medicine, clinical rates, July 1, 1956.

Walter H. Whitcomb, M.D., Clinical Assistant in Medicine, clinical rates, July 1, 1956.

CHANGES:

Loyal Lee Conrad, M.D., Assistant Professor of Research Medicine, salary rate changed from $6,600 to $5,100 for 12 months, April 1, 1956. Paid from trust fund.

Mervin L. Clark, M.D., promoted from Clinical Assistant to Assistant Professor of Medicine, changed from clinical rates to $10,000 for 12 months, April 16, 1956. Paid from trust fund.

Ruben Hinton Mayberry, M.D., changed from Assistant Professor of Anesthesiology, full time, to Clinical Assistant in Anesthesiology, clinical rates, April 14, 1956.

RESIGNATIONS:

Tracey H. McCarley, Jr., M.D., Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and Neurology, January 1, 1956. Leaving city.

Sarah E. Gruss, Instructor in Physical Therapy, June 15, 1956. Work in clinical phase of physical therapy.

Approved.

At the April meeting of the Regents it was voted to defer action on two bids for installation of an automatic elevator in the University Hospitals, in order to permit further investigation.
President Cross recommended both bids be rejected, and that new bids be requested in the hope that additional bids may be received. Approved.

At the April meeting a tabulation of six bids on waterproofing exteriors of certain buildings at the Medical Center was presented, the low bidder being Claude A. Woodard of Tulsa, in the amount of $37,727.00. There was a feeling among the Regents that the bids were too high and it was voted to reject all bids, and it was suggested that negotiations be opened with the three low bidders in the hope of securing lower bids.

President Cross stated that the University, as a state agency, cannot award such a contract on a negotiated price without violating the principle of competitive bidding which is well established by law and precedent. The University is obligated to accept the lowest bid received from a responsible bidder, unless in the opinion of the Board such bid is too high. If it is determined the low bid is too high, the only alternative is to take new bids from all who desire to submit bids.

In this particular case, the Medical Center administration requests that the Board reconsider its rejection of all bids previously received, and award the contract to the low bidder, Claude A. Woodard, Tulsa.

Reasons for this recommendation are:

a) the Medical Center administration believes that the $37,727.00 low bid already received is a good bid, and that it is unlikely a better bid could be obtained by re-advertising for bids;

b) if new bids are requested, it will be late in the summer before the work actually could start. This would interfere with plans made to move patients from areas where work is in progress, and it might prove difficult to finish the work before freezing weather in the fall.

President Cross recommended, that the previous action rejecting all bids be rescinded, and that the contract for waterproofing be awarded to Claude A. Woodard, the low bidder, for the amount of his base bid, $37,727.00.

Moved by Regent Grisso, and unanimously voted, to approve the recommendation.

President Cross reported after consultation with the State Regents Office and the State Budget Office, the Business Officer of the Medical Center has recommended that one agency account be adopted for fiscal control of the Medical Center, rather than having separate numbers for the School of Medicine and the University Hospitals.
All concerned have agreed that this change would reduce the amount of paper work required in all the offices, and would result in some actual cash savings in the state's share of Social Security contributions for those persons paid jointly by the School of Medicine and the Hospitals.

At least for the foreseeable future, the State Regents would continue to make separate allocations of funds to the University Hospitals and the School of Medicine.

Oklahoma A. and M. College for a substantial number of years has successfully operated its various appropriation units on the Stillwater Campus under a single agency number.

President Cross recommended that the State Regents for Higher Education and the State Budget Office be requested to adopt a single agency account number for the School of Medicine and the University Hospitals.

Approved on motion by Regent Morgan.

President Cross submitted the 1956-57 budget for the Medical Center, copies of which were sent to the Regents in advance of this meeting. He stated, in the preparation of the budget it was his responsibility to make recommendations on salaries for the Dean, the Business Administrator, and the Medical Director. He recommended that the salary of Dean Everett be fixed at $13,600, providing for an increase of $600; that the salary of Dr. R. C. Lowe, Medical Director be fixed at $11,600, an increase of $600; that the salary of Raymond Crews, Business Administrator, be fixed at $8,900, an increase of $400; and that the salary of Herbert O'Neil, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds, be fixed at $7,000, an increase of $400. Regent Savage moved, and it was voted to approve the increases as requested by President Cross. With these changes, President Cross recommended approval of the budget for the Medical Center for the year 1956-57.

Regent Morgan moved, and it was voted to approve the recommendation.

Regent Foster, reported, as Chairman of a special committee appointed to write to the Governor (p. 5347) "with a full explanation of the needs of the school" (Crippled Children's School) that he had written such a letter but had had no response. Regent Foster asked that Regent Savage have a conference with Governor Gary on this matter.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Emil R. Kraettli, Secretary