

## MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

## President's Office

August 15, 1917.

11 o'clock A. M.

Present, President Kedzie, Messrs. Graham, Woodman, Waterbury, Wallace and Doherty.

The minutes of the last meeting having been in the hands of the members, were approved without reading.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, Mr. A. L. Bibbins was appointed instructor in Farm Crops, at a salary of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, beginning September 1.

Bibbins  
Inst. F. Crops

On motion of Mr. Woodman, Mr. J. R. Duncan was employed from Sept. 1 to December 1 at twelve hundred dollars per annum as Extension Specialist, and from December 1 to the close of the year as Assistant in Farm Crops at a salary of one thousand dollars per annum.

J. R. Duncan  
employed.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, Mr. K. G. Hancher was appointed instructor in Chemistry at a salary of eleven hundred fifty dollars per annum, beginning September 1.

K. G. Hancher  
Inst. in  
Chemistry

The President presented the following message from Herbert Hoover:

## "GOVERNMENT MESSAGE.

Washington, D. C.

Mr. Eustace has been in conference with me today at my request. I desire to ask the Michigan Agricultural College to contribute the services of Mr. Eustace to the Food Administration without loss of compensation to him, to assist in handling the work in distribution and marketing of perishable products. We will contribute his living expenses while here. Mr. Eustace's former connection with the department of Agriculture and his knowledge of the problem outlined makes his assistance of invaluable aid to the department. I have asked a number of institutions to cooperate in this manner and am much gratified with their unanimous desire to assist in handling of the food administration problem. Herbert Hoover."

Hoover's  
Message.

On motion of Mr. Woodman, the request of Mr. Hoover was granted.

Eustace re-  
leased.

On motion of Mr. Waterbury, Dr. Ward Giltner and Dr. Hallman were authorized to attend a meeting of the American Veterinary Medical Association in Kansas City, Missouri, August 20 to 24, with transportation expenses paid.

Giltner &  
Hallman to  
attend meet-  
ing.

The President presented a communication from Mr. Huber C. Hilton, which on motion of Mr. Wallace was referred to the President with power to act.

Hilton's  
letter re-  
ferred to  
Pres.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the resignation of Mrs. Agnes Hatch Kitchen, to take effect September 1, was accepted.

Agnes Hatch  
Kitchen re-  
signs.

On motion of Mr. Waterbury, the President was authorized to attend a meeting of the Federal Board for Vocational Education, at Washington, August 20 and 21, or to send a delegate in case he cannot go.

Pres. to at-  
tend meeting

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the following resolution was adopted:

"Whereas, The Federal Government has placed tremendous emphasis upon the need of increased production of food as a war measure, and has strenuously urged the farmers of this country, by circular and direct appeal, to "speed up" and multiply both acreage and yield to the utmost limit, to the end that the armies and the people of the Allies, as well as our own people and army, may be well fed, and

Resolutions  
concerning  
drafting of  
farmers.

"Whereas, Congress has recently made a large appropriation, of which Michigan's share is \$155,000, as an emergency measure to further this cause and

to stimulate the farmers in every way possible to multiply the food supply; and

"Whereas, Since agriculture more than most other industries requires skilled labor, it is absolutely impossible to increase the farm output if the men trained and experienced in farm work are to be taken from the land, and

"Whereas, In the passage of the selective draft act it was urged that the men experienced and trained in agriculture should not only be left upon the farms, but should be regarded as contributing equally to the great cause by remaining to do their accustomed work, and

"Whereas, It now seems that in the administration of the draft act by the district boards, and under advice from federal officials, there is a disposition to disregard the policy previously set forth and to minimize the importance of retaining upon the farms of the country the only men who know how to run them, suggesting that raw recruits from the towns, ignorant and untrained, may be substituted; Therefore, Be it

RESOLVED, That this Board, representing the agricultural interests and needs of Michigan, and knowing the losses that are already in evidence through shortage of experienced farm labor, and the disaster to agriculture that will follow the taking of men from the farms to supply the armies, protests against such a policy, and demands, in the interest of the countries allied with ours and in the interest of the cause for which we are all fighting, that no man actively engaged in farm labor, either as master or servant, be taken from his occupation to fill the ranks of the army."

Improvement  
of Exp.Sta.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, a committee consisting of the President, and Chairman of the Board, was appointed to consider the matter of the improvement of the Experiment Stations, and to report to the Board at its next meeting.

Leola Lewis  
Library Asst

On motion of Mr. Graham, Miss Leola Lewis was appointed Library Assistant at a salary of seven hundred fifty dollars per annum, beginning September 1.

Prof.Plant  
to attend  
meeting.

On motion of Mr. Graham, Prof. Plant was authorized to attend a meeting of the Mathematical Association of America, at Cleveland, Ohio, September 6 and 7, with transportation expenses paid.

C.A.Hoag  
Grad.Asst.

On motion of Mr. Waterbury, Mr. Chauncey Allen Hoag was appointed the half time Graduate Assistant in/Soils Department, beginning September 1, and Mr.

C.Foster,  
Grad.Asst.

Creighton Foster Murphy was appointed half time Graduate Assistant in the Department of Botany, to begin September 1; each at a salary of five hundred dollars per annum.

Addie Snow  
resigns &  
Agnes McCann  
to fill  
place.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the resignation of Miss Addie Snow as Clerk to the Dean of Engineering was accepted, and Miss Agnes McCann was appointed to fill her place at a salary of seven hundred dollars, beginning September 1.

H.E.Johnson  
Asst.in  
Vet.Anatomy

On motion of Mr. Doherty, Mr. Howard E. Johnson was appointed Assistant in Veterinary Anatomy, at a salary of twelve hundred dollars per annum, beginning September 1.

Opening of  
College  
postponed.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, in order to assist the farmers of the State as far as possible in taking care of crops, the opening of school was postponed from September 26 to October 10.

Concerning  
Food Bill  
referred to  
Pres., Gra-  
ham & Secy.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the matter relating to the Food Bill, and the expenditure of the funds appropriated to Michigan, including the appointment of emergency County Agents, was referred to the President, the Chairman of the Board, and the Secretary, with power to act.

On motion of Mr. Woodman, the expense accounts of the Board Members were approved.

On motion adjourned.

*Will Brown*  
Secretary.