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Present: Dr. Wood, Messrs. Buckingham, Hough, Gentry, and Longley.

1. Mr. Gentry reported that Mr. Skinner had conferred with him in regard to his leave of absence and had expressed the wish to appear before the Board. If when he confers with Mr. Gentry again at the end of this week, he still desires to lay his case before the Board, the Committee felt he should be invited to come to the September meeting and that Mr. Garrigus should be requested to be present.

2. Mr. Gentry read a letter from Major Ransom regarding a band leader for the coming year. Mr. Louis A. Denicoly, band leader of the 11th regiment stationed at Fort Wright, who came to Storrs several times last year to give instruction, but who cannot continue the work, has recommended a Mr. Andrews who is a qualified band leader in the military service. Major Ransom thinks it would be possible to get Mr. Andrews for $500, as he receives pay from the government.

IT WAS VOTED: That Mr. Andrews be engaged as band leader if he will come for $500, and that $500 be added to the budget for the Military Department to cover this item.

3. Mr. Longley reported that the order had been placed with the Library Bureau for library stacks in the amount of $5600, which is under the estimate.

IT WAS VOTED: To approve this purchase.

4. Mr. Longley reported that Mrs. Langton, Mr. Beach's sister, had asked that a toilet be installed on the first floor of the President's house and that the rear porch be extended. The Buildings Department can do the work, if approved.

IT WAS VOTED: That this work be done at such time as Mr. Longley thinks advisable.

5. Mr. Longley reported that six acres of land near the railroad tracks in Eagleville were purchased some time ago for $600. It was thought at the time it would be used for a coal trestle, but later it was decided to build the trestle at Mansfield and the land at Eagleville is of no use to the College. The land at Eagleville can probably be sold for $300.
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IT WAS VOTED: That Mr. Longley attempt to get a customer and then appear before the Board of Control for permission to sell the land.

6. The question of Mr. Esten's buying the land on which his house is built was brought up. The twenty-year lease has expired and the College, according to the agreement, has the option of taking over the house at the appraised value. As a water and a sewage line and also a roadway are soon to be put in for the new development, from which Mr. Esten will benefit, it was suggested that he be asked to buy the lot on which his house stands, or sell. The Committee felt that no pressure should be brought to bear, but that Mr. Longley should see Mr. Esten and find out what he would like to do.

7. The matter of Gilbert Farm insurance was brought up by Mr. Longley who thinks the farm is over-insured. He recommended that a new appraisal be made by Bliss & Cole, and estimated the cost at $50. which will probably be offset by a reduction in insurance.

IT WAS VOTED: To approve a new appraisal of Gilbert Farm to cost not more than $50.

8. Mr. Longley reported a request from Mrs. Fannie M. Beebe for permission to connect with the College water supply for service to a house which she proposed to build in the near future.

IT WAS VOTED: To approve recommending to the Board of Trustees that Mrs. Beebe be granted permission to connect with the College water supply.

9. IT WAS VOTED: To approve Mr. Longley's recommendation that a Minneapolis heat regulator be installed in the new classroom building at a cost of $408.

10. Among other items, the Farm Department has requested an Animal Husbandry building. The Executive Committee felt it was not a proper time to make such a request.

11. IT WAS VOTED: To approve of the following special requests for the biennium 1929-1931:

New equipment for Bacteriology, Botany, Chemistry, Physics, and Zoology $35,000.
Relaying return steam line from Greenhouse to Central Heating Plant, 1600 ft. 8,800.
Relaying 8" sewer line from rear Dr. Sinnott's to tank, 1200 ft. 2,200.
New equipment for Horticultural Department as per list in Minutes of July 30 (§4700. Maintenance to be used for new equipment) 35,920.
Replacements and additions to Creamery 5,205.
Purchase of books and binding for Library 5,000.
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Extension of coal trestle $6,694.
New equipment for Agronomy Department 6,694.
Alterations at Dairy Building, grading around barns, pasture improvement, etc. 5,000.
Farm tools, trucks, stallion, silo, clearing land, etc. for Farm Department 5,000.

Poultry Department
- Repairs to 50 houses $1,000.
- Fence 1,500.
- Brooding house 500.
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- Water 700.
- Horse 100.
- New equipment 1,000.
- Contingent 600. 6,000.

Equipment for Mechanical Engineering 4,250.
New equipment for Radio 2,000.
Completion of rifle range 800.
Improvement of athletic fields 1,000.
Pot washer, soil shredder, and small tractor for Greenhouse 500.
New heaters in cottages 2-6-7-8 1,400.
Replacing Packard sedan Aug. 30, estimated mileage 60,000 1,500.

Total $131,269.

The meeting then adjourned.

WALTER C. WOOD - Secretary