

MINUTES QUARTERLY MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

HELD JANUARY 28, 1932.

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Historical Society convened in the historical building, Oklahoma City, Okla., at 10:00 A. M., January 28, 1932, with the following members present: Mr. Charles F. Colcord, President (presiding); Gen. Charles F. Barrett, Mr. Jasper Sipes, Mrs. Frank Korn, Gen. Wm. S. Key, Gen. R. A. Sneed, Judge Thos. H. Doyle, Col. A. N. Leurgant, Mrs. W. A. Roblin, Judge R. L. Williams, Dr. E. E. Dale, Mrs. Frank Lucas, Mr. Grant Foreman, Judge Phil D. Brewer, Judge Harry Campbell, Judge Baxter Taylor, Mrs. John R. Williams, Judge Thos. A. Edwards, Mrs. Emma Estill-Harbour, Mrs. Jessie E. Moore and Dan W. Peery, the Secretary.

The Secretary read the minutes of the quarterly Board meeting, held October 29, 1931.

Judge Brewer moved that they be approved as read with the following exceptions: that in the last paragraph, page 4, referring to the work of Peter J. Hudson, the word transcribe should be translate; and on page 5, first paragraph, instead of county judges, a list of probate judges is to be made, which upon being seconded was carried.

Judge Phil D. Brewer, Vice-President, made his report as chairman of the Board to canvass the result of the votes cast for the members of the Board of Directors that were counted and certified to on the 26th day of January, 1932, as follows:

We report that there were cast and counted 424 ballots and that the five receiving the highest number of votes were as follows:

Joseph B. Thoburn,
George H. Evans,
Charles F. Barrett,
Mrs. Frank Korn,
Jasper Sipes.

Upon motion the report of the election of Directors was received and accepted.

Judge Williams read a list of the John Edwards documents that were presented to the Society through Miss Muriel H. Wright, and moved that the Secretary be authorized to have the pictures, which were to be returned, copied and paid for out of the private funds of the Society. Motion was seconded and carried.

Judge Williams moved that Miss Wright be thanked for securing this contribution for the archives of the Society, which upon being seconded was carried.

The Secretary read his annual report of the work of the Society, and it was moved, seconded and carried that the report be received and filed.

The question of having a history of the Society prepared was discussed, and Judge Williams moved that a committee of five, with Judge Doyle as Chairman, be appointed to prepare the history of the Historical Society. The motion was seconded and carried.

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Judge Williams moved that we express to General Key and Judge

Ledbetter the thanks of the Society for the services they have rendered to the Society, which was seconded and carried.

The President then introduced Mr. George H. Evans and Dr. Joseph B. Thoburn, the two new members of the Board of Directors, and they were asked to participate in the deliberations of the Board.

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Mrs. Williams called the attention of the Board to the matter of collecting west-side history.

Mrs. Moore moved that some one be employed to write the west-side history, and pay for same out of the private funds of the Society, said employment to be for three months at a salary of \$75.00 per month. Motion was seconded and carried.

The president appointed the following committee to carry on this work:

Judge Thos. A. Edwards, Chairman,
Mr. George H. Evans,
Dr. J. B. Thoburn,
Dr. E. E. Dale,
Mrs. John R. Williams.

Judge Williams moved that Peter J. Hudson be continued for an additional three months in the work of translating the Choctaw records at Muskogee at the same salary to be paid out of the private funds of the Society, which motion upon being seconded was carried.

General Key expressed his appreciation of the articles that had been published in Chronicles, and suggested that Concharty, of Seminole County, be solicited to write or furnish a story of the Seminoles, which was agreed to by the Board.

Mr. Foreman read the report on the work being done at Muskogee by Mrs. Watts, and also presented to the Society copies of some letters of the Alice Robertson collection which he had secured from her sister, Mrs. N. B. Moore, which he and Mrs. Foreman had edited to make them more valuable for research workers, and asked that they be bound.

Judge Williams moved that they be received and that Mrs. Moore be thanked for same, and also that Mr. and Mrs. Foreman be thanked for their efforts in securing and arranging this collection for the Society. Motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. Foreman presented to the Society, in manuscript form, the life of Carrier Walton (Bruton) Breedlove; Small Red Book; Record of Blue County, Pushmataha District, Choctaw Nation; and Survey of the Tribal Records of the Choctaw Nation.

Judge Williams moved that we take up the question of the election of officers of the Society, which upon being seconded was carried.

Judge Doyle moved that Mr. Charles F. Colcord be re-elected President for the ensuing term. Motion was seconded and Judge Doyle, acting as chairman, put the motion to a vote which carried.

Judge Williams moved that Judge Thos. H. Doyle be re-elected first vice President for the ensuing term, which was seconded and carried.

Judge Edwards moved that Judge Phil D. Brewer be re-elected second Vice President for the ensuing term, which was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Williams moved that Mrs. Jessie E. Moore be re-elected Treasurer for the ensuing term. Motion was seconded and carried.

Col. A. N. Leecraft moved that Dan W. Peery be re-elected Secretary for the ensuing term. Motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Moore moved that the present staff of employees be reappointed. Motion was seconded and carried.

Judge Williams moved that Mr. Jasper Sipes be elected President Emeritus for life. Motion was seconded and carried.

Meeting recessed until 1:30 P. M.

The meeting convened as per adjournment with the following members present: Mr. Charles F. Colcord, President, presiding; Gen. Charles F. Barrett, Mr. Jasper Sipes, Mrs. Frank Korn, Judge Thos. H. Doyle, Col. A. N. Leecraft, Dr. E. E. Dale, Mr. Grant Foreman, Judge Phil D. Brewer, Judge Harry Campbell, Judge Baxter Taylor, Mrs. John R. Williams, Judge Thos. A. Edwards, Mrs. Emma Estill-Harbour, Mrs. Jessie E. Moore, Dr. Joseph B. Thoburn, Mr. George H. Evans, and Dan W. Peery, the Secretary.

Judge Brewer moved that the Secretary be instructed to purchase and install a visitor's register, which motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Korn presented a photostat record of the interments in the National Cemetery at Fort Gibson, which with the aid of Senator Elmer Thomas, she had secured from the records at Washington; and also a picture of Chief Charles Journeycake, donated by W. W. Childers.

Judge Brewer moved that Mrs. Korn and Senator Thomas and W. W. Childers be thanked for these contributions to the archives of the Society. Motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Williams called attention of the Board to the opportunity to secure a relief map of the Oklahoma City oil field, and moved that this map be secured. Motion was seconded and carried.

Judge Brewer moved that Mrs. Williams be requested to secure this map. Motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Moore told of the opportunity to secure the exhibit of the oil industry in miniature, which had been on display at the oil convention in Tulsa, and moved that a committee of three be appointed to make the necessary arrangements. Motion was seconded and carried.

The celebration of the 25th anniversary of statehood was discussed, and General Barrett moved that a committee of three be appointed to co-operate with the Oklahoma Memorial Association in this celebration. Motion was seconded and carried.

General Barrett, chairman of the committee on planting trees and shrubs on the grounds surrounding the Historical building, gave a verbal report of the progress of the work being done.

Judge Campbell, chairman of the program committee for the annual meeting, stated that March 31, 1932, had been set as the date of the meeting, and moved that date be approved. Motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Moore told of the classifying of the guns by Major Frank B. Jordan, of the regular army, assisted by the American Legion, and moved that they be thanked for their services. Motion was seconded and carried.

Judge Edwards presented to the Society in pamphlet form the arguments for and against the initiative petitions.

General Barrett suggested that the Board go on record as requesting the program committee to invite Gov. Wm. H. Murray to address the annual meeting, to be held in Tulsa, on any subject he might choose, which received the approval of the Board.

Doctor Dale made a talk on the question of duplicate copies of books, and suggested the desirability of exchanging these copies for others.

Judge Brewer moved that the executive committee of the Board of Directors be authorized to negotiate with the authorities of the Oklahoma University, and other libraries and Universities or Institutions re-

garding the exchange of duplicates as may be agreed upon between the two institutions. Motion was seconded and carried.

Judge Brewer moved that the Board accept the Russell Parrott loan of museum material, as listed by the Secretary in his report, according to the terms of the donor with the understanding that in 'case the heirs should apply for the collection after the year 2000, in the event an article should be claimed as lost or damaged, that the Society shall not be pecuniarily liable therefor. Motion was seconded and carried.

On motion of General Barrett, the meeting stood adjourned.

Dan W. Peery, Secretary.

Charles F. Colcord, President,
Presiding.