

MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
SOUTHWESTERN AT MEMPHIS
HELD IN THE SUMMIT CLUB
STERICK BUILDING, MEMPHIS
MAY 28, 1964

At the call of the Chairman a special, joint meeting of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee of Southwestern At Memphis was held in the Summit Club, Sterick Building, Memphis, beginning with lunch at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 28, 1964.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 1:00 p.m., and was opened with prayer by the Reverend Mr. Murphey C. Wilds.

The roll call showed the following members present:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ALABAMA:	LOUISIANA:	MISSISSIPPI:	TENNESSEE:
William H. Mitchell	E.B. LeMaster	Murphey C. Wilds	Morton B. Howell, Jr.
Lewis R. Donelson III	Mrs. Morgan L. Shaw	Frank A. England, Jr.	A. Van Pritchett
Mrs. Kenneth Harper		W.J. Millard	Mrs. David K. Wilson
		Orrick Metcalfe	Ross M. Lynn
		P.N. Rhodes, <u>ex officio</u>	

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Walter P. Armstrong, Jr., J. Bayard Boyle, S. Toof Brown, Edmund Orgill, and R. Don Warren.

Miss Erma Reese, Assistant Secretary, was present by invitation, as was Dr. John David Alexander, Jr., '53, of San Anselmo, California.

The following members were absent: Board of Directors - Jack W. Warner (Synod of Alabama); Alden T. Shotwell and Carlos G. Spaht (Synod of Louisiana); Mrs. J. Maury McIntyre (Synod of Mississippi); William H. Dale (Synod of Tennessee); Executive Committee - L. Palmer Brown III, C.W. Butler, Jr., Norfleet Turner, and William N. Wilkerson.

President Rhodes reported the following faculty and staff appointments, effective with the 1964-65 academic session, which were approved:

Heinz Ullmann, Acting Assistant Professor of German
Samuel L. Drash, '61, College Representative for Admissions

President Rhodes also reported briefly on the following items:

(1) The death of Mr. Jules B. Rozier, of Memphis, on May 6, 1964, stating that Mr. Rozier included Southwestern in his will as one of the institutions to benefit from a charitable trust to aid local and national humanitarian and educational organizations;

(2) The fact that the Thomas W. Briggs' property had been sold for \$370,000, to be paid over a period of five years, and stated that it is hoped \$340,000 net will be realized from this property, which amount should take care of

at least three-fourths of the cost of the proposed Thomas W. Briggs Student Center on the Southwestern campus;

(3) The fact that the HHFA loan application for \$600,000 (see minutes of Board of Directors meeting held 3/19/64, page 16) for the construction of an additional men's residence hall on the campus, is being processed by the Community Facilities Administration Housing and Home Finance Agency in Atlanta, Georgia, and that it is expected this application will be approved in the near future;

(4) The further fact that the Research Corporation of New York had made a grant of \$25,000 to Southwestern to help in its recently announced Laboratory of Atmospheric and Optical Physics;

(5) The receipt of \$3,000 from the First Presbyterian Church of Florence, Alabama, as its first payment toward the annual endowment of a chair at Southwestern, and

(6) The progress of the 1964 Annual Sponsors' Program in Memphis, stating that to date 790 donors had contributed \$128,050 toward the goal of \$175,000.

Upon motion by Mr. Donelson, seconded by Dr. Millard, the degrees in course which will be certified by the faculty of Southwestern to be conferred on June 1, 1964 and at the end of the 1964 summer session were authorized.

It was announced that the dates and speakers for the 1964 commencement season are as follows:

Sunday, May 31, 1964 - The Baccalaureate Service in Evergreen Presbyterian Church, the sermon to be preached by Dr. Henry Pope Mobley, Jr., '39, pastor of Highland Presbyterian Church, Louisville, Kentucky.

Monday, June 1, 1964 - The Graduating Exercises in the Hubert F. Fisher Memorial Garden on the campus at 10:00 a.m., the address to be delivered by Dr. Merrimon Cuninggim, Executive Director of The Danforth Foundation, St. Louis, Missouri.

It was stated by the Chairman that regular monthly meetings of the Executive Committee during June, July, and August, would not be held, but that the Committee would meet if necessary at the call of the Chairman, Vice Chairman, or Secretary, and that the regular monthly meetings of the Committee would be resumed on the third Monday of each month beginning on September 21, 1964.

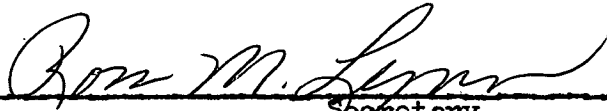
The Chairman stated that the purpose of this called meeting was to bring the members up-to-date on the activities of the Board's committee to find a successor to President Rhodes when he retires on June 30, 1965, and that he was happy to inform the members of the Board and of the Executive Committee that both the Board's Selection Committee and the Faculty Advisory Committee, after a year's work on this very important matter, felt that the best possible individual, in the person of Dr. John David Alexander, Jr., had been discovered, and that he was present in order to give the members of the Board and of the Executive Committee an opportunity to meet and talk with him. After a prolonged period of talking to and questioning Dr. Alexander about his views on matters of importance to the future of the college, he retired from the meeting.

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The members of the Board and of the Executive Committee then expressed their views about Dr. Alexander and upon motion by Dr. Millard, seconded by Mrs. Shaw, Dr. Alexander was unanimously and enthusiastically approved to succeed President Rhodes on July 1, 1965, as the sixteenth President of Southwestern, at an annual salary of \$16,000, plus certain perquisites such as the President's home at 671 West Drive, with utilities and maintenance, a car for his business use, and a monthly allowance of \$150.00 for a servant and incidentals.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m., with prayer by Mr. Wilds.


Secretary