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## Minutes of the Board of Directors of Southwestern October 6, 1925

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF SOUTHWESTERN  
HELD IN THE DIRECTORS' ROOM  
IN PALMER HALL  
OCTOBER 6, 1925.

A called meeting of the Board of Directors of Southwestern was held Tuesday, October 6th, 1925, at nine A. M., Board of Directors' Room in Palmer Hall, pursuant to the following call issued by the Chairman and sent out -

September 8, 1925

"The Executive Committee feels that we are facing a grave situation, and requests the Secretary to call a meeting of the Board of Directors. This meeting is to be held in the Davidson-Hill Memorial Directors' Room at the College in Memphis on Tuesday morning, September 29th, 1925, and is called for the purpose of 'considering matters incident to the opening of the college and the conduct of the work, and to take such action as may be necessary'".

"This meeting is a meeting of great importance, at which time definite plans will have to be worked out for the presentation of the needs of Southwestern to the four co-operating Synods, and we earnestly hope that you can arrange to be present. Please indicate on the enclosed postal card whether or not we may count on you."

Very sincerely yours,

(signed) Moore Moore,  
Secretary."

Owing to the fact that September 29th was a date inconvenient for the majority of the members of the Board to attend, October 6th was chosen and the following letter was sent by the Secretary to the members:

"September 23, 1925.

"In view of the fact that September 29th was an impossible time for so many of the members of our Board, the date of meeting of the Board of Directors of Southwestern was fixed for Tuesday, October 6th. This meeting will take the place of the meeting called for September 29th, and will be held in the Board of Directors' Room of the College at nine A. M."

"We earnestly hope that you can be present"

Very sincerely yours,

(signed) Moore Moore,

Secretary of Board".

The following members were present:

ALABAMA: A. B. CURRY  
J. T. FULLER  
D. H. OGDEN

MISSISSIPPI: GEO.G. TAYLOE  
J. D. DUNCAN

LOUISIANA: E. B. LE MASTER  
W. McF. ALEXANDER  
D. K. BROWN

TENNESSEE: MOORE MOORE  
CHAS. E. DIEHL

Alexander. The meeting was opened with prayer by Dr.

present. By invitation of the Board Dr. W. S. Lacy was also

presented and accepted by the Board:

Mr. B. A. Patch Dr. James I. Vance Dr. A. A. Little  
Mr. D. M. Pipes Mr. Frank Rushton

information. The Minutes of the meeting of June 23d were read for

and adopted. The Minutes of the Executive Committee were read

was passed: Upon motion of Dr. Curry the following resolution

"Inasmuch as, since the last meeting of the Board the following matters were submitted by mail to the members of the Board individually and were approved by the latter, with only one dissenting vote, and that only on the second proposition:

1. The printing of the Charter and By-Laws recently adopted by the Board.
2. The celebration on November 26-28, 1925 of the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the College at a cost of \$3,000

"That the Board formally approves of the above matters and orders that the same be recorded on our Minutes."

President Diehl presented an oral report, reviewing the work accomplished since the last meeting of the Board and emphasizing the financial situation. He pointed out the fact

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noted at the previous meeting that there would be a deficit of \$80,000 in the year's budget for the current expenses, and suggested:

1. That each Director and the Executive Secretary obligate himself to endeavor to obtain five-one thousand dollar gifts for current expenses.
2. That members of the Board be definitely appointed to attend the meetings of the four Synods, to present our financial situation to the Synods, and to endeavor to get each of these Synods to agree to raise a definite and proportionate amount for the current expenses of Southwestern.
3. That the Executive Committee confer and cooperate with Mayor Paine and his Committee with regard to the supplemental campaign in Memphis which it was agreed should be put on if the College opened in Memphis in September, 1925.

The Bursar made his report, which is as follows:

"September 30, 1925

Accounts Payable.....	\$	159,338.36
Note M.V.T.Co.....		50,000.00
	\$	<u>209,338.36</u>
Bal.in Bank M.V.T.Co.....	\$	266,943.51
	\$	<u>57,605.15</u>

Estimated add'l equipment needed

Chas.R.Miller-walks.....	\$4,000
Nat'l Bed Co.....	1,378
Mattresses.....	2,400
Chairs & Waste Baskets.....	2,000
Stage Equip.....	950
House-Bond Co.add'l.....	638
Strassel & Co.....	3,549
Steel Shelves.....	410
Kewsunce-add'l.....	961
Mirrors &c.....	265
Library Bureau-add'l.....	1,200
M.V.Furn.Co.....	1,600
Fischer Lum.&c.C.....	567
	<u>\$19,918</u>

- Folding Chairs
- Refrigeration
- 200 Lockers
- Field House \$7,500
- Kitchen Canopy
- Shades

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BURSAR'S REPORT CONTINUED:

Delinquent Subscriptions

	Considered N.G.	Considered O.K.	Total
Miss.	\$7,893.25	107,413.23	115,306.48
La. (Includes Silliman)	4,583.50	50,072.48	54,655.98
Tenn.	4,036.00	42,473.26	46,509.26
Misc.	2,397.25	12,394.70	14,791.95
Total Synod delinquent	\$18,910.00	212,353.67	231,263.67
Memphis			144,946.66
Of Ala. Unpaid for Southwestern	\$107,278.07		
probable delinq.			50,000.00
			\$ 426,210.33

4700 Synod delinquents  
 5100 Synod subs paid in full  
 1200 not yet due - synod  
 11,000

October Maturities.....\$3,309

Current acct.

Receipts in Sep.....\$62,308.87  
 Our share about \$25,000 or \$30,000

Dr. W. S. Lacy made a brief but encouraging report of his work in collecting subscription and renewing some old subscriptions which had expired.

Mr. E. B. Le Master made a splendid talk about the prospects of the future for Southwestern, the economy that has been practiced in erecting the buildings and purchasing equipment and supplies, and the renewed confidence in and enthusiasm for Southwestern on the part of the people of Memphis.

Upon motion of Dr. Alexander a committee consisting of Mr. G. G. Tayloe, Mr. B. A. Patch and President Charles E. Diehl was appointed to dispose of the College property at Clarksville and this Committee was given power to act.

The Board took recess at 1:30 for lunch.

At 2:30 P. M. the meeting was called to order by President Diehl, all who attended the morning session were present except Mr. G. G. Tayloe.

Upon motion of Dr. Curry the honorary degree of Doctor of Literature was bestowed upon Miss Charl Williams, which degree is to be conferred at the Semi-Centennial Celebration, November 26-28, 1925

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Upon motion of Dr. Ogden the resolution was passed "That each Director endeavor to obtain five - one thousand dollar gifts for the current expenses of Southwestern".

Upon motion of Dr. Curry it was voted that the four Synods be asked to raise for current expenses the following respective amounts:

ALABAMA: .....	\$20,000
LOUISIANA ,,,,,,	12,000
MISSISSIPPI .....	20,000
TENNESSEE .....	20,000

That this proposal to the Synods be put as kindly and as strongly as possible, and that the percentage of the benevolences for Southwestern in each Synod be increased as much as possible.

The Board appointed the following men as representatives to each Synod:

- TENNESSEE - Dr. A. B. Curry    Dr. James I. Vance  
                   Mr. B. A. Patch    Dr. Moore Moore  
                   Dr. W. S. Lacy    President Charles E. Diehl
- ALABAMA -    Mr. J. T. Fuller    Dr. D. H. Ogden  
                   Dr. A. B. Curry    President Charles E. Diehl  
                   Mr. Frank Rushton
- MISSISSIPPI- Dr. A. A. Little    Mr. J. D. Duncan  
                   Dr. A. B. Curry    Mr. G. G. Tayloe  
                   Dr. C. T. Thomson
- LOUISIANA    Dr. W. McF. Alexander    Mr. D. K. Brown  
                   Mr. D. M. Pipes    Mr. E. B. Le Master  
                   President Charles E. Diehl

Upon motion of Dr. Alexander the following resolution was passed:

"That, the Board of Directors of Southwestern hereby authorises Mr. C. W. Bailey, our Treasurer at Clarksville, to turn over to Mr. George G. Tayloe, our Treasurer in Memphis, all funds and accts due Southwestern."


Upon motion of Dr. Alexander it was voted that Mr. S. M. Nickey, Memphis, to be recommended to the Synod of Tennessee as a member of the Board of Directors of Southwestern.

Upon motion of Dr. Alexander the Secretary of the Board was directed to send to Mr. B. A. Patch a letter on behalf of the Board expressing deep appreciation for the unusual service he has rendered during the past years as a member of our Board and as a member of the Building Committee, and appealing to him to continue to serve with us for at least another term.

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The Minutes of this meeting were read and approved.

The meeting adjourned with prayer by Dr. Ogden at five P. M.

  
Secretary of Board

Approved:

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Chairman of Board