

At a meeting of the Federal Reserve Board held in the office of the Board on Tuesday, January 6, 1920, at 11-55 A.M.;

- PRESENT: The Governor
 Mr. Strauss
 Mr. Miller
 Mr. Hamlin
 Mr. Moehlenpah
 Mr. Williams
 Mr. Chapman, Secretary.

Minutes of meetings of the Board held on January 2d and 5th were read, and on motion approved as amended.

Business was presented and disposed of as follows:

Letter dated December 24th from the Chairman, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, advising of the selection of Directors of the Oklahoma City branch of that Bank, and suggesting the names of suitable candidates for appointment to the branch bank board by the Federal Reserve Board.

Ordered to lie on table pending reply from Federal Reserve Agent Ramsay in response to suggestion of the selection of a representative of Tulsa to serve on the Oklahoma City branch board.

The Governor reported rediscount transaction, pursuant to authority heretofore vested in him; member bank promissory notes secured by Government obligations, rate 5% on commercial and agricultural paper, as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Bank Rediscounting</u>	<u>With</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Maturities</u>
Dec. 31st	Kansas City	Dallas	\$7,500,000	30-90 days

Noted.

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The Governor reported rediscount transaction, pursuant to authority heretofore vested in him; member bank promissory notes secured by Government obligations, rate 4-3-4%, as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Bank Rediscounting</u>	<u>With</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Maturities</u>
Jan.2d	Philadelphia....	(Dallas (Chicago	\$9,000,000 3,000,000	11-15 days

Noted.

The Governor reported rediscount transaction, pursuant to authority heretofore vested in him; member bank promissory notes secured by Government obligations, rate 4-3/4% on paper secured by certificates of indebtedness and 5% on paper secured by Liberty bonds and Victory notes, as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Bank Rediscounting</u>	<u>With</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Maturities</u>
Jan.3d	Kansas City	Chicago	\$5,000,000	11-15 days

Noted.

The Governor reported the reserve positions of the several Federal Reserve banks as at close of business January 3d, and the status of rediscounts between Federal Reserve banks as of the same date.

The Governor read telegram addressed to him under date of January 6th by the Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, advising that he is informed that the President

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of the Kansas City Live Stock Exchange had telegraphed to Secretary Glass, protesting against increase of discount rates, claiming discrimination against the live stock and cattle interests.

(At this point Mr. Williams joined the meeting)

Memorandum by Mr. Jacobson dated January 2d, analyzing war paper holdings of Federal Reserve banks.

Ordered circulated.

Letter dated December 24th from the Chairman, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, submitting for approval schedule of salaries of officers and employees of that Bank, effective January 1, 1920.

Approved with the exception of the increase recommended in the salary of Mr. L.P. Talley, Deputy Governor and Cashier, and the increase recommended for Mr. Sam R. Lawder, Manager of the Houston Branch, upon the understanding that the Governor advise the Chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas that the Board feels that the offices of Deputy Governor and Cashier should be responsibility of two individuals, but would be willing to approve appropriate salaries for the respective offices upon receipt of recommendations of the Board of Directors of that Bank, upon the further understanding that the Governor inform Mr. Ramsay that the Board withholds action upon the increase recommended in the salary of the Manager of the Houston Branch pending receipt of report of efficiency of management of that Branch in the light of the recent shortage in the accounts of its receiving teller and collection department.

(At this point Mr. Miller withdrew from the meeting)

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Letter dated December 29th from the Assistant Federal Reserve Agent at Kansas City, submitting for approval schedule of salaries of employees of the Fiscal Agency Department of that Bank, effective January 1, 1920.

Approved.

Letter dated December 31st from the Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, requesting an expression of the Board's views as to a proposed increase in the fee paid to directors for attendance at executive committee meetings.

Voted to approve the proposed increase to \$20 per meeting in the fee of directors attending executive committee meetings.

Letter dated January 3d from the Director, Division of Analysis and Research, requesting approval of the appointment of the following clerks in that Division for a period of sixty days at salaries at the rate of \$1,200 per annum:

J. M. Chapman
Miss A.L. Smyth
Miss Myrtle Powell

Referred to Mr. Miller and Mr. Moehlenpah for such action as they may desire to take.

Memorandum by Mr. Wyatt dated January 3d, submitting for approval letters for signature by the Governor in re reported violations of the Clayton Anti-Trust Act.

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Approved.

Letter dated December 24th from the Director of the Division of Analysis and Research, submitting a progress report on the investigation into the salaries and wages paid by Federal Reserve banks to employees receiving \$5,000 per annum or less.

Ordered circulated.

Letter dated December 18th from the Chairman, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, with respect to the action of the Bank of Italy, San Francisco, a member bank, in acquiring national banks and operating same as its branches, together with memorandum by Mr. Hoxton dated December 29th.

Referred to the Governor for reply, and ordered that the Comptroller of the Currency be furnished a copy of the correspondence.

Letter dated January 3d from the Chairman, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, containing an explanation of the item of \$286 in connection with the Liberty Loan campaign appearing on its November, 1919, expense report.

In view of the explanation contained in Mr. McCord's letter, no objection was made to the expenditure.

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Letter dated January 2d from Mr. L. F. Sailer,
Deputy Governor, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, sub-
mitting a statement of the profit and loss account of that
Bank for the six month period ending December 31, 1919.

Ordered circulated.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE NO. 1:

Dated Jan. 6th, recommending changes in stock at Federal
Reserve banks, as set forth in auxiliary
minute book as of this date.

Approved.

Dated Jan. 6th, recommending action on application of
Edric Eldridge to serve at the same time as
Director of the Citizens National Bank, as
President and Director, Jamaica Plain Trust
Company, and as Director and President,
Pioneer Cooperative Bank, all of Boston, Mass.

Approved.

Dated Jan. 6th, recommending action on application of
William Gamble to serve at the same time as
Vice-President of the Irving Trust Company
of New York City, and as Director of the
Richmond Borough National Bank of Stapleton,
Staten Island, and of the Tottenville
National Bank, Tottenville, Staten Island,
New York.

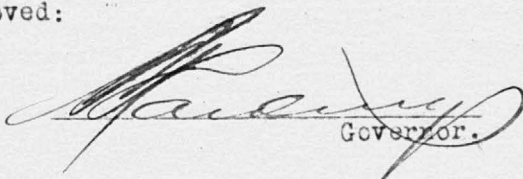
Approved.

Dated Jan. 6th, recommending admission of State institutions
as set forth in the auxiliary minute book
as of this date, subject to the conditions
stated in the individual reports attached
to each application.

Approved.

At 1-25 P.M., the meeting adjourned.

Approved:



Governor.



Secretary.