

Subject to Revision

March 18, 1919

INTERIM COMMITTEE  
NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL

The meeting was called to order in the Research Council Building at 9.30 a.m., March 18, 1919.

Present: Messrs. Clevenger, Cross, Hale, Howe, Hussey, Johnston, Leuschner, Merriam, Washburn, and by invitation, Fulcher and Nichols.

Moved: That the first meeting of each of the permanent Divisions, at which the Division is organized and elects its officers and executive committee, be recognized as the annual meeting of the Division for this year. Adopted.

Moved: That all appointments made hereafter shall be considered to terminate on the last day of June of the appropriate year. Adopted.

Moved: That the question as to when the present membership of the Council ceases be referred to the Committee on Organization with the request that they formulate and circulate resolutions regarding this matter before the next meeting of the Interim Committee. Adopted.

Moved: That the Secretary be requested to bring to the attention of the Divisions the provisions of Section 6, Article V, for fixing by lot the term of office of the new members of the Divisions. Adopted.

It was the sense of the Interim Committee that a special session of the National Academy of Sciences, on the afternoon of Wednesday, April 30, for the presentation of reports from the National Research Council, is advisable.

Moved: That the question of employing a man, who would arrange for proper publicity for the material presented by the National Research Council at the foregoing session of the National Academy of Sciences, be left to Mr. Merriam, with power. Adopted.



Moved: That the appointment of Mr. H. E. Howe as a member of the present Industrial Research Section, be approved. Adopted.

Moved: That the nomination of Hugh K. Moore by the American Institute of Chemical Engineers for membership in the Division of Chemistry and Chemical Technology, be approved. Adopted.

Moved: That a small committee be appointed by the Chairman to formulate plans for advising the Army and Navy in the reorganization of their research activities at the close of the war. Adopted.

On behalf of the Division of Physical Sciences, Mr. Leuschner reported on the desirability of enlarging the functions of the International Committee on Weights and Measures and moved: That the Division be authorized to appoint a special committee to prepare suitable recommendation in this respect. Adopted.

Moved: That an additional allotment of \$1,000 be made to the general maintenance fund of the Engineering Division; and that the transportation expenses of the members of the Division attending the first meeting, be met by the Council. Adopted.

Moved: That an appropriation of \$500 be made to the Executive Board to cover the expense of preparation of an annotated analytical bibliography, according to the scheme proposed by Mr. Fulcher, of the literature dealing with the effects of over-strain and blue heat on steel. Adopted.

Moved: That the salary of Mr. H. S. Washington, of the Rome office of the Research Information Service, be increased as from March 1, from \$250 to \$350 a month, in order to aid in meeting the exceedingly high present cost of living in Italy. Adopted.

Mr. Hale stated that he expected to be relieved of his duties as Chairman of the Council at an early date, and that Mr. Merriam would be Acting Chairman as from March 15.

The meeting adjourned at 11.50 a.m.

Paul Brockett,

Assistant Secretary