

Minutes of a meeting of the Virginia Normal School Board, held at the Fredericksburg School, Fredericksburg Va., Friday May 29th at 11:00 a. m. pursuant to notice mailed each member of the Board. Present: Messrs. Preston, Hull, Locker, Taylor, Mears and Dr. DeJarnette, also Dr. Burruss.

In the absense of the President and Vice-president of the Board on motion of Mr. Hull, Mr. Preston was called to the Chair.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with until a larger attendance of the Board could be had.

On motion Dr. Burruss was called in to the meeting of the regular order business. Dr. Burruss presented a special report dated May 30, 1919, which was received and filed.

It was moved and carried that the recommendations contained in said report as to instructors and salaries for the first and second terms of the Summer School at Harrisonburg be approved.

It was moved and carried that the two appointments to the faculty as reported in recommendation No. two of said report be approved.

The recommendation of Dr. Burruss that Prof. C. T. Logan be offered the position as Instructor in English at the Harrisonburg School at a salary of \$1900.00, was on motion duly seconded and carried, approved.

It was moved and carried that Prof. James C. Johnston be authorized and directed to execute the proper bond for the handling of alcohol in connection with the school laboratories at the State Normal School at Harrisonburg, and that the Secretary-Auditor of the Board be directed to provide a certified copy of this resolution for presentation to the Circuit Court of Rockingham County.

Mr. Locker moved that Dr. Burruss be authorized to allow the use of the Harrisonburg school plant for the accommodation of the Confederate reunion to be held at Harrisonburg, September 2, 3, and 4, 1919, with the understanding that Dr. Burruss will take charge of the matter and that no expense shall devolve upon the school, and that the actual cost of accommodations, plus the cost of repairing any damage to the equipment will be paid by the local committee at Harrisonburg. This motion was duly carried. (See letter of Dr. Burruss dated May 21, 1919, filed with the records of this meeting.)

The Special Committee which was instructed to audit and settle, in connection with the Secretary-Auditor of this Board, and the State Accountant, the accounts of Mr. E. H. Russell, late President of the Fredericksburg State Normal School, reported that they held a full session at Fredericksburg, and that upon a careful check of the school books by the said Secretary-Auditor and the State Accountant, said books were found to balance, and to be in good shape, and that as to the dealings of Mr. Russell with the Fredericksburg State Normal School not shown by the books of the School, they made as particular and minute inquiry as they could, and they found as shown by figures prepared by said Secretary-Auditor and said State Accountant, which were submitted to the Board, Mr. Russell due the institution the sum of \$ which amount he has paid into the treasury of the School.

Thereupon, on motion duly seconded and carried, it was resolved that the report of said Special Committee be received and approved, and that the settlement effected by said Committee with Mr. E. H. Russell be and the same hereby is ratified and confirmed.

Mr. Shackelford came into the meeting and took the chair. Dr. DeJarnette suggested that it was highly desirable that a president of the Fredericksburg School should be elected at once so that the students and faculty might know what to expect next session. After a general discussion, Mr. Locker moved that there be no further discussion of the question of going into the election of a president of the school until after the Acting President has made his report. This motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. A. B. Chandler Jr., Acting President was invited into the meeting and read a written report dated May 30, 1919, which was received and filed.

Mr. Locker moved that the election for the faculty of the Fredericksburg School be deferred to a future meeting of the Board; and that it is the sense of this meeting that the committee appointed to consider candidates for the presidency of the Fredericksburg School be requested to make a report to the next meeting of the Board, and that the next meeting be called prior to June 9th, which is the closing of the School. This motion was duly carried.

Mr. Chandler reported that the house owned by Mr. E. H. Russell adjoining the school property could be bought for \$4750.00 cash or \$5000.00 on time. It was moved and carried that Mr. Chandler be requested to ask Mr. Russell for an option on this property at \$4500.00 until the next meeting of the Board.

Mr. Hull moved that Mr. Russell be requested, if he can so arrange, to vacate the presidents house by June 12 so as to make the property available for the use of the faculty for the Summer School. This motion was duly carried and the Secretary-Auditor was directed to write Mr. Russell advising him of the wishes of the Board in the premises.

It was moved and carried that the Acting President be requested to ascertain from Mr. Russell what he considers a reasonable compensation for the garden at the presidents house and report to the next meeting of the Board; and in the mean time the Acting President will take care that the garden does not suffer for lack of attention.

On motion duly carried, the appointments of the faculties of Fredericksburg and Radford with the salaries as reported by Mr. Chandler and Dr. McConnell ratified and approved.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

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Secretary-Auditor.

Approved,

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President.