

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE VIRGINIA NORMAL SCHOOL BOARD  
held at the Richmond Hotel, Richmond, Va. January 14th, 1916  
after notice to all the members.

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Present, Judge John W. Price, Vice President, presiding.  
Messrs, King, Hull, Preston, White and Locker, and  
Drs. Jarman, Russell, Burruss and McConnell:-

The minutes of the meeting held Dec. 16th, 1915,  
were read, corrected, and approved as corrected.

The Secretary read a letter from C. G. Price calling  
attention to the defective wiring in the Administration  
Building at Radford, on account of which the insurance rate  
had been raised. Dr. McConnell reported that he had gotten  
bids for correcting the defects in the wiring in this  
building, and on motion of Mr. Hull, Dr. McConnell was author-  
ized to have the defect remedied at the lowest bid.

Mr. Locker moved that President McConnell be authorized  
to use his discretion as to the best means to retire the note  
representing the balance due on the old Radford debt,  
amounting to about \$300.00, so as to relieve the members of  
the old board from liability on account of the said obligation,  
which motion was duly seconded and carried. Dr. McConnell was  
directed to notify Mr. L. L. Scherer, Chairman of the old board at  
Radford of this action of the Board.

Hon. R. B. Davis came in and took the chair.

On motion of Mr. Hull, duly seconded and carried,  
Dr. McConnell was authorized to employ a school physician for  
the Radford School at a salary not exceeding \$500.00 per annum.  
this to include simple medicines to be supplied by the  
physician.

The Secretary-Auditor read a special report from Dr. Julian A. Burruss, dated January 6th, 1916. On motion of Mr. Locker, it was ordered that this report should be received and filed.

Mr. King moved that the salary of the fireman and night watchmen at the Harrisonburg School be increased from \$35.00 to \$45.00 per month, in accordance with a recommendation from Dr. Burruss, which motion was seconded and carried.

On motion of Mr. King, the Board went into executive session to consider the budgets of the several schools.

Mr. E. H. Russell was called in to explain in detail the needs of the Fredericksburg School as set out in his statement which was read by the Secretary-Auditor, after which a recess was taken until 3 P.M.

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The Board reconvened at 3 P.M. with the same members present. Dr. McConnell was called in to explain the needs of the Radford School as set forth in his statement which was read by the Secretary-Auditor.

Dr. Burruss was then called in to explain the needs of the Harrisonburg School as set out in his statement which was read by the Secretary-Auditor.

Mr. C. M. Robertson appeared before the meeting at the request of the Board, and stated his understanding as to the relations existing between himself and the Harrisonburg, Fredericksburg and Radford Schools. The Board then took a recess until 8:30 P.M.

The Board reconvened at 8:30 P.M. with the same members present except Mr.Hull.

Dr.Jarman at the request of the Board explained the needs of the Farmville School as set out in his statement which was read by the Secretary-Auditor.

The Board adjourned at 11 P.M. to meet tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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The Board met at 10 A.M. Jan.15th,1916, pursuant to adjournment, with the same members present.

The Secretary-Auditor read a telegram from Mr. Shewmake, requesting that another committee be appointed to draft a bill to authorize the schools to confer degrees. On motion of Judge Price, Hon.R.B.Davis was requested to prepare such a bill after consultation with the presidents of the schools.

Judge Price moved that the President of the Board be requested to make a brief report of the Board's transactions from its organization to the present time and to send a copy of the same to the Governor of the State, which motion was duly seconded and carried.

After careful deliberation, the Board made up the following budgets to be presented to the General Assembly.

BUDGETS.

FARMVILLE:

For Support, Mch. 1, '16-Feb. 28, '17	\$72,000.00
" " " '17 " " '18	72,000.00
To purchase real estate	12,500.00
For heating plant,	10,000.00
" old debt for real estate already purchased.	<u>14,550.00</u>
	\$187,050.00

FREDERICKSBURG:

For Support, Mch. 1, '16-Feb. 28, '17,	\$40,000.00
" " " '17 " " '18	40,000.00
" Heating plant & laundry and equipment for same	15,000.00
" Water works,	<u>5,000.00</u>
	\$100,000.00

HARRISONBURG:

For Support, Mch. 1, '16-Feb. 28, '17	\$40,000.00
" " " '17 " " '18	40,000.00
To complete Library and Service Building and kitchen, and equip same,	20,000.00
(#) " build new dormitory and equip same,	<u>40,000.00</u>
	\$140,000.00

RADFORD:

For Support, Mch. 1, '16-Feb. 28, '17	\$35,000.00
" " " '17 " " '18	40,000.00
To complete 1st unit of dorm- itory and build two addition- al units,	70,000.00
" equip same,	3,000.00
" install extra boiler,	<u>2,000.00</u>
	\$150,000.00
Total	\$572,050.00

#) This item is to cover (1) building a new dormitory,  
(2) furnishing the same, (3) installing an auxiliary boiler, and  
(4) repairing and re-arranging heating outfit to take care of  
new dormitory until a central heating plant can be put up.

The Board adjourned to the Governor's Office for a conference with the Governor.

On motion, duly seconded, the following committee was named to present the budget adopted at this meeting to the proper committees of the General Assembly;

Judge Jno.W.Price, Chairman, Messrs. Davis, King, White, Preston, Shackelford, Shewmake, Locker and Russell.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

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Secretary-Auditor.

Approved:

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President.