

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Virginia Normal School Board held at the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction in Richmond Va. June 7, 1919, at 11:00 a.m. pursuant to a telegraphic notice sent each member of the Board.

Present; Hon. John W. Price, President presiding, Hon. Westmoreland Davis, Governor, Hon. Harris Hart, Messrs. M. T. Cooke, D. D. Hull, Jr., Otho F. Mears, V. R. Shackelford, A. G. Preston, W. C. Locker, and R. S. Chamberlayne Jr., Miss Belle Webb and Dr. H. M. DeJarnette.

Judge Price made a statement of his trip to Fredericksburg May 9, to advise the faculty and students of the resignation of Mr. E. H. Russell and the appointment of Dean A. B. Chandler as Acting President.

Judge Price reported that the committee appointed May 9th to receive applications for the presidency of the Fredericksburg Normal School, had held a meeting in the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction at 10:00 a.m. and stated that the committee had considered four names, Messrs. Duke, Chandler, Sanger and Hodges. He stated that the committee did not understand that the committee was to make any recommendation, but that if the Board desired it, the committee would probably make a recommendation.

Mr. Shackelford moved that the Board proceed with the election of a President of the Fredericksburg Normal School. This motion was duly seconded and carried. Mr. Shackelford moved that the election be by ballot and that the low-man be dropped until an election shall be declared, which motion was duly seconded and carried. Mr. Shackelford nominated Mr. W. T. Hodges. Dr. DeJarnette nominated Mr. A. B. Chandler.

Mr. Hull moved a reconsideration of method of procedure *of* the election, which motion was seconded and carried. The count ballot showed that Mr. Chandler had received seven votes, Mr. Duke one vote and Mr. Hodges four votes.

Thereupon Mr. Cooke moved that the election of Mr. Chandler be made unanimous, which motion was duly seconded and carried and Mr. Chandler was declared duly elected.

It was moved and carried that Mr. E. H. Russell's offer to sell the property owned by him and occupied by Supt. Chiles to the Normal School at the price of \$4625.00, be accepted, and that Mr. Chandler be directed to see that the property is free from incumbrances and to close the transaction.

Mr. Chandler was introduced, and in a happy speech expressed his appreciation of the confidence of the Board in electing him as head of the Fredericksburg Normal School.

Mr. Chandler then presented his report and recommendations for the election of the faculty and employees for 1919-20. On motion of Mr. Hull duly seconded and carried, the report was accepted and President Chandler authorized to contract with the teachers listed at the salaries named and to fill vacancies existing in the organization.

Mr. Hull moved that the presidents of the four Normal Schools be requested to work out a scale of salaries to be submitted for the consideration of the Board looking to the adoption of a uniform scale of salaries, with a maximum and minimum for all types of teaching in the Normal Schools. This motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. Hart moved that the president of the Fredericksburg Normal School be authorized to arrange with the Superintendent of Schools of Spottsylvania county for the supervised practise in one or more of the adjacent rural schools and to secure one critic teacher for this work at a salary of \$80.00 per month, one-half of which shall be paid by the Fredericksburg Normal School. This motion was duly carried.

Mr. Chandler stated that the question of adjustment of the contract

with the Frædericksburg School Board for the operation of the training schools should be disposed of, and after some discussion, this matter was referred to the Committee and president Chandler, the members of the committee being Messrs. Hart, Locker and Chandler.

On recommendation of Mr. Chandler, the Chair appointed a legislative committee consisting of Messrs. Hart, Shankelford and Locker, to look into the matter of securing legislation with reference to obtaining suitable arrangements with local School Boards for the use of the training schools.

The question of securing the premises occupied by Mr. E. H. Russell for the use of the Summer School was discussed, and the matter referred to Mr. Chandler.

Mr. Cooke requested that meetings held in Richmond be called for noon instead of 11:00 o'clock, so that he may leave home in the morning and reach Richmond in time for the meeting.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

Acting-Secretary.

Approved,

President.