

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD OCT. 4TH, 1907.

At a meeting of the Board of Regents of the Western Kentucky State Normal School in Bowling Green, Ky., October 4th, 1907, there were present- Vice-President H. K. Cole and Messrs. E. H. Mark, J. Whitt Potter and H. C. Miller. A telegram from President Fuqua notified of his inability to attend and the meeting was presided over by Vice-President Cole.

The regular business was taken up. On motion, Miss McLean was present as stenographer to assist the Secretary to keep the minutes.

The first question taken up was that of finances. The Treasurer submitted a statement of the receipts and expenditures from August 1st, 1906 to October 1st, 1907. It was received and ordered spread upon the minutes. The Board also examined the books and accounts of the institution as far as they were prepared and approved of the methods of accounting.

The Act of the Legislature under which the school was organized and is operating was read for the information of the Board. It was unanimously voted that Messrs. Cole and Mark be appointed a committee to draft a code of by-laws and rules for the government of the Board, to report at the next meeting.

By unanimous vote the dates of the regular meetings of the Board were changed from the third Friday and Saturday, to the second Friday and Saturday in March, June, September and December of each year and that a special meeting of the Board should be called to pass upon the matter of issuing diplomas to the graduates of the school and that such diplomas should be signed by the other members of the Board in addition to the signatures of the President and Secretary.

On motion of Prof. Mark, it was voted that the President of the school and the Secretary of the Board be appointed a committee to draft a set of rules for the regulation of the students in the school, Frisbie Hall and the dormitories.

It was the sense of the Board that a general meeting of the Regents of the two Normal Schools should be held immediately following the November election, in Louisville, the date to be about the 17th to 19th of November, for discussion of matters of common interest to the two schools.

It was unanimously voted that the President and Secretary be instructed to draw on behalf of the Regents, a warrant for \$7,500 on account of the appropriation for the current scholastic year. A general review was then made of the expenditures on account of improvements to buildings during the past year and the work of the local Regent was commended and his actions and expenditures on account of such improvements were by unanimous indorsed and approved.

The question of employing additional teaching force for the school was then discussed.

Prof. Roman, having requested a leave of absence from the institution that he might pursue his studies in Germany, the Board granted same, this absence to begin January 20th, 1908, for the remainder of the time of his employment.

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On motion, it was unanimously voted that the President be empowered to employ Messrs. Leiper, Craig and Strickles [Stickles] as teachers in the departments of Language, Physics and Chemistry, and History respectively, to begin work January 20th, 1908. It was also voted to employ Mr. Cooper for special work in the Science Department, under Dr. Mutchler, at a salary of \$10.0 per month to begin January 20, 1908.

A discussion as to the further needs of the school in teaching force was then had and upon the presentation of President Cherry, it was unanimously voted that he be empowered to select three other teachers in addition to the ones named above, to begin work in January 1908, for Mathematics, Literature and for general work and to recommend same to the Board at its next meeting.

It was unanimously voted that the President be authorized to make arrangements for the Conferences of the County Superintendents in the coming February and that he be authorized to inform those accepting that their transportation would be paid and their expenses met.

The President reported that it was of great value to the school to have from time to time local entertainments, at which small expense was incurred, and on motion it was unanimously voted that these expenses should be met from the current funds of the school.

It was voted unanimously that President Cherry be authorized to secure one or more good, strong educators to address the next Superintendents' Conference, at an expense not to exceed \$100.

Dr. Mutchler's salary was raised to \$125. per month, to take effect from September, 1907. The salary of Miss Russell was also fixed at \$100. per month, and Prof. Gebhart's salary was increased from \$75. to \$100 per month. It was unanimously voted that the salaries paid by the City School Board to the Graded teachers in the Model School be supplemented from the funds of the State Normal School by \$15. each month.

Messrs. Cherry and Potter, who had been appointed a committee at Winchester to employ an architect to submit plans and specifications for additions and improvements to the school buildings, not being ready to report, were granted more time.

The importance and advantage of having under the control of the institution ample dining room facilities for the pupils of the School was fully considered and it was unanimously voted that the resident Regent, Mr. Potter, be authorized and instructed to at once enlarge the dining-room at Dr. Bailey's, in the most practicable and economical manner.

President Cherry suggested that he would like to have the State Examiner, Mr. Hines, make a thorough examination of the accounts of the School in December, prior to the meeting of the Legislature, and his suggestion was concurrent to the Board.

Regent Cole was instructed to purchase a suitable book for recording the proceedings of the Board and to revise and rearrange the minutes of former meetings in same.

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Resolutions were then presented upon the death of Mrs. Fayne and Miss Scott, and by unanimous vote were adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes.

A reception to the Regents and new scholars was held in the evening in Van Meter Hall and at close of same the Board of Regents adjourned.

Resolutions on the death of Mrs. Fayne and Miss Scott.

Whereas, the Great Ruler of the Universe has seen fit to remove from her earthly labors to her heavenly reward Mrs. Josephine Fayne, who served so faithfully as hostess of Frisbie Hall and who by her devotion to duty won the esteem and affection of the students with whom she came in contact, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Regents do hereby testify to the great loss which the Western Kentucky State Normal School has sustained by the death of Mrs. Fayne and to place on record the high appreciation which the members of the Board had for her as a faithful, thoughtful and sympathetic hostess and as a patient, painstaking, earnest Christian woman and in token of our esteem for her as a woman and hostess and in appreciation of her excellent work and the loss sustained by her death have caused these resolutions to be spread upon the minutes of the Board and a copy to be sent to her family.

Miss Scott.

“God moves in a mysterious way his wonders to perform.”

Divine Providence for some mysterious reason has seen fit to remove Miss Sarah E. Scott from the Faculty of the Western Kentucky State Normal School and it is only given to Him who holds the destinies of nations and individuals in his hands to know the cause.

During the short time she was connected with the school she endeared herself to every one with whom she came in contact by her earnestness, zeal and devotion to duty. As a teacher she showed a broad and comprehensive knowledge of the work which she had chosen as her life work. As a fellow-worker, a sympathy, a feeling of kinship and love and a spirit of helpfulness for those associated with her. As a woman, all the instincts that go to make the lovely character which we look for in one who truly realizes the duties and devotion which we expect from and appreciate in one of her sex.

While the Board of Regents are not permitted to know the wishes of the mysterious Providence by which she was removed, it wishes to recognize and bear testimony to her great worth as a teacher and woman, her great influence for the betterment of the condition of her fellow-workers in the great field of teaching, her inspiration for uplifting the profession of her choice, her broad sympathy for humanity, especially for little children, her thoughtfulness for those with whom and for whom she worked as exemplified in the gift of her library to the Western Kentucky State Normal School for the use of her associates and her pupils and those who may follow them.

Resolution on death of Miss Scott, (cont'd).

The Board of Regents in testimony of its high appreciation of Miss Scott and in recognition of the great loss which the school has sustained in her death has caused these resolutions to be spread upon the minutes and a copy sent to her sorrowing family.

(Signed) H. C. Miller
Secretary

(Signed) H.K. Cole
Chairman

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