

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Thursday Morning, October 31, 1912.

The State Board of Education met in its rooms in the Mercantile Building at 8:25 o'clock, Thursday morning, October 31st, according to the notice issued October 28th.

The members present were Mr. Wilson, Mr. Dunlop, Mr. Hayes, and Mr. Glen. The members absent were Mr. Cain, Mr. Warren, Mr. Brandenburg.

The matter of the cancellation of the State Life Certificate of J. A. Oakes, Salina, Oklahoma, was taken up.

Mr. Wilson: I will state the case: the charges against J. A. Oakes are, that eight years ago he was sentenced to serve a term in the penitentiary for the crime of seduction; the case can be found in the records. He came down here about four years ago and, without any investigation, was granted a certificate to teach in the State of Oklahoma for life. Since then charges of improper conduct have been preferred against him. I have simply annulled the certificate pending the action of the Board. I have talked the matter over with Mr. Cameron and Attorney General Charles West, and they both say that if they had known the character of this man, the certificate should never have been granted.

Mr. Glen: I make a motion that upon the recommendation of Attorney General West, the certificate held by J. A. Oakes of Salina, Oklahoma Mayes County, be cancelled.

Mr. Hayes: Second the motion. All voted aye.

Mr. Wilson: A few days ago, I received a requisition from Mr. Murdaugh asking us to buy fifty dollars worth of potted flowers. I wrote to him that with a Botanist and Agriculturist in that institution, I thought they could grow all the flowers they needed. Do you agree with me in my actions?

Mr. Glen: What you have done is right.

Mr. Wilson: Now, in regard to the biennial report; Mr. Huffman has spent practically six weeks of his time preparing his part of the biennial report. He is to get the reports of the various institutions, then present them to the Board. Mr. Huffman and Mr. Landrum have both been working together. I want to know the desire of the Board in this matter.

Moved by Mr. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Dunlop that the biennial report, after examination, be approved and ordered printed.

All voted aye.

The following recess appointments were read:

State University:

Burton F. Tanner	Instructor English-Public Speaking	\$1200.00
Warren W. Phelan	Psychology, Director Schl. of Teaching	2000.00
C. Francis Girard	Asst. Prof. Piano - Instr. of Music	1200.00

Dr. Richard L. Foster	Prof. in Dept. of Physiology	\$600.00 ✓
Earle S. Porter	Instructor in Chemistry	1000.00 ✓
Martha Zimmerman	Asst. Supt. University Hospital	720.00

East Central State Normal

Cecile E. Hindman	Piano-Public School Music	1200.00
Rebecca Switzer	Critic Teacher	900.00

Northwestern State Normal

J. T. Hughes	Asst. Professor Mathematics	1100.00
Anna L. LeCrone	Librarian	900.00
Vera Connell	Physical Director for Girls	800.00
L. E. Hinkle	Prof. Foreign Language	1100.00

Southeastern State Normal

A. Linschied	Prof. of English	1400.00
Grace McIntosh	Critic Teacher	900.00

Central State Normal

Frances D. Davis	Asst. in English	900.00
Clyde M. Howell	Asst. Chemistry and Physics	900.00
Susan DeGraff	Public School Music	1200.00
Faye Nelson Boone	Critic Teacher	900.00
Mrs. Emma Estill	Asst. History and English per mo.	75.00

Northeastern State Normal

Clare Wirfs	Instructor Domestic Science	1000.00
Edith Wise Holland	Primary Critic Teacher	900.00

Oklahoma Collage for Women

Mrs. Marcie D. Settle	Instructor in Voice	1000.00
Mrs. May Belle Day	Instructor in Music	1200.00
Mary Lee Emmerson	Asst. Instructor in English per mo.	75.00
Helen M. Johnson	Asst. Instructor in Languages	750.00
Norah Cabell	Piano Music	per mo. 75.00

Eastern University Preparatory School

F. D. J. Kaessmann	Professor of English	1200.00
Eva Mae Brooks	Assistant English	900.00
Maude E. Littlefield	Public School Music	900.00

University Preparatory School

L. A. Pechstein	Instructor in Mathematics	1400.00
Cora B. Clever	Dommercial Teacher	900.00
Louise Casoli	Domestic Science	720.00
D. L. Holmes	Physical Director	1200.00
Walter G. Hopkins	Commercial English	800.00
May Belle Howard	Assistant in English	900.00

Oklahoma State Home

Elizabeth Morgan                      Second Assistant Teacher                      720.00

School for the Blind

Alda Lemons                              Primary Teacher                                      450.00

School for the Deaf

Mary Spear                              Instructor Domestic Science per mo. 45.00  
 W. A. Scott                              Head Literary Teacher per annum 1100.00  
 Mrs. W. A. Scott                      Literary Teacher, per month                      80.00

Moved by Mr. Dunlop, seconded by Mr. Glen, that the appointments made by the President of the Board during the recess of the Board be approved.  
 All voted aye.

Mr. Wilson: In regard to Mr. Gill's appointment, I have explained that to the members of the Board.

Moved by Mr. Glen, seconded by Mr. Hayes, that the appointment of Mr. W. E. Gill as President of the Northeastern State Normal School at Tahlequah, which has been made by the President of the State Board of Education pending the meeting of the said Board, be and is hereby approved.

All voted aye.

Mr. Dunlop offered the following resolution:

Whereas, W. E. Rowsey, C. C. Weith, and David I. Johnston are claiming the right to act as members of the State Board of Education under the pretended appointments attempted to be made by the Governor of the State on October 5, 1912, and as successors of Robert Dunlop, Scott Glen and O. Frank Hayes, members of said Board, duly appointed by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma on the 8th day of April, 1911; and,

Whereas, the said Robert Dunlop, Scott Glen and O. Frank Hayes are de jure members of the State Board of Education under the said appointments, and the said W. E. Rowsey, C. C. Weith, and David I. Johnston have no right as members of the State Board of Education under said pretended appointment;

Therefore, Resolved, that the said Robert Dunlop, Scott Glen, and O. Frank Hayes assert their right to the possession of said offices now held and enjoyed by them and will continue to act as members of said State Board of Education and to perform the duties thereof.

Resolved Further, that the said W. E. Rowsey, C. C. Weith, and David I. Johnston are hereby directed not in any way to interfere with the possession of said Dunlop, Glen and Hayes, and that a copy of this resolution be mailed to each of said persons claiming under said appointments.

Moved by Mr. Dunlop seconded by Mr. Hayes, that the above resolution be adopted.

All voted aye.

The following resolution was read:

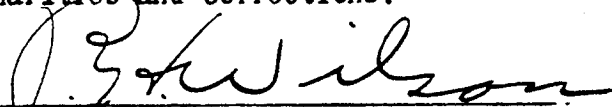
Whereas, the duties of the Board of Regents of the State University under the act of the Legislature of the state creating this Board of Education, devolves upon the State Board of Education; and

Whereas, the records and proceedings of said Board of Regents have never been turned over to the State Board of Education, after repeated demands;

Now, therefore, resolved that in order to give to the State Board of Education all necessary information relating to said State institution and the action of the Board of Regents in reference thereto prior to the creation of this Board, that the Board of Regents be, and they are hereby requested to turn over and deliver to the Superintendent of Public Instruction as Chairman of the State Board of Education, and for its use, the records of said Board of Regents belonging to said State University.

Which resolution was considered and discussed and on being put to vote was unanimously adopted.

The Board adjourned to Pauls Valley to investigate the charges made by Kate Barnard, Commissioner of Charities and Corrections.

  
 President State Board of Education.

  
 Secretary State Board of Education.

Oklahoma City.