

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Thursday, July 31, 1913.
Morning Session

The State Board of Education was called to order at nine o'clock. Members present: Messrs. Wilson, Duff, Hester, Potterf, Duncan and Wikoff.

The minutes of the meeting of the Board on July 15th and 16th were presented and approved.

Mr. Wikoff, Chairman of the Special Committee appointed to visit Pryor, presented the report of the committee. On motion the report was adopted and ordered filed. All voted aye.

A communication was read from Acting-Supt. D. A. Bennett concerning Douglas Lanning, Nurseryman at the State Home. Action was deferred until the afternoon session, and Mr. Potterf and Mr. Wikoff were appointed a committee to examine the contract of the Board with Douglas Lanning and advise the Board as to the action that should be taken.

The Board then proceeded to consider the Superintendency of the School for the Deaf at Sulphur. Mr. C. P. Cox of Wilburton appeared before the Board in behalf of his candidacy for the position of Superintendent. Mr. Frank Read, Jr. and Mr. Wirt A. Scott were called before the Board and asked concerning their qualifications. The Board then proceeded to ballot for the Superintendent of the School for the Deaf. The roll call resulted as follows:

Mr. Wilson: Scott
Mr. Wikoff: Read
Mr. Hester: Read

Mr. Duncan: Read
Mr. Duff: Read
Mr. Potterf: Read

Mr. Read was declared to have the recommendation of the Board for the position of Superintendent of the School for the Deaf, and the Secretary was instructed to notify the Governor of the action of the Board.

The Board recessed until two o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Board was called to order at two o'clock p. m. Members present: Messrs. Wilson, Duncan, Wikoff, Hester, Potterf, and Duff.

The resignation of Miss Hettie B. Wilmans as Kindergarten Supervisor in the Central State Normal was read. On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Potterf the resignation was accepted.

All voted aye.

A communication from a committee of the Commercial Club of the City of Weatherford asking permission to use a room in the Southwestern State Normal School for the teaching of stenography, typewriting, and other business subjects, which arrangement is to entail no additional expense to the state, the salary and up-keep to be guaranteed by this club, was read with a letter from Pres. U. J. Griffith recommending the granting of the petition.

On motion by Mr. Duncan seconded by Mr. Duff the request for the use of the room was granted, provided that such students as may take work in the courses offered are amenable to President Griffith in all matters of discipline.
All voted aye.

The charges against C. J. Eubanks of Kelleyville, Oklahoma in which the petitioners asked for the revoking of his state certificate was read. Mr. C. C. Wolf, Clerk of the Kelleyville School District, appeared in behalf of the complainants and asked that Mr. Eubank's certificate be revoked. Mr. C. B. Stuart, Attorney, appeared for Mr. Eubanks and asked that the Board delay the hearing of the case until a later time in order that he might obtain affidavits concerning the standing and character of Mr. Eubanks. The Board agreed to defer action until the next meeting.

Charges against Mr. J. B. Vandiver of McCurtain, Oklahoma, with a petition asking for the revoking of his certificate were presented to the Board. Mr. Vandiver was called before the Board and made a statement concerning the charges, and presented statements from his school board and other citizens of Haskell County in his behalf. On motion by Mr. Wikoff, seconded by Mr. Duncan, the consideration of the revoking of Mr. Vandiver's certificate was indefinitely postponed.

A communication from Pres. Grant B. Grumbine with the following recommendations was read:

That Miss Sarah Crumley, Professor of Domestic Science, be granted a leave of absence on full pay until the beginning of the winter term.
That Miss Minnie Shockley, Assistant in English, be appointed to take charge of the rural school work of the Model School for the ensuing year.
That the services of Mr. Roy Moore be extended to September first instead of being discontinued on July 31st.

Upon motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Hester, President Grumbine's recommendations were approved.

All voted aye.

A recommendation from Pres. U. J. Griffith that Miss Maude Owen be re-elected to her former position in the History Department of the Southwestern State Normal School and that she be granted a leave of absence without pay for the year 1913-14, was read. On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Duff, President Griffith's recommendation was approved.

All voted aye.

President Glover's recommendation of C. W. Harper of Peoria, Illinois, as Perge Teacher in the University Preparatory School at Tonkawa, at a salary of \$1400.00 per annum was read. On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Duff the recommendation was approved.

All voted aye.

A communication from Pres. W. E. Gill notifying the Board of the resignation of Mr. L. P. Whitcomb, Instructor in Manual Training, was read. On motion by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Duff, the resignation was accepted.

All voted aye.

Communications were read from Pres. C. W. Briles recommending the following
That Miss Emma K. Keller be elected Director of Music in the East Central State Normal in the place of Mrs. Harriet G. Weeks, resigned.

That Mr. W. D. Little of the Department of English in the East Central Normal be granted a leave of absence for the fall term on full pay in order that he may attend Columbia University.

On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Potterf, the recommendations were approved.

On motion by Mr. Wikoff seconded by Mr. Duncan, the Board instructed the Secretary to notify all presidents and superintendents that the State Board of Education will not approve any claims for salaries of employees where such employments are not authorized by the Board, unless in cases of emergency; and that the claims of the summer school employees of the East Central State Normal School for salaries for the month of July, 1913 be not allowed, as such employment was not authorized by the State Board of Education, not has any other school like privilege in paying summer term instructors.

All voted aye.

A letter from Hatchett and Ferguson, Attorneys, of Durant, concerning the claim of the Board of Education of the city of Durant against the Southeastern State Normal was read. Action was deferred until the Secretary could investigate the claim and report to the Board.

Senate Resolution No. 29 concerning the charge of tuition to non-resident students attending the state schools was read. On motion by Mr. Wikoff seconded by Mr. Potterf, the Secretary was instructed to write to institutions of like character in other states and ask concerning the fees charged in those institutions. The Secretary was also instructed to ascertain the number of non-resident students in the Oklahoma state schools.

A communication from Acting-Supt. D. A. Bennett to E. J. Streeter, Prohibition Officer of Oklahoma City, concerning the admission of Belva Metcalf, was read. No action was taken.

Moved by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Wikoff, that Mr. Hester be appointed the agent of the Board to secure the Lewis E. Hohman notes for a minor in custody of the State Home from J. W. Swartz, and that he collect on these notes at once and deposit the money in the bank at the legal rate of interest; and that Mr. Hester be further authorized to secure a report from the old Board of Control concerning all property of the inmates of the State Home who were under their guardianship.

All voted aye.

A requisition for stock for the State Home was presented and on motion by Mr. Wikoff seconded by Mr. Duncan was deferred to Superintendent Gid Graham.

On motion by Mr. Wikoff seconded by Mr. Hester the Secretary was instructed to notify the Superintendent of the State Home that the contract of the State Board of Education with Douglas Lanning is herewith terminated on account of improper conduct and that the Superintendent of the Home is authorized to settle with Lanning for the shubbery or order its immediate removal, and that the Board be notified at once of the action taken.

A communication was read from Supt. S. Douglas Russell notifying the Board of the resignation of Mrs. Nellie Greene and his recommendation of Erva L. Frenn as a teacher in the Institution for the Colored Deaf and Blind Orphans. On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Wikoff the resignation was accepted and the recommendation approved.

All voted aye.

Mr. Duff, Chairman of the Special Committee appointed to visit Wilburton and make arrangements for the placing of a temporary president in charge, reported the results of the committee's investigation. On motion by Mr. Duncan seconded by Mr. Wikoff, Mr. Duff was instructed to write Pres. George B. Halstead of Greeley, Colorado and state to him that the Board would be glad to have an interview with him if he cares to come upon his own responsibility.

All voted aye.

On motion by Mr. Duncan seconded by Mr. Hester, E. P. Barret, Assistant Professor of Mining, was elected Acting-President of the School of Mines at Wilburton, and the Secretary was instructed to notify him to take immediate charge, and also, that the Board will not consider him as a candidate for the presidency.

All voted aye.

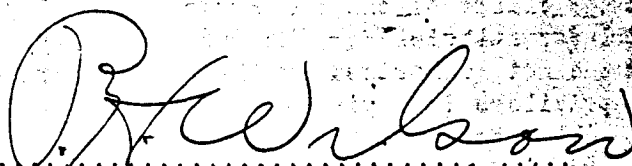
Miss Olive Rose, Secretary of the School of Mines, was invited to appear before the Board and explain her work. On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Duncan, the Board granted Miss Rose a salary of \$25.00 per month for her services as Secretary for the extension work of the School of Mines.

All voted aye.

On motion by Mr. Wikoff seconded by Mr. Potterf, the Board deferred consideration of the proposals to furnish text books, maps, globes and other school apparatus for the common schools of the State of Oklahoma, until the next meeting of the Board on August 14, 1913.

All voted aye.

The Board adjourned.


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President, State Board of Education


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Secretary, State Board of Education

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