MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Tuesday Morning, February 24, 1914.

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

The minutes of the meeting of the State Board of Education on January 14, 1914 were presented and approved.

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the guardianship of inmates of the Oklahoma State Home at Pryor. The report of Supt. Gid Graham showing the names and property, both real estate and personal, of the wards of the State Home, also the money on deposit in the banks belonging to such wards read. Letters were also read from Attorney Ganeral West; W. E. Nicklin, County Attorney of Mayes County; George Fields, Jr., Attorney; and a copy of the sitation of the County Court of Mayes County, all relating to guardianship.

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Duff, Mr. Potterf was appointed as a committee to confer with the Attorney General and to report a plan of action for the guidance of the Board in handling the property of the wards of the State Board of Education, and he was further authorized to act with the authority of the Board in the Ethel Wright and Silversmith cases.

All voted aye.

Pres. Stratton D. Brooks of the Oklahoma University appeared before the Board and presented the following recommendations:

State Board of Education, Dear Sirs:

(1) I recommend that the following regulation be passed by the State Board of Education, establishing a temporary teacher's certificate for University undergraduates, similar to that granted to normal school students, namely:

State University Certificates: Persons who have finished the first two years' work of the State University of Oklahoma and have had regular courses in psychology and education, may be granted a certificate by the State Board of Education good for two years, of equal standing with a first-grade county certificate, after such certificate has been registered with the county superintendent of the county in which the teacher desires to teach. Such certificate shall not be subject to renewal.

Approved, on motion by Mr. Duncan seconded by Mr. Potterf.
Mr. Hester voting no.

(2) Subject to your approval, I have appointed Paul Carpenter as Instructor in Violin from March 1, 1914 to July 1, 1914. I recommend that he be paid all tuition fees collected for lessons given by him, and in addition thereto such an amount as to make the total salary per month \$187.50

Approved.

(3) Subject to your approval, I have accepted the following resignations:

Dr. W. J. Jolly as Professor of Surgery in the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine to take effect February 1, 1914;

Miss Merle Edelweiss Newby, Associate Professor of Violin, to take effect February 15, 1914.

Accepted.

- (4) I recommend that leave of absence on half pay from September 1, 1914 to September 1, 1915, be granted in accordance with the regulations of the University to Sardis Roy Hadsell, Professor of English.

 Approved.
- (5) I am informed that the Board of Directors of the Southwestern Post Graduate School have rescinded the action taken on October 25, 1913, offering to turn over to the University of Oklahoma Medical School the clinics of the Post Graduate Hospital. I recommend, therefore, that the action of this Board, taken in regard thereto, be rescinded and that the action taken on January 13, 1914 with reference to said hospital and the appointment of Dr. F. K. Camp, as Instructor in Theory and Practice of Bursing, be likewise rescinded.

Approved, on motion by Mr. Potterf seconded by Mr. Duff.

(6) I desire to report that in accordance with your directions
I have held a conference with the Normal School Presidents with reference
to educational extension. I submit herewith a joint report of the Council
of the Normal School Presidents and the President of the University, and
recommend that the plan outlined therein be adopted.

JOINT REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF NORMAL SCHOOL PRESIDENTS AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY, WITH REFERENCE TO EDUCATIONAL EXTENSION.

To the Board of Education:

The Council of Normal School Presidents and the President of the University make jointly the following recommendations with reference to extension work:

That the educational extension work be united in a Department of University and Normal School Extension, each school to conduct the work in its respective field as indicated in the following plan:

I. The Presidents of the Normal Schools and the President of the University shall constitute the Executive Board of the Department of University and Normal School Extension which shall be charged with the duty of administering the work as outlined below, which board shall present from time to time to the Board of Education such recommendations as to improvements, modifications, and changes as may be necessary.

II Correspondence Work: The work in correspondence shall be conducted in accordance with the following regulations;

- The following courses shall be conducted by the Normal Schools:

 (1) <u>High School Subjects</u>: first year English, second year English, third year English, first year Latin, second year Latin, advanced arithmetic, algebra, plane geometry, botany, zoology, physical geography, physiology, agriculture, American history, general history, Oklahoma history, civics, free-hand drawing, elementary mechanical drawing.
 - (2) Normal School Subjects: elementary psychology, rural school problems, industrial geography, history of education, pedagogy, household economics.

- <u>B</u> Uniform courses shall be prepared for use by all the Normal schools, by teachers to be selected by the Executive Board from among those best qualified to do the work.
- C The general announcements and circulars shall be printed by the University and distributed by the Extension Department of the University with the co-operation and assistance of the Normal Schools.
- D All other correspondence courses shall be conducted by the University.
- Members of the faculties of the State University and the Normal Schools including the directors of University Extension, shall be permitted to prepare correspondence courses for extension work, such courses to be approved by the Executive Board above named, and by the Director of Correspondence study of the University, and for any such approved course the person preparing it shall receive not less than \$10.00 or more than \$100.00 the amount to be fixed according to the difficulty and extent of the work involved. Members of the faculties of these institutions may be employed to correct recitation papers and shall receive therefor the sum of twenty cents for each recitation. Provided, that none of the charges herein shall be paid out of the moneys appropriated by the State, but shall be borne by the correspondence students as expenses incident to the prosecution of extension work.
- The following fees to cover the expenses of extension work shall be required: such expenses to include the preparation of outlines, recitation papers, return envelopes, correction of papers, and all stenographic and mimeograph work.

For the University \$14.00 per course of 40 assignments, equivalent to 18 weeks in residence.

For Normal Schools \$10.00 per course of 27 assignments, equivalent to 12 weeks in residence.

All normal school correspondence students, who, by May 1, 1914, shall have completed one-half, or more, of a course, shall be permitted to finish the course without charge.

All students must enclose postage for the return of their recitation papers. The presidents of the normal schools and the president of the University are authorized to collect the fees above specified and to expend the same for the purposes indicated.

III. In addition to extension instructors there may be appointed for each institution a district secretary to have supervision of the extension work in his district. These district secretaries shall meet with the director of correspondence study of the University so often as may be needed for consultation, co-operation, and the proper co-ordination of the extension work of the state.

IV. Other forms of extension work, namely: public discussion and debate, public information and welfare, extension lectures, extension classes, and high school debating, shall be conducted by the University, but in such a manner as to enable the normal schools to participate to the highest extent in the advantages thereof.

On motion by Mr. Duncan seconded by Mr. Duff the recommendation was approved.

(7) I attach herewith a communication from Curtis R. Day, Dean of the School of Medicine, recommending that after March 1, 1914, the private rooms of the University Hospital be open to the members of the medical profession who are members in good standing of the State Medical Association. I recommend that the Medical School be so opened under such rules and regulations as shall be made by the Hospital Committee with the approval of the Dean of the School of Medicine and the President of the University.

Communication
Pres. Stratton D. Brooks,
Dear Sir:

I wish to recommend that on and after March 1st next the private rooms of the University Hospital be opened to the members of the Medical profession who are members in good standing of the State Medical Association, under such rules and regulations as shall be made by the hospital committee, with the approval of the dean of the School of Medicine and the president of the University.

All patients admitted to the wards of the hospital shall be assigned to the members of the teaching staff of the hospital in order that such cases may be used for demonstrative purposes.

The operating room shall be available to outside surgeons at times other than the regular hours assigned for teaching surgery.

Respectfully submitted, Curtis R. Day.

On motion by Mr. Potterf seconded by Mr. Duff the recommendation was approved.

(8) I recommend that arrangements be made to give examinations for teachers certificates the latter part of July during the summer sessions at the State University of Oklahoma.

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Duff the recommendation of President Brooks was approved and the last Thursday in July, 1914 and the Friday and Saturday following were fixed as the days for holding examinations for state certificates in lieu of the examination set for the last Thursday, Friday and Saturday of June, state examinations to be held hereafter but once a year on the last Thursday of July and the Friday and Saturday following.

Communication was read from Pres. Briles notifying the Board of the resignation of Prof. W. D. Little, Head of the English Department in the East Central State Normal and recommending Rev. N. B. Malloy for the vacancy thereby created. On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Duncan, the Secretary was instructed to notify Pres. Briles that the State Board of Education, having, by visits of members of the Board, ascertained that the enrollment in at least four of the state normals indicated that more teachers were employed than are necessary, believes that the work in these state normals can be cared for by smaller facultis and that it is the sense of the Board that the work of Prof. W. D. Little be distributed among other members of the faculty.

Motion carried. Mr. Wilson voting no.

The Board recessed until one-thirty o'clock.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Tuesday Afternoon, February 24, 1914.

The Board was called to order at one-thirty o'clock. Members present: Messrs. Wilson, Hester, Duncan, Potterf and Duff.

Communication was read from Pres. Lynn Glover concerning the weakness of the water supply furnished by the City of Tonkawa. On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Duff the Secretary was instructed to write to the City Council of Tonkawa concerning the present water supply and ask the Council to make arrangements for increasing the amount and pressure of water supplied to that school.

All voted aye.

The State Board of Education then proceeded to convene as a Text Book Commission.

Mr. Potterf offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, heretofore, to-wit: on the 3rd day of January, 1914, in the Bistrict Court of Oklahoma County, Oklahoma, in certain several causes of action styled, W. H. Wheeler & Company v. Robert H. Wilson et al, No. 14566; Silver, Burdett & Company v. State Board of Education, No. 14562; Colonial Book Company v. State Board of Education No. 14565; Scott, Foresman & Company v. State Board of Education, No. 14564; John Allyn and George A. Bacon v. State Board of Education No. 14563; Atkinson, Mentzer & Company v. State Board of Education No. 14561; Charles Scribner's Sons v. State Board of Education, No. 14560, peremptory writs of mandamis were issued, commanding the members of this Board, and each of them to approve certain pretended contracts declared upon in said actions, and

WHEREAS, said causes have been by all members of this Board, except R. H. Wilson, appealed to the Supreme Court of the State of Oklahoma, and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of Oklahoma, in said causes did, on the 13th day of January 1914, supersede and stay the execution of said peremptory writs of mandamus, upon the condition that this Board, sitting as a Text Book Commission, suspend all further proceeding looking towards the adoption of text books for the State of Oklahoma, until said causes are finally heard in the Supreme Court.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved, that the State Board of Education does hereby adjourn as a Text Book Commission from this 24th day of February 1914, until the 10th day of March, 1914 and that all proceedings looking toward the adoption of text books be postponed until said date, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in postponing the proceedings looking to the adoption of text books until said date, it is the purpose of the Board to retain, in effect, all proceedings heretofore taken by this Board, looking to the adoption of text books on the 14th day of January, 1914, and that the rights and privileges of all parties and proceedings are hereby preserved in statu quo until said meeting on the 10th day of March, 1914.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all bids heretofore received by this Board, under the advertisement providing for the adoption of text books on the 14th day of January, 1914, shall be by the Secretary kept unopened and securely locked, and that no person be permitted to have access to the same, and that no consideration of the same by this Board shall take place until said meeting of the 10th day of March, 1914.

On motion by Mr. Potterf seconded by Mr. Duff the resolution was adopted. Voting aye: Messrs. Wilson, Potterf, Duncan, Duff and Hester.

The Board adjourned as a Text Book Commission and reconvened as the State Board of Education.

Mr. Duncan of the special committee appointed to confer with the presidents of the University Preparatory Schools and the Oklahoma College for Women concerning rules and regulations and a course of study for the summer schools at those institutions reported as follows:

"We, your committee, recommend that the State University Preparatory School and the Eastern University Preparatory School hold a summer term of ten weeks, beginning June 2m 1914, and offer all courses required for state and county certificates, and such of their regular work as may be deemed advisable;

We recommend that such credit be given on the work done as is given on the work done during the regular session.

We further recommend that these institutions be authorized to hold the regular state examination on the last Thursday of July and the Friday and Saturday following and forward all papers for state certificates to the State Board of Education for examination.

We further recommend that all regular graduates of these institutions be granted two-year state certificates on the same basis with those who have completed four years' work in the state normal schools; pro-vided they have completed the following professional studies: elementary

psychology, theory and practice of teaching, history of education, and one year's observational work.

(Signed) R. H. Wilson)

M. H. Duncan) Committee
A. W. Duff)

On motion by Mr. Duncan seconded by Mr. Hester the report was adopted. All voting aye.

The resignation of Prof. D. L. Holmes, Physical Director at the University Preparatory School at Tonkawa was presented.

Mr. D. L. Holmes with a committee consisting of Messrs. Logan Hawkins, H. H. Owen and L. P. McDaniel appeared before the Board. Mr. Hawkins presented a petition asking for an investigation of the conditions existing at the University Preparatory School and spoke briefly concerning the desire and reasons of the petitioners for such an investigation. Mr. McDaniel and Mr. Owen also spoke briefly to the Board, after which the committee retired.

Mr. Holmes explained to the Board his reasons for resigning the position of Physical Director at the University Preparatory School. He stated that he had not been supported in matters of discipline by the President of the University Preparatory School and presented statements taken by President Glover at the investigation of the boys whose suspension he had recommended. He also explained to the Board the character of the breaches of discipline by the students and the circumstances under which such conduct occurred, after which Mr. Holmes retired.

The Board requested the Secretary to notify President Glover to appear at a meeting of the Board to be held Thursday, February the 26th.

Communication was read from Supt. S. Douglas Russell of the Institute for the Deaf, Blind and Colored Orphans reporting the visit of Miss Kate Barnard, Commissioner of Charities and Corrections, to that institution and her recommendation that a watchman be employed and that a new well be bored upon the high ground of the institution located near the buildings.

On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Duncan the recommendations were approved and Supt. Russell instructed to proceed at once to carry them into effect if the funds of his institution permitted.

All voted aye.

The courses of study for the summer school of the Oklahoma College for Women prepared by Pres. J. B. Eskridge were presented,
No action was taken.

Communication was read from Supt. Graham concerning fire escapes in the cottages of the Oklahoma State Home, also the repairs necessary on the cottages built by the Manhattan Construction Company. On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Potterf the letter of Supt. Graham was referred to the Board of Public Affairs.

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Duff the position of State Agent of the Oklahoma State Home was declared vacant to take effect in thirty days from this date.

All voted aye.

Report of the Oklahoma State Home by Supt. Gid Graham was read. Supt. Graham asked for the approval of the commitment papers submitted by him. On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Duncan, Mr. Potterf was appointed as a committee to pass upon the commitment papers submitted by Supt. Graham, presenting them to the Attorney General if it be necessary.

All voted aye.

Letters were read from Pres. Charles Evans, first, asking for information concerning the establishing of a Department of Business and Commerce in one of the State Normal Schools; second, requesting the Board to grant him power to use the moneys derived from the music funds.

No action was taken.

The Board adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Thursday Morning, February 26, 1914.

The Board was called to order at nine o'clock. Members present: Messrs. Wilson, Duncan, Potteri, Hester and Duff.

Mr. Potterf who was appointed as a special committee to confer with the Attorney General in the guardianship of the wards of the State Home presented the following report:

"I, your committee, appointed to confer with the Attorney General's effice in reference to the guardianship matters pending at and in connection with the Oklahoma State Home at Pryor, beg to report that I have had a conference with Mr. Matson, Assistant Attorney General, and after going over matters as thoroughly as we could, we have both come to the conclusion that the law in reference to the Board being appointed guardian for children admitted to said Home is imperfect and incomplete and that it is impracticable for the Board of Education to act as guardian and to look after and be responsible for the estates of these children. We concluded further that the records show that evidently there are quite a number of children who are not and have been in the Home who are not dependent and really should not have been admitted to such. It does not occur to us that children with allotments of land and money and relatives who are situated in like manner should be admitted to this Home as dependents.

The report of the Superintendent, Gid Graham, shows that there is some \$12000.00 on hands and a great deal of real estate. We do not think or believe it to be practicable for this Board or the individuals composing it to make bonds in the case of each child who is admitted to the Home whether in the past or in the future as guardian and to continue to be responsible for the conduct of the guardianship after they are no longer members of the Board.

In most of the cases reported by the Superintendent where there appears to be estates the children are no longer in the Home. In the case of Ethel Wright in which the Southern Surety Company is seeking to be discharged on the guardian's bond on the old board of control, it appears that she was adopted March 20, 1910 by D. G. Harris at Alderson, Oklahoma, that she is a Cherokee and has an allotment of land and \$639.09 in money in the bank at interest. We think that the Superintendent should be authorized to make this report, if the court deems it necessary on the part of the Board, showing the facts and if the Board is in fact her guardian to ask for a discharge also and that her adopted father or someone else be asked to take charge of this property as the Board no longer has control of her person and should not have her money.

In the other cases where it appears that the children are out of the Home, if as a matter of fact the Board has been appointed guardian, and we have no evidence of this fact, we think they should be discharged and the person who has each of these children should be required to make bond in the county where the children are situated and take charge of the estate.

This Board has no funds out of which it can afford to pay the expense of sending one or more of its members to make a personal investigation in each of these cases and clearing up the situation. We believe that it is the duty of the County Attorney in Mayes County, if guadianship is pending there, to take charge of these estates, using the Superintendent of the Home in getting in the facts and in making this decision of the funds on hand. We believe that it is not absolutely necessary that the Board be appointed and be qualified as guardian but that some other suitable person could qualify by giving bond and take charge of these estates and be paid for his services out of the estates themselves. Mr. Matson says that if we can get full information in reference to each of these estates and to the children, their present whereabouts, who has charge of them and in what way, that some one from his office can probably go over there and spend two or three days and get matters disposed of. We are of the opinion that the county judges should exercise great care in sending children to this Home and not send any who are not in fact helpless and dependent. We have inserted a clause in the proposed decree of the court as follows: "that_ is a neglected and dependent child and that neither the said child nor those charged under the laws of this state with (his or her) education and support have any estate or earning capacity sufficient to educate and support said child," and think that this will and ought to cause the court to require evidence of the real facts in each case.

H. C. Potterf

Committee."

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Duff the report was adopted, and the Secretary was instructed to send copies to the Governor; Kate Barnard, Commissioner of Charities and Corrections; W. E. Nicklin, County Attorney of Mayes County; J. E. Bristow, County Judge of Mayes County; Judge Sam Parks of Vinita.

All voted aye.

President Lynn Glover of the University Preparatory School at Tonkawa appeared before the Board and presented the statements taken by him after the suspension of the students who had created the disturbance at the Faculty-Student Basket Ball Game at the University Preparatory School. Pres. Glover also explained the progress that had been made at the Preparatory School during his administration and matters relating to the summer school and salaries of the instructors.

The Board recessed at twelve o'clock.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Thursday Afternoon, February 26, 1914.

The Board was called to order at one-thirty o'clock. Members present Messrs. Wilson, Hester, Duff, Duncan, and Potterf.

Pres. Glover was again called before the Board and continued the discussion of conditions existing at the University Preparatory School. He then retired and Mr. E. B. Chapman, father of one of the suspended students, appeared before the Board and explained his actions in connection with the suspension. He also informed the Board of his knowledge of conditions existing in the Preparatory School and of the actions and character of his son and his plans for the boy in the future. After discussion by the Board, Mr. Chapman retired.

On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Hester, it was declared that it is the sense of the State Board of Education that matters concerning the disciplining of students in the institutions under the direction of this Board are not properly within the province of the Board and, therefore, that the specific cases of discipline in the University Preparatory School at Tonkawa be referred to President Lynn Glover for adjustment and that he be required to report to the Board his action in this case, and that all other matter relating to the Preparatory School be taken up for consideration by the Board at a future date.

Mr. Piver, Mr. G. M. Cassidy and Dr. S. T. Goodman of Tonkawa who were present in the Board rooms were invited to appear before the Board. Each of the gentlemen made statements concerning the conditions at the University Preparatory School after which they retired.

On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Duncan, Mr. Potterf and Mr. Hester were appointed to represent the State Board of Education at Pryor Creek at the time the guardianship matters come up in the County Court of Mayes County for settlement.

All voted aye.

The Board adjourned.

President, State Board of Education.

Secretary, State Board of Education.

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma