

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Thursday Morning, July 16, 1914.

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

The minutes of the meeting of the State Board of Education on July 1st were presented and approved.

A petition addressed to Governor Lee Cruce and the State Board of Education from the citizens of Chickasha protesting against the removal of Pres. J. B. Eskridge was presented and read.

Dr. Fite and Mr. Duff made statements concerning their interview with the Governor regarding the petition.

A committee of citizens from Chickasha consisting of Senator Barefoot, Messrs. Carmichael, Hamilton, Burton and Smith appeared before the Board. Mr. Carmichael spoke concerning the petition. He also gave a history of the institution and its management under former presidents. In behalf of Dr. Eskridge he protested against the lack of notice of the intention of the Board to remove Dr. Eskridge as President and defended him against the charges which had caused his removal. He stated further that the institution, so far as he knew, had been moving without friction and that a change in the presidency was inadvisable at the present time.

Mr. Hamilton spoke briefly concerning Dr. Eskridge's educational qualifications. Senator Barefoot and Reverend Smith also spoke in Dr. Eskridge's behalf. After discussion with the Board the committee retired.

The Board then took up the petition of the Chickasha citizens and after considering it at length declined to reverse their former action.

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

- 1 -(145) I present herewith a list of library books to be purchased from local funds. Bids were received from Steckert, Baker, McClurg, Putnam, Steigler, Scribners, Van Ostrand, McGraw-Hill. I recommend that the Financial Clerk be directed to make these purchases from the company submitted the lowest bid in each separate item, distributing the items where the price is equal, in such a way as to make the transportation charges as low as possible.
- 2 -(146) Subject to your approval, I have accepted the resignation of Joseph Leslie Riley, Instructor in Physics, to take effect September 1, 1914,
- 3 -(147) Subject to your approval, I have appointed J. M. Southern as Fireman, for such portion of the time between September 1, 1914 and July 1, 1915, as his services may be necessary and satisfactory, the salary to be at the rate of \$60. per month.

- 4 -(148) Subject to your approval, I have appointed the following named persons to the rank and salary mentioned for the school year, 1914-15, beginning September 1, 1914:
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| Grace Smith, Catalog Clerk, with rank of Instructor | \$900.00 |
| Gilbert H. Smith, Instructor in English | 900.00 |
- 5 -(149) I recommend that the salary of Joseph Leslie Riley, Instructor in Physics, be fixed for the months of July and August, 1914, at the rate of \$125.00 per month.
- 6 - (150) I desire to report that Ransel E. Andrew, Analyst in the Pure Food and Drug Laboratory, ceased work on June 29th, and that subject to your approval I have appointed Terrance O. Westhafer, Analyst in the Pure Food and Health Laboratory, from July 1, 1914, to September 15, 1914, at the rate of \$75.00 per month.
- 7 - (151) I recommend that Miss Lucile Dora be granted leave of absence on half pay from September 1, 1914 to September 1, 1915.
- 8 - (152) I attach herewith ten communications from the Financial Clerk with reference to apparatus, equipment and supplies to be purchased from the local funds. I recommend that the Financial Clerk be directed to make the purchase as follows:
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| (1) Equipment, apparatus and supplies for the School of Pharmacy from Faxon & Gallagher Company, Kansas City, Mo. - - - - - | \$166.92 |
| (2) Equipment, apparatus and supplies for the Zoology Department from Kny-Scherer Company, New York City - - - - - | \$319.75 |
| (3) Equipment, apparatus and supplies for the Zoology Department from Bausch & Lomb Optical Co. Rochester, N. Y. - - - - - | \$713.03 |
| (4) Equipment, apparatus and supplies for the Department of Sociology from Kny-Scherer Company, New York City - - - - - | \$ 60.00 |
| (5) Equipment, apparatus and supplies for the Department of Geology from Central Scientific Company, Chicago - - - - - | \$ 3.00 |
| (6) Equipment, apparatus and supplies for the Department of Geology from Foote Mineral Company, Philadelphia - - - - - | \$ 44.85 |
| (7) Equipment, apparatus and supplies for the School of Pharmacy, from Central Scientific Company, Chicago - - - - - | \$ 50.88 |
| (8) Equipment, apparatus and supplies for the School of Pharmacy from Alexander Drug Company, Oklahoma City - - - - - | \$ 87.74 |
| (9) Equipment, apparatus and supplies for the School of Pharmacy from Whitall Tatum Company, Philadelphia - - - - - | \$ 61.86 |
| (10) Equipment, apparatus and supplies for the Department of Physiology from Harvard Apparatus Company, Cambridge, Mass. - - - - - | \$201.10 |

On motion by Mr. Potterf seconded by Mr. Rowsey, the recommendations of Pres. Brooks were approved.

All voting aye.

The Board recessed until two o'clock.

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Thursday Afternoon, July 16, 1914.

The State Board of Education met at two o'clock. Member present Messrs. Wilson, Warren, Rowsey, Potterf, Hester, Fite and Duff.

A petition in behalf of Mrs. Mae Belle Day asking that she be reinstated in her former position from her pupils in the Oklahoma College for Women and the citizens of Chickasha was read.

No action was taken and the Secretary was instructed to notify the first signer of the petition to the effect that the Board would take up the matter only upon the recommendation of the President of the Oklahoma College for Women.

Pres. Brooks of the State University again appeared before the Board and asked for instructions concerning the approval of requisitions on the local fund of the University.

It was moved by Mr. Potterf seconded by Mr. Duff, that the Financial Clerk of the State University of Oklahoma be authorized to make requisitions for expenditures to be made from the local funds of said institution, and that when said requisitions have been approved by the Chairman of the Board of Education and the Secretary thereof, the Financial Clerk is thereby directed to purchase the material from the lowest bidders.

Pres. Brooks also discussed the vacancy in the head of the department of education made by the resignation of Prof. S. M. Barrett and explained his ideas of the qualifications of the man who ought to be secured for that department and the scope of the work now being done in the school of education.

A letter was presented and read from Dr. J. H. Bayes concerning the salary of the position in Agriculture and Horticulture to which he had been elected at the last meeting of the Board.

No action was taken.

A proposition from J. W. Mahar for the approval of a number device called "The Educator" was read and the device was inspected by the Board. After which the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Mahar that the Board did not understand the value of the chart and that time would be given him at a later meeting to appear and demonstrate the use of his device.

A letter was read from Hon. W. D. Bentley, State Agent of the Department of Agriculture, concerning the salary of Mrs. Annie Peters as Extension Instructor for the Colored A. and N. University. He stated that the Department of Agriculture would be able to aid financially in paying the salary and expenses of Mrs. Peters as agreed to at the time of her employment.

Pres. W. C. Canterbury of the Southeastern State Normal made the following recommendations:

- (1) That T. A. Galloway be elected as Secretary and Registrar of the Southeastern State Normal and emergency instructor at a salary of \$100.00 per month.

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Dr. Fite, Mr. Galloway was elected and the salaries of all employees in other state institutions whose services included work in the office or library and in addition thereto class work be given \$100. per month.

Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Rowsey the Presidents' Council were instructed to recommend a uniform system of keeping the grade records, both temporary and permanent, in the six state normal schools, and that the Council be requested to report at an early meeting of the Board.

All voted aye.

Communication was also read from Pres. Canterbury concerning the fees collected as tuition from the piano students in the Southeastern State Normal.

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Rowsey the salary of Miss Alice McKinney was fixed at \$600. and in addition thereto all piano fees collected not to exceed \$400.00

Motion carried.

Pres. Canterbury also submitted copies of communications from Supt. H. G. Bennett of Hugo and the reply of former President E. D. Murdaugh. Supt. Bennett requested that one year's advanced standing be given to the graduates of his high school who, under the direction of his faculty, would complete an additional year's work in the Hugo High School, which work would be the same as the course of study prescribed for the Junior year of the normal school. He submitted the qualifications of the Principal and teachers of the high school.

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Warren, the Board approved the admission of such students to the senior year of the Southeastern State Normal after the completion of the five years' course in the Hugo High School under the direction of the instructors qualified as indicated in Supt. Bennett's communication. Motion carried.

Communications were read from Hatchett and Ferguson of Durant concerning the claim of the Durant City Board of Education against the Southeastern State Normal for rental.

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Duff, the Secretary was instructed to send claim blanks to Hatchett and Ferguson to be made out by the Durant Board of Education, and the President and Secretary of the Board were further authorized to approve such claim upon receipt and transmit it to the Auditor.

Motion carried.

The outline for the rural schools, with the course for each subject, was presented. After discussion by the Board, on motion by Mr. Warren seconded by Mr. Potterf the course was approved.

Motion carried.

The Secretary was instructed to notify the complainants against the retention of Pres. Lynn Glover of the University Preparatory School at Tonkawa of the meeting of the Board on this date and that the Board regretted that the complainants had not had the charges filed for the consideration of the Board at this meeting.

The Board adjourned to meet at the call of the President.


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President, State Board of Education.


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Secretary, State Board of Education

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