

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Friday Morning, October 2, 1914.

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

Minutes of the meeting of the State Board of Education on September the 2nd and 3rd were presented and approved.

Pres. R. H. Wilson informed the Board of complaints that had arisen as to the crowded condition of some of the training school rooms in the state normals and stated that he had notified the presidents and heads of the training schools of the several state normals of the regulations of the Board fixing the number of pupils who might be admitted to such training schools, and that he had ordered that the over-crowded condition be immediately remedied.

The Board approved President Wilson's action.

Charges against J. B. Vandiver of Antlers, Oklahoma, for drunkenness and conduct unbecoming a teacher, with affidavits, were presented. The Board fixed the date of the hearing at the next meeting of the State Board of Education and instructed the Secretary to notify the County Superintendent, W. C. Payne, and J. B. Vandiver of the date of hearing.

Communication from Pres. C. W. Briles of the East Central State Normal asking for permission to equip the library of that institution with the catalog cards as provided by the librarian of the Library of Congress at a cost of not to exceed \$100. was presented.

On motion by Mr. Warren seconded by Mr. Duff, Pres. Briles' request was approved and the authority to adopt this catalog system granted to other institutions which might desire to use it.

All voted aye.

Communication was presented from Pres. Grant B. Grumbine asking that he be given authority to pay the fireman of the Northwestern State Normal an additional salary of \$15.00 per month and \$2.00 per night for firing on occasions of entertainment, or that an assistant fireman be employed at a salary of \$40.00 per month.

On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Rowsey, Pres. Grumbine was authorized to employ an extra fireman for the months of November, December and January and February at a salary not to exceed \$40.00 per month.

Lists of twenty periodicals selected in accordance with the action of the Board were presented from the Northwestern State Normal, Northeastern State Normal, and the Oklahoma College for Women.

A communication was read from Frank Scheiner, Secretary and Manager of the Musical Art Institute, concerning music lessons being given in Oklahoma City by members of the faculties of the Oklahoma State Schools.

No action taken.

Communication was presented from Pres. G. W. Gable asking permission to devote the fees of his Vocal Music Teacher to an advertising fund. On motion the Board granted Pres. Gable permission to use the music fees for incidental expenses as recommended.

Communication was read from H. R. Edwards of Muskogee concerning the salary of Mrs. Hattie M. Wesley, Nee Byrd, an employee of the School for the Deaf, Blind and Colored Orphans, for two months of last year, the warrants for which were turned over to former Supt. S. Douglas Russell.

No action was taken.

Communication was read from Lula E. Reed, Secretary of the Eastern University Preparatory School, asking permission to take the Teachers' Course in that institution during the present scholastic year.

On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Hester, the request was granted.

Pres. Austin's recommendation of Miss Lois Bennett as Assistant in the Music Department at a salary of \$83.33 per month, beginning on September 1, 1914, was read.

On motion by Mr. Warren seconded by Mr. Duff, Miss Bennett was elected. All voted aye.

Pres. Evans of the Central State Normal presented the following:

- (1) That Miss May Belle Howard be elected Critic Teacher for the Fifth and Sixth grades in the Central State Normal to succeed Mrs. Fannie Walker, resigned;
- (2) That the salary of Prof. C. M. Howell for the month of September as Assistant in the Physics and Chemistry Department be allowed.

On motion by Mr. Warren seconded by Mr. Duff, Pres. Evans' recommendations were approved.

The report of Pres. W. C. Canterbury of the Southeastern State Normal showing the distribution of his funds for the fiscal year 1914-15 was read and on motion was received and approved.

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

1 (164) I recommend that the salary of Patricio Gimeno be fixed at the rate of \$138.33 per month from October first, 1914 to July first, 1915;

2 (165) I desire to report that C. C. Winn, who was elected to the position of Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering, declined to accept the appointment;

3 (166) Subject to your approval, I have accepted the resignation of Frederick E. Kent, Associate Professor of Mathematics, to date from September 1, 1914;

4 (167) Subject to your approval I have appointed Edgar Meacham Instructor in Mathematics for the school year beginning September 1, 1914, at an annual salary of \$900.00

5 (168) Subject to your approval I have appointed the following named persons at the rank and salary specified beginning September 1, 1914 with annual advances in accordance with their respective salary schedules:

Joseph W. Madden, Professor of Law, \$1700.00

Walter J. Wohlenberg, Asst. Prof. of Mechanical Engineering \$1200;

6 (169) Subject to your approval I have appointed Paul H. Fealer Clerk in the Medical School from October 1, 1914, to September 1, 1915 at a salary of \$1200. per year;

7 (170) Subject to your approval, I have appointed Lelia M. Andrews Instructor in Medicine for the school year beginning September 1, 1914."

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

All voted aye.

Communication was presented from Pres. Grant B. Grumbine requesting a leave of absence during the greater part of October.

On motion the request was granted.

Pres. Lynn Glover's recommendation of Miss Grace Hoy as Domestic Art Teacher at a salary of \$80.00 per month was presented and on motion approved.

The report of Pres. Glover concerning his music and printing fund was read. No action was taken.

On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Wilson, the services of W. E. Butler as State Agent of the Oklahoma State Home were ordered discontinued after the 15th of October for the reason that the Board desired to employ in that position one competent to act as Probate Attorney and appear before the county courts of the several counties in which the wards of the State Home had property and secure an adjustment of all guardianship matters relating to such wards.

All voted aye,

On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Potterf, Mr. Rowsey was authorized to select a State Agent, preferably an attorney, who could take up the guardianship matters with the county judges of the several counties and settle the same, the time of employment to be until January 1, 1915, at a salary not to exceed \$200. per month.

All voted aye.

Communication was read from the Warden Company asking the Board to approve Creamer's Writing Chart for sale to the common schools of the state of Oklahoma at a price of \$2.00 each.

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Duff, Creamer's Writing Chart at \$2.00 each was approved.

All voting aye.

Communication was read from Supt. Frank Read, Jr. concerning the necessity of continuing the stenographer in the office of the Superintendent of the Oklahoma School for the Deaf. The Secretary was instructed to notify Supt. Read that the Board would permit him to continue the present arrangement for the present but suggested that he dispense with services of the extra man after January 1, 1915.

A letter was read from Dr. Frank Davis of Enid applying for the Superintendency of the State Training School at Pauls Valley.
No action was taken.

Letter of J. B. Hudson, formerly at the Oklahoma State Home, was presented. No action was taken.

On motion by Mr. Wilson seconded by Mr. Hester, the claim of Mrs. Mary Wilson, teacher in the Oklahoma State Home, was allowed for the month of August. Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Rowsey seconded by Mr. Potter the salary of Mrs. Jessie Ballard, former nurse in the Oklahoma State Home, was allowed for the five days claimed in April and the beginning week of July 1st, as claimed by Mrs. Ballard.

All voted aye.

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Duff, Dr. Kendall was authorized to pay the matrons and nurses in the low wards of the Institute for the Feeble Minded not to exceed \$40.00 per month, at his discretion.

Pres. Wilson presented the following resolution:

In view of the fact that Mrs. W. L. Kendall, wife of the Superintendent of the Institution for the Feeble-Minded, is rendering to the state such valuable and efficient service in the instruction and training which she is giving to the inmates of that Institution and the sunshine which she is casting upon the lives of these unfortunate inmates because of her love for humanity and appreciation for the unfortunate and not because of any pay or emoluments which she is receiving from the state, and in view of the further fact that we doubt the advisability or the legality of the Board paying to her a salary on account of her husband's connection with the institution, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the State Board of Education, that we, each and every one of us, express our appreciation and admiration for the work which is being done by her and for the sympathetic efforts which she is putting forth in behalf of the unfortunate children of this state.

On motion, the resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board.

The Board recessed.

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Saturday Morning, October 3, 1914.

Members Present: Messrs. Rowsey, Potterf, Duff, and Hester; Mr. Rowsey presiding in the absence of President Wilson.

Earl Hickman, Court Reporter, appeared before the Board and spoke concerning his claim as a reporter at the meeting of the Board as a Text Book Commission.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, that it is the sense of the State Board of Education that in view of the fact that the record of the State Board of Education in session as a Text-Book Commission is to be filed in the office of the Secretary of State, as provided by law, and in the office of the State Board of Education, said record showing in full the proceedings and the yea and nay votes of the various roll calls in the adoption of text books to be used in the common schools of Oklahoma for the five-year period beginning August 1, 1914, and in which the awarded contracts amount to approximately \$1,500,000., that the making of such record is absolutely required by the law and is a necessity to safe guard the legality of the contracts if litigation should arise hereafter concerning the proceedings had in the said text book adoption, and the Board believes that the claim of Earl Hickman, Court Reporter, for the aforesaid record in the sum of \$325.00 is just and equitable and approves the payment of such an amount.

On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Potterf, the Secretary was instructed to notify W. W. Davis and Pres. Lynn Glover of Tonkawa that the committee, consisting of Pres. Wilson, Mr. Hester and Mr. Rowsey appointed to investigate the charges against President Glover, being unable to conduct the hearing set for the 23rd of September on account of the illness of Pres. R. H. Wilson and the quarantining of Mr. B. H. Hester on account of diphtheria, will appear at Tonkawa at a date to be fixed by Pres. Wilson of which date they will be given due notice, for the purpose of hearing the above charges which date shall precede the next meeting of the State Board of Education.

All voted aye.

The report from Prof. W. E. Wood on the Montesorri method of instruction as being conducted in the Northwestern State Normal was read and on motion was ordered received and filed.

The claim of C. H. Scherburn for salary as Assistant Instructor in Manual Training from August 2nd to September 9th at the University Preparatory School was presented. On motion by Mr. Potterf seconded by Mr. Duff, Mr. Scherburn's salary for the time of service claimed was allowed.

All voted aye.

On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Potterf, Miss Gilbert was elected instructor in English in the University Preparatory School at Tonkawa to succeed Miss May Belle Howard.

On motion, the Board adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

O. H. Wilson
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President, State Board of Education

Roscoe T. Huffman
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Secretary, State Board of Education

Oklahoma City.