

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Saturday Morning, November 7, 1914.

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

Attorney John Roaten of Edmond appeared before the Board. President Wilson explained that Mr. Roaten had been asked to investigate the abstracts of the property of the Central State Normal at Edmond with a view of ascertaining the number of lots which belonged to the institution and had been sold by Oklahoma County for taxes.

Mr. Roaten presented a written report showing the lots against which no transfers are shown and the lots upon which tax deeds have been issued, numbering twenty-four in all. He stated that these lots were illegally taxed and that as they belonged to the state that the persons holding such deeds were unlawfully in possession of these lots.

On motion by Mr. Potterf seconded by Mr. Duff, Mr. Roaten was allowed \$25.00 for his services in examining the abstracts and the records of the county office concerning lots embraced in the original normal school grounds.

All voted aye.

Recommendation from Pres. G. W. Gable of the Northeastern State Normal that the salary of Dr. Emmett Starr, Librarian and Instructor in the Normal, be raised from \$900. to \$1100., was presented. On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Potterf, Pres. Gable's recommendation was approved.

All voted aye.

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

- 1 (171) That Dr. A. H. Van Vleet be sent as the official delegate of the University to the inauguration of John C. Futtrall as President of the University of Arkansas, on Monday, November 23rd.
- 2 (172) That Prof. James I. Tucker, Director of the School of Civil Engineering be allowed to attend at the expense of the University the Fourth American Road Congress at Atlanta, Georgia, on November 9th to the 14th.
- 3 (173) Subject to your approval, I have appointed Doris Mundy Instructor in Piano for the school year, beginning September 1, 1914, to serve without salary, but to retain all fees for lessons given.
- 4 (174) Subject to your approval, I have accepted the resignations of Morris T. Myers, Analyst for the State Pure Food and Health Laboratory, to date from October 15, 1914; and Louis A. Cogswell, Associate Professor of Voice, to date from October 1, 1914.

5 (175) Subject to your approval, I have appointed Miss Metta K. Legler Instructor in Voice, from November 15, 1914 to June 15, 1915, the salary to be fixed at such amount that the sum of the fees collected and the salary shall amount to \$160.00 per month.

On motion by Mr. Warren seconded by Mr. Potterf, the recommendations of President Brooks were approved.

All voted aye.

On motion by Mr. Warren seconded by Mr. Duff, the Board authorized the expenditure of the local funds of the University for such items necessary for the support and maintenance of the University as the President of the State Board of Education may approve.

All voted aye.

The recommendations of Pres. Charles Evans of the Central State Normal were presented as follows:

First, that Miss Edna Foster be elected Critic Teacher in the Fourth and Fifth Grades at a salary of \$900.00 per annum;

Second, that Charles M. Royer be appointed Assistant Engineer through the cold months at a salary of \$60.00 per month;

Third, that Miss Lucy J. Hampton be elected Assistant Professor of History at a salary of \$1100. per annum;

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

All voted aye.

The following recommendations of the Eastern University School by Pres. S. M. Barrett were presented:

First, that Miss M. Jessie Stone be permitted to do credit work in French in the Eastern University Preparatory School;

Second, that Clarence L. Snyder be elected as Teacher of German, Manual Training, and Drawing at a salary of \$1000. per annum;

Third, that the resignation of Prof. Ernest Shank be accepted and that Miss Mary Sawyer be elected to Mr. Shank's position as teacher of Biological Sciences.

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

All voted aye.

Recommendations were presented from Pres. G. W. Austin of the Oklahoma College for Women as follows:

First, that the salary of Frank C. Stubbs, Engineer, be increased \$25.00 per month, beginning January 1, 1915;

Second, that the resignation of Jessie Roulston, teacher of Biological Science, be accepted to take effect December 4, 1914;

Third, that Edgar Cowan be elected teacher of Biological Science to fill the vacancy at a salary of \$150.00 per month, salary beginning December 4, 1914 and continuing until July 1, 1915.

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

A request to attend the 14th Annual Vocational Art and Industrial Federation Convention to be held November 19, 20 and 21st in Chicago was presented from President Lynn Glover.

On motion by Mr. Warren seconded by Mr. Potterf, the request was refused.

A communication from Pres. Lynn Glover recommending that the forty acre tract of land adjoining Tonkawa be plowed and sowed to alfalfa was presented. The Board decided to re-rent the forty-acre tract and instructed Pres. Glover to call for sealed bids for the renting of this land, which bids are to be filed un-opened with the State Board of Education for consideration at its next meeting.

All voted aye.

The claim of W. F. Brewer as Assistant Janitor in the University Preparatory School for September at \$5.00 per month was approved.

Communication was presented from Miss Elsa B. Fisher concerning her salary for 1914-15. On motion the Board decided to pay Miss Fisher \$100. per month for nine months.

A communication was presented from Sadie Glucklich of Topeka, Kansas, concerning her salary as teacher of the Kindergarten and First Grade Department of the Model School during the summer term at the University Preparatory School at Tonkawa..

On motion by Mr. Warren seconded by Mr. Duff, the salary of Miss Glucklich was allowed for two months at \$100.00 per month.

All voted aye.

Claim of C. H. Sherburn for \$35.00 for services in the Printing and Manual Training Departments of the University Preparatory School was presented and on motion by Mr. Wilson seconded by Mr. Warren, was approved.

The report of S. F. Parks, State Agent and Probate Attorney of the State Home, was presented and read, also a communication from A. L. Beckett, Attorney of Stigler, Oklahoma, concerning the contemplated suit for the Mann minors for damages for the killing of the father of these children. Another letter was read from Mr. Parks concerning the rental of the allotments of the Brown heirs.

On motion by Mr. Warren seconded by Mr. Potterf, the Secretary was instructed to request Mr. Parks to have a guardian appointed for the Mann heirs as early as possible which guardian should direct the suit for damages of these heirs.

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Potterf the Secretary was instructed to request Mr. S. F. Parks to appear before the Board at its next meeting.

Communication was read from the State Board of Public Affairs concerning a loan of machinery needed in the manufacturing of the clothing, shoes, etc., for the inmates of the State Training School, the payment for which machinery the Board of Affairs was willing to recommend to the Legislature, provided the State Board of Education would join in such recommendation. On account of the short time intervening between the meeting of the Board and the convening of the Legislature, no action was taken.

The Board then proceeded to the consideration of requisitions and claims.

On motion by Mr. Warren seconded by Mr. Duff, the Secretary was instructed to write letters to the several state schools requesting that as far as practicable all equipment for the libraries, etc., be made by the Manual Training Departments of such institutions.

All voted aye.

On motion by Mr. Warren seconded by Mr. Duff, the claim of Dr. F. B. Fite for services in performing an operation on an inmate of the Institution for the Deaf, Blind and Colored Orphans in amount of \$250.00 was approved.

All voted aye.

Pres. Wilson presented communications from A. N. Palmer concerning charges made in connection with the text-book adoption. On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Duff, Mr. Wilson was authorized to demand an explanation as the representative of the Board of the Von Court charges from A. N. Palmer, and report to the next meeting of the Board.

Supt. Frank Read, Jr., of the School for the Deaf at Sulphur appeared before the Board and asked for instructions in regard to the following:

- First, the time of closing school for the Christmas holidays;
- Second, the erection of a smoke-stack for the new building;
- Third, the completing of the sewer system of the School for the Deaf and connecting it with the system of the city of Sulphur.

On motion, Supt. Read was authorized to fix the date of the closing of the school for the Christmas holidays to the convenience of the students at his institution, and to proceed with the construction of the smoke-stack and the sewer system as recommended by him.

All voted aye.

Supt. Read also recommended that the employment of Edith B. Kellogg at a salary of \$80.00 per month without room and board, and Clyde King at a salary of \$80.00 per month without room and board as teachers in the School for the Deaf. On motion, Supt. Read's recommendations were approved.

All voted aye.

The Board adjourned.

O. G. Wilson
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President, State Board of Education

Robert T. Huffman
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Secretary, State Board of Education