

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Monday Morning, January 25, 1915.

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.

Minutes of the meeting of December 16, 17, 18, and 19, 1914, were presented and approved.

The Board then proceeded to discuss the advisability of the adoption of a system of Penmanship and a text in Domestic Science, in accordance with advertisement and bids submitted.

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Potterf, the consideration of bids of the several companies proposing to supply a system of Penmanship or a text in Domestic Economy was postponed until April 15, 1915.

All voted aye.

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Potterf, the Board instructed the Secretary to notify publishing houses that reading circle books for the Teachers' Reading Circle would be adopted on April 15, 1915.

All voted aye.

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Potterf, the Secretary was instructed to notify the Normal School Presidents to submit their recommendations for summer school faculties for their respective institutions at the meeting of the State Board of Education on April 15, 1915.

All voted aye.

On motion by Mr. Rowsey seconded by Dr. Fite, the recommendation of Miss Mary Whetzell as Primary Critic Teacher in the Northeastern State Normal submitted by Prof. Gable was approved by the Board.

Communication from Pres. W. C. Canterbury, asking whether a student taking correspondence work would meet the requirements of the new school law requiring normal school training or high school attendance after January 1916, was presented.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to write to Pres. Canterbury and inform him that correspondence work would not be considered acceptable in lieu of the required work for county certificates.

All voted aye.

On motion by Mr. Potterf seconded by Mr. Rowsey, the claim of Sadie Glucklich for services rendered at the University Preparatory School at Tonkawa was ordered referred back to Pres. Glover asking for his authority for the employment of Miss Glucklich.

All voted aye.

Pres. Stratton D. Brooks of the State University appeared before the Board.

Claim of Dr. J. C. Monnet for expenses incidental to his attendance at a meeting of the Association of American Law Schools was presented. Moved by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Rowsey that the claim be allowed. Messrs. Warren, Duff and Potterf voted aye. Messrs. Wilson, Rowsey, Hester, Fite voted no.

Claims of Metta K. Legler, J. L. Lindsey and L. S. Salter in connection with the Merchants' Short Course offered by the Extension Department of the University of Oklahoma were presented. On motion by Mr. Warren seconded by Mr. Duff, these claims were allowed.

All voting aye.

President Brooks presented the following:

1 - (177) I recommend that the title of Albert Heald Van Vleet be changed from that of Dean of the Graduate School and Professor of Biology, to that of Dean of the Graduate School and Professor of Botany, to date from September 1, 1914.

2 - (178) Subject to your approval, I have appointed James M. Gresham, temporary teacher in the Law School, at a salary of \$141.66 per month, services to begin January 1, 1915, and to be continued during such portion of the present school year as they may be necessary.

3 - (179) Subject to your approval, I have accepted the resignation of Miss Annette B. Cowles, Superintendent of the University of Oklahoma Hospital, to take effect February 1, 1915.

4 - (180) Subject to your approval, I have appointed John A. Reck, Instructor in Gynecology in the Medical School, University of Oklahoma Oklahoma City, from December 1, 1914, to September 1, 1915.

5 - (181) I recommend that the President of the University of Oklahoma be given authority to employ special lecturers for the summer school, 1915, at a total cost of not to exceed \$750.00.

6 - (182) I recommend the approval of the accompanying regulations:

That permission is hereby granted

(1) To each dean to visit once each year the most important educational gathering directly concerned with the work of his school or college;

(2) To the director of the School of Education to attend the meeting of the College Teachers of Education once annually;

(3) To the Inspector of High Schools to attend once annually the meeting of the North Central Association of Schools and Colleges.

7 - (183) I desire to report that the high schools of Bristow and Skiatook have complied with all the conditions necessary to become fully accredited schools with the University. I recommend that they be so declared.

On motion by Mr. Warren seconded by Dr. Fite, the recommendations of Pres. Brooks were approved.

State Auditor E. B. Howard was called before the Board and explained his desire to co-operate with the Board in the approval of claims for traveling expenses.

On motion by Mr. Duff seconded by Mr. Rowsey, the following resolution was adopted:

It is the sense of this Board that on account of limited appropriations and the general necessity for reducing expenses as much as possible in maintaining institutions under its control, when the presidents of institutions or any member of the faculties thereof are invited to address teachers' meetings, teachers' institutes and other public gatherings that the institute or assemblage inviting them advance the actual necessary expenses incurred by such president or professor in making the address or lecture; and that all other traveling expenses incurred by any president or professor shall be authorized by resolution from this Board before incurring such expense, except in cases where the President or member of the faculty is called to the capital to confer with the board of education, board of affairs, or legislative committees on business pertaining to the welfare of the institution.

Claim of Pres. Grant B. Grumbine for automobile and bus hire for the transfer of students of the Northwestern State Normal to school house No. 82 for observation work was presented and the Secretary was instructed to ask Pres. Grumbine for more information.

Secretary Davis of the Muskogee City School Board of Education appeared before the Board and asked for information concerning the exchange of text books purchased by the City of Muskogee for the pupils of the public schools of that city. He informed the Board of the method pursued by the City of Muskogee in handling the books and the difficulties that had arisen between the state depositories and the city board of education. The Board discussed the matter at length with Mr. Davis and explained the interpretation of the contracts with the several companies.

The Board recessed until one o'clock p.m.

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Monday Afternoon, January 25, 1915.

The State Board of Education met at one o'clock. All members present.

Letter was presented from the American Book Company asking for approval for use in the common schools of Oklahoma of the following:

Webster's Shorter Dictionary \$0.54,
 Webster's Elementary School Dictionary \$0.81

On motion by Mr. Rowsey seconded by Mr. Hester, the approval asked by the American Book Company was granted.

All voted aye.

A letter was presented from Supt. G. M. Lisk of Alva explaining that the adoption of one supplementary reader only did not permit the use of a greater number of such supplementary readers and that they found it impossible to make exchange as had been done under the former adoption when there were two sets of supplementary readers.

The Secretary was instructed to notify Supt. Lisk that the Board of Education did not object to the use of two or more sets of such supplementary readers, although only one set have been adopted and for him to use his judgment in selecting additional readers.

Communication was presented from S. F. Parks, State Agent and Probate Attorney for the wards of the Orphans' Home concerning the progress being made in settling the guardianship matters of such wards.

On motion by Mr. Warren seconded by Mr. Rowsey, the communication of Judge Parks was ordered received and filed and the Secretary was instructed to write to him expressing the appreciation of the Board for the progress made and requesting that all guardianship matters be settled at as early a date as possible and that he be further requested to report the progress made in all cases that had come under his attention to the State Board of Education at its next meeting and to furnish a copy to Supt. Gid Graham of the Oklahoma State Home

All voted aye.

A communication was presented from Supt. Tom Smith of Craig county concerning the application of James F. McCollough of Ketchum, for a state certificate. On motion by Mr. Warren seconded by Mr. Duff consideration of the communication, together with the application of all papers relating thereto, was indefinitely postponed.

All voted aye.

Mr. Wilson made an explanation of the charges filed against W. B. Davis, graduate of the Central State Normal School at Edmond. On motion, the Board decided to hear the charges against Mr. Davis at its next meeting.

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

A communication was presented from Pres. Page of the S. A. and N. University recommending the employment of Antoine Fuhr as Negro Farm Demonstration Agent. No action was taken.

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Mr. Duff, the Board rescinded its action of December the 16th, concerning the date of the summer school term to begin May 25 and close July 28, session to be held five days a week instead of six days, as provided in the former resolution.

Communication was presented from Mrs. J. L. Vandiver, mother of J. E. Vandiver whose certificate was revoked on December 19th, 1914, by the State Board of Education. Mr. J.B. Vandiver appeared before the Board and made a statement concerning the charges made against him.

No action was taken.

Supt. Frank Read, Jr., of the School for the Deaf at Sulphur appeared before the Board and discussed the need of additional cottages for the care of the deaf children applying for admission to his institution.

The Board discussed at length the need of building such additional cottages as were required.

No action was taken.

Mr. T. J. Galloway of Oklahoma City appeared before the Board and presented a Graded Literature Fourth Reader published by the Charles E. Merrill Company which he had purchased on or after October 1, 1914, and which he had on this day offered to the Parkhurst Book Company at exchange rates for a Fifth Reader of the same series. He stated that the Parkhurst Book Company had refused to make such exchange as provided in the letter of the State Superintendent and asked of the Board information as to the legality of demanding such exchange.

On motion by Mr. Hester seconded by Dr. Fite, the Board decided to submit a full statement of the matter of the exchange to the Attorney General and ask for his opinion.

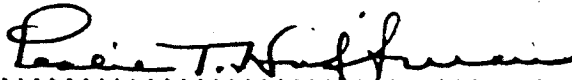
On motion by Dr. Fite seconded by Mr. Duff, Mr. Potterf and the Secretary were appointed as a committee to take up the matter of the exchange with the Attorney General.

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



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President, State Board of Education

Oklahoma City.



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Secretary, State Board of Education.