

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Thursday Morning, August 24, 1916.

The Board of Education convened at 9:30. Members present were Messrs. Wilson, Campbell, Fite, Hill, Ralls, Sandlin and Shepler.

The minutes of the meeting of the State Board of Education on June 20th and 21st were presented and approved.

On motion by Mr. Sandlin seconded by Mr. Ralls, the salary of the Secretary at the School of Mines at Wilburton was fixed at \$75.00 per month.

The resignation of Alberta Wheaton, Assistant in Commercial Department at the University Preparatory School at Tonkawa, was presented. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Sandlin, the resignation was accepted.

Requisition for repairing roof at the University Preparatory School was presented and approved.

Communication from C. E. Johnson, Instructor in the University Preparatory School at Tonkawa, relating to the issuance of Teachers' Life Diplomas from that institution was read. No action was taken.

The recommendations and communications of Pres. Stratton D. Brooks of the State University were presented as follows:

1 - (321) I desire to report the following appointments approved as emergency appointments:

T. Bruce Robb, Instructor in the Summer School;
Alberta Bragg, Instructor in Voice;
P. G. Phelps, Visual Instruction Lecturer;
Earl B. Stavely, Asst. Prof. of Electrical Engineering;
Frederick F. Blachly, Asst. Prof. in Government.

Approved.

2 - (322) I beg to report that I have accepted the following resignations:

H. Mary Workman, Superintendent of Hospital;
Chas. Duncan Ferguson, Asst. Prof. of Ophthalmology;
C. O. vonWedel, Asst. Prof. of Surgery;
Walter Jacob Wohlenberg, Asst. Prof. Mechanical Engineering
Herschel C. Smith, Instructor in Civil Engineering.

Approved.

3 - (323) I recommend that the previous order, fixing the salary of Fowler Dell Brooks for the months of July and August 1916, be rescinded, and that his salary for these months be fixed at the rate of \$200.00 per month.

No action.

4 - (324) I recommend that the title of Dr. Arthur Weaver White, Professor of Medicine, be changed to that of Associate Professor of Medicine, to date from September 1, 1916.

Approved.

5 - (325) Subject to your approval I have appointed Wann Langston Instructor in Pathology and Clinical Microscopy. I recommend that his salary be fixed at the rate of \$75.00 per month from September 1, 1916 to July 1, 1917.

Approved.

6 - (326) Subject to your approval, I have appointed Miss Edna Holland as Superintendent of Nurses with the rank of Instructor, in the University of Oklahoma, from August 1, 1916 to July 1, 1917, at the rate of \$75.00 per month.

Approved.

7 - (327) I recommend that indefinite leave of absence, without pay, be given to the following named persons, for the purpose of serving in the state militia:

Frank B. Sorgatz, Asst. Prof. of Pathology and Clinical Microscopy;
Rex George Bolend, Instructor in Genito Urinary Diseases and Syphilis;

Floyd Jackson Bolend, Asst. Professor of Medicine;
Albert Clifford Hirschfield, Instructor in Gynecology.

Approved.

8 - (328) I recommend that James H. Craven be authorized to investigate the planting of parks and shrubbery in Kansas City and St. Louis for a period of not to exceed two weeks, at the expense of the University of Oklahoma.
Rejected.

9 - (329) I desire to report that Governor R. L. Williams has authorized a deficiency as follows:

For alterations and moving into Chemistry Building	\$19,792.00
For Medical School	13,500.00
For Maintenance and Support	<u>16,000.00</u>
Total -----	\$49,292.00

Received and filed.

10 - (330) Subject to your approval I have appointed the following named persons to the rank and at the salary specified, from September 1, 1916 to September 1, 1917:

John Payne Torrey, Instructor in Anatomy & Physical Diagnosis,
at a salary of \$1000;
Lucien Quitman Campbell, Instructor in English and Debating Coach,
at a salary of \$1000.00

Approved.

11 - (331) I desire to inform you that Earl B. Stavely, whose emergency appointment has been approved and previously reported, has declined to accept the position of assistant professor of Electrical Engineering.

Received and filed.

12 - (332) I recommend that the title of William A. Schmidt, which is now professor of the History and Administration of Education, be changed to that of Professor of Educational Administration to date from September 1, 1916, and that he be placed upon the salary schedule of professors who are heads of departments, at a salary of \$1900.00, beginning on the date specified with regular advances thereafter in accordance with the salary schedule.

Approved.

13 - (333) Subject to your approval I have accepted the resignation of Clyde Trone Levy, Instructor in Mathematics. Approved.

14 - (334) Subject to your approval I have appointed the following named persons to the rank specified in each case, to date from September 1, 1916:

Nathan Altahiller, Instructor in Mathematics, \$1000.00

Lester Clyde Lichty, Asst. Prof. Mechanical Engineering, \$1300.00

Approved.

Nomination of Miss Clive Eagleton as Instructor in the Oklahoma College for Women was presented. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Hill, Miss Eagleton was elected to begin services September 1, 1916 at a salary of \$85.00 per month. All voted aye.

Recommendations of Pres. Grant B. Grumbine of the Central State Normal were presented as follows:

(1) That L. B. Ray be elected as Professor of Pedagogy in the Central State Normal, services to begin September 1st, at a salary of \$1600. per annum. On motion by Mr. Sandlin seconded by Mr. Ralls, Mr. Ray was elected. All voted aye.

(2) That Mrs. Ida W. Kitchen be elected Director of Orchestra and Assistant in Public School Music for 1916-17 at a salary of \$900.00 per annum, and that she be permitted to teach Piano students for fees not to exceed \$25.00 per month. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Campbell, Mrs. Kitchen was elected and her salary fixed at \$1000. per year, without permission to teach piano students for fees.

(3) That Miss Carrie Bell Wantland be elected Physical Director for Girls at the Central State Normal at a salary of \$75.00 per month, services to be rendered from September 1st to March 1st. On motion by Mr. Sandlin seconded by Mr. Campbell, Miss Wantland was elected. All voted aye.

(4) That a leave of absence for nine months on half pay be granted to Miss May Belle Howard, Instructor in the Central State Normal. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Sandlin, the Board voted not to excuse Miss Howard for a leave of absence until after the spring term of 1917.

(5) That Miss Mildred Dalzell, Assistant in English, be granted a leave of absence for the fall term of 1916 without pay. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Shepler, the leave of Miss Dalzell was granted.

(6) That more than twenty-five magazine subscriptions be allowed the library of the Central State Normal on account of the great number of students at that institution. On motion by Mr. Sandlin seconded by Dr. Fite, the number

~~of members allowed the Central State Normal School was restricted to forty.~~
All voted aye.

~~Recommendations of Pres. H. H. Brooks of the Southwestern State~~
Normal School were presented as follows:

(1) That Ursula Lamar, Instructor in the Southwestern State Normal, be transferred to the Southeastern State Normal as Assistant in History and English. On motion by Mr. Sandlin seconded by Mr. Ralls, the recommendation was approved. All voting aye.

(2) That the resignation of Willie Vivian Luck, Instructor in Public School Music of the Southeastern State Normal, be accepted to take effect September 1st. On motion, the resignation was accepted.

(3) That Julia E. Stout of Hugo be elected Instructor in Public School Music, services to begin September 1, 1916, at a salary of \$1100. per annum. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Hill, Miss Stout was elected. All voted aye.

(4) That Pres. Brooks be authorized to employ a teacher of Penmanship at a salary of \$50.00 per month for three hours' services each day with the privilege of devoting the remainder of her time to work at the school, the recommendation for such teacher to be submitted to the President of the State Board of Education before the opening of school for his approval. On motion by Mr. Sandlin seconded by Mr. Ralls, the recommendation was approved.

(5) That a deposit of \$2.00 be required of all students to secure library privileges, this deposit to be returnable less deductions for loss and fines when a pupil withdraws from school. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Campbell, the plan was approved and Pres. Brooks is required to report upon its operation by the first of January, 1917. All voted aye.

On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Hill, all state schools in which instruction of high school rank is given, are required to use text books adopted by the State Board of Education for use in the high schools in Oklahoma. All voted aye.

On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Shepler, the Secretary of the State Board of Education was instructed to furnish to the county superintendents and superintendents of independent districts a list by grades of all books adopted by the State Board of Education for basic use in the common schools, and that the book depositories be requested to furnish such lists to all local agents, and further that the superintendent be furnished with a sufficient number of these lists to supply all teachers under their supervision. All voted aye.

The Board recessed until 1:30.

AFTERNOON SESSION, AUGUST 24, 1916.

All members of the Board were present.

Dr. Harold V. Bozell and Dean J. H. Felgar of the School of Engineering of the University of Oklahoma appeared before the Board. Dr. Bozell spoke concerning the hearing of the charges filed against him by H. H. Edwards and S. I. McIlhoes, and requested an immediate hearing. On motion by Dr. Fite seconded by Mr. Balls, the hearing of the Bozell charges were set for nine o'clock Wednesday, August 30th, and the appointment of a committee of three by the President of the Board was authorized for the purpose of conducting this hearing.

Motion carried. Pres. Wilson appointed Mr. Hill, Mr. Balls and Mr. Campbell as the committee.

Mr. Jesse W. Watts of Wagoner, Oklahoma and A. S. Faulkner, Head of the Training School of the Southeastern State Normal, appeared before the Board. The charges of Mr. Watts against Mr. Faulkner were read. Mr. Watts stated his reasons for presenting such charges, after which Mr. Faulkner presented his answer to the charges.

The following resolution was presented:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the charges filed before this Board by Jesse W. Watts against Prof. A. S. Faulkner of the Southeastern State Normal School be dismissed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Board of Education disapproves the action of A. S. Faulkner as Acting-President; A. Linscheid, Head Department of English; J. C. M. Krumtum, Head Department of Foreign Languages; Hallie McKinney, Department of Home Economics; Joe Lou Adams, Asst. in Dept. of English; Haydee Ritchey, Librarian; P. E. Laird, Department of Physics and Chemistry and Asst. in Athletics; W. H. Echols, Asst. in Education; W. T. Dodson, Dept. of Agriculture; Hattie Rainey, Critic Teacher; and M. M. Wickham, Head Department of Biology, professors and teachers in the Southeastern State Normal School, on the 29th day of February, 1916, in signing a letter to the Honorable James Yarbrough, Mayor of Durant, in behalf of Corley McDarment in the case of the State of Oklahoma vs. Corley McDarment, it appearing that said Corley McDarment as Defendant in a cause then pending in the District Court of Muskogee County, Oklahoma, wherein the said Corley McDarment stood charged with the crime of murder, it appearing that said letter was signed by said teachers of the Southeastern State Normal School in order that the same might be circulated in the Southeastern Oklahoma and in other parts of the state for the purpose of soliciting funds from teachers of the state with which to employ lawyers and to aid in the defense of said Corley McDarment in said cause.

On motion by Mr. Balls seconded by Mr. Campbell, the resolution was accepted. All voting aye.

The recommendations of Pres. J. B. Eskridge of the Southwestern State Normal were presented as follows:

First, that the resignation of Claud Reeds as Physical Director of the Southwestern State Normal be accepted to take effect September 1st;

Second, that Samuel D. Burton be elected as Athletic Director of the Southwestern State Normal School beginning September 1st, at a salary of \$1200. per annum;

Third, that Mrs. Edith Sawyer Hammond be elected Critic Teacher of the Third and Fourth grades at a salary of \$1000. per annum. All voted aye.

Recommendations of Pres. G. W. Gable of the Northwestern State Normal were presented as follows:

First, the resignation of Carlotta Archer as Critic Teacher of the Fifth and Sixth Grades was presented with a recommendation that it be accepted;

Second, that Lola Marie Harris of Durant be elected as successor to Miss Archer as Critic Teacher of the Fifth and Sixth grades at a salary of \$1000.00 per annum;

Third, that Lola Chaplin be elected Secretary of the Northeastern State Normal at a salary of \$1000.00 per annum;

Fourth, that the resignation of Mary I. Hanna as Head of the Art Department, be accepted, and that Joy Pratt of Fayetteville, Arkansas be elected as head of the Art Department;

Fifth, that H. S. Dwelle be elected Head of the Department of Physics and Chemistry at a salary of \$1400.00 per annum;

Sixth, that George Anderson be elected Athletic Director and Assistant in Science at a salary of \$100. per month for nine months.

On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Campbell, President Gable's recommendations were approved except as to H. S. Dwelle, and Dr. Fite was instructed to confer with Pres. Gable concerning the head of this department with authority to approve Mr. Gable's nomination.

On motion the President of the State Board of Education was authorized to approve a requisition for the rental of the opera house at Tablequah at \$25.00 for each number of lyceum course, not to exceed twelve numbers each year.

Pres. J. M. Gordon's recommendations concerning the East Central State Normal were presented as follows:

First, that Bessie Hayden be elected Critic Teacher to succeed Ella McClain, resigned. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Hill, Miss Hayden was elected.

Second, that Antonio Cruz be elected as Teacher of Spanish and Music at a salary of \$540.00 for nine months. On motion by Mr. Hill seconded by Mr. Ralls, Mr. Cruz was elected.

Third, that certain salaries be increased. No action was taken.

Fourth, that the resignations of Frank Smigelsky, Asst. in Foreign Languages; and Will Gray, Laboratory Assistant in Department of Physics, be accepted. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Hill, the resignations were accepted. All voted aye.

Fifth, that individual lockers and an additional victrola be purchased for the East Central State Normal. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Sandlin, the recommendation was disapproved.

Sixth, that a library fee of \$1.00 per term be charged each student, such fee to be returned at the end of the term, less assessments for damages to books, fines, and keeping books over time, etc. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Hill the plan of collecting a library fee was approved. All voted aye.

Recommendations of Pres. J. W. Graves of the Northwestern State Normal were presented as follows:

First, that a leave of absence be granted Frank Wyatt, Professor of History in the Northwestern State Normal, on account of Mr. Wyatt having entered the military service. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Campbell a leave of absence was granted to Mr. Wyatt. All voted aye.

Second, that F. N. Howell be appointed as temporary professor of History in the absence of Mr. Wyatt. On motion by Mr. Sandlin seconded by Mr. Ralls, Mr. Howell was elected.

Third, that the resignation of Lavera Mullikan, Assistant Secretary in the Northwestern State Normal, be accepted and that Frank S. Cleckler be elected to succeed Miss Mullikan as Assistant Secretary at a salary of \$60.00 per month. Approved.

Fourth, that salaries of instructors be raised as follows:
 Anna LeCrone, Librarian, from \$900. to \$1000. per annum;
 Minnie Shockley, Dean of Women & Correspondence Work, \$1000. to \$1200. per annum;
 Vernon C. Sheldon, from \$900. to \$1000. per annum;
 Mrs. Hettie A. Brown, from \$900. to \$1000. per annum.

On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Campbell, the salaries were increased as recommended.

Fifth, that C. F. Edwards be elected as Instructor in Penmanship at a salary of \$41.66 per month, Mr. Edwards to give half of his time to the Northwestern State Normal. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Hill, the election of Mr. Edwards was deferred with the understanding that Pres. Graves report to the President of the Board whether Mr. Edwards secures the position for the remainder of his teaching time, the President of the Board to confirm Mr. Graves' nomination when made;

Sixth, that a leave of absence be granted Nettie A. Maurer, Critic Teacher of the Montessori Department, leave of absence to be for one year and pay to be received during the first term of the school year 1916-17. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Dr. Fite, a leave of absence was granted to Miss Maurer. All voted aye.

Seventh, that Isabelle Veazy be elected to the position of Critic Teacher in the Kindergarten Department of the Northwestern State Normal beginning September 1, 1916. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Campbell, Miss Veazy was elected.

Eighth, that Mayme Spurrier be elected Assistant in Domestic Science and Art in the Northwestern State Normal. Rejected, for the reason that the Board desires to give positions of this character to graduates of the Oklahoma College for Women or of the Agricultural and Mechanical College if suitable persons can be secured. All voted aye.

Communications were presented from Supt. Neil B. Gardner of the State Home concerning the following:

First, disposition to be made of Rose Morrow, crippled inmate of the State Home. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Hill, Supt. Gardner was instructed to take up the case of Rose Morrow with the County Judge of Canadian County with a view of securing the girl's transference from the State Home to the Institution for Feeble Minded at Enid.

Second, as to whether we should give information to the attorneys of the mother of the Gammons child committed to the State Home from Latimer County as to the whereabouts of such child, it having been placed out for adoption by the State Home. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Shepler, Supt. Gardner was instructed to give confidential information to the attorneys as to the whereabouts of the Gammons child provided this child has not been legally adopted. All voted aye.

Third, recommending that the resignation of Paulyne Goodson, Teacher in the State Home, be accepted and Helen McGaha be elected as her successor. On motion by Mr. Shepler seconded by Mr. Ralls the resignation was accepted and Miss McGaha was elected.

Pres. W. C. French of the University Preparatory School appeared before the Board and presented the following recommendations:

First, that a leave of absence for one year be granted Lula K. Wilhour, teacher of Expression and Piano in the University Preparatory School, without pay. Granted.

Second, that Miss Maizie Bridges be elected Assistant in Voice and Piano in the University Preparatory School at a salary of \$1000. per annum. On motion by Mr. Sandlin seconded by Mr. Ralls Miss Bridges was elected.

Third, that the resignation of Sarah Gilbert, Second Assistant in English, be accepted and that Muna Lee be elected as her successor at a salary of \$1000. per annum. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Dr. Fite, the recommendation was accepted. All voted aye.

Mr. Ralls introduced the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that all graduates of the high schools of Oklahoma must have done one year's work in Penmanship in such high schools.

On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Campbell, the resolution was adopted. All voted aye.

Pres. J. M. Marquess of the C. A. and N. University at Langston appeared before the Board and presented the following:

First, the plan of the farm of the C. A. and N. University;

Second, Pres. Marquess' recommendations relating to the C. A. and N. University. On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Dr. Fite, the following recommendations were approved:

1. The designation of one acre of ground immediately west of the residence erected for the use of the president for his individual purposes;
2. That the position of nightwatchman be not elective, but appointive, appointment to be made by the president with the approval of the Board;
3. That F. J. Hilburn be elected to look after the commissary and as an assistant in the Night School at a salary of \$900. per year, twelve months' basis;
4. That J. Wilson Pettus of McAlester be elected head of the Normal Department at a salary of \$1200. per year, twelve months' basis in the place of Nicola Caesar resigned;
5. That Eva P. Lowe of Muskogee be elected Domestic Science Teacher at a salary of \$70.00 per month for nine months;
6. That permission be given to trade off the extra typewriters on the ground for adding machines and for such other office equipment as we may be able to secure;
7. That permission to continue the employment of one mechanic to assist in needed repair work until October 1, 1916, be granted.

On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Shepler, Pres. Wilson was authorized to approve or disapprove Pres. Marquess' nomination for the Head of the Home Economics Department. Motion carried. Mr. Wilson voted no.

On motion by Mr. Sandlin seconded by Mr. Shepler, the resignation of R. E. Bullett as Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds and Boys' Preceptor, was accepted to take effect September 1, 1916.

On motion by Mr. Sandlin seconded by Mr. Shepler, H. Grant Mayberry was elected as successor to R. E. Bullett at a salary of \$70.00 per month.

On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Mr. Hill the next meeting of the State Board of Education was fixed for September 26, 1916.

Recommendations of Supt. A. K. Gossom of the State Training School were presented and read.

On motion by Mr. Ralls seconded by Dr. Fite, Supt. Gossom's recommendations and suggestions were approved, and he was instructed to make necessary requisitions and nominations to the Board as soon as possible. All voted aye.

On motion, the leave of absence of J. G. March and Mrs. J. G. March, Teachers in the State Training School, was approved for the month of August. All voting aye.

Recommendations and communications of Pres. Lynn Glover of the School of Mines at Wilburton were presented as follows:

First, that Pres. Glover had discharged John Meigs, Colored Janitor, of the School of Mines, and recommending that he be authorized to employ a janitor at \$50.00 per month. On motion by Mr. Sandlin seconded by Mr. Hill, Pres. Glover's action was approved and authority granted to employ a janitor at \$50.00 per month.

Second, that the resignation of Wm. A. Buttram, Head of the Department of Geology and Mineralogy, be accepted and that Dr. Clinton J. Sarles be elected as Mr. Buttram's successor at a salary of \$1400. per annum. Recommendation approved, on motion by Mr. Sandlin seconded by Mr. Shepler.

Third, that the resignation of R. J. Knickerbocker, Professor of Metallurgy, be accepted and Robert W. Johnson be elected as his successor at a salary of \$1400. per annum. Recommendation approved, on motion by Mr. Sandlin seconded by Mr. Hill. All voted aye.

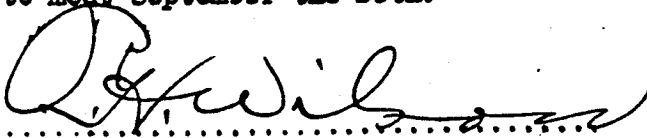
Fourth, that an expenditure be authorized for exhibiting the work of the School of Mines at the State Fair. On motion by Mr. Hill seconded by Dr. Fite, Pres. Glover was authorized to make reasonable expenditures for holding such exhibit, such expenditures not to exceed the amount paid for similar exhibit last year.


Fifth, that Volney Wortman be elected as Instructor in Athletics and Academic work at a salary of \$50.00 per month for nine months. On motion by Mr. Hill seconded by Mr. Sandlin, the recommendation was approved. All voted aye.

On motion by Mr. Hill seconded by Mr. Shepler, the Board accepted the proposal of the Harlow Publishing Company for the approval of "Shinkah, The Osage Indian," by S. M. Barrett, offered for approval for supplementary use in the common schools of the state in the Fifth and Sixth Grades, at a price of fifty cents.

All voted aye.

The Board adjourned to meet September the 26th.


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President, State Board of Education


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Secretary, State Board of Education