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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

BOARD OF EDUCATION

OF THE

STATE OF ILLINOIS

AT A

REGULAR MEETING HELD AT NORMAL, JUNE 19, '95.

Board of Education of the State of Illinois.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS.

HON. WILLIAM H. GREEN, Cairo.....	President.
HON. SAMUEL M. INGLIS, Springfield.....	Ex-officio member and Secretary.
F. D. MARQUIS, Bloomington.....	Treasurer.
ENOCH A. GASTMAN.....	Decatur.
CHAS. L. CAPEN.....	Bloomington.
EDWARD DOOCY.....	Pittsfield.
E. R. E. KIMBROUGH.....	Danville.
MATHEW P. BRADY.....	Chicago.
MRS. ELLA F. YOUNG.....	Chicago.
PELEG R. WALKER.....	Rockford.
M. E. PLAIN.....	Aurora.
FORREST F. COOK.....	Galesburg.
CHARLES I. PARKER.....	Chicago.
CLINTON ROSETTE.....	DeKalb.
JACOB L. BAILY.....	Macomb.
CHARLES S. THORNTON.....	Chicago.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Auditing and Finance.....	Doocy, Plain, Capen.
Buildings and Grounds.....	Capen, Kimbrough, Gastman.
Text Books and Course of Instruction.....	Inglis, Young, Walker, Kimbrough.
Teachers and Salaries.....	Walker, Parker, Kimbrough, Chas. E. Thornton.
Training School.....	Gastman, Parker, Rosette.
Museum of Natural History and Libraries.....	Brady, Bailey, Kimbrough.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Reading, amending and adopting minutes.
2. Election of officers.
3. Report of the President of the Normal University.
4. Treasurer's report.
5. Reports of special committees.
6. Reports of standing committees, in order.
7. Communications.
8. Motions and resolutions.
9. Unfinished business.
10. General business.

Next meeting of the Board will be held December 5, 1895.

Proceedings of the Board of Education

OF THE

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

NORMAL, ILL., June 19, 1895.

The Board of Education met in the office of the President of the University, at 9 o'clock a. m., Judge William H. Green, the President, in the chair.

Present: Messrs. Green, Gastman, Kimbrough, Capen, Doocy, Walker, Parker, Cook, Plain, Rosetto, Baily, Thornton, Inglis, and Mrs. Ella F. Young.

Absent: Brady.

The oath of office was administered to the new member Mr. Charles S. Thornton, Esq., by E. R. E. Kimbrough, Esq.

Frank D. Marquis was unanimously re-elected Treasurer of the Board.

The President of the University, John W. Cook, read his annual report to the Board, which was as follows:

To the Honorable Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Mr. President and Members of the Board:—The attendance for the two terms since your last meeting is as follows:

NORMAL DEPARTMENT.

	Winter Term.	Spring Term.
Ladies.....	390	342
Gentlemen.....	182	150
Totals.....	572	492

HIGH SCHOOL.

Ladies.....	58	52
Gentlemen.....	91	79
Totals.....	149	131

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Girls.....	55	39
Boys.....	77	57
Totals.....	132	96

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Girls.....	59	57
Boys.....	64	60
Totals.....	123	117

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Girls	42	46
Boys	38	47
Totals	80	93
Aggregates of attendance	1,056	929

The following table shows the attendance by counties for the same terms:

	Winter Term.	Spring Term.		Winter Term.	Spring Term.
Adams	3	2	Logan	5	2
Bond	2	1	McDonough	1	1
Boone	2	1	McHenry	8	7
Brown	2	2	*McLean	38	37
Bureau	8	6	Macon	18	13
Carroll		1	Macoupin	13	8
Cass	2	2	Madison	22	17
Champaign	9	9	Marion	3	4
Christian	14	13	Marshall	3	4
Clark		2	Mason	6	4
Clay	1		Menard	5	3
Clinton	4	3	Mercer	4	3
Coles	8	4	Monroe	4	3
Cook	3	4	Montgomery	1	1
Crawford	4	5	Morgan	2	3
Cumberland	2	2	Moultrie	2	2
DeKalb	8	7	Ogle	5	5
DeWitt	4	4	Peoria	3	2
Douglas	4	4	Perry	1	1
DuPage	5	5	Piatt	12	11
Edgar	5	3	Pike	4	2
Edwards	1	1	Pope	4	5
Fayette	2	1	Putnam	12	12
Ford	7	8	Randolph	2	1
Fulton	5	4	Richland	1	
Gallatin	1	1	Rock Island	17	17
Greene	3		Sangamon	13	9
Grundy	1	1	Schuyler	2	5
Hamilton		1	Scott	2	3
Hancock	8	2	Shelby	11	14
Henderson	3	2	Stark	6	6
Henry	5	3	St. Clair	26	18
Iroquois	12	13	Stephenson	3	1
Jasper	1		Tazewell	22	26
Jefferson	1	1	Vermilion	12	9
JoDavies	5	4	Warren	9	6
Kane	2	2	Washington	1	1
Kankakee	3	3	Wayne	3	
Kendall	4	3	White		1
Knox	2	5	Whiteside	6	6
Lake	3	3	Will	6	9
LaSalle	24	21	Williamson	1	1
Lawrence		1	Winnebago	1	1
Lee	5	2	Woodford	8	6
Livingston	10	11			

* Additional pupils admitted on payment of tuition at the rate of \$39 per year, because they did not reach admission requirement of 85 for McLean county. Winter Term 35, Spring Term 21.

OTHER STATES.

	Winter Term.	Spring Term.		Winter Term.	Spring Term.
Arkansas	1	1	Missouri	5	3
Indiana	1		Nebraska	1	1
Iowa	1	2	Ohio	3	1

New students admitted to Normal Department during winter term, 1894-5:

	Women.	Men.	Total.
Applicants	66	30	96
Rejected.....	10	5	15
Admitted.....	56	25	71
By Appointment of County Superintendents.....	5	5	10
" H. S. Diplomas	15	3	18
" College Diploma	1	2	3
" Promotion from Model School.....	15	10	25
" Examination	18	4	22
" First Grade Certificate.....	1	1	2
From Southern Illinois Normal School.....	1	..	1

New students admitted to Normal Department during spring term, 1894-5:

	Women.	Men.	Total.
Applicants	43	16	59
Rejected.....	2	2	4
Admitted.....	41	14	55
By Appointment of County Superintendents.....	6	2	8
" High School Diplomas	11	4	15
" First Grade Certificates	1	1	2
" Promotion from Model School	8	3	11
" Examination.....	15	4	19

Counties represented in the entering classes:

	Winter Term.	Spring Term.		Winter Term.	Spring Term.
Bureau	4	1	Madison	4	1
Carroll	1	1	Marion	1	1
Champaign	2	2	Marshall	1	1
Christian	4	..	Mason .....	..	1
Clark .....	..	2	Menard	1	..
Clinton.....	..	3	Mercer	3	..
Coles	1	1	Monroe	2	..
Cook .....	..	1	Morgan .....	..	1
Crawford .....	..	1	Ogle .....	..	1
DeKalb.....	1	1	Perry	1	..
DeWitt.....	1	..	Platt .....	..	1
Edgar	1	..	Pike	1	..
Ford.....	..	2	Pope	1	..
Fulton.....	1	..	Putnam	1	1
Hancock	2	..	Rock Island	1	..
Iroquois.....	1	1	St. Clair.....	1	1
Kankakee.....	1	..	Sangamon	5	..
Knox.....	..	3	Shelby .....	..	1
LaSalle.....	4	1	Tazewell.....	7	8
Lawrence .....	..	1	Vermillion.....	1	2
Lee	1	..	Warren.....	1	..
Livingston.....	1	4	Wayne.....	1	..
McHenry.....	..	2	Will.....	..	1
McLean.....	18	5	Williamson.....	1	..
Macon	2	..	Other States	3	3
Macoupin	2	..			

Twenty-three of the McLean county students were admitted on the payment of tuition.

We anticipate no withdrawals from our Faculty, except in a single instance. Miss Cora Dodson, who came here one year ago as assistant training teacher, tenders her resignation. We have found Miss Dodson a very agreeable lady indeed, and her influence upon the young people has been very beautiful. I have recommended as her successor Miss Elizabeth Mavity, of Indiana, who was for three years a teacher in the State Normal School of that State. I have had a personal interview with Miss Mavity, and am much pleased with her manner and spirit. She brings the highest testimonials as to her skill and character.

It is now time that our music work should be put upon its feet. As I have visited other Normal Schools, I have found, usually, that we were behind them in this respect. What we want is to enter into an arrangement with the Public Schools of Normal, or with the Soldiers' Orphans' Home, and thus secure for our own uses a teacher for about three-fifths of the time. Of course no attempt is to be made to teach instrumental music nor to give individual instruction in vocal music. The purpose is to equip our Normal School pupils for instruction in vocal music in public schools, and to organize a well graded course in our Practice School.

I have made certain recommendations to the Committee on Teachers in regard to the matter.

Mr. Metcalf, our only Emeritus Professor, died in Chicago on January 1 of the present year. While we knew that he was exceedingly ill, we were not quite prepared for his sudden death. I sent to each member of the Board a memorial copy of the Vidette containing the addresses made in the meetings held here to celebrate his memory. I think that some official recognition of this sad event, which should be made a part of our records, will be exceedingly fitting. It may be said quite literally that Prof. Metcalf died with the harness on. The high esteem in which he was regarded is evidenced by the meetings held in various parts of the country in recognition of his worth and as a manifestation of the warm affection felt for him by thousands of those who had been his pupils and fellow teachers.

The time has now come when we should add to our Practice School a department of which we have long stood in need. Very few Normal Schools of the age and rank of ours have neglected the Kindergarten as we have done. When our new building was erected, you included in the plans a room for this department, but it has not seemed possible heretofore for us to provide for it. We are in condition now to remedy this long neglect. I have therefore recommended to the Committee on Teachers and Salaries the selection of a suitable Kindergarten at a salary not to exceed \$1,000 for the first year. I believe that the children of this department should pay tuition in such amount as the Board may see fit to decide.

I desire to call the attention of the Board especially to the greatly improved condition of our practice school. Dr. McMurry entered upon his duties as principal of that department with the beginning of the year. He was furnished with a better corps of assistants than we have ever before had in that department. The school has been carefully organized and a system of instruction well adapted to the various grades. Frequent illustrative exercises are given before the pupils of the Normal Department by the training teachers. Such pupils are thus rendered familiar with the most modern ideas of instruction in their actual embodiment in class work. This is of course in addition to the regular practice work of the Normal pupils.

Our practice school has become an object of great interest to many of the leading Normal School people of this country because of certain problems that we are endeavoring to work out. The result has been that we have had a number of distinguished visitors from different parts of the country who came here and remained for several days, making careful examination of our work. Our own Normal pupils are also very greatly

interested in the school, when not directly engaged in practice work, and do a great deal of voluntary observation. During the session of the annual institute, that department was crowded all of the time.

I feel that we are beginning to realize in that department of our school the idea which we have long had respecting it. The examination of the school by the members of the Board is very insistently urged.

The action of the General Assembly puts us in far better shape than we ever were before. Unless some unexpected contingencies shall arise we ought to be able to make very material advance in every direction during the next two years. The general appropriation bill calls for \$35,000 each year and also provides a fund of \$7,000 for the reconstruction of our heating plant in the main building. A careful survey of the house was made and working plans submitted to experts and the amount which they suggested was put into the bill. It is gratifying to be able to say that our general appropriation bill met with no opposition whatever either in the committee or in either house, only one vote being recorded against it in the lower house.

It is also a source of extreme congratulation that the Legislature gave us \$40,000 for the erection of a new building of which we are so much in need. I suggest the appointment of a building committee with power to approve plans and begin the erection as soon as the money can be obtained and that a similar committee shall be appointed to make arrangements for the reconstruction of our heating plant. If the latter shall be ready for us by the time that school should begin in September, it will be necessary to take very prompt action. Specifications should be prepared and submitted for competitive bids at the earliest possible date.

The following persons, having completed our prescribed course, are recommended for graduation:

NORMAL DEPARTMENT.

Fannie Baller	McLean
Mabel Winslow Barrett.....	McLean
Mary Bertha Boulter.....	Macoupin
Martha Alice Gratton.....	Winnebago
Phoebe Hammond	Brown
Margaret Hanna	Rock Island
Mary Emma Morgan.....	Mercer
Nellie Maria Phillips.....	McLean
Louemma Raber.....	JoDavies
Anna Barbara Schulte.....	Randolph
Agnes Marion Smith.....	Cook
Mabel Thomson.....	Cook
William Ross Cothorn.....	Ford
Frederick George Curtis.....	Edwards
Henry Hugh Edmunds.....	Grundy
John William Fisher.....	Stephenson
William E. Hedges.....	Platt
Edward Richard Hendricks.....	Kane
Thomas Arthur Hilmyer.....	Schuyler
Samuel B. Hursh.....	Whiteside
James McNichols Hutchinson.....	Christian
Granville Bond Jeffers.....	Douglas
Frank Lindley.....	Iroquois
Justin Jay Love.....	Shelby
George Edward Marker.....	McLean
Andrew Hutton Melville.....	Will
Chessley Justin Posey.....	Ollinton
John Henry Sawyer.....	Coles
Reuben Tiffany.....	JoDavies
Clyde Renal Travis.....	Shelby
Thomas Brinton Wortman.....	Shelby

The following having finished the classical course of the High School Department are recommended for its diploma:

Lena Pearl Ballard.....	McLean
Emilie Fry.....	McLean
Harriet Fyffe.....	McLean
Daisy Garver.....	McLean
Flora Thompson.....	McLean
James Dedrick Allen.....	McLean
Fred R. Baker.....	McLean
Charles Morris Barton.....	McLean
Claude Porter Briggs.....	Tazewell
John Loring Cook.....	McLean
Ferdinand Claudius McCormick.....	McLean
Fred Russell McMurry.....	McLean

The following having completed the general course of the High School, are recommended for its diploma:

Jessie Jane Bullock.....	Woodford
Mary May Cavan.....	McLean
Ruah Coen.....	McLean
Katherine Louise Cowles.....	McLean
Lou Rose Hart.....	Grundy
Eleanor Keady.....	McLean
Sallie Rodes Marshall.....	McLean
Roy Hodgson Dillon.....	McLean
John Thomas Elliff.....	Tazewell
George Kenyon Foster.....	McLean
William Thomas Kirk.....	McLean
Frederick William Parker.....	McDonough
Ralph Waldo Parker.....	McDonough
Edward Percy Prince.....	McLean

THE HIGH SCHOOL.

I am in receipt of the following letter, which explains itself:

STATE OF ILLINOIS, EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
SPRINGFIELD, June 1, 1895.

PROF. JOHN W. COOK, Pres. Normal University, Normal, Ill.

DEAR PROFESSOR—The indications now are that I will not be able to meet with your Board on the 19th, a fact which I regret very much, and I deem it proper to address you this letter with the request that you submit it to the Board when it meets.

I have had a number of interviews with you on the subject of abolishing the High School, and making your institution for the future strictly a Normal University; that is, have only two classes of people in it. First, young men and young women who will agree to teach, and second, only the necessary children to make model schools and permit no children in the institution who are not absolutely necessary for that purpose.

It is not the business of the State to run neighborhood high schools. What the State does want at Normal is the very highest grade of a Normal University that can be established. To accomplish this it is necessary to concentrate. Only in this way can the highest point of excellence be achieved. Teach everything that is necessary to be taught in a perfect Normal University.

As you are aware, this is not a new idea, but has been the policy of this administration from the beginning, and I shall now have to insist upon its being carried out and that without any attempt to compromise.

I hope that neither you nor the Trustees will imagine that I have any fault to find with the general management of your institution. I have already expressed myself upon that subject to you. I think that you have been doing excellent work and it is only because I want the institution to have more of a pronounced reputation as a Normal University, not only throughout our State but in other States that I insist upon the change. I have already discussed the matter with a number of your Trustees and would have been glad to discuss it with all, but there does not seem to be an opportunity.

With my best regards I am,

Yours very truly,

JOHN P. ALTGELD, *Governor.*

It may be proper to say to those members of the Board who have not talked with the Governor in regard to the High School, that I have had several conversations with him on the subject. I have given him the history of the school and all the circumstances of its management. His feeling, however, is so unequivocally expressed in his letter that I need make no further comment. The abolition of the High School would necessitate a reorganization of our course of study. I have submitted to the proper committee a plan which seems to me to be suitable if the Board should decide to take the proposed step.

The Librarian's report for the year ending June 19, 1895, is herewith submitted.

Received 779 bound volumes, 500 pamphlets.

Total number of books now in Library 9,000 bound volumes, 2,000 pamphlets. The circulation from the close of school June 19, 1894, to June 17, 1895, is 26,835, an increase over the previous year of 3,275.

Several gifts have been received during the year, the most important being \$10 from Dr. Taylor, which we expended for books on biography, and a large number of periodicals and pamphlets and a few pedagogical works from Prof. Metcalf's library.

Special Improvements in the Library: Students have learned during the last term to do for themselves more than at any time before in the history of the Library. A set of indexed reference lists has been prepared covering about 400 subjects. Library talks have been given at various times with satisfactory results. During the Teachers' Institute, the library talks were attended by about 15 persons on an average, and seemed to be of practical use to the visiting teachers.

The use of the reading room has increased as largely as the circulation has during the year, and the room is frequently overcrowded.

ANGE V. MILNER, *Librarian.*

THE NEW NORMAL SCHOOLS.

All the members of the Board have learned of the recent action of the General Assembly in providing for two additional State Normal Schools. This is the most encouraging and significant action which that honorable body has taken in a quarter of a century in the interests of education. Those of you who are not very closely identified with the common school enterprise, can with difficulty appreciate what this means to those of us who have been urging such action for the last ten years. We feel that the professional preparation of teachers is coming to be regarded in its proper light, and that the existing Normal Schools are to assume a dignity and importance not heretofore recognized. When we reflect upon the fact that this action of the General Assembly is due chiefly to the energy and persistence of a few men who are not immediately identified with educational institutions, we realize anew what the cause of popular education owes to certain public-spirited citizens who understand the needs of the times and know how to organize public sentiment. Nothing that has occurred in the legislation of Illinois within the last thirty years has given to me such extreme gratification.

A new responsibility is thereby placed upon this Board. The School under your charge merits more rigorous supervision, and its Faculty

should devote themselves with renewed enthusiasm and devotion to the task of making it worthy of the great State which so generously fosters its interests.

I am most profoundly grateful to the members of this Board for the unanimity with which my feeble efforts as your executive officer have been seconded, and for the personal sacrifices which you have made in managing this institution.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN W. COOK, President.

E. A. Gastman moved that the Board grant diplomas to the young ladies and gentlemen who had this year completed the course of study prescribed by the University,

The semi-annual report of Treasurer Marquis was read by Charles L. Capen, and referred to the Committee on Auditing and Finance.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the Honorable Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

MR. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD—The balance on hand on December 4, 1894, the date of my last report as your Treasurer, was \$3,288.97, since which time the receipts have been \$22,057.07, classified as follows:

From the State Treasurer.....	\$15,746 78
“ Tuition account	5,919.61
“ Rents of Land.....	371.73
“ Sale of wood and furniture.....	18.95

These receipts, with the balance of Dec. 4, 1895, make a total of \$25,346.04.

The disbursement has been \$20,236.59, as is shown by forty-two vouchers, which are returned herewith, together with a statement of account in detail.

The balance on hand at this time is \$5,109.45.

Respectfully submitted,

F. D. MARQUIS, Treasurer.

June 19, 1895.

FULL REPORT IN DETAIL.

F. D. MARQUIS, *Treasurer,*

In Account with the Board of Education of the State of Illinois.

		DR.		
1894.		To Balance		\$3,288 97
December	4,	“ Home Nursery, rent.....	\$87 82	
“	8,	“ Cook, John W., tuition.....	84 45	
“	21,	“ State Treasurer.....	7,873 39	
“	31,			
1895.				
January	7,	“ Cook, John W., tuition.....	46 07	
“	8,	“	79 57	
“	9,	“	1,209 00	
“	12,	“	476 75	
“	22,	“	106 93	
“	23,	“	381 00	
“	26,	“	87 75	
February	1,	“	36 30	
March	1,	“ Augustine, rent	162 18	
“	21,	“ Sale of wood	17 20	
“	21,	“ Sale of furniture.....	1 75	

April	2,	To State Treasurer.....	7,873	89
"	6,	" Cook, John W., tuition.....	176	50
"	11,	" " " " " " " " " " " "	987	25
"	16,	" " " " " " " " " " " "	243	00
"	18,	" " " " " " " " " " " "	270	00
May	1,	" " " " " " " " " " " "	291	66
"	8,	" " " " " " " " " " " "	66	50
"	9,	" " " " " " " " " " " "	100	00
"	11,	" " " " " " " " " " " "	500	00
"	27,	" " " " " " " " " " " "	151	75
June	1,	Home Nursery, rent.....	121	73
"	12,	" Cook, John W., tuition.....	10	13
"	15,	" " " " " " " " " " " "	615	00
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June	18,	To balance.....		\$5,109 45

CR. BY VOUCHERS.

No.				
2124.	Morrison, F.....		\$121	15
2125.	Thompson, D. R.....		27	50
2126.	McLean County Coal Co.....		277	95
2127.	Champion, Geo.....		43	80
2128.	Wells, W. F.....		6	75
2129.	Stewart, W.....		43	50
2130.	Keiser Co.....		6	73
2131.	Meyers & Miller.....		7	00
2132.	Hunt, Mrs. S.....		11	50
2133.	Evans, J. W. & Sons.....		30	00
2134.	Public School Pub. Co.....		50	00
2135.	Green, William H.....		24	50
2136.	Plain, M. E.....		10	25
2137.	Gastman, E. A.....		8	00
2138.	Raab, Henry.....		5	00
2139.	Baily, J. L.....		16	00
2140.	Rosette, Clinton.....		17	90
2141.	Karr, Lyon.....		6	00
2142.	Parker, Charles I.....		21	00
2143.	Walker, P. R.....		18	00
2144.	Doocoy, Edward.....		15	00
2145.	Snively, E. A.....		30	80
2146.	Cook, John W.....	2,806	09	
2147.	" " " " " " " " " " " "	"	400	00
2148.	" " " " " " " " " " " "	"	200	00
2149.	Colton, B. P.....		150	00
2150.	Wheeling Corrugating Co.....		346	75
2150.	Fagerberg, R. T.....		55	00
2152.	Cook, John W.....	2,826	32	
2153.	" " " " " " " " " " " "	"	2,820	99
2154.	Cunningham & Kofoid.....		74	22
2155.	Morrison, F.....		68	66
2156.	Cook, John W.....		100	00
2157.	" " " " " " " " " " " "		200	00
2158.	" " " " " " " " " " " "	2,815	09	
2159.	Colton, B. P.....		150	00
2160.	McLean County Coal Co.....		528	23
2161.	Cook, John W.....		260	00
2162.	" " " " " " " " " " " "	2,820	92	
2163.	Taylor, P.....		15	00
2164.	Jackson, T. H.....		42	00
2165.	Cook, John W.....	2,819	49	
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	Balance.....		\$20,236	59
				5,109 45
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				\$25,346 04

The following resolution was offered by Chas. A. Thornton in accordance with Governor Altgeld's letter hereinbefore reported in President Cook's report:

Resolved, That the recommendation of the Governor of the State of Illinois, with reference to the abolishing of the High School department connected with this institution, be and is hereby concurred in; and that from and after the commencement of the next school year, the said department be discontinued.

The following substitute was offered:

Resolved, That at and after the expiration of the present School year, the High School be abolished.

The substitute was lost, and the consideration of the original resolution was postponed.

The Committee on Auditing and Finance submitted the following report:

To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the report of Frank D. Marquis, Treasurer, beg leave to report that they have examined the same with the accompanying sixty-five vouchers, showing a balance of \$5,109.45, and find the same correct. They respectfully recommend that the same be approved.

J. L. BAILY,
CHAS. L. CAPEN,

Committee on Auditing and Finance.

To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the report of President John W. Cook in account with the Contingent Fund, beg leave to report that they have examined the same, with the accompanying vouchers, showing balance on hand of \$3.88, and find the same correct. They recommend an appropriation of \$700 to this fund for the coming six months.

J. L. BAILY,
CHAS. L. CAPEN,

Committee on Auditing and Finance.

To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the report of President John W. Cook in account with the Library Fund, beg leave to report that they have examined the same with the accompanying vouchers, showing balance on hand of \$34.94, and find the same correct. Your committee recommend that \$500 be appropriated to the said fund for the next six months.

J. L. BAILY,
CHAS. S. CAPEN,

Committee on Auditing and Finance.

To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the report of Prof. B. P. Colton, of the Science Fund, beg leave to report that they have examined the same, with the accompanying vouchers, showing balance on hand of \$6.34, and find the same correct.

Your committee recommend that \$300 be appropriated to the said fund for the next six months.

J. L. BAILY,
CHAS. L. CAPEN,

Committee on Auditing and Finance.

To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the current bills, (11 in number) aggregating \$1,011.89, beg leave to report that

they have examined the same and find them correct. Your committee recommends that orders be drawn upon the Treasurer to pay the same:

1. Pantagraph Printing and Stationery Co., printing and supplies	\$205 62
2. Frank Morrison, steam fitting	55 19
3. W. F. Wells, laundry work	19 08
4. Warner & Richardson, painting	28 00
5. Mrs. S. Hunt, laundry work	25 50
6. Thomas Sylvester, repairs	55 40
7. Public School Publishing Co	50 00
8. The Vidette, advertising and books	57 25
9. Watson Stewart, labor	53 50
10. Cunningham & Koford, repairs	16 05
11. "The Leader," catalogues	346 30
12. Charles L. Capen, services	100 00
	\$1,011 89

J. L. BAILY,

CHAS. L. CAPEN,

Committee on Auditing and Finance.

Reports were unanimously adopted by call of ayes and noes.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Building and Grounds are hereby instructed to advertise for bids for fuel for the ensuing year, and to contract for the fuel, with the lowest and best bidder.

The Committee on Teachers and Salaries reported as follows:

To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Teachers and Salaries, reported as follows:

That the salary of Pres. John W. Cook be increased to \$4,000.

That the salary of Prof. C. C. Van Liew be placed at the maximum for the head of that department, \$2,000.

That the salary of Prof. David Felmley be \$2,250, in consideration of the additional work to his labors, of secretary of the Faculty.

That the salary of Miss Clarissa E. Elae be made \$1,100, as she is at the head of the Department of Drawing.

That the salary of Joseph G. Brown be \$900.

That the salary of John A. Keith be \$900.

That the salary of Miss Maude Valentine be \$908.

That Miss Kate Mavity be transferred from Teacher of Grammar in the Normal Department, to Training Teacher in the Grammar Grade of the Model School, with a salary of \$900.

That Miss Elizabeth Mavity be appointed Teacher of Grammar in the Normal Department with a salary of \$900.

That the President be authorized to employ a person to take charge of the teaching of Orthography and Penmanship in the Normal School, and supervise the Penmanship in the Practice School at a salary not to exceed \$650.

Also, that we authorize the President to expend \$450 for a Teacher of Music, and that the salaries of all others be the same as last year.

We do recommend the establishment of a Kindergarten Department with one teacher with a salary not to exceed \$1000. Said teacher is to be selected by President Cook.

P. R. WALKER,
CLINTON ROSETTE,
CHAS. I. PARKER,

Committee on Teachers and Salaries.

The report was adopted by a unanimous vote under the call of the ayes and noes. Brady and Cook were absent.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the amount of the incoming Treasurer's bond be fixed at \$60,000.

The following resolution was adopted by the Board:

Resolved, That the President and Secretary of the Board be directed to draw orders on the Auditor of Public Accounts for the first and second quarterly installments of the appropriation for the ordinary expenses of the University for the next year, as they become due and payable, and that the Treasurer of the Board be authorized to receive and receipt for the same.

The following resolution was introduced:

Resolved, That the President and the Secretary of the Board are hereby directed to draw an order on the Auditor of Public Accounts for the special appropriation of forty thousand dollars for the new building, as soon as it is available, and that the Treasurer of the Board be authorized to receive and receipt for the same.

The above resolution was unanimously adopted.

The following resolution was considered by the Board:

Resolved, That the salary of the assistant janitor be and the same is hereby increased to forty dollars a month for the ten months of the ensuing year, or four hundred dollars (\$400) in all, per annum.

Upon the call of the ayes and noes, the vote to sustain the above resolution was unanimous.

The following resolutions were introduced at this time:

Resolved, That the President of this Board be authorized, in case he is of the opinion that the Board has the legal power so to do, to sell and convey the Normal farm, or any part or parts thereof, for such price and upon such terms as he may consider reasonable and for the best interests of the Board.

Resolved, That in case of any such sale or sales, the proceeds of such sale or sales, or such part thereof as he may deem advisable, be added to the appropriation for the new building.

The consideration of the above resolution was postponed indefinitely.

The following resolution was adopted by the Board:

Resolved, That the President of the Board be and he is hereby authorized, as soon as the appropriation is available therefor, to execute such contract or contracts for the erection of the new building as he may consider for the best interests of the Board.

The following motion was unanimously adopted upon the call of the ayes and noes.

That Mr. Chas. L. Capen be paid \$100 for faithful services as a member of the Board.

The resolution regarding the abolition of the High School from the University was now taken up and discussed.

The resolution was as follows :

Resolved, That the recommendation of the Governor of the State of Illinois with reference to the abolishment of the High School Department

connected with this Institution be and is hereby concurred in, and that from and after the commencement of the next school year, the said High School Department be discontinued.

President Green appointed S. M. Inglis a member of the Committee on Text Books and Course of Instruction; E. R. E. Kimbrough of Building and Grounds, and Chas. S. Thornton of Teachers and Salaries.

The following resolution was lost:

Resolved, That the Committee on "Text Books and Course of Instruction," and on Teachers and Salaries be and they are hereby instructed to so provide that all the present students of the High School may complete the course of study heretofore existing, upon the conditions heretofore existing, and upon the completion of such course of study they shall receive proper certificates of such completion of studies.

The following passed the Board unanimously:

Resolved, That the question as to what course of study a student in the University should pursue, be left to the Committee on Text Books and Course of Instruction.

* A motion prevailed transferring Prof. O. L. Manchester from the High School, as Principal, to Professor of Ancient and Modern Languages, in the Normal Department, with a salary of \$2,000. And also that Miss May R. Potter be made assistant to Prof. Manchester in the Department of Ancient and Modern Languages.

The Board of Education adjourned to Dec. 5, 1895, as the date of their next regular meeting.

WM. H. GREEN, *President*.

SAML. M. INGLIS, *Secretary*.

* Miss Cora Dadsen resigned her position as assistant training teacher in the school, to travel in Europe for study. Her resignation was accepted.