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01.04.1876

Jany. 4, 1876. Board of Trustees met at Normal School Building. Present John Sutton in the chair, Smith, Wilson, Lewis, Marshall, Christy, Clark, and Hildebrand.

D^r. Fairfield appeared before the board, & stated that Hon. E. S. Golden & Hon. D[?] Cellonill, W^m I. Stewilt & James M^cMillan had donated a bell to the institution weighing \$1050.¹ whereupon the thanks of the board were tendered to the donors—

Bell.

D^r. Fairfield also stated that Prof. Collier expressed his willingness to exchange for the latter purchased for the institution other apparatus of equal value new owned by him of more practical use to the school, whereupon the board authorized Dr. Fairfield to effect the exchange.

The Finance Committee made report as follows, which report was adopted & the same was directed to be entered at length upon the minutes—

Report:—

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01.29.1876

Jany. 29, 1876

Board of Trustees of the Indiana Normal School of Pennsylvania met pursuant to notice—Present Sutton in the chair, Lewis, Wilson, Dougherty, Marshall,

¹ \$ appears in original ms. even though “weight” precedes it.

² Page 60 missing from original ms.

Hildebrand, Smith & Clark.

On the recommendation of Dr. Fairfield, & on motion of W. B. Hildebrand, seconded by Jos. R. Smith, one Prof. Ursa of Hollidaysburgh³ was elected teacher of French, for such length of time as shall be mutually desirable at the rate of \$50⁴ per term with board, washing lodges &e. on 4th floor, N. End., & he to take charge of that Hall.

Superintend-
-ents Meeting.

An invitation was extended to the Superintendents of Com. Schools in the Counties of Indiana, Jefferson, Clarion, Clearfield, Cambria, Somerset, Blair, Huntington, Westmoreland, Fayette, Armstrong, Butler, Beaver, Lawrence, Altoona, Allegheny Pittsburgh, & Allegheny Cities, Mercer Co., &e. to meet in our Institution for consultation &e., on Thursday, the 16 Feby. 1876 at 2 o'clock p.m., [?] Institution agreeing to pay their traveling expenses, & m[?] them during their visit in the School, the same invitation to be extended to our non-resident trustees—and a meeting of the Board called for that day & hour—

Hose.

The Committee on House was authorized to purchase 300 feet more or less of hose, to be used for protection of the building in case of fire, with necessary attachments and also to ascertain & report the price of B[?]⁵ Extinguishers--& others.

Adjourned

Silas M. Clark, sec'y.

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³ Original spelling in ms.

⁴ Possibly an error by scribe. \$50. is remarkably lower than other teachers' salaries.

⁵ Illegible Company Name

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03.31.1876

March 31, 1876. Board of Trustees of the Indiana Normal School of Penn^a. met at Secretary's office in Indiana. Present John Sutton in the chair, Lewis, Dougherty, Smith, Wilson, Porter, Christy, & Clark.

Resignation
of
D^r. Fairfield.

The resignation of D^r. E. B. Fairfield was presented to the board by the desirous of which resignation he signified his desire that, his connection with the school as its principal should terminate at the end of the present year. The resignation was accepted and referred to John Sutton, Col. Porter, Shff. Smith, as a committee who was authorized to confer with D^r. Fairfield on the subject. Adjourned.

Silas M. Clark, Sec'y.

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04.14.1876

April 14th, 1876. Board of Trustees of Indiana Normal School of Penn^a. met at Secretary's office. Present John Sutton in Chair, Smith, Marshall, Dougherty, Lewis, Christy, Hildebrand, & Clark.

New
Principal.

The Secretary was instructed to correspond with Prof. Ritchey, H. O. Gefforey of Pittsburgh, in connection with appointment of a new principal.

Mr. H. H. Earlburn was also named in the same connection, also Prof. Legace of W[?]gton College.

The Sec'y was also instructed to correspond

with Prof. Wichershaw on same subject.⁶

Adj^d.

Silas M. Clark

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05.01.1876

May 1, 1876. The Annual Election for Trustees of the Indiana Normal School of Pennsylvania was held at the arbitration room of the Court House, in Indiana pursuant to Notice. John Sutton, Pres't. in the Chair, Silas M. Clark, Secretary, Wm R. Loughery, and Henry Hall were chosen tellers. A ballott⁷ being had, the teller announced the following result—

Election.

James R. Dougherty had votes (3 yrs.)	426
George S. Christy “ “ (“)	418
George R. Lewis “ “ (“)	426
E. H. Wilson “ “ (“)	408
James M. Stewart “ “ (1 yr.)	418
I. G. Gordon	426
Jno. V. Painter	426

Whereupon it was determined an announced that Jas. R. Dougherty, Geo. S. Christy, Geo. R. Lewis, & E. H. Wilson, when⁸ chosen trustees for this

⁶ The above named professors in 04.14.1876 are written in an illegible hand, and each name is transcribed as closely as possible to the written names; however, some errors may have occurred.

⁷ Spelling original to ms.

⁸ Original to ms.; most likely the scribe meant “were”

year—and Jas. M. Stewart, trustee for the unexpired term of A. M. Stewart, whose resignation was offered & accepted, by the board.

and I. G. Gordon,
Jno. V. Painter were recommended⁹ to the State Authorities for appointment—

Adjourned,

Silas M. Clark

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05.04.1876

May 4th, 1876. Board of Trustees of the Indiana Nor'l School of Penn^a. met at the reception room of the Indiana Nor'l School Building at 8 o'clock a.m.

Organization. Present John Sutton, Lewis, Dougherty, Hildebrand, Christy, A. W. Wilson, Marshall, Porter & Clark.

On motion of D^r. Lewis, John Sutton was chosen President of the Board, & Silas M. Clark, Sec'y.

W. B. Hildebrand, Asst. Sec'y., and Peter Sutton, Tre's.

Mess. E. H. Wilson & Christy were appointed to audit the a/c of the Tres'r. and settle with A. M. Stewart former Tres^r—

Beaver Lien. A communication was received from Thos. Beaver Assignee of the Mech. Lien of Voris, Haigh & Gregg, proposing to give time, 3 years, on that lien on payt. of interest semi-annually at seven percent on the 1. day of May & November, in each year, and upon one effecting an insurance for his benefit for \$15,000. on the building—referred to the Finance Committee—

⁹ Spelling original to ms.

A communication was also received from Mess. Bancroft & Co. in reference to their claim which was also referred to the same committee—

The following resolution was then offered, read, & unanimously adopted, viz.—

Resolved:— That the Board of Trustees of the Indiana Normal School of Penna. having received a proposition from Mr. Thos. Beaver of Dansville, who now holds an assignment of the Mechanical Lein of Voris, Haigh & Gregg, to extend the payment of said lein for three years, upon payment of seven per cent interest, semi-annually, and effecting an insurance of \$15,000. for his benefit & protection, in case of fire—do accept the same and that a vote of thanks be tendered Mr. Beaver for his generous offer—The several committees heretofore appointed were continued for ensuing year— Mr. Jas. M. Stewart, appointed on the same committees of which A. M. Stewart was a member.

Acceptance
of Beaver's
Proposition.

Adj^d

Silas M. Clark

Sec'y

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06.06.1876

June 6th, 1876. Board of Trustees of the Indiana Normal School of Penna. met at the office of the Secretary. Present Jno. Sutton in the chair, Porter, Hildebrand, Lewis, Marshall, Wilson, E. H. Christy, Dougherty, & Clark.

Mess. Sutton, Smith & Porter were appointed

D^f. Fairfield. a Committee to arrange with D^f. Fairfield as
to the time when his resignation is to take effect.

Mess. Clark, Lewis & E. H. Wilson were appointed
a Committee to confer with Prof. Bolar, Prof.
Bolar Berlin & wife, and Prof. Chapman, and were
Chapman instructed to notify them, that under the present
Berlin &c. embarrassed condition of the School their ser-
-vices will be discontinued at the end of the
present term.

Mr. Hildebrand was appointed to confer with
Rowley's Mr. Rowley, with a v[?] to a reduction of his
Salary. salary.

Adj^d to meet Saturday morning at 8 o'clock
a.m.

Silas M. Clark,
Sec'y—

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June 10, 1¹⁰

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06.10.1876

June 10th, 1876. Board of Trustees of the Indiana
Normal School of Penna. met at Secretary's office
at 8 o'clock a.m., Present. John Sutton in Chair,
Porter, Dougherty, Hildebrand, Stewart, Lewis,
Smith, Wilson, A. W., and Clark.

Mr. Rowley's Salary was fixed at \$900. for

¹⁰ End of Entry. Entry restarted on following page.

the ensuing year—¹¹

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06.17.1876

June 17, 1876. Board of Trustees of the Indiana Normal School of Penna. met at Secretary's office. Present, John Sutton in the chair, Lewis, Christy, Wilson, A. W. Wilson, E. H. Hildebrand, Dougherty, Marshall, Porter, Smith, & Clark.

On motion of Shff. Smith it was

Resolved:— That under the present financial embarrasments of the School, resulting from failure to receive the State appropriation, we will postpone the election of a principal until some future time & that the management & control of the institution be given in the meanwhile to Prof. D. M. Sensenig, who is hereby appointed Principal Pro Tempore, to take effect at the close of the present term—

Prof. Sensenig

[?]¹²

Prin. Pro. tem.

Resolved— That the resignation of Dr. Fairfield heretofor tendered is hereby accepted & approved by the board, the same to take effect at the close of the present term—

At Mr. Clark's request, Mr. W. B. Marshall was appointed to take his place, on the committee to confer with Prof. Bolar, Chapman, Berlin & Mrs. Berlin. Adj^d. Silas M. Clark, Sec'y.

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No Date

¹¹ End of Entry

¹² Illegible; Damaged ms.

N. B. An error in the transcribing of the minutes of several meetings, by which the minutes of the said meetings were not inserted, consecutively or in proper order of date, caused the removal of the pages 69, 70, 71, and 72—

Silas M. Clark, Sec'y.

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06.27.1876

June 27, 1876. Board of Trustees of the Indiana Normal School of Penna. met pursuant to the call of the President, Mr. Sutton in the chair. Present John Sutton, Geo. S. Christy, W. B. Marshall, Geo. R. Lewis, J. R. Dougherty, E. H. Wilson, Col. Porter, & W. B. Hildebrand.

Prof. Sensenig
Accepts.

Resignation.

A communication was read from Prof. Sensenig, accepting the position of Principal Pro. Temp. of the Normal School and the same was approved by the board & directed to be filed. The committee appointed to communicate with Professors Bolar, Chapman, and Berlin, reported that they had performed the duties assigned them. The resignations of Professors Collier, Chapman, & Berlin were then read by the Asst. Secy. Upon motion the resignation of Prof. Collier, & Berlin & also Mrs. Berlin were accepted to take effect at the close of the present session as indicated by them. Prof. Chapman in his letter, resigning his position asked to be relieved immediately, and Mess. Marshall, Porter, & Lewis, were authorized to confer with Prof. Chapman as to the propriety of his remaining to the close of the present term. Prof. Chapman's resignation was thereupon accepted to take effect at close of the present term, with the understanding that if the committee failed to procure any arrangement to remain

to the close of the term that his resignation should be
accepted according to its terms—

Mr. Sutton & Mr. Sensenig were appointed a committee
to supply the vacancy resulting from the resignation
of Prof. Collier, Mr. Hildebrand reported that Mr. Rowley
& Mrs. Rowley, Stewart & Matron, had accepted the following
proposition for the future, viz.,

Rowleys— \$800. per annum, salary, including board, washing,
Salary tuition for son Harry, & privilege of entertaining friends, not
\$800— exceeding 4 weeks during whole year, free of charge—

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Teachers Retained. Upon motion the following teachers were retained for the
ensuing year, Misses Leonard, Redifer, Butler, and
Lichtenberger, Mrs. Sensenig, Profs. Sharp & Young, all at
their former salaries respectively—Mess. Marshall, Porter &
Lewis, were appointed a committee to reform the [?]
of the action of the board.

Mr. Sensenig was authorized to address Mr. Fair of the
Millersville School, with a view of offering his services to
the Indiana Norml. School,

Upon request of Prof. Collier, a committee consisting
of Mess. Porter, Hildebrand, & Marshall, was appointed to take
an invoice of the apparatus, chemicals, &c., in his department.

Adj^d.

Asst. Sec'y.

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07.10.1876

July 10th, 1876. Board of Trustees of the Indiana Normal
School of Pennsylvania met pursuant to the call of the

President. Present Mr. Sutton in the chair, Porter, Lewis,
Marshall, A. W. Wilson, E. H. Wilson, Hildebrand.

Upon motion, Prof. Sensenig was authorized to have
1000 catalogues printed for the school—Upon motion
it was ordered that the school year be divided into
two terms only—The winter term to commence on the
2nd Monday in September and continue for 24 con-
-secutive weeks—and the Summer term commencing
on the 4th Monday of March, & continue 18 consecutive
weeks—The price of tuition, board, heat, light, washing,
&c. shall be \$5. per week, provided that no allowance
shall be made, for students one week or less late or absent—
nor when leaving within 2 weeks of the close of the term.
[?] [?] than ½ term the charges will be \$5.50 per week
for tuition alone, \$35. for the long term and \$25. for the
short term, for less than ½ term \$1.50 per week—

Charges in the model school \$5. per term or \$0.30 per
week for less than a term. Charges for Instrumental Music

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piano or organ shall be \$25. for the long term and
\$18. for the short term including the use of instruments
\$1.25 per week for less than ½ of a term.

Upon motion Prof. Silas C. Delap was elected a member
of the faculty at a salary of \$800. per annum including
board, washing &c. for himself & wife, time of employment
optimal with the board, Prof. Sensenig's salary to remain
unchanged for next year.

Mr. Fair was elected a member of the faculty at a salary
of \$400. per year, board, washing &c. included, time optimal
with the board.

Two
Terms
per Year.

\$5.00
per week
for students.

Election
of
Delap.

Election
of Fair.

Letters of
Recommend-
-ation to
Prof. Bolar,
& Chapman

Mess. Chapman, Bolar & Berlin, requesting letters of re-
-ccomendation &e. from the board, Mess. Porter & Hildebrand
were appointed a committee to prepare suitable letters, to the
effect that the Board of Trustees, part with Mess. Bolar, Berlin,
Chapman, reluctantly—& that the inability of the school
to pay them the wages they have been earning is the why
causes of their leaving the School, ~~and~~ recommending
them to the favorable, consideration of those desiring to
employ teachers, & testifying to their good character &e.

Adjourned S—

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07.20.1876

July 20, 1876. Board of Trustees of the Indiana Normal
School of Penn'a. met at the School Buildings. Present John
Sutton in the chair, Marshall, Hildebrand, Wilson, A. W.,
Smith, Lewis, Dougherty, & Clark.

To settle with
Fairfield.

The Committee on Accounts & Expenditures
were authorized to settle with the Principal Dr.
Fairfield and all the teachers, pay them on account
as the resources of the institution will allow, and give
notes for the balance.

\$3000—
borrowed.

The President, Secretary were authorize to
borrow \$3000. from the 1. Nat. Bk. of Indiana
& give note for the same.

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Settlements
with

Mr. Chapman appearing before the board, a settlement
was made with him & the am't due him fixed at
\$602.44.

The Secretary was authorized to give Prof. Berlin

Teachers. & Prof. Bolar, also Prof. Chapman, [?] according
to order of the board at last meeting—

Adjd. Silas M. Clark
Sec'y.

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07.22.1876

July 22, 1876. Board of Trustees of the Indiana
Normal School of Penna. met. Present Sutton in
the chair, Hildebrand, Smith, Marshall, Clark,
Lewis, & Dougherty.

On motion it was ordered:—

Loan fr. That the loan directed to be effected from the First
[?] Ray. National Bank of Indiana at the meeting of the 20th
met, be made from Saml. Ray of Blairsville, who
offers the same at 6 pr ct per annum.

Adjd.

Silas M. Clark
Sec'y.

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08.14.1876

August 14th, 1876. Board of Trustees, met, present Sutton
in the chair, Smith, Marshall, Hildebrand, Lewis,
Stewart, Wilson, Porter, & Clark.

On motion it was

Promissory Resolved. That the President and Secretary are authorized
Note to execute a promissory note of the corporation to the
1st Nat. Bk. First Natl. Bk. of Indiana, as to such persons as may
endorse the same, to said bank, in such form as may
be acceptable, payable 20 Augt. 1876, and left the

certificates of indebtedness, held by the Bank
against the School. Adj^d.

Silas M. Clark.

Sec'y.