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June 18, 1862

The Committee met at the call of the chairman.

Present The Chairman

" Mr. Austin

" Mr. Townsend

" Mr. Woolworth

The Chairman stated that the meeting was called, in view of the State of health of the Principal, Prof. Cochran. After some time spent in consideration of the subject it was on motion of Mr. Woolworth resolved that Prof. Cochran have leave of absence during the remainder of the present term.

It was also on motion of Mr. Austin resolved that Three Hundred dollars be added to the salary of the Principal for the present year.

Mr. Austin & Mr. Townsend were appointed a committee to ascertain on what terms the vacant lot, in front of the school building can be obtained for a play ground for the scholars of the experimental and primary departments.

The Committee then adjourned.

(Program of graduation exercises for  
January 30, 1862 was inserted here)

March 5, 1862.

The committee met at the call of the chairman.

Present Hon. Victor E. Rice, Sup. Pub. Instruction

Mr. Austin

Mr. Townsend

Mr. Woolworth

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The secretary called the attention of the committee to a contract made by the committee on repairs appointed July 8, 1861 with James D. Ralph & Brothers for repairing renewing and resetting furnaces, when after examination of the Contract, and a statement by the Principal of the work done under it, Mr. Austin and Mr. Townsend were appointed to examine the working of the furnaces, with power to direct the Treasurer to pay either the whole or such part of the amount contracted to be paid as they shall deem just and proper.

The Principal stated that Mr. Runkly, the Superintendent of the Experimental Department, had during the late vacation at his request visited the public schools of the city of Oneida, for the purpose of informing himself in regard to the system of object teaching in operation in those schools, to the end that he may the better instruct the teachers and pupils of the experimental department in said system, and that he had incurred an expense of eight dollars on such visit. Whereupon the Treasurer was authorized to pay Mr. Runkly that sum.

Prof. Cochran presented the resignation of Mr. Lake, caused by ill health. He also stated that by imposing some additional duties on Mr. Knobell and Mr. Goodwin, the classes could be so arranged as to render it unnecessary to supply the place of Mr. Lak.

After considering the subject the proposal of Prof. Cochran was agreed to and it was resolved that

In view of the increased labor to be performed by Mr. Rusted, fifty dollars be paid him for the present term, and twenty five dollars to Mr. Goodwin for the same reason.

The committee then adjourned.

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(Program of graduation exercises for July 10, 1862 was inserted here)

September 12, 1862.

The Committee met at the call of the Secretary.

Present Mr. Austin

Mr. Townsend

Mr. Woolworth

A letter from the Superintendent, Mr. Rice was read, stating that he was called from the city, and committing any business which may require action to the other members of the Committee.

The following letters were read

Albany July 20, 1862.

To the Executive Committee of the

State Normal School:

Gentlemen,

Believing it to be every man's duty to do what he can to end the war which is in our midst, I think it my duty to urge the Normal Students to take up arms in the cause of liberty. As I cannot do this and still hold my position in the School as Professor of Mathematics I hereby tender my resignation of the Professorship. I thank you for the confidence which

you expressed by conferring the appointment upon me, and  
for the many personal favors which I have received.

Regretting sincerely the necessity which compels me to  
leave a school in which I have spent so many happy years

I remain Your Obedient Servant,

Rodney G. Kimball

To the Executive Committee of the  
State Normal School

Gentlemen,

Having assisted in  
raising the Normal School company, and having accepted a  
Lieutenancy therein, I hereby resign my situation as teacher  
to the Institution of which you have charge.

Respectfully,

A. H. Husted.

Albion Sept. 5, 1862.

On motion it was resolved that the resignation of Prof.  
Kimball & Mr. Husted be accepted.

The secretary submitted several applications  
for the professorship of Mathematics, which were directed  
to be placed on file.

After some time spent in discussing the sub-  
ject the Secretary and Principal were authorized to make  
temporary arrangements for filling the places subject to  
the approval of the Committee.

Prof. Cochran submitted papers which had

been served on him in a suit brought by John ( ? ) in the Mayor's Court for a flag purchased for the school building.

The treasurer was authorized to compromise the claim of Mr. ( ? ), by paying him Seventy five dollars otherwise to defend the suit.

The Committee then adjourned.

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