SCHOOL BOARD MATTERS.

Proposed Eliminations in Pupils' Studies Laid on the Table.

Old Teachers Retired and New Ones Appointed—Janitors Employed for the New Buildings.

The board of education met last night, all of the members being present except Tarbet. Following is a brief synopsis of the business transacted:

Miss Nellie M. Trevor, Lima, Ohio, made application for position as teacher. Committee on teachers.

Mrs. Green, Harry Chapman, Wm. R. Mason, B. F. Underwood, Jacob Chatterton, Simon Briggs, Thomas Clyde and Henry W. Holtenhoff also made applications for positions as teachers. Same reference.

Notice was give by John Bryan that he had transferred to Samuel H. Lawver the money coming to him for erecting the Lake View Place school building. Taken.

The treasurer's statement for the month of July was presented and showed amount on hand July 1st, $97,411.37; warrants paid, $24,136.76; balance on hand July 31st, $73,274.61. Committee on finance.

The committee on sites and buildings recommended that the bid of Tuddenham & Sears be accepted for the use of the Franklin school for the sum of $45 be accepted. Adopted.

The offer of Tuddenham & Sears to excavate a cellar, wall up same with rock, put in plank floor and roof with corrugated iron, viz., for the sum of $50, was received and referred to the committee on sites and buildings.

The Salt Lake Building and Manufacturing company notified the board that on account of the weekness and strikes on the railroads they would claim an extension of the time allowed them to finish the erection of the Grant school. Committee on sites and buildings.

The committee on sites and buildings reported that they had visited the various school buildings and recommended that authority be granted the committee to award contracts for calcimining the following buildings:

Hamilton, Sumner, Lincoln, Ninth, Twelfth and Twenty first schools. They also reported that they had bids for the work as follows, which they proposed to accept: Ninth ward school $25 and Sumner school (two rooms) $10. Adopted.

The committee on furniture and supplies reported bids received for supplying the schools with coal for the ensuing year, and recommended the bids of Wolstenholme & Morris be accepted as follows:

Rock Springs, lump	$4 25
Castle Gate	[illegible]
Pleasant Valley	[illegible]
Anthracite, all sizes	[illegible]
Cannelton coke	[illegible]
Castle Gate coke	[illegible]
Rock Springs, stove	[illegible]
Pleasant Valley stove	[illegible]

Delivered at the various schools, regardless of the city delivery limits.

Laid over till next meeting.

The committee on sites and buildings reported that they had visited the Hamilton, Sumner, Lincoln, Tenth ward, Ninth ward, Washington, Jackson, and Bryant school buildings and recommended that sundry repairs be made at the Sumner, Lincoln, Tenth ward, Ninth ward, Washington and Bryant schools.

The committee on sites and buildings recommended that the bid of the Higson, Anderson & Rossiter company, at $65, for making the necessary changes in the plumbing of the high school, be accepted. Adopted.

The committee on sites and buildings recommended that the corridors and center class rooms of the Grant school building be furred at a cost not to exceed $110, also that the amount of wainscoting in the same school be increased from 2 feet 2 inches to 4 feet 8 inches, at a cost not exceeding $82. Adopted.

The committee on sites and buildings recommended the acceptance of the following bids for the extension of the sewers in the Grant and Ogdenville schools: Midgley & Sons, Grant school sewer extension, $621; Sullivan & McDonald, Ogdenville school, $12,575. Adopted.

The committee on sites and buildings recommended that sundry changes be made in the Seventh school to make it more available for school purposes. Adopted.

The same committee also recommended that the large quantity of earth piled in the rear of the Ogdenville, Grant, Emerson, Uintah and Bonneville schools be distributed around each of said buildings where it is required to complete the proper grade. Adopted.

The committee on furniture and supplies recommended that Mr. Forrester, who is now in the employ of the board, be put on the monthly pay roll at a salary of $70 per month, beginning September 1. This salary to pay for his services and also for the use of his horse and wagon to deliver kindling wood, books and supplies. Adopted.

The committee on furniture and supplies recommended that Mrs. Jane McFlynn be appointed janitor of the Fourth and Fifth schools until the completion of the Grant school, at a salary of $25 a month; that Mrs. Suffe be appointed janitor of the Third school at $12 a month; that Otto Kinborn be appointed janitor of the Thirteenth school at $10 a month; B. F. Harper at the Ogdenville school at $30.37 per month; F. Grover at the Emerson school at $25 a month; H. E. Underwood at the Bonneville school at $15 a month. Adopted.

The committee on furniture and supplies recommended that the bid of Walker Bros. & Fyler company of $178.20 for furnishing 143 stoves for fitting up the Ogdenville school be accepted. Adopted.

The committee on furniture and supplies recommended that contracts be awarded the following firms for furnishing supplies for the ensuing school year:

Salt Lake Hardware Co., Grant Soap Co., Cunningham & Co., George Schmidt & Co., Utah Stove and Hardware Co., S. L. Hardware Co., F. Auerbach & Co., H. Dinkowitz Furniture Co. The total amount for these supplies was $[illegible]. Adopted.

The committee on teachers and school work recommended that the resignation of the following teachers be accepted:

Jessamine McDonald, Winifred Woolmanee, Josephine Tomlinson, Emma Porter, Ida Estes and Mrs. Cobb.

The same committee recommended the employment of the following persons as teachers at the salaries named:

	Per month.
John G. Schaub, high school	$[illegible]
Anna M. Francis	[illegible]
Jane Bryant	[illegible]
Mary Barlow	[illegible]

Marion Graves at same salary as last year (see 10 per cent). Also that the committee on sites and buildings be authorized to rent an additional room to accommodate the overflow from the Franklin school, and also a room to accommodate the pupils who last year were housed in the Quincy school, also the appointment of Prof. Henry Montgomery and Prof. Wm. Stowers as associate examiners for the approaching examination of teachers; also that sealed bids for 100 gallons of school ink be called for, same to be opened on Wednesday, August 29th, at 4 p. m. Each bid to be accompanied by samples and guarantees of quality.

PROPOSED CHANGES IN COURSE OF STUDY.

The same committee recommended changes in the course of study as follows:

That in higher arithmetic the metric system, stocks and brokerage, customs and duties, partial payments, compound proportion, compound interest, cube and sixth root, mensuration, so far as is involved in cube root, and the greater part of the appendix of the book now used be all omitted.

This proposed elimination provoked a good deal of discussion during which President Nelson vacated the chair to favor of Vice President Young and offered the following amendment:

That the course be further amended by eliminating therefrom all technical terms and definitions in the grammar studies and drill therein, and all drill in diacritical marks, also that no attempt be made to teach pupils to read before teaching them the names of the alphabet.

The debate continued at length and was finally cut short on a motion by Hansen to lay that part of the report referring to the elimination of certain branches of the course of study on the table until the next meeting. The motion carried, after which the remainder of the report was adopted.

On motion of Doty the committee on sites and buildings was authorized to procure a perspective cut of the Ogden school building.

Pendleton moved that the clerk be directed to return the checks of the unsuccessful bidders for constructing the Ogden and Grant school sewer connections. Carried.

A supplementary bill was made agreeing $1,606.45, after which an adjournment was taken for one week.

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