

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

July 13, 1977

The Board of Trustees met for its regular bi-monthly meeting on Wednesday, July 13th. at 12:00 o'clock noon in the cafeteria for lunch and at one o'clock p. m. in the conference room of the William T. Lander Administration Building for the business meeting. Members present were; Dr. J. C. Holler, presiding; Mrs. Anne Boyce; Dr. James F. Miles; the Reverend James B. Mitchell; Mr. C. S. Rowland, Jr.; Mr. Karl Segelken; and Dr. M. B. Webb. Dr. Wil Lou Gray and Dr. J. T. Willis were also present.

Dr. Webb gave the invocation.

Dr. Holler welcomed Mr. Segelken as a new member to the Board of Trustees.

Dr. Willis reported that Dr. Efron, Mr. McClary, and Dr. Scott had notified him that they would be unable to attend the meeting.

Dr. Webb moved that the agenda be adopted as was printed and mailed to the members of the Board. Mr. Rowland seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

The Reverend Mitchell moved that the minutes be adopted as printed and mailed to the members of the Board. Mrs. Boyce seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Dr. Willis reported on the plans for the instructional program for the school year 1977-78. A copy of that report is filed with the minutes in the office of the school. Much discussion ensued relative to the pre-school workshop and the Constructive Citizenship Conference to be held on August 25th. Also, attached hereto is a copy of the Director's Interim Report.

Dr. Willis reported for the Building and Grounds Committee. Mr. McClary, Chairman of the Committee, asked that Dr. Willis inform the Board that he recommends that the newly erected sign at the entrance to the campus be raised by five feet at an approximate cost of \$190.00. Mrs. Boyce moved the adoption of the recommendation and Dr. Miles seconded the motion. The motion passed.

There was not a report from the Education Committee.

Mr. Rowland reported for the Personnel Committee. The Committee met on May 30th to discuss a request by Mr. Wendell Dixon to return to his position as Manager of Business Affairs. Much discussion ensued relative to the request. No action was taken. The Personnel Committee also had discussed a request from Mrs. Betty Sawyer for permission to live in one of the staff houses. Mr. Rowland stated that this request

had been made to Dr. Willis. Dr. Willis had explained to Mrs. Sawyer the school policy relative to staff housing and that the house, requested by her, had been assigned to someone else on a temporary basis. Mrs. Sawyer then made the request to a member of the Board of Trustees. Dr. Holler said that he was going to ask the Executive Committee to develop a policy relative to requests and complaints made to the Board from employees. Also, he recommended that the Executive Committee meet prior to the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. This report was accepted as information.

There was no unfinished business.

Under the order of new business, Dr. Willis informed the Board that Dr. Efron had asked that the Board of Trustees pass a resolution asking that Dr. Busbee send a representative to the meetings of the Board of Trustees when Dr. Busbee was unable to attend. Much discussion ensued and by common consent the Board agreed that it was without authority to pass such a resolution.

Dr. Willis gave the Board a list of the offences for which students had been suspended from school for the school year, 1976-77. Much discussion ensued pertaining to the subject of disciplinary problems. Members of the Board expressed much concern over so many suspensions. Dr. Miles moved that the school become much concerned about the subject of suspensions and evaluate its policies relative to suspensions and their effect upon students. Also, that the school use experimental

and imaginative methods in handling disciplinary problems. Mrs. Boyce seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Dr. Willis read a letter of appreciation from Miss Lessie Moore for honoring her on June 18th.

Dr. Holler announced that Washington Street Methodist Church had recently given \$981.02 to the Endowment Fund. The gift of money was the result of a garage sale sponsored by the Church.

Mr. Rowland moved that the meeting adjourn. Dr. Webb seconded the motion. The motion passed.

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