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State Normal School

N. D. SHOWALTER, PRESIDENT

CHENEY, WASHINGTON

April 29, '16.

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Normal School in the President's Office on the above date beginning at 3:00 P.M. Mrs. Monroe, President, Mr. McLean, Mr. Tustin, and Mr. Showalter were present. Mr. Stronach also was present during the latter part of the meeting.

Mr. Showalter presented the request of Miss Mary A. Atkins to be transferred to the Department of Home Economics and the matter was discussed at length. The consensus of opinion seemed to be that Miss Atkins is better suited to the work which she now has than any one we may hope to find immediately, and Mr. Showalter was authorized to confer with her to see if an agreement could not be reached whereby she would continue in her present place. The Trustees expressed a willingness to increase her salary at the end of this year and provide means whereby she may be given release at times so that she will be able to get away from the regular duties of the Hall.

Mr. Showalter was asked for a report on the teachers and made the statement that in the main all of the teachers had been very satisfactory. He reported that there was a lack of harmony in the English Department, and that the Manual Training Department had not been carried on as systematically as it should be. The Board of Trustees required Mr. Showalter to confer with the teachers of the English Department and insist upon harmony and co-operation or that they be given a certain time to secure positions elsewhere. It was agreed that the Manual Training Department is to be left as it is at the present time but every means be used to bring about a stronger type of work in connection with better organization. It was also agreed in this connection that if this could not be done with the present instructor a change should also be effected in this Department.

Mr. Showalter reported that Mr. Frazier had accepted the position in the Educational Department, but that Mr. Brodeur had written saying that on account of his wife's health it seemed impossible for him to consider the matter if an answer was required at once. Mr. Showalter was, therefore, authorized by the Board to extend the time, and if possible to determine when Mr. Brodeur might be able to accept the work with us.

Mr. Stronach was authorized to pay Tull & Gibbs but \$300.00 this month and to use the rest of the money in paying the Inland Electric Company for the fixtures placed in Monroe Hall.

After the regular monthly vouchers were audited the meeting adjourned at 6 o'clock.

Mary J. Monroe
President Board of Trustees.

N. D. Showalter
Acting Secretary.