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Proceedings Parish School Board

Covington, La., May 2, 1917.
The Parish School Board met in adjourned session on the above date with Hon. N. H. Fitzsimons in the chair and the following members present: Geo. R. Dutsch, T. J. O'Keefe, H. H. Levy, W. H. Kahl, Dave Evans, B. W. Todd, Geo. E. Millar. Absent: J. H. Robert and C. M. Liddle. A quorum was present.
The superintendent read the following report and on motion of Capt. Millar, seconded by Mr. Kahl, was received and approved as read:
Covington, La., May 2, 1917.
Honorable President and Members of the Parish School Board, St. Tammany, La.
Gentlemen:—At this adjourned meeting, I desire to present data regarding the condition of our schools and make recommendations for another year's work, which would usually come in our July meeting. There are certain repairs and improvements necessary to be made upon various schools in the parish before the next session begins.
You will please appoint at this meeting a committee to have in charge the repairs to be made upon the Folsom school.
At the Middle Roads school it is absolutely necessary that a new well be driven, as the old one is, I believe, beyond repair.
At the Onward school the lock on one of the doors is out of order and should be repaired at once. The roof of this school, as well as that of the Savannah branch also needs repair. The new school houses at the Ridge have been completed and school opened April 23.
At Slidell we are met with the serious problem of how to house our pupils for another year. The present school building is not large enough and we must have at least four more rooms to care for the children who are sure to present themselves for another session. The enrollment at present lacks only nine of the 600 mark, and will undoubtedly go far beyond that next year. Where the money is to come from by which we may make the additions is a problem which only the taxpayers in that town and ward can settle.
Some months ago a committee was appointed to make the necessary repairs and alterations on the Bonfouca r Bayou Liberty school. The repairs have never been made, and therefore the patrons of that school have a just reason for asking why. As I stated at your last meeting, I feel that the Lacombe school should have two teachers for next session and this means more desks must be secured to equip the second room.
Satisfactory progress is being made regarding the Mandeville school house proposition, and I have no doubt but what a building committee will be appointed today which will have the matter in charge.
In view of the fact that the roofs of the Folsom, Onward, Savannah Branch, Sun and several others need attention, and also other repairs in various schools must be done, and also in view of the fact that having repairs done by day's work is the

offer for your consideration. most expensive way of doing, I recommend that a man be engaged for at least one month, whose duty it would be to travel from one school to another and attend to such little jobs as repairing locks to doors and windows, repairing the roof, and one hundred and other jobs that are necessary to be done in order to keep the schools in first class shape. The desks often get loose and need re-screwing to the floor in order to prevent them from being racked and falling apart.
The first part of this year I prepared a list of the articles that I thought the public schools should save from their daily school work to place on exhibit at the parish fair next fall. In your January meeting you were kind enough to pass a resolution endorsing this work and insisting that the teachers prepare and save this work. In order to be sure that my list was a fair and just one, I sent one to Supt. Harris for his criticism. In answer to that I have received the following letter:
Supt. Elmer E. Lyon, Covington, La.
Dear Mr. Lyon:—I have examined very carefully your outline of school work that might be saved for exhibit at the parish fair. You must have given considerable thought and attention to the preparation of this list. It strikes me that all of the items are appropriate, as they emphasize the importance of a thorough knowledge of local conditions and of thoroughness in the essentials of the course of study.
Eliminating altogether the idea of exhibiting at the parish fair, I believe that a great deal of good will come from the preparing and preserving of such exhibits as you have outlined in this list. Interest in school work will be stimulated and useful, practical knowledge will be gained.
Yours sincerely,
T. H. HARRIS.
You realize that my sole idea was to prepare a list of school work that could be done even though no parish fair was to be held. I am still strongly opposed to our stopping regular school work in order to prepare an exhibit for the fair, when that exhibit does not represent the home and legitimate work regularly performed in the school room. I trust that all parents, teachers and pupils will look upon this matter as you and I do and will lend their co-operation towards making the school work more profitable, and have the school exhibits at the fair made a better representation of our school activities.
While speaking of the changes and repairs that the various schools need I should have mentioned the teacher's cottage at the Progress school. We have found, during this session, that the teachers' cottage is too near the school house building, in fact, the back yard of the cottage is really the front yard and playground of the school. Many urgent requests have come to me from the patrons of this school as well as from the teachers, urging that the teachers' cottage

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be moved. This, I recommend and a request will probably come to you today for a third room to be added to the Audubon school.
I understand that according to the ruling of the State Board of Education, two teachers cannot teach more than seven grades. Just how many pupils there are in this community above the seventh grade I do not know, but the teacher's report shows that for the last three months there has not been any enrollments in the seventh grade. Therefore, it is reasonable to suppose that there will be no promotions made from the seventh grade to the eighth. If there are any pupils in this neighborhood who are ready for the eighth grade it will be the duty of our board to care for them in some way, either with a transfer to some other school or a third teacher.
Another reason why a third teacher should be put in is because the enrollment is so large that two teachers cannot render satisfactory services. I have examined the teachers' reports thus far and find that the average attendance has been as follows:
First month, 30.3; second, 38.45; third, 49.9; fourth, 39.7; fifth, 55.6; sixth, 49.1; seventh, 53.3.
You remember that you have a rule that in order to keep three teachers we must have an average attendance of at least 45. I is up to you to decide whether you will place a third teacher in this school with this average attendance. I only desire to place before you the facts so that you may act intelligently in this matter. You will remember that the third room, when

added to the Talisheek and Central schools cost between \$900 to \$1000, to say nothing of the equipment. Of course, that was over two years ago when the cost of building material was much less than at present. It will be perfectly proper for you, and it might be wise, to consider whether a general rule may be made giving three teachers for every school that reaches an average attendance of 45 or 50. Should such a policy be adopted it would mean one, if not two more teachers at the Savannah Branch school, with additions to the building, and a third teacher at Union Grove with extra equipment.
I have prepared, and will present to you a statement of the sixth ward special school tax and the money that will be available from that fund for such extras as this third room. Of course, the nine months school must come first, if possible. As I do not suppose that you would feel justified in depriving the children of the ward of any school in order that this addition may be made.
In the present condition of our national affairs and also in view of the fact that our country boys and girls are urged to give their support towards the increase of farm productions, I feel that our country schools have their work very plainly mapped out. Our schools must lend every assistance towards encouraging the school children in their farm work. Hot beds must be made, more club members must be enlisted, more assistance, encouragement and co-operation must be expected and demanded from the

teachers. I would therefore recommend for your approval that we require from every teacher of rural schools that they must either take a summer course in extension work, or at least to take a correspondence course, which is offered by the Extension Department of the Louisiana State University. This course is offered free of cost and would be of great value to the teacher and therefore to the pupil. I am sure you will realize the importance to our rural school sections of such work and especially at this time.
I want to commend the interest taken in the club work by the teachers at the Waldheim school, and congratulate the pupils of that school in having such conscientious and hard working allies in charge of their school. I feel that the boys at the Talisheek school deserve a great deal of credit for the hard work done in removing the stumps from the school grounds and I can see no reason to prevent their having a first class school garden next year. With the use of a new hot bed and the cold frame it will be a neasy matter to supply the community with potato plants, sweet potato draws, etc.
(Continued Next Week)

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