

Supplement TO THE Banner-Democrat.

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SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS

Lake Providence, La., July 11, 1894.

The Hon Board of School Directors of the parish of East Carroll, met this day at noon at the office of Secretary in the town of Providence, the regular session which should have been held on July 4th having been postponed until the present one, in consequence of a National legal holiday.

Present—Hon. W. N. White, President; Chas. R. Egelly, Secretary; Directors J. C. Bass, Vail Montgomery, T. J. Powell, S. H. Moberly, W. H. Benjamin and C. H. Webb.

Absent—Director J. S. Millikin.
The following petition was read and received to-wit:

To the Hon. Board of School Directors of East Carroll parish, La.:—Your present petitioners respectfully represent, that the neighborhood wherein they live, the central point of which is Shelburn plantation, has never enjoyed the benefit of the public school fund, but now according to the list of children of educable age hereto attached, they are entitled to the establishment of a school in their midst. They represent that there is now no white free school nearer than Providence, which is some six miles from the nearest of your undersigned petitioners, who will all patronize and support a school in their neighborhood if established. Your petitioners ask therefore that a school be ordered opened at some central point for the coming session; that a board of trustees for said school be appointed and that in due time a teacher be selected to take charge of said school.

Signed this 5th day of July, 1894, by the following, who are the parents or guardians of the number of educable children stated opposite their names, to-wit:

L. L. Doran four children, M. Doran five, Jno. Blansfield two, J. A. Brooks two, H. L. Newcomb two, W. B. Frost four, G. F. Blackburn one, R. J. Morrow one. Total, twenty-one.

Upon motion of Director Montgomery, it was resolved that the petition be granted and that a white school be opened at Shelburn, conditioned that the patrons of the school shall furnish a suitable building for the purpose free of charge.

The treasurer of the school fund filed his quarterly report supported by proper vouchers, and also statement from the Whitney National Bank showing the amount of school funds on hand to his credit, as required by ordinance of this board, which was read and referred to the Finance Committee for examination.

The board then took a recess of twenty-five minutes to enable the Finance Committee to file their report.

Upon re-assembling, the Finance Committee filed the following report: To the President and members of the Board of School Directors of the parish of East Carroll, La.:

Dear Sirs—We your Finance Committee beg leave to report that we have examined the report of the Treasurer of the School fund for the quarter ending June 30, 1894, which we find correct, supported by the proper vouchers.

We find as a result of said examination, that he had on hand at the date of filing and approval of his quarterly report on March 31, 1894,

A cash balance of.....	\$156 82
That he has received since from the following sources: For cert. of appointment ending Meh. 31.....	516 75
From Thos. H. Jack.....	30 00
From Sheriff for poll tax '93. (less his commission \$40.5).....	78 95
That he has disbursed for sundry purposes as shown by proper vouchers therefor.....	\$2170 52
	\$1945 77

Leaving a balance on hand at close of the quarter, of.....

\$224 75
We have examined the following accounts which we have approved and recommend their payment, to-wit:

J S Guenard, assessing poll tax 1894.....	\$88 84
C F Davis.....	6 00
W S Maguire.....	6 00
J S Millikin.....	4 00
T J Powell.....	10 00
C H Webb.....	8 00
S H Moberly.....	4 00
W H Benjamin.....	8 00
Vail Montgomery.....	6 00
W N White.....	8 00
J C Bass.....	4 00
Total.....	\$152 84

We have examined the report of the Superintendent for the semi-annual term ending June 30th, 1894, and referring to various recommendations made by him, would recommend that the portion referring to repairs on school houses, be referred to the building or repair committee, consisting of the President and Director Powell, and that they be authorized to cause the repairs mentioned to be made, or so much thereof as they may deem necessary, and the President be authorized to warrant on the Treasurer in payment therefor, payable out of any funds on hand not otherwise appropriated, and report their actions with proper accounts of expenditures incurred, at the next regular quarterly session of this board.

As to the purchase of the Cox school charts for the schools designated and recommended by the Superintendent, we would recommend that action thereon be deferred for the present, or until the next quarterly session. The balance of the suggestions and recommendations made by the Superintendent, we respectfully refer to the board to be acted upon as a committee of the whole. Respectfully submitted,

S. H. Moberly,
Vail Montgomery,
J. C. Bass,
Finance Committee.

Upon motion of Director Powell the report was adopted.

Director Powell offered the following resolution, to-wit:

Be it resolved by the Board of School Directors of the Parish of East Carroll, that the Board make a demand upon the Police Jury of this parish, demanding that they set aside for school purposes one and one-half mills out of the ten mill tax fixed by law, and that said tax be included by them in their budget of expenses for the year 1894.

Upon taking a vote upon said resolution, there were two ayes and four nays, and the resolution was not adopted.

Director Benjamin then offered the following resolution, which was adopted, to-wit:

That this board authorize its secretary and superintendent to make a demand upon the Police Jury of this parish to set aside for school purposes one and one-half mills of the 10 mills tax authorized by law, provided the said Police Jury conclude to levy a tax of

ten mills for parish purposes for 1894.

Upon motion of Director Bass, it was resolved that this board do reconsider its action in fixing the salary of Prof. Dudley as adopted and that his salary be now fixed at \$90 per month to take effect from the commencement of the ensuing session.

Director Webb offered the following resolution, to-wit:

Resolved, that the action of the board in fixing salaries for the ensuing session as adopted at its session on April 4th, be reconsidered, which motion prevailed.

Director Webb then offered the following resolution, to-wit:

That the salary of the teacher of Longwood white school and the school to be established at Shelburn be fixed at \$40 per month. Upon calling for the yeas and nays, the vote stood ayes two and nays four, and the resolution was not adopted.

Upon motion of Director Webb, it was resolved that the principal of the colored school be fixed at \$50 per month, which was adopted, provided the principal of said school shall be filled by J. A. Harris.

Upon motion of Director Benjamin, it was unanimously resolved that the Superintendent be and he is hereby authorized to open for a session of nine months, commencing on the first Monday in October 1894, the following schools, to-wit:

One white school in the town of Providence with three teachers; one colored school in town of Providence with two teachers; one white school at Transylvania with one teacher; one white school at Longwood with one teacher; one white school at Shelburn with one teacher.

The board then took a recess until 4 o'clock p. m., in order that the Secretary could call upon the Police Jury then in session, and make the demand upon them for the setting aside of a tax of one and one-half mills in accordance with the authority mentioned in the resolution adopted by this board.

At 4 o'clock p. m., the board re-assembled, all members present as in the forenoon, except Director Bass, who had been excused.

The secretary and superintendent reported that he had waited on the Police Jury and made a conditional demand in pursuance of his authority, but no action was taken by that body, they adopting the budget, but fixing no rate of taxation, the law requiring that the budget of expenses must be published for thirty days before levying or fixing the rate of taxation, which they would do at their next meeting on August 15, 1894.

There being no further business, the board adjourned to meet on the first Wednesday in October, at which session the opening of colored schools in the country will be discussed and the number to be opened determined.

W. N. WHITE, President,
CHAS. R. EGELLY, Secretary.

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TOWN COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Lake Providence, La., July 11, 1894.
The Hon. Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Providence convened at 3 o'clock p. m. pursuant to adjournment.

Present—Hon. E. J. Hamley, Mayor; Chas. R. Egelly, Secy. pro tem; Jas. Beard, V. M. Purdy, W. H. Benjamin and N. Fousse.

Upon motion of Alderman Purdy, it was resolved that inasmuch as this Board contemplates ordering an election to fill the vacancies existing in the offices of Mayor, which is hereby declared vacant, also that of the position of City Marshal, Tax Collector, made vacant by reason of impeachment, that the salaries of said offices be and is hereby fixed at \$50 per month and that of the Secretary at \$5 per month, to take effect from August 1st, 1894, for all ordinances upon the subject made by these officials, which may now exist.

Upon motion of Alderman Beard, it was resolved that an election be ordered by this Board, to fill the vacancies in the office of Secretary made vacant by reason of impeachment, and the removal of the late Secretary from town, and that of the Marshal for the reasons hereinbefore stated; that the Mayor be instructed to issue his proclamation that effect in accordance with law, and the Supervisor of Registration be and hereby instructed to open his registration books at the Mayor's office for the purpose of revising said registration, and the Registrar of all persons residing within the corporate limits entitled to vote and who have not registered, and that he keep the books open for the time prescribed by law.

Upon motion of Alderman Egelly, it was resolved that the Mayor be authorized to issue his warrant upon the Treasurer for the sum of \$26.76 in favor of Hon. Jos. E. Randsell, being for balance due him for legal services rendered this Board in the Court of Impeachment, District and Circuit Court.

There being no further business, the board adjourned until the next regular session, the 1st day of August, 1894, unless otherwise specially convened.

E. J. HAMLEY, Mayor,
CHAS. R. EGELLY, Secretary pro tem.

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Notice.

The registration books for the Town of Providence are now open at my office for the registering of all persons who are entitled to vote within the corporate limits of said town. The books will be open until Monday August 1st, 1894.

J. S. GUENARD,
Registrar.
Providence, La., July 21, 1894.

Notice.

Those who are indebted to the town of Providence for taxes for the years 1891, 1892 and 1893, are hereby notified, that if said taxes are not settled by the 1st day of August, 1894, I will proceed to advertise same according to law.

W. A. BLOUNT,
Marshal & Tax Collector.
Providence, La., July 21st, 1894.

Notice to the Public.

I am instructed by the Police Jury to notify you that jury and witness claims will not be approved unless the Clark's certificate has been written across its face the words, POLL TAX PAID (when it has been paid), or POLL TAX DEDUCTED (when not paid); provided the witness certificate amounts to ONE DOLLAR or more. In certificates amounting to less than one dollar, no endorsement will be required.

Your attention is also called to the fact that fifty cents per day and no mileage is allowed witnesses.
YANCEY BULL,
Clerk Police Jury,
August 15 '94.