# Minutes of the Prince William County School Board July 2, 1923 – August 3, 1927 Book 2

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Manassas Va. July 2nd.1923.

The County School Board met as per call of the chairman on above date date with the following members present: J R Cooke, Chairman, E S Brockett, D J Arrington, and Thos J Woolfenden, Absent, C B Allen and D C Cline.

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted. On motion it was ordered that Miss E H Osbourn be paid \$125.00 per calendar month; payments to be made monthly. It was also ordered that all high school teachers be paid extra for Institute time and that Miss Williette R Myers be paid a salary of \$150.00 per month beginning in September 1923.

On motion of E S Brockett in re certain correspondence from Ginn & Company, the clerk was ordered to continue same and adjust the matter to the best advantage possible, and that Dr C R C Johnson be required to give bond in the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3000.00) for faithful performance of duty as agent of the school board in supplying school books to various schools of the county; the board to pay the premium on said bond.

On motion of E S Brockett the following teachers were elected: Woodbridge Prin. Mrs Daisy C Price Woodbridge Primary, Miss Kate M Gouldman Bethel Primary, Mrs D C Glascock

On motion of J R Cooke the following teachers were elected:

Nokesville Prin. I N H Beahm

Nokesville Intermediate Bessie Helm

Nokesville Elementary, Miss Ida B James

Nokesville Primary, Miss Hazel C Haldeman

Greenwich Prin. C A Bittle

Greenwich Intermediate, E S House

Greenwich Primary, L Mae Patton

Brentsville Prin. Miss Eleanor Smith

Brentsville, Primary

On motion Miss Grace B Moran was elected supervisor of rural schools at a salary of \$1500.00 and an allowance of \$150 for traveling expenses.

On motion the following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION.

Brentsville	Dist.	5.00
Coles	"	5.00
Dumfries	"	33.75
Manassas	"	839.17
Occoquan	"	31.50
County		283.00
Total		1197.42

No other business meeting adjourned to meet at call of the chair. Chas R McDonald, Clerk.

Manassas Va. July 27th-1923.

The County School Board met as per call of the chair on Friday July 27<sup>th</sup>-1923 with all members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

A delegation of citizens and patrons from Dumfries village appeared before the board and requested that a new principal be elected for the Dumfries school. After all were heard the board ordered that the request be granted and Dr D C. Cline and the superintendent were appointed a committee to carry said order into effect.

A delegation of citizens and patrons from the Bristow school appeared before the board bearing a petition numerously signed requesting better school facilities at that point. After full discussion it was mutually agreed between the school board and the aforesaid delegation that a one-room addition to the Bristow school building would be erected according to plans furnished by the supt. as per the following terms, to wit: The County School Board to furnish and pay for all material needed and to pay the foreman or head carpenter for his services. The citizens to furnish all other labor, hauling etc etc necessary to complete the building to the entire satisfaction of the board.

An application from the Modern Woodman of the World was presented to the board asking the privilege of using the Nokesville school building as a regular place of meeting until their own quarters were ready. On examination of the law it was found the school board was without power to grant such request and committee so notified. Said action by the board being without prejudice to the order.

In re the building contracts for the Cherry Hill and Cabin Branch school buildings in Dumfries Dist. The contractor for same having abrogated contract after receiving certain payments etc. C B Allen and Chas R McDonald were appointed a committee to inspect same and report to the board at its next meeting.

On motion \$300 was ordered paid for certain labor performed on the Cabin Branch school building. 1st segment.

In re the correspondence with Ginn & Company relative to non fulfillment of contract on the part of Dr C R C Johnson the appointed agent of the board. Correspondence read to the board and C R C Johnson cited to appear and make statement concerning same. The statement was some what indefinite except that he promised a surety bond in the sum of \$3000 within a few days to protect the board against loss in case of non fulfillment of contract in the future. He also stated that he would "guarantee books in plenty" for the fall session of school.

The following bills were read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

No further business meeting adjourned to meet again on August  $16^{th}$ . 1923. Chas R McDonald, Clerk.

Manassas Va August 16th-1923.

The County School Board met as per adjournment on above date with the following members present: J R Cooke, Chm., D J Arrington, Thos J Woolfenden, D C Cline and C B Allen. Absent, E S Brockett. Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

James A Robinson, representing a committee from the Manley colored school appeared before the board and stated that the League had something over \$400 in cash to apply to the erection of a new room at that school. He also stated that the patrons and citizens would do all hauling necessary for such erection. On motion it was ordered that his request be granted and D J Arrington appointed committee to superintend construction.

On motion of C B Allen it was ordered that a school wagon be operated between Partloe's gate and Haymarket for the accommodation of certain children not within reach of any school and to relieve the crowded condition of the Gainesville school. It was also ordered that Mr Allen be authorized to operate a school wagon from Thoroughfare to Haymarket if found advisable in order to relieve the Thoroughfare school and to offer better school advantages to all concerned.

On motion D J Arrington was authorized to transport the pupils from the Bethlehem school to Manassas if such arrangements are found agreeable to the patrons and economical generally.

On motion of J R Cooke the following teachers were appointed in Brentsville district:

Woodlawn,	W H Winslow, Prin.	Salary \$90.00	
"	Miss Viola Miller Primary	75.00	
Aden	E D Nolly, Prin.	110.00	
44	Mrs W D Nolly Int.	75.00	
"	Cora Beahm Primary	75.00	
Brentsville	Eleanor Smith Prin.	85.00	
"	Tracie I Spitzer Primary	75.00	
Kings X Roads Florence Nash Prin.		85.00	
"	Ruth Armentrout Primary	75.00	
Kettle Run Col, Mrs E J Woodson			

On motion of Thos J Woolfenden the following teachers were elected in Coles District:

Smithfield, Primary	75.00		
Fayman	"	Lois Duffy	75.00
Holmes	"	Lottie Dixon	75.00
Woodbine	"	Mary Eustace	70.00

The resignation of Miss Nora Beazley was received and accepted. Miss Beazley was appointed principal of the Dumfries school at a former meeting but on account of objections on the part of some of the patrons does not wish to accept appointment. There is also filed with the board a statement signed by 21 citizens and patrons recommending

Miss Beasley as a good useful citizen and teacher and stating they would be glad to have her remain with the school.

A petition signed by 77 people requesting the appointment of Mr & Mrs W D Nolly was received and ordered filed.

Bids were received and accepted for furnishing wood as follows:

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Smithfield School	Alvin T Barnes,	Two st	oves	\$60.00
Prcell & Woodbine	T M Russell	"	"	55.00
Goldridge	Mr Wells	"	"	56.00
Fayman	W W Fritter	One	"	25.00
Hayfield	Nettie P Wright	"	"	30.00
Holmes	Kenneth Woolfe	nden "	"	30.00
				258.00

The following bills were presented, read and approved for payment:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

No further business meeting adjourned

Chas R Mc Donald, Clerk.

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Chas R McDonald, Aug Sal.	35.00
HW Sanders, ""	198.00
L V Gilbert, Dem Agt.	33.34
· C	$2\overline{66.34}$

Manassas Va. September 10th-1923.

The Prince William County School Board met on above with the following members present: Rev J R Cooke, Chem. Thos. J Woolfenden, D C Cline, D J Arrington and E S Brockett. Mr C B Allen being absent. Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

Reorganization of the board for the coming year being in order, on motion of D C Cline, J R Cooke was nominated and elected chairman to succeed himself, and Chas R McDonald was elected clerk of the board.

On motion D C Cline was authorized to make application to Court for an order to sell the old Cherry Hill school property in Dumfries dist. at a price not less than \$100. Said property now being abandoned and of no use to the district.

On motion of J R Cooke, Mr G W Beahm was elected prin. for the Bristow school providing he secures a valid State certificate; and Miss Ella F Miller was elected primary teacher; Beahm to receive \$75.00 and Miss Miller \$70.00 per month.

On motion of D J Arrington Mr. W W Davies was elected a member of the graded school faculty providing he secures a State certificate ranking first grade.

Mr Dodson and others from Wellington appeared before the board in the interests of a school at that point. After discussion it was mutually decided as follows: The School Board will furnish the teacher and furniture and other supplies such as fuel and the necessary equipment. The Farmers' Union will building and grounds and keep same in repair as long as the school is desired to be maintained.

On motion of J R Cooke, Miss Elizabeth Brown of East Radford was elected prin. for the Nokesville school at a salary of \$110.00 per month.

On motion Mrs Rachel L. Berry was elected Rural Supervisor for the colored schools of Pr. William County at a salary of \$80.00 per month for nine months. The county board to contribute \$100.00 toward said salary; The State Board of Education to supply the remainder from the Jeanes Fund.

On motion E S Brockett, D C Cline and Thos J Woolfenden were appointed a committee to examine the new Summit colored school building and if found completed to the satisfaction of the legal requirements to accept same from the contractors.

There being several District Fairs scheduled for the Fall season to be held in various parts of the county, and whereas said fairs are very closely connected with the schools and school children it was duly moved and seconded that all such fair days shall be considered as holidays to the schools interested. Carried.

The following bills were presented, read and approved for payment:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

No further business meeting adjourned to meet Monday October 8th.1923.

[signed] Chas R McDonald Clerk

[signed] approved:

Manassas Va Oct. 8th-1923.

The County School Board met as per adjournment on Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1923 with all members present; minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

A letter from Miss Brown of East Radford declining to accept the principalship at Nokesville, on motion of J R Cooke Miss Bessie E Helm was elected principal at \$100 per month, and Miss Farrell Algers was elected elementary teacher at \$65 per month.

On motion of D J Arrington Mrs Cora M Powell was elected primary teacher at Brown Colored school at \$70 per mo.

On motion of E S Brockett, Mrs Ella H Bailey was elected primary teacher at Summitt colored school at \$55 per mo.

The committee appointed by the board to examine the new Summitt colored school building made report as follows: "That on examination the building to all appearances was fully up to specifications and we recommend that building be accepted from the contractors."

On motion E S Brockett was authorized to borrow enough money from the Bank of Occoquan to finish payment in full on the Summitt building; said amount to be in the neighborhood of \$500.

A petition from various patrons of the Thornton school in Dumfries district was received requesting a new building at that place for the reason that the old one was wholly unfit for use. On motion it was ordered that a new one-room building according to State plans be erected at once and Dr. Cline and Thos J Woolfenden were appointed a committee of supervision. Said work to be done by the day and to cost not more than \$1600.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

No further business meeting adjourned to meet on Wednesday November 7<sup>th</sup>-1923.

Manassas Va. Nov 10-1923.

The County School Board met on above date with the following members present: J R Cooke, Chm. D J Arrington, Thos. J Woolfenden, E S Brockett and D C Cline. Absent, C B Allen.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

On motion of Thos J Woolfenden it was ordered that \$15 be paid to each member who may attend the Educational Conference to be held in Richmond during Thanksgiving week, to defray expenses.

On motion of J R Cooke, Mrs. A L Henry was elected principal of the Bristow school at \$75 per month.

The following bills were presented, read, and on motion were ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION:

Brentsville District, October			1836.97
Coles	"	"	884.49
Dumfries	"	"	1184.11
Gainesville	"	"	2376.81
Manassas	"	"	3715.53
Occoquan	"	"	1173.08
County		"	398.00
•			$11\overline{568.99}$

No further business meeting adjourned to meet on Monday December 10-1923.

Manassas Va. December 10 – 1923.

The County School Board met on above date with all members present; Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

On motion Miss Grace B Moran was delegated to supervise the selection of books for all school libraries which are to be paid for out of State and county funds.

On motion a two-weeks holiday was granted all teachers beginning on Friday Dec. 21st; schools to reopen on Monday January 7th, 1924.

On motion the clerk was ordered to pay all teachers for the month of December as soon as advisements are received from the teachers.

In re the Bristow school; J R Cooke was authorized to inspect same and make any arrangements necessary for completion of carpenter work, painting and the collection of unpaid subscriptions.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION.

Brentsville District for Nov.			1928.54	
Coles	"	"	"	636.00
Dumfries	"	"	66	3909.21
Gainesville	"	"	"	2082.62
Manassas	"	"	"	3228.93
Occ oquan	"	"	66	1517.89
County		"	66	<u>894.63</u>
				14197.82

No further business meeting adjourned to meet again at call of the chair.

Manassas Va. January 9th-1924.

The County School Board met on above date with the following members present: J R Cooke, Chm. D C Cline, D J Arrington, E S Brockett and C B Allen. Absent, Thos J. Woolfenden. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

A delegation of four patrons and the two teachers from Catharpin school appeared before the board requesting the school at that point be continued as a two-room school. On motion consideration of same was postponed until the mater of finances could be definitely ascertained. Later, however, on motion of C B Allen, as amended by the board, this school together with all other two-room schools not having sufficient attendance as per State requirements shall be allowed to continue as they are for the present term.

In re; The Round Athletic Field. The land embraced in what is now known as the Round Athletic Field has been used by the public schools as play grounds for the last 50 years. It adjoins lands owned by the school board and forms part of the grounds around the high school building. The owner of 1 acre of this land, Mrs George Carr Round, now desiring to sell same, offers it to the school board for \$800. Its location, usefulness and the need of it as part of the Athletic field is so obvious to all concerned that upon motion of D J Arrington it was unanimously adopted that said land be purchased at the price named.

In re Finances. The subject of finances was fully discussed. The resources of the County and State for the present school year after full investigation were found to be sufficient to run the schools of the county for a full term. The law, however, requires that all schools shall run for a period of 7 months or forfeit State appropriations. After full discussion, and with the hope that some way may be found by which the funds may be supplemented in order to complete the regular term, the following resolution was unanimously adopted for publication:

WHEREAS The Board of School Trustees assembled this the 9<sup>th</sup>. Day of Jan. 1924 for the purpose of devising ways and means to continue in operation the schools of the county, and WHEREAS, upon the showing made, and upon careful examination of resources, it will be impossible to run the schools for a period of more than seven months, therefore, be it RESOLVED, that, in view of the foregoing conditions, it is ordered that all schools, including grade and high schools, be closed at the end of a seven month period, unless the revenue-producing authority shall in the meantime provide additional revenues, or other means be devised, for the purpose of continuing said schools for the required terms.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION.

Brentsville District		1189.98
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Coles	44	556.88
Dumfries	"	666.06
Gainesville	"	1553.05
Manassas	"	2564.94
Occoquan	"	804.94
County		<u>524.18</u>
		7860.03

No further business appearing meeting adjourned to meet with the Board of Supervisors on the  $22^{nd}$  of January, 1924.

Chas R McDonald, Clerk of Board.

Manassas Va February 5th-1924.

The County School Board met as per adjournment on above date with the following members present: D C Cline, C B Allen, E S Brockett, D J Arrington and Thos J Woolfenden. Absent, J R Cooke on account of illness.

The trustees also met in joint session with the Board of Supervisors for the purpose of discussing ways and means if possible to continue the schools for the full session as originally planned. After various discussions of school matters it was ascertained that a law passed in 1918 enabled the school board to borrow an amount not to exceed the district tax levy for the year in which the emergency was found to exist; said amount to be repaid within five years from date of loan. This relieved the situation and the matter to be taken up when found necessary.

A letter was read from the head of the Domestic Science Department of the Manassas Agrl. High School, Miss Lulu D Metz, giving a detailed explanation of certain criticisms offered during the financial discussions on the street. The board heartily agreed with Miss Metz that her department was being run in accordance with law and the direction of the State Board of Education and was advised to continue in as economical way as possible.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION:

Brentsville o	list.	1422.88
Coles	"	651.59
Dumfries	"	747.25
Gainesville	"	1979.60
Manassas	46	2237.98
Occoquan	"	919.16
County		<u>498.00</u>
		8456.46

No further business meeting adjourned to the regular meeting in March

Manassas Va March 10-1924.

The regular monthly meeting of the County School Board was held on above date with all members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

On motion duly seconded it was ordered that all teachers attending May Day and County Day programs be allowed the time as time taught.

Miss Grace B Moran and Mrs Rachel L Berry, rural supervisors for the white and colored schools respectively, gave reports of their work. These reports were so satisfactory that by unanimous vote they were reelected for next year.

It being reported to the board that damage and defacement to certain school property had been done which resulted in expense and trouble for repairs, on motion it was ordered that if any such damage be done by pupils the parents of such pupils shall be held responsible for all expenses of repairs, and if payment be neglected or refused the matter shall be reported to the Commonwealth's Attorney for legal action; and all defacement, abuse or damage to any school property by any other person the same shall be dealt with as the law demands.

In order to keep intact the Round Athletic Field adjacent to the Ruffner building it was deemed necessary to purchase two lots from Dr Bennett for this purpose; accordingly upon motion of D C Cline Sec. by D J Arrington it was ordered that these two lots be purchased at \$200 per lot.

A letter from D Bowman Showalter was received advising that land could now be purchased at Bristow for school playgrounds. J R Cooke was appointed a committee to investigate further and report at the next meeting of the board.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION:

Brentsville District		1673.19
Coles	"	704.19
Dumfries	"	803.85
Gainesville	"	1998.43
Manassas	"	2508.75
Occoquan	"	1145.59
County		<u>161.06</u>
		8995.06

No further business appearing on motion meeting adjourned to Tuesday March 18<sup>th</sup> at which time each trustee is to present a full and complete budget for the needs of the schools in his district for the session of 1924-25.

#### SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas Va March 18-1924.

The County School Board met as per adjournment on above date with all members present; minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The trustees after careful thought and a general discussion of all expenses necessary for the operation of the schools in their several districts for the session of 1924-25, have prepared the following budget to be presented to the Board of Supervisors on the 25<sup>th</sup> of March and at the regular meeting in April as provided by Statute; said budget showing the gross requirements of the several districts of the county to be as herewith shown:

Brentsville district	14316.00
Coles	6330.00
Dumfries	11557.00
Gainesville	21432.00
Manassas	24866.00
Occoquan	11950.00
General County	<u>5762.10</u>
Total requirements	96213.10

In re further financial assistance to meet expenses of the present session it was ordered that J R Cooke, D J Arrington and Chas R McDonald be appointed a committee to confer with the Board of Supervisors on the 25<sup>th</sup> of March in regard to such assistance. The said committee is also empowered to act for the school board in making necessary arrangements to meet the March pay rolls for teachers salaries.

In re the indebtedness on the new school houses now being erected. On motion it was ordered that application be filed with the Literary Fund for loans as follows:

Cabin Branch, Dumfries district			1000.00
Cherry Hill	"	"	1000.00
Summitt, Occoquan	l	66	1000.00

On motion the following bills were presented to the board read and approved for payment:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION.

Brentsville District		5.00
Coles	"	5.00
Dumfries	"	380.20
Gainesville	"	5.00
Manassas	"	150.54
Occoquan	"	<u>20.20</u>
		565.94

No further business meeting adjourned to meet with the Board of Supervisors of Tuesday March  $25^{th}$ .

Manassas Va March 25th-1924

The County School Board met as per adjournment on above date with the following members present; J R Cooke, D C Cline, D J Arrington, Thos J Woolfenden and C B Allen. Absent, E S Brockett. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The committee appointed at previous meeting to confer with the board of supervisors met with that board and presented budget.

In re: school children from Fauquier county attending school in Prince William: After discussion the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved that bill for all children attending school in Prince William from Fauquier county shall be rendered said county at the per capita cost of instruction, and that J R Cooke and C B Allen are hereby authorized to secure information as to the number of pupils in their respective districts and report at next meeting.

The following bills were presented, read and approved for payment:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

The board waited all afternoon for a report from the supervisors but receiving none the members gradually left the meeting without formal adjournment.

Manassas Va March 29th-1924

The County School Board met in joint session with Board of Supervisors in the director's room of the National Bank of Manassas for a further discussion of the financial situation in regard to the schools. All members of the school board were present except C B Allen. All members of the board of supervisors were present.

The object of the meeting was to more fully acquaint the members of the board of supervisors with the needs of the schools and of the necessity of more financial support in order that the advancement gained should not be lost by reason of lack of support. The session lasted from 11 A M to 12.30, at which time the Board of Supervisors adjourned to the court house for regular session to fully discuss the situation.

At 3 P M supervisor Robertson delivered to the School Board the following resolution, to wit:

"WHEREAS there is a desire on the part of our citizens to increase the rate of taxation for the benefit of the maintenance and operation of the schools; and

"WHEREAS there is a universal clamor for a reduction from the burdens from which our people are now afflicted by reason of heavy taxes; now therefore be it

"RESOLVED that it is the sense of this Board that it is unalterably opposed to any increase of the aggregate rate of tax at this time.

Yeas: Larkin, Crow, Earhart, Keys, Dawson:

Nays: Robertson.

Since the above resolution offers no relief whatever the school board was forced to adopt the following as the only course to pursuer:

WHEREAS the county school board does not have sufficient funds to continue the schools for the length of term originally contemplated, and

WHEREAS no additional funds are available from any source for this purpose, be it

RESOLVED that all elementary schools shall close at the end of seven months, and all high schools shall close at the end of eight months. Nothing in this resolution, however, shall in any way interfere with the leagues or private subscriptions continuing the schools longer or for the full term.

No further business appearing board adjourned to the regular meeting on April 10<sup>th</sup>-1924.

Chas R McDonald, Clerk of Board

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

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Manassas Va April 10-1924

The County School Board met on above date with all members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

On motion it was decided to continue the Nokesville 4-room school for a term of 8 months, the same as the high schools.

In re: The resolution to close all schools at the end of 7 months as recorded in the minutes of Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> is hereby recinded.

On motion D C Cline was authorized to apply to Court for permission to sell the old Cabin Branch school house and grounds; also the old Cherry Hill school house and grounds; neither of which is now of service to the county school system.

On motion C B Allen was authorized to apply to Court for permission to sell the old Buckland school house and grounds; it being no longer of use to the school system.

The following bills were presented, read and on motion were ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION.

Brentsville district		1756.72
Coles		688.21
Dumfries		826.50
Gainesville	66	2504.49
Manassas	66	2392.53
Occoquan		1038.00
County		<u>56.20</u>
Total for March 1924.		9262.65

No further business meeting adjourned to May 8th-1924.

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas Va May 9th-1924

The County School Board met as per adjournment on above date with all members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

A committee of four ladies, Mesdames Lewis, Hyson, Hoof and Wissler representing the High and Graded school Patrons Leagues, with Mr G Raymond Radcliffe as spokesman, met with the board and presented resolutions calling attention to certain bank taxes paid to the town council of Manassas since 1918, 50% of which is said to be legally due to the Manassas District school funds. After full discussion Mr D J Arrington was appointed a committee to confer with the mayor of Manassas and arrange a meeting with the town council. Committee reported that a meeting of said council was called for Friday night May 9th at 8 P M. Thereupon the following resolution was offered: RESOLVED: that J R Cooke and D J Arrington be and the same are hereby appointed a committee with power to act to meet the council of the town of Manassas to secure an adjustment of the taxes under consideration. Adopted.

In Re: Full term Manassas High School.

It being feared that the standing of the Manassas High School might be jeopardized in case the term was completed as a private enterprise; to avoid any such possible contingency the following resolution was unanimously approved by the school board and the committee representing the patron's leagues of Manassas.

Resolved, that the Patrons Leagues of Manassas shall loan \$1500 to the County School Board, same to be paid to the county treasurer and to be drawn upon in the regular way to meet the 9<sup>th</sup> month's expenses of the schools of Manassas. Said loan to be paid back to said leagues in the event that the Town Council of Manassas shall pay over the amount of taxes now claimed to be legally due from certain bank taxes collected by the council since 1918. It is understood, however, that if the above named taxes can not be collected from the town council, then the above mentioned loan shall be considered a gift and reimbursement shall not be expected.

The deed for land purchased adjacent to the High School Athletic field was delivered by the maker, Mrs Emily C Round and on motion was ordered recorded.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION.

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Brentsville D	District	for April 1924.	1365.83
Coles	"	• • •	460.37
Dumfries	"	66	698.49
Gainesville	"	66	1848.80
Manassas	"	66	2127.68
Occoquan	"	66	993.76
Pr. William County		44	<u>546.11</u>
TOTAL	-		8041.04

No further business meeting adjourned.

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

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Manassas Va May 22-1924.

The County School Board met as per appointment on above date with all members present; minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

A petition signed by 19 patrons of the Brown colored school of Manassas was presented to the board protesting against the appointment of Mrs Bessie E White as principal of that school. Petition was ordered filed and Mr D J Arrington appointed to investigate the complaint and make recommendation at next meeting.

On motion of D J Arrington the \$400 contributed by the Manley Colored school toward the erection of a new building at that point was ordered transferred from the Manassas Dist, Dist. Fund to an account known and designated as the "Manley School Fund", this to insure its use for that particular school only.

In re: Committee appointed to confer with the Town Council of Manassas: Committee reports that a conference was held and several plans offered to effect settlement but none were satisfactory to the committee.

In re: Bank taxes: It being represented to the board that a compromise had been effected with the Town Council of Manassas whereby said council would pay all of the 1922-23 & 24 taxes in cash and would allow \$200 to apply against future water & light bills; and it also appearing that said settlement would be satisfactory to the Patrons leagues and people immediately concerned, upon request this board agrees to accept such settlement as above mentioned.

No funds being yet in sight to meet contingent expenses, salaries etc. for the present school session, J R Cooke and Chas R McDonald were appointed a committee to see if any arrangement could be made by which a sufficient amount could in any way be procured to meet such expenses and report at next meeting.

On motion of Thos J Woolfenden the bid of T E H Dickens of \$50 for the old Goldridge school building be accepted and that the said Dickens be allowed until Sept  $5^{th}$ . to remove same from the grounds.

On motion the following teachers were elected for the session of 1924-25; salaries to remain the same unless changes be found necessary at a later meeting.

#### MANASSAS AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL.

Miss E H Osbourn, Principal
" L D Metz, Latin & Dom. Sco.
Prof H W Sanders, Director of Agriculture
Miss W R Myers, Commercial

Mrs. Norma R Davies, Math. & Science Mrs E C Johnson, English, 1/3 time. Miss Emily J Johnson, Latin & History Lucile L Stevens, Math. & History Mildred Campbell, French & English Grace E Metz, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Ruth P Smith, 7<sup>th</sup> "Ola Whitmer, 6<sup>th</sup> "Mr W W Davies, 6<sup>th</sup> & 7th Grades Miss Mildred Orrison, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Operah Whitmer, 4<sup>th</sup> "Open 3<sup>rd</sup> "Ethel Robinson, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades

#### HAYMARKET HIGH SCHOOL.

Prof H M Pearson, Prin.

Mrs Mary S Meade, Latin & Math.

Open Math & Science

Mrs Maud G Jordan, Eng & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Miss Bertha Hibbs, 6<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grades

Flo K Fewell, 4<sup>th</sup>

Helen V Cook, Primary

#### BETHEL JR, HIGH SCHOOL.

Open Principal
Miss Aubrey Jones, H S Teacher
Lucy Davis,
Mrs. D C Glascock, Primary

#### Nokesville School.

Open Principal
Miss Bessie F Helm, Elementary
Ida B James,
Hazel C Haldeman, Primary

#### Greenwich School

Mr C O Bittle, Principal
" E S House, Elementary
open Primary

Aden School

Open Principal
" Elementary
" Primary

Woodlawn School

Mr J C Snider, Principal Miss Viola Miller, Primary

Goldridge School

Miss Mildred L Harrell, Prin. Open Primary

Dumfries School.

Open Principal Mrs N A Speake, Primary

Quantico School

Mrs Norah B Keys, Principal Miss Eleanor Purks, Primary

Waterfall School

Miss Eunice E Jones, Principal " Mary T Watson, Primary

Woodbridge School

Mrs D C Price, Principal Open Primary

Occoquan School

Miss Mary T Carter, Principal Open Primary

Buckhall School

Mrs Maud C Dickens, Principal Open Primary

Woodbine School, W Y Ellicott

Fayman " Miss Ida M Clemens
Hayfield " Mrs Nettie P Wright
Thornton " Emma W Carter
Hickory Grove " S T Wilson
Thoroughfare " W M Foley

Cannon Branch Miss Florence L Gossom

Bradley "Ruth Bucher

#### **COLORED TEACHERS**

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Kettle Run Mrs Julia Holbert

Cabin Branch Principal
" Dalyour M Johnson, Primary

Quantico Mary E Jones Macrae Principal, J M Nickens

" Primary Mrs Susie B Nickens

Thorofare Prin. Mrs L V Allen
Prim. Miss Pearl Fletcher
Catharpin Miss Evelyn Primas
Manley Mrs Georgis H Berry
Summitt Prin. Mrs E P Grayson
"Ella H Bailey

Ella H Bailey

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

# RECAPITULATION

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Brentsville District	29.50
Coles	65.00
Dumfries	84.44
Gainesville	5.00
Manassas	114.65
Occoquan	20.00
•	318.59

No further business appearing meeting adjourned until Thursday June 5th-1924.

Chas R McDonald, Secretary

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

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Manassas Va June 5th-1924

The County School Board met as per adjournment on above date with the following members present: J R Cooke, D C Cline, C B Allen, D J Arrington and Thos J Woolfenden. Absent E S Brockett. Mr Brockett's absence was due to the fact that he did not know the date of the meeting.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Dr W T Sangter, Secretary of the State Board of Education was present at the meeting and addressed the board on educational matters with particular reference the general high school situation in Virginia. His address was much appreciated.

In re: The Brown Colored School. Two Delegations presenting two petitions, for and against, the retention of Mrs Bessie E White as principal of that school were received by the board; one petition containing 68 names in favor and one containing 62 against the applicant. After various discussions, Mr D J Arrington was continued as a committee of one until next meeting to effect a compromise if possible among the patrons. This action was taken in the hope that a better cooperative spirit might obtain among the patrons of that school.

In re: The Manley Colored School Fund. Last year the Manley Patrons League paid to the county treasurer \$400 for the purpose of assisting the county board to erect a new building at that point. It now appearing that the school board is unable at the present time to furnish sufficient funds to erect said building, therefore be it resolved that the said \$400 be returned to the Manley Patrons League; warrant for same being delivered this day to J A Robinson, Treasurer of said league.

Prof H W Sanders, Director of Agriculture presented a list of supplies, equipment etc. needed for shops at Manassas and Haymarket High Schools amounting to \$150 more or less, stating that two-thirds of said amount would be paid for by the State if acceptable to the board. On motion the offer was accepted and Prof. Sanders instructed to order equipment and send bill for same to the clerk of the board.

On motion the clerk was authorized to place notice in the county paper calling for bids to supply wood for the various schools in the county; same to be presented not later than August 30<sup>th</sup> to the trustee nearest at hand.

The following bills were presented, read and approved for payment:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

# RECAPITULATION:

Brentsville District	563.67
Coles	105.53
Dumfries	139.95
Gainesville	1374.28
Manassas	1191.16
Occoquan	570.74
County	998.00
•	4943.33

No further business meeting adjourned to June 18th 1924.

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas Va June 18-1924.

The County School Board met as per adjournment on above date with all members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

In re: The Brown Colored school principalship; Dr Williams, colored, appeared before the board in the interest of Mrs. Bessie E. White stating that the teacher was competent and that dissatisfaction was of a personal nature. After further discussion, on motion of D. J. Arrington, Mrs White was elected principal and Mrs. Cora M. Powell was elected Primary teacher. Mrs. White's election being with the understanding that she should not again be an applicant for that school.

In re: Delayed Book Reports: A letter from C W Dickinson, Jr. Supervisor of Textbooks, Etc. under date of June 12<sup>th</sup>-1924 calling attention to various delinquencies on the part of the board's agent, Dr C R C Johnson in not forwarding reports of sales was received and read to the board. Dr Johnson was called for explanation and stated he had practically settled all accounts except two, and these were almost ready. Dr Johnson further promised, that in event of his appointment again for next year he would be prompt in reporting settlements.

On motion of D J Arrington, Dr C R C Johnson was nominated to succeed himself as agent for the distribution of books in Prince William county. The motion was put before the board when one voted "I"; and 5 not voting. The chair did not announce decision.

In re: The appropriation of the County School Board for the support of the County Home Demonstration work: It appearing that such appropriations may not be legally within the powers of the County Board to continue, it is hereby Resolved: That while the board regrets its inability to continue said appropriation for the benefit of Miss Gilbert in her excellent work in the county it is hoped the proper authorities may devise some means to retain her in the Demonstration work which is and has been appreciated by a large number of our citizens.

The following resolution was offered by Thos. J Woolfenden: Resolved that the County School Board authorize a county survey of the schools to determine the best methods to be followed for the greatest benefit of the school system. A record vote was called for which resulted as follows: yeas, Woolfenden, Cline, Arrington and Brockett. Nays, Cooke and Allen. Resolution adopted.

A petition signed by J T Mauck and four others was presented to the board protesting against the appointment of Miss Lucy Davis as a teacher in the Bethel High School. After some discussion the matter was postponed until next meeting of the board.

On motion the length of term for next school session was fixed as follows: All Elementary schools to run 8 months. All High Schools to run 9 months.

Several motions were offered and withdrawn fixing compensation for teachers who do their own janitor work. Not being able to agree the matter was dropped for the present.

On motion of J R Cooke the following teachers were appointed:

Aden Primary room Miss Cora E Beahm Brentsville, Pri. " Mrs Tracie S Whetzell Kings X Roads Miss Florence Nash.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION.

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Brentsville District		99.23
Coles	66	5.00
Dumfries	66	35.00
Gainesville	"	627.50
Manassas	66	1830.23
Occoquan	66	234.50
County		11.50
•		2842.96

No further business appearing meeting adjourned to Wednesday July 9th-1924.

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas Va July 17-1924

The County School Board met as per call of the chair on above date with the following members present: D C Cline, C B Allen, D J Arrington, Thos J Woolfenden and E S Brockett; Absent J R Cooke. D J Arrington acting as chairman pro tem. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Miss Lucy Davis appeared before the board in answer to certain petition objecting to her appointment at Bethel. There appearing no just grounds for objections the board unanimously dismissed said petition from further consideration and sustained Miss Davis in her disciplinary regulations.

A committee consisting of Miss Gilbert, Miss Emily J Johnson and Mrs Davis appeared before the board in the interest of Home Demonstration work in the county. Said committee requesting a continuation of the school boards appropriation for this purpose. After considerable discussion pro and con it was finally adopted by a three to two vote to continue said appropriation.

A request from the Summitt colored school for assistance in digging a well on the school grounds at that place was laid on the table.

On motion of Thos J Woolfenden the following teachers were elected:

Purcell Miss Naomi Pearson
Holmes "Marjorie Darnell
Smithfield "Mary A Weber
Goldridge, Pri. "Pearl Garrison
Forest Hill "Mary Bell
Minnieville Mr. E M Day

Cherry Hill

Catharpin Mrs Alice M Lynn
Woodbridge, Pri. Miss Elizabeth Cole
Bacon Race "Orania Rowe
Bethel El. "Grace Hart
Cabin Br. Col Mrs W A Packe, Prin
Miss Dalyer M Johnson
Quantico, Col. "Mary E Jones

Re: Round Athletic Field: It now appearing that the land purchased from Dr Bennett does not quite embrace sufficient territory to include the Round Athletic field as now in use and desired it was ordered that D J Arrington be empowered to purchase 25 feet more or a sufficient amount to meet said needs.

On Motion Mr C S Watkins was elected Agrl. Director at a salary of \$2200 per year; the county to pay 1/3 of said salary.

On motion C R C Johnson was appointed Agt. to handle school books for the county on condition that all reports as required by the State Board of Education and the publishing companies be promptly made.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION.

Brentsville I	Dist.	.75
Coles	"	5.00
Dumfries	"	28.20
Gainesville	"	16.82
Manassas	"	378.23
Occoquan	"	19.84
County		<u>281.34</u>
Total		730.18

No further business meeting adjourned to Thursday August 14-1924.

#### COUINTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

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Manassas Va August 14-1924.

The County School Board met on above date with the following members present: J R Cookie, D J Arrington, E S Brockett, Thos J Woolfenden and C B Allen. Absent, D C Cline. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

A letter from State Supt. Hart confirming the boards legal right to appropriate funds for the benefit of the County Home Demonstration Agt. was read to the board and placed on file.

A letter from State Health Commissioner, Enion G. Williams was read to the board warning of smallpox danger in Pr. William Co. The clerk was authorized to publish the law in regard to vaccination etc. for the benefit of the public.

An application from Nokesville for a school library together with a check for \$15 was received by the board. Action was deferred until funds are available.

A committee of citizens from Brentsville dist. appeared before the board requesting the establishment of a high school at Nokesville. After various discussions the matter was deferred pending the survey soon to be made in the county.

On motion a time warrant was ordered sent to J H Pence amounting to [blank] with interest from July 1<sup>st</sup> 1924. Said amount in satisfaction for school furniture purchased for the Haymarket school last year.

A petition of various citizens from Occoquan objecting to the appointment of Miss N O Page as primary teacher was presented to the board. There being no specific charges made, after full discussion, petition was dismissed.

On motion the following teachers were elected for the term 1924-25. Miss Alga E White, Nokesville, 7 & 8<sup>th</sup> Gr. Mrs Neva Chandler, Bradley Miss Wave Greenwood, Bacon Race Mrs Eleanor S Adams, Bennett Building Miss Charlotte Potter, Prin. Brentsville Mr J P Pullen, Dir. Agrl. Manassas Miss Ethel L Bailey, Pri. Antioch Col.

The following bills were presented, read and order paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION.

Brentsville D	vist	5.00
Coles		8.15
Dumfries		47.07
Gainesville		5.00
Manassas		231.28
Occoquan		5.00
County		<u>351.33</u>
•		652.83

No further business meeting adjourned to September 4<sup>th</sup>-1924.

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

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Manassas Va Sept. 5-1924

The County School Board met as per adjournment on above date and organized for the coming year. Members present were J R Cooke, D J Arrington, E S Brockett, Thos J Woolfenden and Mrs Annie G Cline. Mrs Cline was qualified and seated with the board. Absent C B Allen who has not yet qualified for the coming term of office. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

On motion the following teachers were elected:

Miss Bertha Edwards, Prin. at Aden

" Audrey Nuckels, " " Greenwich Mr W H Winslow, " " Woodlawn

Mr Benjamin Ragsdale " " Bethel

Miss Ila Breeden, Primary at Bristow

- " Lois Duffy, Fayman
- " Kitty Griggs, Woodbridge Primary
- " F Geneva Stokes, Brown, Colored Primary

On motion D J Arrington was authorized to secure a truck and transport the 5-6 &  $7^{th}$  grades from Bristow and Cannon Br. to Manassas. Also to secure a truck to transport children from the Wellington neighborhood to Groveton.

There being several vacancies yet to be filled at the time of adjournment, it was ordered that each trustee be authorized to fill any such vacancies as may occur in his respective district.

The following bills were presented, read to the board and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

# RECAPITULATION.

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BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	5.00
COLES	5.00
DUMFRIES	85.52
GAINESVILLE	150.87
MANASSAS	72.20
OCCOQUAN	10.23
COUNTY	<u>35.00</u>
	363.82

No further business meeting adjourned until Wednesday October 8-1924.

Chas R McDonald, Clerk.

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas Va Sept. 20-1924

A called meeting of the County School Board was held on above date with the following members present: J R Cooke, Chairman, D J Arrington, E S Brockett, Mrs A G Cline and Thos. J. Woolfenden. Gainesville district not represented.

This special meeting was called at the instance of certain patrons of Woodlawn objecting to the principal now appointed for that school. A delegation appeared before the board and presented a petition signed by twelve (12) patrons opposing the retention of the principal. A second petition was also presented signed by thirteen (13) patrons favoring the retention of the principal. An examination of the petitions revealed the fact that three (3) of the patrons had signed both petitions but wished now to be recorded as favoring the principal.

In open hearing R D Lunsford, A Crummitt, H C Wood, W R Nelson, C R Shaffer and [blank] Spinks were heard in opposition and Grover C Bailey, Bailey Payne, Mrs N H Burk, Mrs Nannie Shaffer and [blank] Randell were heard favoring the principal. After the matter was discussed at length both pro and con it developed a decided personal antipathy on the part of certain objectors which antipathy was irrelevant to and could not be considered from a professional standpoint; therefore, after due consideration on the part of the school board, the following resolution was unanimously adopted: RESOLVED, that after full investigation of certain complaints offered by twelve (12) of Woodlawn school against the principal W H Winslow, and of the favorable testimony of thirteen (13) others favoring the principal, it is hereby declared that said objections as offered against the principal can not be sustained and the complaint is hereby dismissed.

On motion it was ordered that a school truck be operated between Groveton and Haymarket transporting pupils from Groveton to that point. The carrying into effect of this resolution to be contingent upon its practicability.

On motion J R Cooke was authorized to secure a teacher for Kings X Roads and maintain a one-room school at that point. This action in deference to the wishes of a number of the patrons.

On motion E S Brockett was authorized to operate a school truck between Bacon Race and Bethel high school for the transportation of pupils from Bacon Race to that point. This action was found necessary for the reason that no teacher could be found for the Bacon Race school.

There being no further business, on motion meeting adjourned until October 8<sup>th</sup>.

Chas R McDonald, Clerk.

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas Va Oct. 8-1924.

The County School Board met as per adjournment on above date with the following members present: J R Cooke, Chairman, Mrs. A G Cline, Thos J Woolfenden and E S Brockett. Absent D J Arrington. Gainesville district trustee not yet qualified. Minutes of previous meetings read and approved.

Edward Tyler from near the old Bethlehem school appeared before the board in the interest of several children in that neighborhood now without school accommodations. On motion D J Arrington and Chas R McDonald were appointed a committee to investigate and report.

On motion Miss Elizabeth Cox was appointed teacher for the Kings X Roads school at a salary of \$75 per month with a bonus of \$5 per month at end of term if work is satisfactory.

On motion J R Cooke was authorized to make any necessary changes and improvements to the Aden school building in order to standardize this year.

On motion Mrs A G Cline was authorized to employ another teacher at the Dumfries school at a salary of \$75 per month. Also to establish a colored school near Joplin and to employ a teacher at \$60 per month.

Vincent Johnson representing the league of the Brown colored school in Manassas appeared before the board and stated that they had secured two acres of land just outside the town limit on which to erect a new building for the colored school. Said land to be deeded to the County School Board.

On motion it was ordered that Miss Moaran be allowed \$25 per month for traveling expenses.

On motion the clerk of the board was instructed to write the mayor of Occoquan in regard to certain bank taxes collected by the corporation which now belongs to the County School Board.

E S Brockett reported that the Bacon Race school was now closed and the children transported to Bethel. This action being necessary for the reason that no teacher could be found willing to take that school.

On motion application for a loan of \$15,000 from the Literary Fund was authorized for the purpose of erecting a new high school building in Manassas.

In re: Petition for the appointment of Miss Eva Kidwell at the Bacon Race school was tabled for the reason that Miss Kidwell had no certificate.

On motion it was ordered that the County School Board negotiate a loan of \$7500 to be paid December 1<sup>st</sup> out of county funds. Said loan for the payment of teachers for September.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

# RECAPITULATION.

BRENTSVILLE D	ISTRICT	805.86
COLES	44	374.76
DUMFRIES	44	561.08
<b>GAINESVILLE</b>		1022.66
MANASSAS		1878.80
OCCOQUAN	66	637.40
COUNTY		1111.87
		6392.43

No further business meeting adjourned to Monday November 10<sup>th</sup>-1924.

Chas R McDonald, Clerk

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas Va November 10-1924.

The County School Board met as per adjournment on above date with all members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

It being reported that the crowded condition of the Catharpin school was such that best work could not be done it was ordered that a teacher be transferred from the Waterfall school to relieve this situation; it appearing that the Waterfall school has not sufficient enrollment to meet State requirements for a two-room school.

In re: Land purchased by the Brown Colored School League. It appearing that no R/W is yet secured to said land on motion D J Arrington and Chas R McDonald were appointed a committee to investigate and secure such R/W before deed is accepted by the County board.

In response to a communication from the Sec-Treasurer of the Virginia School Trustee Association requesting the trustees of Pr. Wm. to join and send delegates: on motion it was ordered that the invitation be accepted and that dues of \$1 be paid; It was also ordered that \$10 be allowed for traveling expenses to any trustee who may wish to attend.

Miss E H Osbourn, Principal of the Manassas high school addressed the board in the interest of best high school work in the county and recommended that the school board pay the R R fairs of the 3<sup>rd</sup>. & 4<sup>th</sup>. year students from Nokesville. On motion same was allowed beginning Dec. 1-1924.

On motion R Franklin Edwards was appointed prin. for the Bethel Jr H S at a salary of \$140.00 per mo.

In re: The services of J F Kennedy now acting as prin. of the Bethel Jr High School: The said J F Kennedy who has taught the above school for a period of 30 days and not giving satisfaction; on motion of E S Brockett it is hereby ordered that the said J F Kennedy be paid the amount due at the rate of \$125 per month or \$185.63 total and that he be notified at once that his services are no longer required.

In re: Children from Fauquier county now attending school at Haymarket without any arrangements being made for tuition: On motion J R Cooke and Chas R McDonald were appointed a committee to meet the Fauquier board and do what is best to protect the interests of Prince William county.

On motion it was ordered that the Virginia Journal of Education be sent the teachers as usual.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

# RECAPITULATION.

Brentsville D	strict	1559.38
Coles	"	846.37
Dumfries	"	1442.01
Gainesville	"	2447.13
Manassas	44	2948.49
Occoquan	44	2273.73
County		<u>690.33</u>
-		12207.44

No further business meeting adjourned to Wednesday December 10-1924.

Chas R McDonald, Clerk

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas Va Dec. 10-1924

The County School Board met as per adjournment on above date with the following members present: J R Cooke, Chm. E S Brockett, Mrs A G Cline, Thos. J. Woolfenden, D J Arrington and C B Allen. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

A committee from the Brown colored school league appeared before the board in the interest of a new building. Their attorney, Mr Didlake establishing from the records the right to open a street to the lot now purchased the board agreed to accept deed for same and ordered that the superintendent prepare plans etc for said new building; The league committee pledging \$1000 in cash and all unskilled labor necessary to the erection of said building.

On motion C G Paris was appointed Truant officer for Dumfries district in place of the sheriff.

On motion it was ordered that libraries be purchased for Dumfries and Aden schools.

On motion J R Cooke and Chas R McDonald were appointed a committee to purchase stoves of approved type for the Aden school.

In re: Contract with the Manassas Journal. It is requested that D R Lewis appear before the board at next meeting to renew contract for publication so that its provisions may be fully understood.

A committee of patrons from the Waterfall school appeared before the board requesting that the two teachers as now employed at that place be continued. After various discussions the resolution of Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> was ordered rescinded insofar as it relates to the transfer of a Waterfall teacher as an assistant at Catharpin.

On motion C B Allen was authorized to secure an assistant teacher for the Catharpin school.

In re: Tuition for children from Fauquier county now attending school at Greenwich and Haymarket.

After several conferences between the Fauquier and Prince William boards the following agreement was reached and ordered of record as follows:

"At a meeting of the Fauquier County School Board, in Warrenton, Virginia, on November 13, 1924, the following motion was made and seconded: That Fauquier County School Board would pay to the Pr. William School Board \$37 per capita per year for Fauquier children attending Haymarket and Greenwich schools. This amount to

include the cost of instruction, operation and maintenance, and transportation, and to include the cost of transportation of children from Vint Hill Farm to Haymarket. If for any reason the prince William Board ceases to transport Fauquier children from Vint Hill Farm to Haymarket, this agreement becomes null and void, and a new agreement must be made.

Signed: Fauquier Co. School Board Sam W. Maphis, Chm.

James C Ambler, Clerk

Signed: Pr. William Co. School Board

J R Cooke, Chm.

Chas R McDonald, Clerk

On motion it was ordered that the clerk be authorized to pay all teachers for the month of December as soon as reports are received.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

### RECAPITULATION.

BRENTSVILLE 1	DISTRICT	1538.35
COLES	"	633.73
<b>DUMFRIES</b>	"	2290.97
<b>GAINESVILLE</b>		1592.37
MANASSAS	"	2436.67
OCCOQUAN	"	1206.67
COUNTY		1022.83
		10721.59

No further business meeting adjourned to Wednesday January 7th-1925.

Chas R McDonald, Clerk.

### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

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Manassas Va Jan. 7-1925

The County School Board met as per adjournment on Wednesday Jan. 7-1925 with the following members present: J R Cooke, Chm. D J Arrington, C B Allen, E S Brockett and Thos J Woolfenden; Absent Mrs Annie G Cline. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

On motion the teachers of several districts were granted permission to visit the Washington schools under the chaperonage of the Rural Supervisor, said visit for the purpose of observing the work of the Washington schools. The day thus used to be counted as a day taught without further obligation on the part of the school board for any expenses.

On motion it was ordered that a library be purchased for the Woodbridge school.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION.

Brentsville D	ist.	1373.76
Coles		536.40
Dumfries		861.85
Gainesville	66	1645.60
Manassas	66	2504.57
Occoquan	66	849.19
County		622.83
•		8394.20

No further business meeting adjourned until Monday February 9-1925.

Chas R McDonald, Clk.

### CALLED MEETING OF COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD.

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Manassas Va Jan. 27-1925.

A called meeting of the County School Board was held at the Courthouse on Tuesday Jan. 27-1925 with the following members present: J R Cooke, Chm. Thos J Woolfenden, E S Brockett and D J Arrington. This meeting was called for the purpose of discussing with the State Architect Mr Raymond V Long, plans for a new building for Manassas High School and to discuss the advisability of asking for a bond issue for that purpose. Mr Chas R McDonald, Clerk, having been called out, on motion D J Arrington was made clerk pro tem.

The report of the survey committee for high school organization for Pr. Wm. County was submitted and read for the information of the members present. A general discussion followed but no action was taken.

On motion the board of supervisors was allowed the privilege of using the colored school building at Brentsville as a storage for tools etc. belonging to the roads of that District.

Reading of the minutes of previous meeting was postponed until next regular meeting.

The following bills were presented and allowed:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

D J Arrington Clk. pro tem.

### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

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Manassas Va Feby. 9-1925

The County School Board met as per adjournment on Monday Feby. 9-1925 with all members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

In re: Brentsville Dist. Warrant No. 21 for \$20 issued to Carter Skinner Dec. 10-1924: Payment being refused by the treasurer until Skinner's taxes are paid, warrant is returned for adjustment. The board not knowing the law governing such cases ordered that the matter be taken up with the Commonwealth's Atty. for advise.

In re: Quinquennial Census; By order of the board the following enumerators were appointed to serve in the several districts as follows:

Brentsville D	ist.	Virgil Hopkins
Cole's	"	T J Woolfenden
Dumfries	"	Mrs A G Cline
Gainesville	"	

Manassas "

Occoquan " E S Brockett.

In re: Balance due Butler & Gossom of building contract, Haymarket School: By order of the board C B Allen and Chas R McDonald were appointed a committee to arrange settlement.

The following bills were presented read and order paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### **RECAPITULATION:**

Brentsville Dist.	1426.77
Coles	628.62
Dumfries	1168.94
Gainesville	2925.71
Manassas	2752.37
Occoquan	1114.89
County	708.63
	10725.93

There being no further business	meeting adjourned to Monday March 9 <sup>th</sup> -1925.
	Chairman
Clerk	

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

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Manassas Va March 9-1925.

The County School Board met as per adjournment on Monday March  $9^{th}$ -1925 with all members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

On motion Miss N A Saxon was appointed to teach the unexpired term of 6 months at the Quantico colored school.

In regard to the bond issue for Manassas Dist. the following resolution was offered and unanimously adopted:

Whereas, it has been made to appear to the County School Board for the County of Prince William, Virginia, by the patrons of Manassas School District, and representatives of the State Board of Education of Virginia, that additional school houses and school facilities are necessary for the children of school age in Manassas School District, and that the school funds of said District are not sufficient to provide such additional school buildings and furnish same; and

Whereas, the School Board for said County is of the opinion that the sum of \$53,000.00 will be necessary to erect two additional buildings and furnish same, as shown by the estimated cost therefore, be it

Resolved, by the County School Board for the County of Prince William in meeting duly assembled, with all members present on this the 9th day of March, 1925, that it is the sense and best judgment of this board to initiate proceedings to borrow money and issue bonds therefore in order to secure the much needed additional buildings and furnishings for same; therefore it is ordered that the Chairman of this board, together with its Secretary, be and they are hereby directed to request the Board of Supervisors for said County to confirm and adopt this resolution as provided by law; that said Chairman and Secretary of this Board be and they are hereby directed to petition the Circuit Court of said County praying that it make and enter such and all necessary orders for special election, as provided by law, in Manassas Magisterial District, (Manassas Magisterial District and Manassas School District being one and the same area) that a vote be taken of the qualified voters of said District on the question of issuing bonds and borrowing the sum of \$53,000.00 for the purpose of erecting an additional school house at or adjacent to the "Bennett Building" in the Town of Manassas and furnishing same, and an additional school house for colored children of school age to be erected at or near the Coal Bin, said District, and furnishing same; and in the event of the issuance of said bonds that they be either registered or coupon, for the sum of money so borrowed, said bonds to be payable at a period not exceeding thirty years from date of issuance and be made payable at the option of such School Board at such time after date of issue as may be specified in the bond; that the rate of interest shall not exceed 6 per centum per annum, payable either annually or semiannually.

On motion a reward of \$25 shall be offered for the arrest and conviction of any one defacing, mutilating or writing any obscene language or caricatures on any school

building. Hand bills or notices to this effect are ordered printed and posted throughout the county.

The following bills were presented, read before the board and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

# RECAPITULATION.

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Brentsville Dist.	1370.17
Coles	622.73
Dumfries	1265.27
Gainesville	2167.70
Manassas	2693.03
Occoquan	1099.10
County	680.63
	9898.63

No further business meeting adjourned to Thursday April 9-1925.

[signed] J. R. Cooke Chairman

[signed] Chas R McDonald, Clerk

# COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

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Manassas Va April 9-1925

The County School Board met as per adjournment on above date with all members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

In re: the High School Domestic Science Dept. After various discussions on motion it was ordered that this Dept. be allowed the sum of \$40 to complete the present session.

On motion it was ordered that all teachers attending the Dist. Conf. shall be allowed to count the time so attending as time taught.

Forms having been previously distributed to the trustees for the district budgets were returned and compiled and the amount found necessary for expenses for session of 1925-1926 found to be \$94,624.00 which, on motion, was adopted for presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

## RECAPITULATION.

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Brentsville District	1672.79
Coles	819.81
Dumfries	990.15
Gainesville	2666.30
Manassas	2948.53
Occoquan	1141.06
County	<u>692.23</u>
	10930.87

No further business meeting adjourned to Monday May 11-1925.

[signed] J. R. Cooke, Chairman

[signed] Chas. R. McDonald, Clerk.

Manassas Va. May 11-1925

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

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The County School Board met as per adjournment on above date with all members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

On motion the appropriation of \$200 for the support of Home Demonstration work in Pr. William County; said appropriation to apply toward Miss Gilbert's salary as agent.

On motion Mr Cooke was authorized to rent the Brentsville school lot for pasture and to repair fence etc.

On motion Miss Grace B Moran was elected Rural Supervisor for next year at a salary of \$1800; said salary to include traveling expenses.

The Colored Church building in Quantico which is and has been used for school purposes and now being in need of repairs it was ordered that Mrs Cline have such repairs, painting etc. done at the expense of the County School Board.

In re: Haymarket High School.

Whereas the State Board of Education has refused to continue credit to the Haymarket Four Year High School for the session of 1924-25, and

Whereas the people and patrons are very much dissatisfied and feel that since the school was accredited last year and denied this year that great injustice has been done to both school and pupil and to the school spirit and school moral in that part of Prince William County, and

Whereas the pupils entering said school last fall with the expectation that its credit was assured are now disappointed so that great dissatisfaction now obtains among them and their parents, and

Whereas the County School Board is disappointed and feels that its efforts in trying to establish better educational facilities in convenient locations of the county have been hindered, and

Whereas the opinion of all concerned is that the State Board of Education has rendered a hardship upon certain of our student body if the school is not accredited this year, be it now

RESOLVED that the County School Board respectfully enters its protest against the action of the State Board of Education in any regulation whereby the Standardization of this school is disestablished.

RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be handed to the committee at Haymarket for presentation to the State Board of Education.

The following bills were presented, read before the board and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

# RECAPITULATION.

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Brentsville District	1491.59
Coles	603.11
Dumfries	973.07
Gainesville	2114.25
Manassas	2291.96
Occoquan	1120.30
County	665.53
	9259.81

No further business meeting adjourned to Wednesday June 10<sup>th</sup>-1925.

[signed] J. R Cooke, Chairman

[signed] Chas. R. McDonald, Clerk

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD METING.

Manassas Va June 10-1925

The County School Board met as per adjournment on above date with all members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Mr Persons and two ladies, patrons of the Quantico school appeared before the board and requested that a new two-room school building be erected at that point. After discussion it was ordered that the trustee Mrs A G Cline confer with the people and present some definite plan for the board's consideration at the next meeting.

A letter from Mrs Bessie E White, Prin. of the Brown colored school relative to her reappointment was deferred until next meeting for consideration.

On motion the superintendent was authorized to forward warrants to teachers in settlement of the June pay-roll.

On motion Chas R McDonald and TE Didlake were appointed a committee on settlement with the County treasurer for the fiscal year ending June 30<sup>th</sup>-1925.

On motion J R Cooke was authorized to apply to court for permission to sell the old Brentsville colored school house property.

The following bids for wood were received and accepted for session of 1925-26;

Fayman, Archie Lowe, \$25 for term. Goldridge, W Y Ellicott, 45.00 for "two rooms.

On motion of the trustee interested the following teachers were elected for the session of 1925-26;

### **BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT:**

Greenwich, Miss Audrey Nuckols, Prin. \$100 per mo.

" Mr E S House, El.

75 "

" Miss Evangeline Grinsted, Pri. 75

Nokesville, Miss Alga E White,

" Ida B James

Aden, Miss Florence Nash.

Kettle Run Col. Mrs Julia A Holbert.

#### COLES DISTRICT:

Fayman, Elizabeth Cox Woodbine, W Y Ellicott Hayfield, Mrs Nettie P Wright Holmen, Mrs Emma W Carter Smithfield, Miss Mary A Weber Goldridge & Purcell not supplied

# **DUMFRIES DISTRICT:**

E M Day, Minnieville

Mary Bell, Joplin

# GAINESVILLE DISTRICT:

Thoroughfare, Mrs W M Foley

Hickory Grove, Mrs S T Wilson

Catharpin, Miss Eunice E Jones. Prin.

Colored

Macrae, J M Nickens, Prin.

" Mrs Susie B Nickens

Thoroughfare, Mrs. Louise V Allen Prin.

" Pearl Fletcher Pri.

Antioch, Miss Ruth S Butler, Prin.

" Ethel L Bailey Pri

Thornton, Miss Elelyn L Primas,

#### MANASSAS DISTRICT:

Manassas Agrl. High School;

Miss E H Osbourne, Prin. Salary \$1500 per year.

"	Lulu D Metz	150 p	er m	onth
"	Williette R Myers,	155	,,	"
"	Emily J Johnson	120	"	"
"	Mary Haile	135	"	"
"	Margaret S Dowell	125	"	"
"	Hatie Wampler	125	"	"
"	Lydia Shenk	1000	per	year
Prof.	J P Pullen Agrl.	2200	"	"
Miss	Grace E Metz, 'th grade	90	per	month
"	Ruth P Smith	80	"	"
"	Ola Whitmer	80	"	"
"	Beulah Whitmer	80	"	"
"	Katharine L Ayres	80	"	"
"	Ethel Robertson	80	"	"
Mrs	E S Adams	80	"	"
Miss	Ila Breeden	70	"	"
"	Rose Rice, Buckhall	70	"	"
"	Mary Harley, Cannon Branch	70	"	"
"	Laura S Chamblin, Wellington	n 80	"	"
	Colored.			
Mrs	Georgia H Berry, Manley	65	"	66

OCCOQUAN DISTRICT:			
Mrs D C Price, Prin., Woodbridge,	90	per	month
Miss Goode Chapman, Pri. "	85	• • •	66
" Ercelle Savage, Occoquan, Pri	85	"	"
Mrs D C Slascock, Bethel Pri	90	"	"
Colored.			
Mrs E P Grayson, Prin. Summitt	60	"	"
" E H Bailey, Pri "	60	"	"

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

# RECAPITULATION.

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	1602.75
COLES	522.82
DUMFRIES	705.62
GAINESVILLE	1984.83
MANASSAS	2634.31
OCCOQUAN	1035.83
COUNTY	1060.33
	9546.49

No further business meeting adjourned to Monday July 20<sup>th</sup>-1925.

\_Chairman

[signed] Chas. R. McDonald, Clerk

Manassas Va June 15-1925

As per resolution adopted by the County Board at the June 10<sup>th</sup> meeting the following teacher's salaries and bills were paid by the superintendent.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

# RECAPITULATION.

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Brentsville District	251.46
Coles	50.49
Dumfries	116.57
Gainesville	625.27
Manassas	925.16
Occoquan	108.65
County	401.87
	2479.47

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

Manassas Va. July 20-1925.

The County School Board met as per adjournment on the above date with all members present. Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

The report of committee appointed to settle with treasurer reported in full and report made a matter of record.

On motion the resignation of Charles R. McDonald as clerk of the County School Board was approved and accepted and R. C. Haydon was elected to fill the vacancy.

On motion the time for the opening of bids on the \$53000 Manassas District Bonds was set for noon Thursday July 30, and later changed to Monday August 3, by order of the chairman of the board due to a conflict in the time and the clerk authorized to advertise for bids.

On motion the board decided to offer one year high school work at both Aden and Nokesville as an emergency arrangement for the current session with a view to establishing a standard junior two year high school at some point in Brentsville District when the matter could be given further study and a definite need for one determined.

A report was made by Mrs. Annie G. Cline, trustee from Dumfries District, that the citizens of Quantico were willing to lend the board the sum of \$4000 to be used in the erection of a two room school building at that place. Mrs. Cline reported \$3025 already pledged and brought notes to board for that amount, bearing interest at 3% and for terms of one, three and five years. On motion the board authorized the borrowing of the money and the erection of the aforesaid building and appointed Mrs. Cline and the superintendent a committee to look after the details.

On motion Mr. Allen and the superintendent were appointed a committee to look into the advisability of opening a colored school in the old Piney Branch white school house.

On motion Mr. Cooke and the superintendent were appointed a committee to look into the advisability of re-opening a one room school at Bristow and also to investigate the opposition to Mr. Beahm as principal of the Nokesville school.

On motion the board authorized the clerk to reimbursed the treasurer \$4000 for overdraft in the county fund.

On motion the board re-appointed Dr. C.R.C. Johnson text book agent for the year from Aug. 15, 1925 to Aug. 15, 1926. It decided in this connection however that Dr. Johnson would have to sign a contract which would set forth definitely his duties and that he would be held up to this contract or the board would take over the text book business itself.

On motion the question of employing a colored supervisor was tabled until a future time.

On motion the clerk was instructed to make an appropriate reply to the editorial in the Journal of July 16.

On motion the clerk was authorized to advertise for bids on wood for session 1925 & 1926.

The following teachers were elected for session 1925 & 1926.

# Brentsville District:

Nokesville, I.N.H. Beahm, Prin.	\$125.00
Cora E. Beahm, Primary	
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Brentsville, George Beahm, Prin. \$90.00 Sallie B. Massie, Pri. \$70.00

Woodlawn, Miss Lillie Holland, Prin.

### Coles District:

Gold Ridge, Fannie Minnick, Prin.	\$85.00
Naomi Pearson, Prin.	\$80.00
Purcells, Lillie Wise	\$70.00

#### Gainesville District:

Haymarket, H.M. Pearson, Prin.

Mrs. Meade Mrs. Jordon Miss Hibbs Miss Cook

### Manassas District:

Manassas High School, Williette R. Myers (salary raised from \$1500.00 to \$1600 out of district funds raised by tuition)

# Occoquan District:

Bethel, Myrtle Hall \$90.00

The following bills were presented, read, and ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

# RECAPITULATION

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BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	112.52
COLES	35.00
DUMFRIES	54.90
GAINESVILLE	40.00
MANASSAS	326.30
OCCOQUAN	34.00
COUNTY	<u>82.50</u>
	685.22

There being no further business the meeting adjourned to Monday August 3-1925. [signed] J. R. Cooke, Chairman [signed] R. C. Haydon, Clerk

NOTE: Item number seven relative to Mr. Cooke and the Superintendent being appointed a committee to look into the advisability and etc. should have added and secure suitable teachers for Aden and Nokesville.

Manassas Va. August 3, 1925.

The County School Board as per adjournment on the above date with all members present. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Checks representing money loaned by Quantico people to the amount of \$1525.00 were received and deposited with the Treas. to the credit of Dumfries Dist. A check was received from the Selig Co. for return of oil drum and credited to Manassas Dist. amounting to \$10.62. The checks were as follows:

J. T. Mc Intier	\$500.00
E. J. Kelly	100.00
M. Session	100.00
Joe Scelzi	100.00
C. O. Williams	200.00
A. E. Mc Intier	500.00
Rocco Girocco	25.00
Cash	25.00
Total credit to Dumfries Dist.	1550.00

Manassas Dist. The Selig Co 10.62

On motion the Clerk of the Board was authorized to indorse all checks payable to the School Board and turn same over to Treas. taking his receipt therefore.

On motion Miss Naomi Pearson was transferred from Goldridge to Brentsville and Miss Massie from Brentsville to Goldridge.

On motion Mr. Pullin was authorized to make improvements to the Agricultural Building not to exceed \$150.00 with the understanding that he turn over to the Superintendent the amount of \$50.00 and that the State will make an appropriation of \$100.00 upon completion of work.

On motion the Superintendent was authorized to purchase the necessary report blanks and forms etc. necessary to the opening of the schools.

As per resolution of Board July 20, bids were opened for Manassas District bonds at noon. The bids were as follows:

J. C. Mayer & Co. 5 ½ % bonds premium of \$10.00

Braun Bosworth & Co. 5% bonds premium of 355.00

Weil Roth & Irving Co. Par on 5 1/2 % bonds

The Hanchett Bond Co. Par ought two for 5 ½ % bonds

The National Bank of Manassas Par for 5% bonds

Prudden Co. Premium of 37.00 for 5 ½ % bonds

Stranahan, Harris & Oatis Premium of 296.00 for 5 1/4 % bonds.

After reading bids publicly the board went into executive session and after considering all bids carefully passed the following resolution:

Whereas several offers for The Manassas Dist. Bonds have this day been received and none of said bids are entirely satisfactory, therefore all bids are hereby rejected and the same are hereby offered at the highest and best bid upon the following conditions:

- 1. The said bonds to be dated Jan. 1, 1926, with annual int. at 5% payable semi-annually.
- 2. Bonds to be redeemable either in whole, or in part, two years after date at option of School Board.
- 3. Bonds to become due and payable on or after-before thirty years.
- 4. Money to be paid to county Treas. upon delivery of bonds.
- 5. Successful bidder to pay all expense incident to printing and issuing bonds.
- 6. Said bonds to contain such provisions proscribed by the bond as directed by law.

The bonds were then offered in open meeting on the foregoing terms and The National Bank of Manassas bid par for them, their bid being accepted in the following resolution:

Whereas the bid of The National Bank of Manassas for the school bonds has been accepted, therefore it is ordered that all checks deposited by other bidders be returned to them and that Rev. J. R. Cooke and D. J. Arrington be appointed a committee to enter into a contract with said bank for the sale and purchase of said bonds in accordance with the resolution this day adopted and submit same at next meeting for ratification.

The following bids were accepted for wood for session 1925 & 26:

Buckhall, Geo. B. Farquer, \$6.00 per cord.

Thornton, Joe Florence, \$30.00 for term.

Hayfield, G. C. Wright, \$25.00 for term of 8 months.

Holmes, Joseph Woolfenden, \$25.00 for term.

Purcells, J. M. Russell, \$30.00 for term.

Bradley, Frank Brown, \$30.00 for term.

Woodbine, T. M. Russell, \$25.00 for term if league does not furnish it.

On motion D. J. Arrington was authorized to advertise for bids on transportation from Buckhall and Bristow and the Clerk authorized to advertise for bids on transportation from Catharpin, Thoroughfare, Piney Branch, Gainesville and Groveton.

On motion Mrs. Cline was authorized to buy two additional shares of land adjacent to the Dumfries School lot to be added there-to.

On motion Superintendent authorized to employ any necessary office help to assist in times of emergency.

The following teachers were elected for session 1925 & 26.

Brentsville Dist.

Kings X Roads, James M. Bumley

Kettle Run, Julia A. Holbert

Dumfries Dist.

Dumfries, Mr. A. H. Shumate, Prin.

Miss Ethel Davis, Pri.

Neabsco (colored), Mrs. Edna Woodson

Ouantico " Mrs. N. A. Saxon

Gainesville Dist.

Catharpin, Mrs. L. Lynn, Pri. (provided need two teachers)

Haymarket, Miss Lucie E. Scott, 4th & 5th

Waterfall, Miss Mary Watson, Prin.

Miss Katherine Shumate, Pri. (Provided need two teachers)

Manassas Dist.

Bennett, Mrs. Gowl

Brown (colored) Ruth Butler

Ethel L. Bailey

Occoquan Dist.

Bethel, Rachael Dearshbacker

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid,

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

# **RECAPITULATION**

Brentsville Dist.	45.00
Coles Dist.	5.00
Dumfries Dist.	5.00
Gainesville Dist.	5.00
Manassas Dist.	61.46
Occoquan Dist	5.00
County	<u>4.00</u>
	130.46

No further business the meeting adjourned to meet Thursday August 20, 1925.

[signed] J. R. Cooke, CHAIRMAN

[signed] R. C. Haydon, CLERK

Manassas, Va. August 20, 1925.

The County School Board met as per adjournment on the above date with all members present except Mr. Allen from Gainesville District. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Mrs. Cline turned over fifty dollars from M.C. Sisson in cash to be credited to Dumfries Dist. School Fund, this being part of money loaned to the board by the citizens of Quantico for the erection of a school building at that place. D. J. Arrington turned over a check for twenty-five dollars recvd from J. P. Pullin towards improvements to Agricultural Bldg. also a check from Miss Osbourn for eighty-seven dollars from high school tuitions both to be credited to Manassas Dist. School Fund.

On motion deed was accepted for Quantico School lot from W. J. Ford and Wm. K. Goolrick and the same were paid \$1000.00 out of Dumfries Dist. Funds in part payt. thereof. The balance \$400.00 was paid by a note made to them by the board.

The following bids for school transportation were received and accepted:

Beverly's Mill to Haymarket, Lawler & Ashby, \$70.00

Woolsey " " S. W. Hunt \$75.00

Berry's Corner " Mc Cuen's bid of \$80.00 was reduced to \$75.00

Gainesville to Haymarket, John Sweeny's bid of \$70.00 was laid over for further consideration.

Bacon Race to Bethel, W. A. Davis \$70.00

On motion J. R. Cooke, D. J. Arrington, C. B. Allen and the Supt. were appointed a committee and authorized to make the necessary arrangements for transportation from Greenwich, Woodlawn, Bristow and Cannon Branch to Manassas; from Buckhall to Manassas; from Groveton, Gainesville, and Piney Branch to Haymarket.

On motion it was decided to close Cannon Branch and open Bristow School from grades one to five inclusive provided it seemed advisable after closer study.

On motion it was decided to make all renewals of insurance policies for five years in order to gain the 20% discount allowed by all companies on long term policies.

On motion the board decided to supplement the county fund from the district funds as soon as it was found necessary to do so to such an extent as to guarantee the fulfillment of all contracts entered into for instruction, transportation and control.

On motion one half the amt. was appropriated towards digging a well at Summit School not to exceed fifty dollars out of Occoquan Dist. Funds.

On motion the Supt. was authorized to have requisition blanks made and it was decided that the board would not recognize bills if not accompanied by requisition.

On motion Mrs. Cline was authorized to assist financially the Leagues at Dumfries and Forrest Hill Schools respectively in putting down a cement walk and in putting up a fence around school lot.

The following bids for wood were accepted:

ADEN and KINGS X ROADS,	J. E. Marshall, Nokesville Va.	\$25.00 per stv.
BRISTOW	G. W. Spinks	\$25.00 " "
Woodlawn and Greenwich		\$20.00 " "
Brentsville	W. Y. Ellicott	\$26.00 " "

Owing to the fact that there is considerable opposition to the re-appointment of Mrs. Chandler as teacher at Bradley and that she does not have the indorsement of the Rural Supervisor the Board does not deem it advisable to elect her to that position.

On motion it was decided to adopt the Salary Schedule for all teachers, beginning with session 1926 & 1927.

On motion the following agreement was entered into between the County School Board and The National Bank of Manassas:

Whereas the County School Board of Prince William County requested bids for the \$53,000.00 of Manassas School District Bonds, authorized and directed to be issued by a vote of the people in said District in Prince William County, Virginia, on July 14, 1925, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 1925, at which offer there were numerous bids, and all of which were rejected and by a resolution adopted by the board on said 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 1925, as follows: (resolution to be found in minutes of meeting of August 3<sup>rd</sup>.)

And whereas, the National Bank of Manassas, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the United States, was the only bidder for said bonds under said conditions; and,

Whereas the County School Board for the County of Prince William was of the opinion that the best interests of the county and said District would be served and best promoted by the acceptance of the said bid of said Bank; now, therefore,

This agreement made and entered into this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1925, by and between J. R. Cooke and D. J. Arrington a committee appointed by the said County School Board, party of the first part, and the National Bank of Manassas, aforesaid, party of the second part,

WITNESSETH; that for and in consideration of the premises, and in consideration of the adoption of the resolutions aforesaid and the bid made by the said party of the second part for said bonds, the said party of the first part doth hereby covenant and agree to sell and deliver unto the said party of the second part the \$53,000.00 worth of Manassas District School bonds as set forth and described by the resolution and offer made by said School Board, provided the said bonds shall be properly prepared and presented to said Board for execution.

And said party of the second part, covenants and agrees to pay to the County Treasurer the sum of \$53,000.00 upon delivery to it or its assigns, the said bonds duly executed as provided by law.

Executed in duplicate the day and year aforesaid.

R. R. Cooke
D. J. Arrington
On behalf of Prince William
County School Board.

The National Bank of Manassas, by

<u>Harry P. Davis</u> Cashier.

August 20, 1925, the foregoing contract is approved and ratified by the County School Board of Prince William County, Virginia, by formal resolution this day adopted.

#### J. R. Cooke

Chairman County School Board Prince William County, Virginia.

Teste:

### R. C. Haydon

Clerk of County School Board Prince William County, Virginia

On motion the following teachers were elected for Session 1925 & 1926.

Aden, Primary, Miss Indie Flinn	70.00
Woodlawn, Primary, Miss Nita Johnson	75.00
Bennett, seventh grade, Mrs. Julia C. Cross	70.00
Bethel, Principal, Mr. Warren Coleman	115.00
Occoquan, Principal, Miss Helen Young	90.00
Cherry Hill, Miss Carrie E. Edwards	80.00
Cabin Branch, Florence Simms	60.00
Mt. Zion, Mary Patterson	\$55.00
Brown Col., Principal, Bessie White	65.00

On motion the Supt. and trustee in each district were authorized to fill remaining vacancies.

On motion it was seceded to run all colored schools of one and two rooms not more than a seven month term.

The following trustees were sworn in for a term of three years from Sept. 1, 1925, D. J. Arrington, Manassas District and E. S. Brockett Occoquan District.

On motion it was decided to open the white schools for session 1925 & 1926 on Tuesday Sept. 15.

The following bills were presented read and order paid;

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

# RECAPITULATION

Brentsville Dist.	25.55
Coles Dist.	86.38
Dumfries Dist.	1119.73
Manassas Dist.	326.41
Occoquan Dist.	5.90
County	<u>1053.18</u>
-	2617.15

No further business meeting adjourned to meet Wednesday September 9, 1925.

\_\_\_\_\_Chairman

[signed] RF. C. Haydon Clerk

On motion J. R. Cooke was appointed to represent the Board in deciding upon the form and contents of bonds.

On motion the Abingdon plan of school building was adopted for Manassas with the revisions.

Manassas, Va. Sept. 9, 1925.

Prince William County School Board met as per adjournment on the above date with all members present except Mr. Allen from Gainesville District. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

The following teachers were elected for session 1925-26:			
ADEN	Miss Lucy Hutchison, Principal	\$90	
GREENWICH	Miss Edith Callahan, "	\$90	
BENNETT SCHOOL 7 <sup>th</sup> grade position			
	Miss Ada Ragsdale	\$85	
BRADLEY	Miss Ruth Butler	\$65	

The change of the basic salary of the Division Superintendent from \$1670 to \$1640 was noted and recorded.

On motion the clerk was authorized to call a committee composed of D. J. Arrington, J. R. Cook and the Superintendent upon receipt of the plans and specifications of the Manassas Agricultural High School, Manassas Colored School and the Manley Colored School to review plans and specifications, after which bids would be advertised for, to be open at the next regular meeting of the Board, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>. The bids to be advertised in the following publications: Manassas Journal, Richmond Times Dispatch, and the American Contractor.

On motion the Superintendent was authorized to make application for a loan from the literary fund of \$1000 to assist in the building of the Manley Colored School.

On motion the date for the opening of the colored schools of the County was set for Monday Oct.  $5^{th}$ .

On motion it was decided that Thanksgiving day would be allowed all teachers with pay. That schools would close for Christmas Holidays Wednesday, Dec. 23th and reopen Monday Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>.

On motion it was decided to allow teachers taking part in either the Bethel or the Nokesville School Fairs credit for full day at salary for same.

On motion it was decided to pay teachers on the first day of each month, charging days lost in a given month on the payroll of the next month. Teachers are required to have in reports for the month not later than the 10<sup>th</sup> of the following month. Any teacher failing to get reports in by this time will forfeit right to receive pay ahead of report.

On motion an extra allowance was made for the Superintendent's office and traveling of \$200 per year raising the original allowance from \$200 to \$400.

Bids were received for transportation from Piney Branch to Haymarket as follows:

Early Rollins	\$3.50	per day
Mr. Ellis	\$3.50	" "
John Clark	\$69.00	" month

Question of deciding this matter was left with Mr. C. B. Allen Trustee and the Superintendent. It was decided upon further consideration to continue the Cannon Branch School from grades one to four or five as seen advisable.

On motion it was decided to transport upper-grade children from Buckhall to Manassas and Greenwich, Woodlawn, Bristow and Cannon Branch to Manassas.

On recommendation of Committee on Transportation it was decided to eliminate the Dogan Truck which has been operating from Groveton to Haymarket and to extend Sweeney's route from Gainesville taking in the Groveton route, increasing Sweeney's salary from \$70 to \$80 per month.

On motion it was decided to make an appropriation of \$250 toward transportation from Stone House in the Sudley Road to Manassas.

On motion it was decided to purchase out of the Manassas District funds two bodies for school transportation and out of Brentsville District funds one ford chassis for school transportation. The contract for the Buckhall route via Young's farm to Manassas was awarded to Mr. Cornwell at \$75 per month.

On motion the Superintendent was authorized to purchase a stove for the School Board Office.

Mr. Ashby from Water Fall appeared before Board in interest of transportation from Water Fall to Haymarket. The matter was referred to Mr. Allen and the Superintendent was authorized to look into the matter and take what steps seem best.

On motion the salary of Miss Weber and Mr. W. Y. Ellicott were made \$85 and \$80 per month respectively.

On motion it was decided not to employ teachers for Bristow until after school opens and a more definite idea of the enrollment could be ascertained.

On motion Mr. E. S. Brockett was authorized to move the Fairview School from its present location to Bethel, there being no expense to the Board for moving.

On motion it was decided to publish in the Manassas Journal statement to the effect that from date no bills will be paid by the Board without the presentation with bill all requisition for same. The bill from Newman & Trustler for \$63.53 was referred to Mr. Arrington for further investigation.

On motion D. J. Arrington offered a resolution that \$180 be appropriated out of Manassas District School Funds for the Home Economics Department of the Manassas High School for supplies, and that a warrant for \$20 be advanced to Miss Lulu Metz out of the amount on the first of each month, and that she furnish the Board an itemized statement of each month's expenditures.

On motion J. R. Cook was elected chairman of the Board from September 1, 1925 to Sept. 1, 1926 and R. C. Haydon elected clerk for a like term.

On motion Mrs. Cline was authorized to buy necessary furniture for the equipping of the Quantico School.

A bid was received and accepted for the furnishing of wood for Smithfield School from James Russel at \$30 per session.

The following checks and money were turned in by Mrs. Annie G. Cline to be credited to Dumfries District Fund. The checks representing loans by citizens of Quantico for the construction of a school at Quantico:

C. C. Cloe

\$100

(	C. C. Cloe	\$100
]	Rebecca Gratz	\$100
]	E. N. McIntier	500
;	S. L. Keys	50
]	Mrs. John Hicks	100
]	P. Fandafide	100
(	Clara N. Kim	50
	A. D. Persens	50
]	B. L. Bigelow	100
(	C. G. Paris	50
	Joseph Sisson	50
	Nick E. Casdeighi	50
,	Wallace Baume	<u>50</u>
		\$1350
Dumfrie	es School League for	
	building fence	<u>15</u>
	C	\$13 <del>65</del>

Following bills were read, approved and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

# RECAPITULATION

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BRENTSVILLE D	ISTRICT	\$12.50
COLES	44	6.03
DUMFRIES	"	672.29
MANASSAS	"	278.30
OCCOQUAN	"	236.60
COUNTY		<u>26.50</u>
		\$1232.22

There being no further business meeting adjourned to meet October 12th, 1925.

[signed] J. R. Cook, CHAIRMAN

[signed] R. C. Haydon, CLERK

Manassas, Va. October 21, 1925.

Prince William County School Board met on the above date with all members present except Mrs. Cline from Dumfries District. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following teachers were elected for session 1925&26.

Aden, Miss Elizabeth Vaughan	\$105.00
Greenwich, Miss Sallie Massie	\$ 85.00
Goldridge, Miss Lena Purdue	\$ 70.00
Bristow, Mrs Georgette Weir (substitute)	\$ 65.00
Antioch (colored), Ethel S. Jackson	\$ 50.00
Lola V. Smith	\$ 50.00

The Superintendent reported that he had been unable thus far to secure colored teachers for Thornton and Mt Zion schools.

The question of taking out property and liability insurance on the County School Bus was referred to the Superintendent for further study.

A petition was received from citizens of the Buckhall neighborhood relative to the transportation service from Buckhall to Manassas. It was reported that the matter had already been adjusted.

Mr. C. B. Allen and the Superintendent reported conditions of the enrollment at Waterfall School and recommended the following: that the two teachers be left there until Christmas and that they be required to make a daily average of at least thirty if the above average is not maintained to close out one of the rooms, beginning Jan. 1, 1925. In the event the school makes the necessary average the patrons agree to pay the salary of the second teacher for the last month of the school year. On motion the Board adopted the above recommendations.

On motion the board adopted the following fees to be charged the pupils of the Manassas High School:

Laboratory fee in Chemistry 5.00
Fee for 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> yr. commercial pupils 2.00 per month.
Fee for typewriting alone 1.00 " "

Fee for special students 5.00 "

On motion the Board decided to increase the salary of the following truck drivers:

Harvey Cornwell from 75.00 to 81.00 Malcolm McCuen 75.00 80.00 Claude Ellis 70.00 75.00

And also decided to pay Albert Allen 15.00 per month to drive the County truck from Greenwich.

On motion the Board authorized the purchase of the following equipment:

Dumfries District 18 primary chairs 31.50

Manassas District 2 Underwood Typewriters at 71.00 ea 142.00

7 dozen folding chars for the High

School and 12 primary chairs 140.00

On motion \$15.00 was appropriated by the Board to help defray the expense of equipping the High School Gymnasium for heating and lighting.

On motion the clerk was instructed to get into communication with the mayors of Haymarket and Occoquan relative to the bank taxes due the schools.

On motion Mr. Allen was authorized to purchase an acre of land at the Catharpin School not to exceed in price \$100.00, and Mr. Woolfenden to buy an acre of land at each of the following Hayfield, Holmes and Woodbine.

The contract for wood at Nokesville School was let to W. S. Ross at \$25.00 per stove.

At noon the following bids were received and opened for the erection of three school buildings in Manassas District:

	13 room brick	4 room frame	one room fr.
I. E. Cannon	73292.00	8925.00	3161.00
R. B. Gossom		8150.00	2295.00
King Lumber Co.	66540.00	11367.00	3606.00
D. E. Bayliss	76400.00	9983.00	3661.00
Bradford & Wheeler		7833.00	
Mottley Const. Co.	5854.00 (without 1	heating or plumbing)	
The Wilson Co.	71950.00	10600.00	
Appamattox Const. Co.	51645.00 (W.O.H	or P) 7518.00	1353.00
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W.D. Kitchen Heating \$5460.98 Plumbing \$1320.00.

On motion the bids of The Appamottox Const. Co. were tentatively accepted with some revisions and reductions, to be agreed upon by The Board the architect and themselves. The bids of the W. D. Kitchen were accepted for heating and plumbing.

The following bills were read approved and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

### RECAPITULATION

Brentsville Di	strict	464.48
Coles	66	92.91
Dumfries	66	1477.39
Gainesville	66	567.16
Manassas	66	1450.21
Occoquan	66	308.84
County		<u>14285.76</u>
		\$18646.75

No further business the meeting adjourned to meet again Monday November 9, 1925.

[signed] J. R. Cooke Chairman. [signed] R. C. Haydon Clerk

Manassas, Va. November 9, 1925.

The County School Board met as per adjournment Monday November 9, with all members present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion the clerk was authorized to purchase a State aid library for the Buckhall School and the sum of fifteen dollars was appropriated out of Manassas Dist. Fund for that purpose.

Reports from Mr. Cooke, Mr. Allen & Mr. Woolfenden showed that work was progressing towards the standardization of Woodlawn, Catharpin, Hayfield, Holmen, Woodbine and possibly Brentsville and Waterfall.

The Superintendent made a brief report on the bank tax question and also gave a tentative report showing the indebtedness of the different districts.

A resolution was passed to allow fifteen (15) dollars towards the expenses of any board member attending the State Teachers Conference in Norfolk Thanksgiving Week.

Thirty (30) dollars was turned in by Mr. Brockett from the Summit school league to be credited to Occoquan Dist. Fund.

The following estimates were received from The Appomattox Construction Co. on the three buildings to be erected in Manassas District:

The 13 room and auditorium brick building

First prop	osition	Deduct	546.00
Second	"	"	700.00
Third	"	"	80.00
Fourth	"	"	650.00
Sixth	"	add	40.00
Seventh	"	deduct	275.00

Making the bid on this building without heating and plumbing \$49184.00 complete as per plans and specifications.

The one-room frame building complete for \$1263.00.

The four-room frame building complete not including excavation or concrete work in basement \$7051.00.

On motion of D. J. Arrington the above named company was awarded the contract on the thirteen-room and the one-room buildings and their bid on the four-room building was rejected. The bids on the four-room building to be re-opened and probably to be considered at the December meeting of the Board.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid;

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

RECAPITULATION	
Brentsville	256.69
Coles	20.93
Dumfries	1436.50
Gainesville	47.46
Manassas	255.25
Occoquan	32.67
County	<u>46.25</u>
	2095.75

No further business the meeting adjourned to meet again Monday December 14, 1925.

[signed] J. R. Cooke Chairman

[signed] R. C. Haydon Clerk

Manassas, Va. December 14, 1925.

The County School Board met as per adjournment on the above date with all members present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion it was decided not to allow teachers for time missed unless a competent substitute is secured during the absence.

A petition from patrons of Bristow School, requesting that Mrs. R. M. Weir be retained at that school as teacher for the remainder of the session, was received and filed for future reference by the board.

On motion appropriations were made for libraries at Haymarket High School, Haymarket Graded School and Quantico School.

On motion the action of J. M. Nickins in dismissing Isabel McKenny from the McCrae School was sustained.

On motion D. J. Arrington and the superintendent were appointed a committee to investigate the advisability of re-opening heating bids on the new school building in order to consider vapor instead of single pipe steam.

On motion the board decided to make no change in the penalty clause of the contract for the high school building.

On motion it was decided to open bids for the erection of the colored school at Manassas at the next regular meeting of the board.

The clerk was authorized to make application to the Literary Fund for a loan of \$5000.00 on the new Quantico school and an additional loan of \$3000.00 on the Haymarket school.

A committee composed of the Rev. Eutsler and Rev. Taylor appeared before the board relative to some board regulation of the gymnasium. On motion it was decided to take no action at this time.

Upon the presentation by Mr. Arrington of a bill for Domestic Science supplies the clerk was requested to look into the matter more fully.

Upon complaint made by Mrs. Annie G. Cline that the following young men have made a practice of conducting themselves in a very disorderly manner at public meetings held in school houses and that more than once it had been necessary to discontinue the meetings on account of these young men, the board directed the clerk to write personally to each of them, warning them that if any of them are seen on school property within one year from this date that a warrant will be immediately sworn out for the past offenses. The young men in question are Jack Carney, Harold Lunsford, Grant Lunsford, Rheuben Russell, Walter Cornell and Dick Watson, all of Joplin, Va.

The following bills were read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

RECAPITULATION	
Brentsville Dist.	210.93
Coles Dist.	37.50
Dumfries Dist.	782.50
Gainesville Dist	209.08
Manassas Dist.	655.10
Occoquan Dist.	264.31
County	<u>17356.93</u>
	19516.35

No further business the meeting adjourned to meet again Monday January 4, 1926.

Mrs. Cline turned in to credit of Dumfries Dist. Loans on the Quantico School as follows:

Joseph Sisson, check	50.00
E. T. Kelly, "	200.00
Gifford Mooney, cash	75.00

Mr. Brockett turned in check of Brown & Hooff for \$1.70 to credit of Occoquan Dist.

[signed] J. R. Cooke Chairman.

[signed] R. C. Haydon Clerk.

Monday, January 4, 1926

The Prince William County School Board met as per adjournment on the above date, with all members present except Mr. Woolfenden of Coles District. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The superintendent reported that the Water Fall school had failed to make an average the months of November and December, and that he had notified Miss Catherine Shumate that she was transferred from Water Fall to Bristow, according to resolution of the Board in the Oct. 21, meeting; notified Miss Watson to work at Water Fall school on a one-room basis, and notified Mrs. Weir, who had been substituted at Bristow of these changes. In this connection the letter was read from Miss Catherine Shumate resigning the position at Bristow. On motion the Board decided to accept the resignation of Miss Shumate and to make Mrs. R. M. Weir permanent teacher at Bristow for the remainder of the session.

Letter was read from L. V. Allen, principal of the Thoroughfare school, in which she tendered her resignation due to ill health. The Board decided to accept her resignation and to continue the school as a one-room school until such time as its attendance justifies a larger teaching force.

A petition was received from patrons of the Quantico colored school, protesting against the teacher, and asking that she be removed. The Board ordered the petition received and filed. The superintendent and Trustees from Dumfries District were instructed to retain the present teacher should she wish to return to the school; if not, to secure another teacher for the place as soon as possible. On motion the Board decided, as a supplement to the resolution presented relative to substitute teachers, that teachers employing substitutes during sickness or necessary absence, must secure a competent substitute and the compensation per day for such substitute must not be less than \$3.50, provided the teacher in question receives as much, and if not, the same per day as the salary of the teacher. Upon the recommendation of Mrs. Cline and the Superintendent the Board authorized the employment of an assistant teacher at the Cabin Branch colored school be secured as soon as possible.

Letter was read from Raymond V. Long, state school architect, relative to vapor heat for the new school. The matter was thoroughly discussed by the Board and the committee appointed in the December meeting was continued to make further investigation. The Board received the contract and bonds from the Appomattox Construction Company for the new high school building at Manassas, and for the Manly one-room colored school near Wellington. Upon application by some of the larger pupils of the Bristow neighborhood to take seventh grade work at the Bristow school, the Board decided that no work above the sixth grade could be offered at this school, and that pupils wishing to take sixth grade work would be accepted.

Mr. Ledman, clerk of the Board of Supervisors, referred to the Board a communication from the State Board of Education, relative to the basic salary of the

Division Superintendent. On motion, this matter was laid over until the next regular meeting of the Board.

Rev. J. R. Cooke, who was appointed from the Board as a member of the committee to draw up the form of bond to be used for the Manassas District School Bonds, made the following report, and the report was adopted as follows: Ayes, J. R. Cooke, Mrs. A. G. Cline, C. B. Allen, D. J. Arrington; absent, T. J. Woolfenden, E. S. Brocket; Nays, none.

Whereas the chairman of this Board hath heretofore been appointed a committee to confer with others as to the form of the bonds authorized to be issued by the school district of Manassas, Prince William County, Virginia, by the qualified voters of said district on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1925; and,

Whereas the said committee have submitted a form of such bonds and suggesting that there be issued thirty-five of the denomination of 1,000.00 each and thirty six of the denomination of 500.00 each, with coupons attached representing the interest at five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, principal payable on or before thirty years after January 1<sup>st</sup>., 1926, a form of said bonds and coupons being submitted with said report; now, therefore, be it,

Resolved by the County School Board of the county of Prince William, Virginia, in meeting assembled in the town of Manassas, county and State aforesaid, that the said report be accepted and the form of said bond and coupon be and the same is hereby approved, ratified, and adopted substantially of tenor and effect following, to-wit:

#### BONDOF

#### MANASSAS SCHOOL DISTRICT OF

#### PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA

No.	\$1,000.00

For value received Manassas School District of the County of Prince William, State of Virginia, promises to pay to bearer hereof the sum of

#### ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS

In gold coin of the United States of America, of the present standard of weight and fineness, negotiable and payable at The National Bank of Manassas, Manassas, Virginia, on or before thirty years after January 1, 1926, with interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable in like gold coin, half yearly, on the first days of July and January in each year, until fully paid, at said bank, upon presentation and surrender of the annexed coupons as they may severally fall due.

This bond is one of a series of bonds of even date aggregating the principal sum of \$53,000.00, all issued under appropriate resolutions of the County School Board, the Board of Supervisors and an order of the Circuit Court of Prince William County, Virginia, ratified by a majority vote of the qualified voters of Manassas School District, County and State aforesaid, on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July 1925, for the purpose of erecting two additional school houses and furnishing the same in said school district; and by appropriate resolution of said School Board these bonds are issued of the following denominations, to-wit: Thirty-five, numbered from one to thirty-five, both inclusive, for One Thousand Dollars each; and thirty-six, numbered from thirty-six to seventy-one, both inclusive, for Five Hundred Dollars each; the said bonds are a lien upon the school property to be erected by the proceeds thereof, as well as a lien on all the school property in said Manassas School District, both as to principal and interest accruing thereon. That these bonds shall not be subject to any County, City, Town or District tax (Sec. 2302). That any or all of said bonds shall be subject to call for redemption by said School Board at any interest paying period.

Witness the corporate seal of said School Board this 1st day of January, 1926. Atteste: R. C. Haydon Secretary Prince William County, Virginia, School Board By J. R. Cooke\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman. Coupon No. \_\_\_\_\_ Bond No. \_\_\_\_\_ first, 19 , the undersigned will pay to bearer twenty-five dollars in gold coin of the United States of America, of the present standard of weight and fineness, on presentation and surrender hereof at The National Bank of Manassas, of Manassas, Virginia, being six month's interest on the bond numbered as above. \$25.00 Prince William County, Virginia School Board. R. <u>C. Haydon</u> By\_\_\_\_\_ J. R. Cooke\_\_\_\_\_ Secretary \_\_\_\_\_\_ Bond No. \_\_\_\_\_ Coupon No. \_\_\_\_\_

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and fifty cents in gold coin of the United States of America, of the present standard of				
weight and fineness, on presentation and surrender hereof at The National Bank of Manassas, of Manassas, Virginia, being six month's interest on the bond numbered as				
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\$12.50			ee William County, Virginia ol Board.	
R. C. Hayd	on	By	J. R. Cooke	
Secretary			Chairman	

On motion the Clerk of the Board was authorized purchase of seal for the County School Board.

At twelve o'clock noon, bids were opened for the four-room colored school to be erected at Manassas, Virginia, and were as follows:

Gilbert Merchant, Manassas, Virginia, \$7250.00 Appomatox Construction Company, Appomatox, Va., \$6631.53.

For option of used keeul cement block board in place of those specified, \$150.00 was deducted, which brought the bids down respectively to \$7100.00 and \$6481.53. The bid of Appomatox Construction Company at \$6481.53 was accepted.

On motion the Board decided to allow contractors to erect a building for tools, etc., on the ground this building to cost not less than \$325.00 for erection, and agreed should the building be well built and suitable for keeping cars, automobiles, etc., that the Board would agree to pay \$100.00 if left on the ground by the Construction Company when leaving.

A letter was read from Miss Lula D. Metz, explaining several points relative to the expenses of the Domestic Science Department of the high school. The Board ordered the letter received and filed.

The following bills were received and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

### RECAPITULATION

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	137.30
COLES	113.48
DUMFRIES	275.76
GAINESVILLE	135.77
MANASSAS	560.90
COUNTY	1.50
OCCOQUAN	<u>21.00</u>
	1245.71

There being no further business, the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, February  $10^{\mathrm{th}}$ .

[signed] J. R. Cooke Chairman.

[signed] R. C. Haydon Clerk.

Manassas, Va. February 10, 1926.

###The County School Board met as per adjournment on the above date with the following members present; G. B. Allen, D. J. Arrington, J. R. Cooke, chairman and R. C. Haydon, Clerk. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Supt. Made a report on the financial condition of the schools and the Board passed a resolution to pay the May pay-roll out of district funds in order to take care of the deficit in the County fund.

The communication sent on to the Board by the Board of Supervisors, relative to the decrease in the basic salary of the Division Superintendent was received and the Board appropriated the amount of thirty-one dollars (\$31.00), this being the amount the salary was lowered.

A letter was read from Mr. Dabney S. Lancaster, stating that the State Board would allow a loan of \$3000.00 on the school at Haymarket from the Literary Fund.

On the strength of information received in Mr. Long's letter and that from other sources the Board decided not to make any change in the heating specifications of the new high school building. The committee was discharged.

A letter was read from Mr. Gresham, State Supervisor of Colored Education, relative to the situation at Cabin Branch School. The matter was referred to the Supt. For investigation.

A resolution was received from the Nokesville Civic League, relative to having the Hebron Seminary Property inspected by the State Architect with a view to using it as a School building. The Board decided to hold its regular May meeting at Nokesville and to have Mr. Long inspect the building at that time.

Upon receipt of a letter from Pearl Fletcher, teacher at North Fork school, asking for a raise in salary, the Board decided that her grade of certification does not justify a raise this year.

On motion C. B. Allen was authorized to rent the Gainesville School property for a year to the best advantage possible.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION

Brentsville	47.06
Dumfries	578.42
Gainesville	120.06
Manassas	259.11
County	<u>166.36</u>
	1171.01

No further business the Board adjourned to meet again Wednesday, March 10.

[signed] J. R. Cooke Chairman.

[signed] R. C. Haydon Clerk.

Manassas, Va. March 10, 1926.

The County School Board met on the above date with all members present except Mrs. Cline of Dumfries District. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer made a report of the financial condition of the board followed up by a report from the Superintendent with recommendations. A committee composed of the chairman, superintendent and D. J. Arrington to go more thoroughly into the matter. This committee to prepare a statement and present it at the next meeting of the Board of Supervisors with recommendations.

A communication was read from Mr. Sharret of Bristow relative to crowded conditions on the County truck. This matter was referred to Mr. Cooke and the Supt. For investigation.

The following resolution was received from the Fauquier School Board: February 11, 1926.

Be it resolved that the County School Board of Fauquier County finds it necessary to recind its action taken on Nov. 13, 1924 relative to paying tuition of Fauquier Co. children attending Haymarket and Greenwich schools in Prince William Co. after the session of 1925 & 1926. This action was taken because the adjoining counties to Fauquier have consistently refused to pay tuition for children attending Fauquier Co. schools. If the Prince Wm. Co. School board sees fit to deny admittance to Fauquier Co. children then the Fauquier Co. School Board will make their own arrangements for providing educational advantages for these pupils.

Signed <u>James C. Ambler</u> Supt of Schools of Fauquier Co.

On motion the resolution was tabled and C. B. Allen was appointed a committee to confer with the people and to report to the board at a later meeting.

On motion the board decided to place twelve hundred dollars insurance on the Manual training building and contents.

On motion the board decided to allow all teachers Friday April 9 to attend the District H. Teachers Conference, it to be counted as a day taught.

A communication was read relative to our children taking part in the Winchester Apple Blossom Festival. The board decided that our schools were too far from Winchester to make it practical for our schools to take part.

The board ordered libraries to be purchased for Waterfall Minnieville and two for Bennett.

Mr. G. C. Parrish appeared before the board with a request that the town council be allowed to move the side walk on the Center Street side of the Ruffner School grounds inside the row of trees so that the street could be made wider at that point. The board after looking over the ground decided that it would be willing to have the walk placed close to the trees on the outside but not on the inside.

Mr. W. A. Davis appeared before the board and asked for an addition to his salary for the remaining months. His salary was raised to seventy-five dollars for the remaining months.

Mr F. M. Dacey appeared before the board in interest of the sale of Memorial half dollars. The Supt was authorized to set aside a day in which the school children be asked to bring the matter to the attention of their parents.

The following bills were presented read and ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION.

Brentsville	105.99
Coles	14.65
Dumfries	114.63
Gainesville	154.05
Manassas	150.11
Occoquan	106.90
County	<u>17163.12</u>
Total Recapt.	\$17709.45

On motion the board decided to hold its regular monthly meetings on the first Wednesday in each month.

There being no forther business the meeting adjourned until Wednesday April 7, 1926

[signed] J. R. Cooke\_\_\_\_ Chairman.

[signed] R. C. Haydon\_\_\_\_ Clerk.

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas, Va., April 7, 1926.

The Prince William County School Board met as per adjournment on the above date with all members present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The committee appointed at the previous meeting reported, and recommendations were adopted by the Board as follows: That the Greenwich school be reduced to two teachers; that the Goldridge school be reduced to one teacher; that the Summit Colored School be reduced to one teacher; that the Board close the Kings X Road school and transport the children to Nokesville; that the Board elect a teaching principal to take charge of the Bennett Graded School; that the Board of Supervisors be asked to levy a 20¢ tax on \$100. in Manassas School District to take care of the bond issue voted July 14, 1926; that the Thoroughfare School be closed and the children transported to Haymarket.

The above to become effective for session 1926-27.

On motion it was decided that all nine-months schools in the county except the two accredited high schools be closed on May 28.

A letter was read from Raymond V. Long, relative to heat in the new high school and the Bennett School. This matter was referred to a committee composed of C. B. Allen, D. J. Arrington and R. C. Haydon.

The following resolution was presented to the Board from the Board of Supervisors and adopted: Ordered that a warrant be drawn on the county fund to the credit of the county school fund for the sum of \$5,000., the same to be used by the County School Board for the purpose of relieving a deficit in part existing for some years of school funds for the county, which appropriation is made with the understanding that the said school Board will ask for no increase of 1926 tax, and keep its expenditures within its receipts. Ayes—W. N. Crowe, J. L. Dawson, J. E. Keys, Rolfe Robertson, J. R. Larkin. Nays—none. Approved. Signed George G. Tyler, Clerk.

The following teachers were elected for session 1926-27.

Cora Beahm, Nokesville	\$85.00
Olga White	80.00
Julia Holbert, Kettle Run	60.00
Hay Field, Nettie Wright	80.00
Anna W. Carter, Holmes	80.00
Bertha Hibbs, Haymarket	80.00
Mrs. Jordan	90.00
Mrs. Meade	105.00

Bessie White, Brown Colored School	65.00
Mrs. Helen Long, Occoquan	80.00
Ercelle Savage	85.00
Mrs. Wilson, Hickory Grove	80.00
Mrs. Louise B. Allen, North Fork	60.00
Mrs. Nettie B. Williams, Thornton	60.00

A committed was received from Quantico, Virginia, headed by Mr. C. J. Paris, relative to obtaining high school work at that place. In this connection the following committee was appointed to look into a possible location for high school work in the lower end of the county and to report back at the June meeting, which is to be held in Quantico, Virginia. Mrs. Annie G. Cline, Mr. E. S. Brockett, Mr. Thomas Woolfenden, miss Grace Moran, Mr. R. J. Haydon.

A letter was received from Florence Sims, teacher at the Cabin Branch colored school asking that she be allowed an addition to her salary, since she has been conducting the school alone in the absence of her assistant. The Board allowed \$10. per month additional for February, March and April to be added to the April check.

A communication was received from Mrs. E. M. Edwards relative to school transportation for her children from Buckland to Haymarket. The Clerk was instructed by the Board to notify Mrs. Edwards that it was not in a position to help her at this time, but that provision would be made to take care of her children the next session.

The Board authorized officially the necessary changes for the installation of a Central Heating Plant in the new Brown colored school. These changes authorized the omission of two flues and building of a stack large enough to supply the plant, also the construction of two windows and one door for the furnace room. These changes were authorized by the Board with the understanding that there should be no additional cost to the Board.

- R. C. Haydon was appointed a committee to see Mr. Davis and make necessary arrangements for interest on the \$53,000 derived from the bond issue. It was decided that the money derived from the bond issue should be kept in a separate account to be known as the Manassas District School Bond Issue Account.
- D. J. Arrington and R. C. Haydon were appointed a committee to decide on school furniture for the new buildings being erected in Manassas District.

The following bills were presented and read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT		35.32
COLES		58.00
DUMFRIES		65.55
<b>GAINESVILLE</b>		532.02
MANASSAS		364.94
OCCOQUAN		36.00
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY		8262.13
		9353.96

There being no further business the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, May 5, Nokesville, Virginia.

[signed] J. R. Cooke_	CHAIRMAN
	CLERK.

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Nokesville, Va., May 5, 1926.

The County School Board met as per adjournment on the above date with all members present excepting Mr. Allen of Gainesville District.

Delegations were received from the various communities of Brentsville District relative to the possible location of a Junior High School in the District. These delegates were of the opinion that the roads would be in satisfactory condition for transportation, that there would be a sufficient number of children to maintain such a school and were all agreed that they would be glad to support such a school wherever the Board should decide to place it.

Mr. Raymond V. Long, State architect, inspected thoroughly, the Hebron Seminary with the idea of deciding whether it could be used for public school purposes. He made a verbal report before the Board in which he said that he would not advise the use of the building for that purpose. He said further, that he would send a typewritten report from his office which would show in detail his advice about the matter.

The Board authorized D. J. Arrington and R. C. Haydon to pay without Board action, such bills as are necessary to the construction of the building program in the Manassas District subject to contract entered into by Bd.

The Board endorsed the plans presented for the County May Health and Athletic Day and authorized the allowance of a day taught for each teacher entering her school in the parade. The Board also authorized the expenditure of not more than \$10.00 out of the County Fund to help defray incidental expenses of the day.

A pertition was received from Occoquan District in which a request was made for a bond issue election for the purpose of erecting a modern high school in that district. This pertition was referred to the committee appointed at a previous meeting for consideration of the possible location of high school work in the lower end of the county.

A request was made by the Brown School League of a \$50.00 appropriation towards putting running water in the new Brown School. The Board allowed the appropriation.

On motion, Dr. C. R. C. Johnson was re-elected text-book agent for Prince William County for the coming year.

On motion, the Board decided to use the Standard State Accredited High School diplomas for both Manassas and Haymarket Schools.

The Board decided to accept with thanks the invitation of the Quantico School League to be present at luncheon on the day of the Board Meeting in Quantico. It decided also,. To have the dedication exercises for the Quantico School on the date and appointed Mrs. Annie G. Cline to arrange for the ceremonies.

Contract for purchase of land for the Catharpin School was received and referred to Commonwealths Attorney before being recorded.

The Board received a request for the Fayman School League to defray half the expenses of putting in a pump at the school. This matter was laid over to a future meeting. The request for the appropriation of the \$45.00 towards janitor's service at Nokesville School was allowed.

The Board decided to allow the Bethel Fair Association to build a building to be used for their fair and to be used by the school for assembly and gymnasium purposes on the Bethel School grounds, and appointed the trustees from that district and the superintendent to decide on the location of the building.

The Board authorized D. J. Arrington to make application to the court for the sale of the Brown School property in Manassas, Virginia.

The Board formally adopted the budget for 1926-27 and a copy was ordered to be forwarded to the State Board of Education.

The following teachers were elected for session 1926-27:

Aden	Mrs. Marshall	\$75.00
	Naomi Parson	70.00
Brentsville	Mr. George Beahm	85t.00
Greenwich	Edward House	80.00
	Katherine Shumate	70.00
Nokesville	Miss Ida James	80.00
	Mr. I.N.H. Beahm	115.00
Goldridge	W. Y. Ellicott	80.00
Woodbine	Miss Mary Weber	80.00
Cherry Hill	Miss Carrie E. Edwards	80.00
Dumfries	Miss Ethel Davis	80.00
Quantico	Miss Eleanor Purks	90.00
	Mrs. Nora B. Keys	90.00
Thornton	Miss Lucile Muse	70.00
Cabin Branch, colored	Florence Sims	60.00
Neabsco, colored	Edna B. Woodson	60.00
Catharpin	Mrs. Alice M. Lynn	80.00
	Margaret Pattie	65.00

Haymarket	H. M. Pearson	150.00
•	Mrs. Foley	75.00
	Miss Massie	80.00
	Miss Graybill	105.00
Antioch, colored	Evelyn Primas	60.00
	Lola B. Smith	50.00
McCrae, colored	J. M. Nickens	65.00
	Susie B. Nickens	60.00
Thornton	Mrs. Nettie V. Williams	60.00
Cannon Branch	Mary Harley	70.00
Bennett, Manassas	Elizabeth Vaughan	125.00
	Miss Indie Flynn	80.00
	Miss Kittie Grigg	85.00
	Mrs. H. E. Metz	70.00
	Miss Ruth Butler	70.00
Manassas High School	Miss Hattie Wampler	130.00
G	Miss Mary Haile	135.00
	Miss Margaret Dowell	115.00
	Miss Emily Johnson	120.00
	Miss W. R. Myers	166.00
	Miss Lula Metz	150.00
	Mr. J. P. Pullen	183.33
	Miss E. H. Osbourn	1500.00
	Miss Ruth Smith	80.00
	Miss Grace Metz	80.00
Brown Colored School	Bessie White	65.00
	Ethel Barrie	55.00
	Ruth S. Butler	55.00
Manly	George H. Berry	60.00
Bethel	Warren Coleman	125.00
	Mrs. D. C. Glascoch	90.00
	Miss Myrtle Hall	85.00
	Miss Dearenbacker	80.00
Woodbridge	Miss Fannie Minick	90.00
Summit Colored School	Mrs. E. P. Grayson	60.00

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	201.70
COLES DISTRICT	66.40
DUMFRIES DISTRICT	59.53
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT	128.48
MANASSAS DISTRICT	547.91
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT	60.80
MANASSAS DISTRICT BOND ISSUE ACCT.	13179.92
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	8522.89
	22767.63

There being no further business, the Board adjourned to meet at Quantico, Virginia, Wednesday, June 2.

[signed] J. R. Cooke CHAIRMAN	Į
CLERK	_

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Quantico, Va., June 2, 1926.

The Prince William County Board met as per adjournment on the above mentioned date with all members present excepting Mr. Allen of Gainsville District.

The committee on location of the high school below the run reported and it was shown that there were more children in the graded schools and more children immediately ready for high school in the Occoquan end of the district than in the Dumfries end. Delegations from Bethel, Dumfries, Quantico and a representative from Woodbridge were present. Several members of the delegations were heard; among them Mr. Sinclair, Mr. Parish, and others.

After hearing all of the delegations, the Board went into executive session and following a thorough discussion of the matter, passed the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Prince William County School Board petition the court to grant a bond issue election in Occoquan Magisterial District for the erection of a modern high school. This school to be located at Bethel and to be the high school for the districts below the run.

This resolution is subject to the successful carrying of the bond issue election and should this election fail to carry, the subject will be open again for further discussion as to the location of the school.

The following teachers were elected for session 1926-27:

Greenwich	Katharine Shumate	\$70.00
Woodlawn	George Beahm	85.00
Fayman	Mrs. Marshall	70.00
Thornton	Lucile Muse	70.00
Catharpin	Eunice M. Jones	80.00
_	Mrs. Alice M. Lynn	80.00
Haymarket	Miss Sallie Massie	80.00
	Miss Lucy Scott	75.00
Buckhall	Evelyn Shields	65.00
Bradley	Virginia Polen	65.00
Wellington	Margaret Pattie	65.00
Bennet School	Beulah Whitmer	85.00
High School	Lydia Shenk	115.00
Woodbridge	Lena Purdue	70.00

On motion the salary of J. P. Pullen was increased \$200.00 per year.

On motion the salary of Miss Grace Moran was increased \$200.00 per year. A request being made from the Nokesville teachers that they be allowed for days closed on account of epidemic, the Board decided not to make the allowance in view of the fact that allowances had not been made in similar cases previously.

On motion the Board decided to continue appropriating \$200.00 per annum towards County Home Demonstration work.

The bid submitted by the Chamberlin All Metal Weather Strip Company on the Bennett School Building was tabled for the present.

A request by C. W. Grove of Gainsville, Virginia, to buy the Groveton School property was referred to D. J. Arrington and R. C. Haydon for investigation.

On motion, decided to run a standard two-year high school at Nokesville in Brentsville District for the session 1926-27; two close Kings X Roads School and to transport the lower grades of that school to Aden; to run Aden as a tw0-tezcher school and to transport the seventh and high school pupils from Aden and Kings X Roads to Nokesville.

Invitations were extended to the Board to meet at Dumfries and at Bethel at some of its future meetings. These invitations were received with thanks and laid over for future reference.

On motion, the Board authorized all wood contracts not paid up to date, to be paid.

Miss Moran made a full report of the testing program carried on in the county schools for this session and the Board received this report with much interest and with thanks to Miss Moran for her splendid work with request that the results of the test be published in the Manassas paper.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	1392.96
COLES DISTRICT	270.57
DUMFRIES DISTRICT	2945.05
GAINSVILLE DISTRICT	1966.28
MANASSAS DISTRICT	2874.66
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT	955.84
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	<u>1067.29</u>
	11472.66

The Board adjourned to meet on Wednesday July 7.

[signed] J. R. Cooke CHAIRMAN

[signed] R. C. Haydon CLERK

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas, Va., July 7, 1926

The Prince William County School Board met on the above mentioned date with all members present except Mr. Allen of Gainesville District. The minutes of the previous meeting were read an approved. Several complaints with reference to Mr. I. N. H. Beahm continuing as principal of the Nokesville school were referred to the board. On motion the superintendent and Mr. Cooke were appointed a committee to investigate the matter and to recommend to the board the necessary action.

A letter was received from Mr. Wagers of the Appomatox Construction Co. relative to the time limit being extended on account of having encountered rock in excavation for the new high school. The clerk was instructed to notify the Appomatox Construction Co. that the board did not consider this a sufficient reason for extending the time.

A petition was received from the Woodbine School patrons requesting that they retain Mr. W. Y. Ellicott as teacher for the coming session. This matter was referred to the superintendent and Mr. Woolfenden to investigate and make the necessary recommendation

A petition was received from the patrons of the Thoroughfare school requesting that their smaller children not be transported to Haymarket. They agreed to do what was necessary to put the building in proper condition for continuing the school there. Referred to Mr. Allen & Supt.

A letter was received from Mr. Raymond V. Long, State School Architect, advising the board against the use of the Hebron Seminary for Public School purposes. Acting upon this recommendation the board passed the following resolution: WHEREAS: The recommendations of State School Architect, Raymond V. Long are decidedly against the use of the Hebron seminary for public school purposes as set forth in his letter, a copy of which is to be filed in the School Board Office and a copy forwarded to Secretary Nokesville Civic League. BE IT RESOLVED: That the Prince William County School Board wishes to go on record as having accepted these recommendations and as having premantly disposed of the question of using the Hebron Seminary for public school purposes.

A letter was received from Mr. Harry P. Davis relative to what disposition to make of the interest accruing on bond issue money deposited with the National Bank of Manassas from January 1 to June 30, 1926. The money which was \$678.17 deposited to the credit of the Manassas District fund.

A letter was received from American Heating and Ventilating Co. relative to the cost of the necessary repairs of the heating plant in the Bennett school. This matter was referred to D. J. Arrington and R. C. Haydon, with power to do what seemed necessary. The following bids for wood for session 1926-27 were received and accepted.

Andrew Sholtis, Smithfield	\$30.00
J. M. Russell, Purcell	30.00
J. M. Wells, Goldridge	25.00
T. M. Russell, Woodbine	25.00
G. C. Wright, Hayfield	25.00

An offer was made by the league of the Cherry Hill school to pay one-half of the necessary amount for screening the windows at that school. The board agreed to pay one-half of this amount and instructed the superintendent to place the order for the screens.

D. J. Arrington and R. C. Haydon were appointed a committee to work out an adequate advertising contract with The Manassas Journal.

The board elected Harvey Cornwell to transport from Buckhall and Young's farm to Manassas at a monthly salary of \$185.00 with the understanding that both routes terminated at the school grounds. Other questions of transportation were referred to the superintendent and the trustee of the districts where routes are operated.

On motion the board decided to hold the annual teachers institute on Wednesday, September 8 and to consider this the opening date for all white and colored schools.

The superintendent was instructed to order the necessary chalk erasers, etc. for next session.

A petition was received bearing the signatures of 88 free-holders of Occoquan District requesting that the board authorize a bond issue election not to exceed \$50,000.00, for the purpose of erecting a modern high school at Swan Point, on the Occoquan-Woodbridge road, between the town of Occoquan and Powell Davis' corner. This petition bearing the clause to the effect that all signers on this petition whose names appeared on the former petition requested their names to be withdrawn from the former. The board ordered this petition filed with the former petition and called a special meeting at Woodbridge school house Wednesday, July 21st, for the purpose of deciding upon a permanent site for the new high school.

A delegation was received from the Waterfall community requesting that the transportation route on the Woolsey road start at Waterfall in order to give transportation facilities to high and upper grade children of that community. This matter was referred to the superintendent and Mr. Allen to investigate and report at the next meeting.

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Woodlawn	Elizabeth Thomason	\$70.00
Bristow	Agnes Scott	70.00
Kettle Run	Mary F. Varham	55.00
Purcell	Susie Jeffries	65.00
Dumfries	Edith B. Calohan	80.00
Minnieville	Janet Sykes	80.00
Quantico, colored	Adelaide S. Butler	55.00
Waterfall	Bernice Hall	75.00
Bennett	Ethel Robinson	80.00
	Mrs. Roger Cross	85.00

The following bills were presented read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	\$120.86
COLES DISTRICT	35.00
DUMFRIES DISTRICT	455.73
GAINES VILLE DILSTRICT	6.65
MANASSAS DISTRICT	225.13
MANASSAS DISTRICT BONE ISSUE	23,354.40
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT	18.12
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	638.83
	25,854.72

There being no further business the board adjourned to meet at Woodbridge, Va. Wednesday, July  $21^{\rm st}$ , at 10:00 o'clock A. M.

Woodbridge, Va. July 21, 1926.

The County School Board met as per adjournment on the above date with all members present except Mr. Woolfenden of Coles District. The minutes of the previous meeting, relative to the purpose of the special meeting were read and approved.

Delegations from the different communities were heard and legal advice was given by both Mr. Sinclair and Mr. Davies. After hearing all delegations and going over the sites carefully the Board went into executive session. The Board then went over all the information in hand and not being fully satisfied with the sight suggested in the petition decided to take recess for lunch and to look over other sights on the Occoquan-Woodbridge road. A committee from Occoquan and Woodbridge accompanied the Board to the Metzger tract situated on the Occoquan-Woodbridge road between the property of F. W. Hornebaker and that of F. B. Morgan. The members of the committee who were Mesrs Ellis Davis, Fred Lynn, C. S. Pierce, E. S. Bubb and Dr. F. W. Hornbaker guaranteed to the Board that should the aforesaid site be selected as the location of the proposed high school that five (5) acres would be turned over to them free of cost for that purpose.

After the recess the board continued in Executive Session at the Bethel School. A motion for the reconsideration of the Boards action at Quantico on June 2, was placed before the Board and carried by the following recorded vote: ayes Cooke, Cline, Allen and Arrington. Noes, Brockett.

On motion the following resolution was put before the board, WHERE AS a petition has been presented to the School Board requesting a bond issue election in Occoquan District for the purpose of erecting and equipping a modern high school and WHEREAS the board after careful investigation sees the need of such a school for the three districts below the run therefore, BE IT RESOLVED: that the County School Board accept as the site of the proposed High School five acres of the property of Mr. Metzger situated on the Occoquan-Woodbridge road between the property of F. B. Morgan and F. W. Hornbaker and about half way between the villages of Occoquan and Woodbridge, and that the Board petition the Board of Supervisors and the Circuit Court to order a bond issue election in Occoquan District for the purpose of providing sufficient funds to erect and equip a modern high school at that point. It is understood that a clear title to the above mentioned land will be delivered to the Board without cost. The recorded vote was as follows: Ayes Cooke, Cline, Allen, Arrington and Brockett.

The following committee was appointed to recommend to the Board plans specifications and cost of proposed building and equipment, and to make report to Sept. meeting of the Board, E. S. Brockett, Annie G. Cline, R. C. Haydon, J. L. Dawson, G. C. Russell and W. S. Lynn.

On motion R. C. Haydon and T. E. Didlake were appointed a committee to settle with the treasurer, C. A. Sinclair.

On motion the clerk was authorized to make the necessary arrangements to reimburse the treasurer for any overdrafts that might exist.

Miss Marjorie Brower was elected to teach in the Haymarket High School.

The following bills were presented read and order paid,

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION.

Brentsville	5.00
Dumfries	163.80
Gainesville	39.10
Manassas	174.20
Occoquan	39.98
Total.	422.08

There being no further business the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday August 4, 1926.

[signed] J. R. Cooke Chairman.

[signed] R. C. Haydon Clerk.

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas, Va., August 4, 1926

The County School Board met as per adjournment on the above date with all members present except Mr. Allen of Gainesville District. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Petitions were presented to the board, one signed by fifty-five citizens and patrons of the Nokesville community asking that Mr. I. N. H. Beahm be retained as principal of the Nokesville school. The other signed by eighteen citizens and patrons asking that some one other than Mr. Beahm be appointed as principal of the school. Delegations on both sides of the question were heard from, after which the board passed the following resolution:

In view of all the surrounding circumstances the Board deems it advisable to make no change in its action of May, 5<sup>th</sup> in election Professor I. N. H. Beahm as principal of the Nokesville school for session 1926-27. The above resolution is passed with the understanding that the board will not consider Mr. Beahm as an applicant for reelection.

Suggestions of necessary repairs to the school buildings were received and a copy of the suggestions as affecting each district was ordered mailed to the trustee in that district.

The board ordered that contracts be immediately sent to the men running transportation routes with the request that they be signed and returned within ten days. In this connection the board decided that should the routes from Stone House run the same as last year to increase Mr. George Ayers'; appropriation from \$250.00 to \$350.00 for the session.

The bid was received and accepted from Mr. Frank Brown to furnish wood at Bradley at \$30.00 for the session.

The following teachers were elected for the coming session:

Aden	Miss Grace L. Hite	\$85.00
Brentsville	Miss Lucy Mae Green	85.00
Forest Hill	Miss Lula Brydie	70.00
Antioch	C. T. Dinkins	60.00
Woodbridge	Miss Kittie Grig	85.00
Bennett School	Miss Beatrix Clark, Principal	120.00

Mr. Archie Lowe's bid for wood at Fayman and his re2quest for assistance in putting in a pump were referred to Mr. Woolfenden.

Upon recommendation of Mr. D. J. Arrington the board agreed to pay one-half of the necessary cost of painting the walls of the rooms and corridors at the Bennett school.

A resolution was passed to the effect that the superintendent and the trustee in each district be authorized to make all additional appointments and arrangements necessary to the opening of schools.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	\$5.00
COLES DISTRICT	5.00
DUMFRIES DISTRICT	383.71
MANASSAS DISTRICT	115.55
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT	5.00
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	488.24
	1002.50

There being no further business the board adjourned to meet Wednesday September, 1.

[signed] D. J. Arrington, Tem. CHAIRMAN

[signed] R. C. Haydon CLERK

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas, Va., September 1, 1926

The Prince William County School Board met as per adjournment on the above mentioned date with all members present except C. B. Allen and J. R. Cooke. In the absence of the chairman, D. J. Arrington was elected temporary chairman.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion the clerk was authorized to transfer the New Building tax from the County fund to the Occoquan and Manassas District funds.

A committee from the alumni of the Manassas High School composed of W. M. Johnson, Mrs. Neville Lynn, and Miss Virginia Speiden presented a resolution from that body as follows:

In view of the life-time of loyalty and service to the schools of this community of Miss Eugenia Osbourn and her sister Mrs. Fannie Osbourn Metz, to which service is due not only in large measure, the high educational standards of our schools and our community, but also the present building and equipment (the result of the educational standard of the community) it seems especially fitting that the name of the Prince William County High School building should be: "The Osbourn Building." And, we the Alumni Association of the Manassas Institute and Agricultural High School ask that you should take this action.

Respectfully submitted,
The Alumni Association of the Manassas
Institute and Agricultural High
School

By its Committee

W. M. Johnson Neville Lynn Virginia N. Speiden

In answer to the above resolution the County School Board passed the following resolution:

Realizing that the excellent standards which have been attained by the Manassas schools are in a very large measure due to the life-time of loyalty and service devoted to education in this community by Miss Eugenia H. Osbourn and her sister the late Mrs. Fannie Osbourn Metz and realizing that out of appreciation of the efficiency and standards of these schools the citizens have seen fit to make possible a new and splendid

building to house the high school department, BE IT RESOLVED that the Prince William County School Board does this first day of September, 1926 name the new Manassas High School building "The Osbourn Building" as an expression of appreciation for a life-time of service rendered by Miss Eugenia H. Osbourn and her sister Mrs. Fannie Osbourn Metz.

R. C. Haydon Clerk

On motion the board endorsed the movement on the part of the Kiwanis Club and Alumni Association to have dedication exercises for the new high school building and decided to set September 9, as the date, the exercises to take place sometime between 12:00 and 3:00 P. M. The board requests if in conformity with the arrangements that Mr. Charles H. Callahan be requested to be present and make an address on this occasion.

The committee on selection of plans and location of the proposed Occoquan District High School reported and the following resolution as drawn up to be presented to the board of supervisors at its next regular meeting.

RESOLVED by the County School Board for the County of Prince William, Virginia, in meeting duly assembled, with all members present, except C. B. Allen and J. R. Cook, on this the 1st day of September 1926, that it is the sense and best judgment of the Board to initiate proceedings to borrow money and issue bonds therefore in order to secure a much needed building and furnishings for same; therefore, it is ordered that the Chairman of this Board, together with its Secretary, be and they are hereby directed to petition the Circuit Court of aid County praying that it make and enter such and all necessary orders for a special election, as provided by law, in Occoquan Magisterial District (Occoquan magisterial District and Occoquan School District being one and the same area), that a vote be taken of the qualified voters in said District on the question of issuing bonds and borrowing the sum of \$30,000 for the purpose of erecting an additional school house about half-way between the villages of Occoquan and Woodbridge on the Harry Metzger property south of the permanent spur from the State Highway to the Town of Occoquan, and furnishing the same; and in the event of the issuance of said bonds that they be either registered or coupon, for the sum of money so borrowed, said bonds to be payable at a period not exceeding thirty years from date of issuance and be made payable at the option of said School Board at such time after date of issuance as may be specified in the bonds; that the rate of interest shall not exceed six per centum per annum, payable either annually or semi-annually.

On motion the board allowed the regular per diem for trustees working on committees working on their districts to be paid out of the district fund out of the district in question.

On motion the board decided to place \$50,000.00 insurance on the new High School building \$48,000.00 on the building and \$2,000.00 on the equipment and decided

to place the policies as follows: T. H. lion \$12,500.00, General Insurance Co. \$12,500.00, G. R. Ratcliffe \$12,500.00, D. C. Cline \$12,500.00.

The following bids for wood were received and accepted:

H. E. Squires, Greenwich	\$19.40 per stove
G. W. Spinks, Woodlawn	25.00 per stove
Nokesville	30.00 per stove
Kettle Run	25.00 per stove
W. E. Verner, Bristow	24.75 per stove
Brentsville	24.50 per stove

The following bills were presented read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

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#### RECAPITULATION

COLES DISTRICT	\$5.00
DUMFRIES DILSTRICT	200.44
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT	2066.12
MANASSAS DISTRICT	111.50
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT	170.40
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	1044.91
MANASSAS DISTRICT BOND ISSUE ACCOUNT	2763.66
	6367.03

There being no further business the board adjourned to meet Wednesday, October

[signed] J. R. Cooke CHAIRMAN

[signed] R. C. Haydon CLERK

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas, Va., October 6, 1926

The County School Board met as per adjournment, on the above date with all members present, except C. B. Allen, of Gainesville, District. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion the Board appropriated \$15.00 each for libraries at Brentsville and Holmes Schools.

On motion the following resolution was adopted. IN VIEW of the fact that the Quantico public school is crowded and that there is a school operated in the Post, the children of the marines, The County School Board finds it necessary to exclude children of marines from the public schools of Quantico, Virginia.

A letter was received from Mrs. McInteer relative to screens on the windows of the Quantico school. It was the sense of the Board that one-half the cost be allowed and the matter was referred to Mrs. Annie G. Cline.

The Board accepted the bid of Mr. T. M. Herndon of Bristow, Virginia to furnish wood at Fayman school for \$25.00 for the year.

On motion the Board decided to delay payment of the Appomatox Construction Co. until some of the tax money was received and until the architect could straighten out certain matters which are not quite clear in the final statement.

The Board received a letter from Mr. Ellis Davis, a guarantee signed by citizens of Occoquan, that, the Metzger property would be deeded to the Board with a clear title should the bond issue election for an additional school building, carry, in Occoquan district. It also received a statement signed by Harry Metzger and wife giving an option on the aforesaid property. The Board accepted these letters as sufficient evidence to proceed with the necessary arrangements for the bond issue election.

On motion J. R. Cooke and R. C. Haydon were appointed a committee to make the necessary arrangements with the treasurer for taking care of the September pay roll.

The Superintendent reported a difficulty he was having in getting a teacher for the colored school at Catharpin. The Board left the matter in the hands of the trustee and the Supt. 5to take care of.

Miss Moran appeared before the Board and made a report on many necessary repairs to buildings and grounds of certain schools in each district, in order that the schools in question be brought up to standard school requirements.

The Superintendent brought to the attention of the Board that the present pay roll anticipated at least \$4500.00 from district funds if no further increases are made.

On motion the salary of the janitor for the Manassas white schools was made \$120.00 per month, with the understanding that he is employed for every week day, including Saturdays and responsible for all work of a janitorial nature in any of the buildings used by the Manassas white schools.

On motion of E. S. Brockett, the clerk was requested to look up the deed of the Fairview school property and if the Board has a clear title to take the necessary steps for sale of same.

On motion the Board decided to send one of its members as a delegate each year to the annual meeting of the Trustee's Association and that his expenses be paid up to \$30,.00, \$5.00 of which to be paid from each of the six districts. Likewise that a similar amount be set aside annually for the expenses of the Division Superintendent to the annual meeting of the Department of Division Superintendents.

The following bills were presented read and ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

#### RECAPITULATION

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	\$145.21
COLES DISTRICT	65L09
DUMFRIES DISTRICT	69.51
GAINES VILLE DISTRICT	62.83
MANASSAS DISTRICT	5461.36
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT	54.39
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	<u>8831.23</u>
	14689.62

There being no further business the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, November 3.

[signed] J. R. Cooke CHAIRMAN

[signed] R. C. Haydon CLERK

Manassas, Va., November 3, 1926

The County School Board met as per adjournment with all members present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion the Board appropriated \$15.00 to help defray the expense of erecting a pump at Fayman school.

A communication was received from Mrs. Waters requesting that the Board make an appropriation to help defray the expense of buying a piano for the gymnasium. On motion the Board appropriated \$100.00 for that purpose.

The following changes were made in Insurance. Gainesville District, Antioch school, insured for \$1000.00. Policies on Buckland, Millpark, Pinybranch, and Thoroughfare white schools cancelled. Manassas District, insurance on Ruffner building reduced to \$4000.00. Insurance on Groveton reduced to \$1000.00. Policy cancelled on Lucasville. Occoquan District, policies cancelled on Fairview, Emery Chapel, Bacon Race, and Cherry Hill.

A letter was received from Louise V. Allen, Secretary of Northfork colored school league, stating that the league was willing to pay \$400.00 if the Board would consider the erection of a new building for that school. The clerk was instructed to notify her that it would be advisable for the league to obtain two acres of land at some place suitable for a school building and raise the \$400.00 mentioned in the letter. If the league agreed to do this the Board would agree to give the matter consideration as soon as funds were available for the purpose.

The Board made the following changes in the Transportation route from Greenwich to Manassas, the schedule from Greenwich to Milford Mills, from fifteen to twenty minutes earlier than at present, with a return trip from Manassas to Cannon Branch to pick up the surplus from that point. The salary of the driver was increased from \$15.00 to \$20.00 per month. This change to begin on Monday, November 8.

A letter was received from Cecil J. Cox, a lawyer pressing some alleged claims of N. A. Saxon a colored teacher at Quantico during session 1925 and 1926. The Board instructed the Clerk to reply that it did not feel under any obligation to N. A. Saxon and did not expect to make any adjustment.

The Board decided with reference to library books at Bradley and Groveton, that it would leave the matter entirely in the hands of Miss Moran to make what distribution she thought was best.

A committee from the Patriotic Order Sons of America, composed of L. Ledman and C. H. Wine appeared before the Board with reference to the proposed Armistice day celebration and the Board took the following action: First that it would pay for the

material for a flag pole to be erected between the High and Bennett school, to be of three, two and one and one-half inch iron pipe painted, with an endless steel cable for raising and lowering the flag. The Patriotic Order Sons of America to erect same without cost to the Board. D. J. Arrington and superintendent were appointed a committee to decide upon the location for the pole. Second, that the Manassas schools would be allowed to participate in a parade to begin at ten o'clock and in the flag raising exercises which should come immediately thereafter. At the conclusion of the flag raising exercises the schools to go back into regular session for the remainder of the day. It was also decided that any nearby county schools that wished to participate could do so with the understanding that the day be made up.

The Board authorized purchase of thirty one Prince William County maps and any other maps that ,the superintendent and ,supervisor considered absolutely necessary.

The Board authorized purchase of libraries for the following schools upon the receipt of \$15.00 in each case. Occoquan, Bethel, Hayfield, Catharpin, Hickory Grove, and Dumfries.

On motion the Board decided to make a payment of \$2000.00 to the W. D. Kitchen Co. on the heating and plumbing and to the Appomatox Construction Co. for construction on the New High School building. A detailed report having been received from the architect, officially approving the work.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

### RECAPITULATION

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	21.00
COLES DISTRICT	152.14
DUMFRIES DISTRICT	326.27
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT	112.08
MANASSAS DISTRICT	6029.31
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT	147.15
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	<u>8593.50</u>
	15381.25

There being no further business the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, December 1.

[signed] J. R. Cooke CHAIRMAN

CLERK

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas, Va., December 1, 1926

The Prince William County School Board met as per adjournment, on the above date with all members present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A letter was received from Brown and Hoff, stating that he had made a mistake in the Dumfries District account and the account rendered J. E. Vincent paid in full.

Supt. Reported that Mr. Hawes Davies had been appointed by the court to look up the title of the additional land bought at Catharpin school.

Final report was received from Raymond V. Long on the High School building, the Brown and manly school building.

The Board decided to eliminate the extra claim by the Appomatox Construction Co. on flooring to the amount of \$441.00, on the grounds that the Board had not asked for flooring any different from that specified.

On motion the Board set Wednesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 1926, at 10:30 A. M. as the time for the sale of \$30,000.00 worth of Occoquan District school bond.

On motion \$20.00 was appropriated towards the Dumfries school piano.

On motion \$15.00 was appropriated to partly defray the expenses of Miss Moran's trip to the Roanoke Convention.

- D. J. Arrington reported the sale of the old Brown school property to the Hall Association of Federated lodges for the sum of \$1,000.00, \$333.33 paid at the time of sale, and \$333.33 with accrued interest to be paid in nine and eighteen months respectively. The Board retains the title until the full amount is paid.
- D. J. Arrington made a brief report to the Board with recommendations that additional land be bought adjacent to High School athletic field on Lee Avenue. The Board appointed D. J. Arrington and R. C. Haydon a committee to go into the matter further and report at the next regular meeting of the Board.

The clerk was requested to notify W. D. Kitchen that we are ready for him to make final tests and adjustments to the heating and plumbing of the new High School, after which settlement would e made in full.

The Board authorized \$2000.00 to be paid to the Appomatox Construction Co. and that a letter be sent to them asking that adjustments with reference to the electric

wiring, leaks, etc. be immediately taken care of. As soon as the Board is satisfied that these matters are satisfactorily adjusted the Board authorizes settlement in full.

The clerk was requested to immediately take steps to obtain a clear title to the site of the new Occoquan District school.

D. J. Arrington and R. C. Haydon the delegates of the Board to the Roanoke Convention made brief reports of the points of interest gleaned from the Convention.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

### RECAPITULATIO N

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	184.93
COLES DISTRICT	111.66
DUMFRIES DISTRICT	243.30
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT	147.30
MANASSAS DISTRICT	2764.96
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT	408.60
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	8475.98
MANASSAS DISTRICT BOND ISSUE ACCOUNT	<u>2000.00</u>
	14336.73

There being no further business the Board adjourned to meet again on Wednesday, January 5.

[signed] J. R. Cooke CHAIRMAN

[signed] R. C. Haydon CLERK

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas, Va., January 5, 1927

The County School Board met as per adjournment on the above date with all members present except Mrs. Cline of Dumfries District.

Bids for the Occoquan District School Bonds were opened and were as follows:

Bank of Occoquan, 6% bonds maturing after 20 yrs., premium of \$42.70 per thousand.

Bank of Occoquan, 5½ % bonds maturing after 20 yrs. \$7.60 per thousand.

J. C. Mayer & Co., 6% bonds \$5000 maturing in 1932, 1937, 1942, 1947, 1952, 1957, par value with accrued interest to date of delivery, and \$10.00 per thousand premium.

Ryan-Sutherland & Co., 6% bonds with an average maturity of not less than 10 yrs., par value and \$600 premium.

Ryan-Sutherland & Co., 5½ %, same maturities, par value and \$100 premium.

The National Bank of Manassas, 5¼ % interest, maturities of any or all bonds maturing at any interest bearing date, par value and 3% interest on deposits if deposited in said bank.

The bid of Drake-Jones & Co. was for County bonds and since this was a District issue their bid could not be considered.

The School Board after due consideration sold the bonds to the National Bank of Manassas according to the following resolution:

Ordered that the bid submitted by the National Bank of Manassas for \$40,000 for Occoquan District Bond dated March 1, 1927 be accepted in accordance with its offer in writing dated January 4, 1927 and it is further ordered that the clerk of the Board is directed to return all certified or bankers checks, submitted with the several bids received, to the unsuccessful bidders, retaining copies of letters for his file.

The Board appointed J. R. Cooke, Chairman and R. C. Haydon, Clerk to confer with Thos. H. Lion, Commonwealth Attorney as to form of bonds.

A letter was received from Mr. C. W. Dickinson relative to the failure of the Prince William Pharmacy to make necessary quarterly reports. This matter was referred to the Clerk for adjustment.

The Board authorized the purchase of a tw90 drawer letter file at a price not exceeding \$20.00, for the Home Economics Department of Manassas High School.

The final letters of acceptance on the construction, Heating, and plumbing were received from the State School Architect and ordered filed.

Letter of complaint with reference to the Waterfall Transportation Route were received from Messrs. Ashby, Bell and Smith. Their objection was that Mr. Hunt had not been coming into Waterfall since the roads had gotten bad. The Board directed the Clerk to write these gentlemen that it was the wish of the Board that Mr. Hunt start at Waterfall whenever practicable but that the original understanding of the Board with the people of Waterfall was that there would probably be several weeks when the roads were at their worst when the citizens would have to cooperate with Mr. Hunt and get their children out to Woolsey to meet the truck.

Blue prints were received from the Dept. of School Buildings for the Occoquan District School and the Board approved same.

The Board set Wednesday, February 2, as the date for opening of bids for the New Occoquan School and in the event that plans could not be completed in time set Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup> of February.

A report was received from a citizen on the Buckhall road stating that the road was in too bad a condition for the truck to continue operating. The Board however decided to keep the truck running as long as possible since the stopping of the truck now would work a hardship in the children just before the Mid Year Examinations.

The Superintendent submitted to the Board an outline for the County School May Day. The Board approved the plan in general and set aside Friday, May 6, as the date. The Board authorized that all the County Schools be requested to take part and asks the cooperation of the patrons. Patron's Leagues and all other organizations in helping to furnish transportation to the children and making the day a complete success.

Miss Margaret Grammer was appointed to finish out the term at Manassas High School made vacant by the illness of Miss Hattie Wampler at a salary of \$115.00.

The outbuilding in the rear of Manassas High School was sold to Mr. D. J. Arrington for \$8.00.

The following bills were presented read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

### RECAPITULATION

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	56.05
COLES DISTRICT	5.00
DUMFRIES DILSTRICT	161.19
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT	374.20
MANASSAS DISTRICT	4856.30
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT	60.96
MANASSAS DISTRICT BOND ISSUE ACCOUNT	1325.00
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	<u>7045.44</u>
	13884.14

There being no further business the board adjourned to meet again on Wednesday, February 2 or 9.

[signed] J. R. Cooke	<b>CHAIRMAN</b>
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	CLERK

### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas, Va., February 9, 1927

The prince William County School Board met as per adjournment, on the above date with all members present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A letter was received from Mr. Davis Nolley, teacher at Nokesville requesting a raise in salary. The Board decided that there was no reason for a raise in Mr. Nolley's salary at this time and that it would be a very bad precedent to make any change in contracts entered into at the first of the year.

A letter was received from W. C. Taylor principal of the Manassas Industrial School asking that he be allowed to take his class in teacher training to Brown Colored school for practice teaching. The Board decided that it was favorable for such an arrangement, if it was not done more than once a week, provided the program was in harmony with the ideas of the teachers and Superintendent of Schools.

A letter was received from Superintendent M. B. Dickerson of Fredericksburg, Virginia, relative to assistance from our Board towards tuition of Quantico and Dumfries children attending High School in Fredericksburg. The Board decided in view of the fact that it was providing High School work for the children of the lower end at Dumfries and Bethel and that this work will be consolidated another year in the new Occoquan District School, that it would not take any steps towards encouraging the children to leave the County for the purpose of getting High School education.

In answer to a letter from Mr. W. W. Butler of Haymarket, Virginia relative to the Board's loan on Haymarket School. The Board instructed the Clerk to notify Mr. Butler that should there be a balance in Gainesville District fund after settlement of July 1, that it would take care of this loan either in full or in part, depending upon the size of the balance.

A letter from Mr. Ewing McMichael, relative to the High School situation at Nokesville, was read to the Board and ordered filed for future consideration, with other data relative to the Nokesville situation.

The Superintendent reviewed briefly the financial condition of the Board and stated that with \$4000.00 from District funds, contacts with teachers and truck drivers could be carried out without overdrawing the County fund.

On motion the Board decided to allow the lodges of Dumfries to use the vacant room in Dumfries School, until such time as their halls, recently destroyed by fire can be rebuilt. Mrs. Cline was appointed a committee to make necessary arrangements.

D. J. Arrington and R. C. Haydon were appointed a committee to make necessary arrangements of allowing someone to live in the old High School building at Manassas, to act as caretaker to the building.

The outhouse sold to D. J. Arrington, for \$8.00, at the January 5<sup>th</sup> meeting was found to have been torn down and used by the manual training department. The sale of the building to Mr. Arrington was, therefore, cancelled.

R. B. Tolson was awarded the contract of furnishing wood at Aden for \$30.00 per stove.

The committee on adjusting of Waterfall School route reported that at a meeting held at Gainesville, Tuesday January 25, with C. B. Allen, R. C. Haydon and D. J. Arrington, that the following adjustment had been made: Mr. S. W. Hunt was to operate from Woolsey to Haymarket from January 26, to March 26, with a reduction of \$15.00 per month for the two months, for not going into Waterfall. Mr. Howard Bell was allowed \$20.00 per month for transporting the Waterfall children to Woolsey from January 26, to March 26. Beginning March 26, Mr Hunt is to resume his original route from Waterfall to Haymarket at \$85.00 per month.

The Superintendent was asked to prepare the budget for session 1927—'28 and present it to the Board for approval at the next regular meeting.

Bids were opened for the erection of the new consolidated School in Occoquan District, also separate bids on heating, plumbing and electricity, and were as follows:

On general Construction including heating, lighting and plumbing:

J. D. Knight & Sons L. I. Poe & Co T. T. Taylor & Co. N. Vanderhurst Selecman & Leary	- \$41,263 - 39,813.65 - 42,485 - 34,750 - 33,843.22	F. B. Gilbert King Lumber Co. W. L. Brown & Co. Mottley Const. Co.	- \$44,800 - 33,440 - 32,800 - 30,930
Plumbing:			
J. D. Knight & Sons L. I. Poe & Co.	- \$1,441 - 1,840	F. B. Gilbert W. L. Brown	- \$1,000 - 1,725
T. T. Taylor & Co.	- 1,085	C. H. Wine	- 1,471.60
Mottley Const. Co.	- 1,400	Tipton Wells	- 1,838
N. Vanderhurst	- 1,569	W. C. Duke	- 1,100
Selecman & Leary	- 1,990.80	W. D. Kitchen	- 1,369

### Heating:

J. D. Knight & Sons	- \$2,650	W. L. Brown	- \$2,742
L. I. Poe & Co	- 3,098	C. H. Wine	- 2,650
T. T. Taylor & Co.	- 2,.584	Typton Wells	- 3,098
Mottley Const. Co.	- 2,800	C. W. Duke	- 2,940
N. Vanderhurst	- 2,584	W. D. Kitchen	- 2,984
Selecman & Leary	- 3,000		
F. B. Gilbert	- 2,887		

### Electricity:

- \$1,425	N. Vanderhurst	- \$2,100
- 3,350	Selecman & Leary	- 1,400
- 1,400	F. B. Gilbert	- 1,500
- 1,610	W. L. Brown & Co.	- 1,511
	- 3,350 - 1,400	- 3,350 Selecman & Leary - 1,400 F. B. Gilbert

Hynson & Bradford Less Generating Plant - \$590.44

After due consideration the Board passed a resolution rejecting all bids except that of the Mottley Const. Co. on general construction. C. H. Wine on heating and plumbing and Hynson and Bradford on electricity, and appointed a committee composed of E. S. Brockett and R. C. Haydon to Confer with these firms further with view to making the satisfactory adjustment.

This committee to meet with representative of Mottley Construction. Co. at office of State Architect in Richmond, Tuesday February 15, for purpose of trying to make final adjustment of the matter. Expenses to be paid out of Occoquan District fund.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

### RECAPITULATION

BRENTSVILLE DILSTRICT	\$322.57
COLES DISTRICT	65.00
DUMFRIES DISTRICT	134.26
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT	52.35
MANASSAS DISTRICT	1257.09
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT	84.25
MANASSAS DISTRICT BOND ISSUE ACCOUNT	208.32
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	<u>8715.83</u>
	10839.67

There being no further business the Board adjourned to meet again on Wednesday, Mar. 2.

[signed] J. R. Cooke CHAIRMAN

[signed] R. C. Haydon CLERK

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas, Va., March 2, 1927

The County School Board met as per adjournment on the above dat4 with all members present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. D. J. Arrington turned in to Manassas District warrant for \$15.00 to be credited to that fund and asked that a new one for \$12.50 e issued to Earnest Bradford in its place.

On motion it was decided at beginning July 1, that the County School Board enter into a written contract with the Manassas Journal for yearly advertising and that the contract specifically cover what items of advertising are included. The Board allowed \$7.80, that being one half of the bill sent by the Journal for the Occoquan District Bond advertising.

On motion the Board allowed Mr. Claude Ellis, who operates the truck from Piney Branch to Haymarket, \$80.00 per month retroactive, from the first of the school year.

On motion the Board decided to allow the State Highway Commission to widen its right-away to the extent of ten feet on the property of the Gainesville School and the Macrae Colored School for \$25.00 in each case, with the understanding that the State Highway Commission would put the fences back in satisfactory condition.

On motion the Board approved the budget presented by the superintendent for session 1927-1928 and decided to ask Board of Supervisors for an additional levy of five cents (5¢) on the one hundred dollars (100.00) for the County School fund.

A letter was received from Miss Burke relative to the Board's appropriation for Home Demonstration Work. Action on this matter was tabled for future reference.

The Board authorized D. J. Arrington to have the windows to the Domestic Science Department in the High School screened immediately.

On motion the Board decided to close all of its schools on Friday, April 87, in order to allow the teachers to attend the District Teachers' Conference at the Washington-Lee School in Arlington County. Teachers attending the conference will be allowed a day taught for Friday, the 8<sup>th</sup>.

On motion the Board authorized Mr. Brockett to have a well dug in the site of the new Occoquan District School at the best price possible, not to exceed \$2.50 per foot.

On motion D. J. Arrington and R. C. Haydon were appointed a committee to make the necessary arrangements for the sale of the old Manley School.

The Board considered very carefully a petition from several citizens objecting to attendance of their children at open exercises in assemblies at the schools, on account of the reading in the Bible, prayers, religious songs and talks of a moral nature given by persons connected with religious institutions. The Board directed the clerk to communicate with these citizens and to notify them that the exercises are of a reverential nature and that no reference is made to sect or creed and that no persons professing Christianity could have the slightest reasonable objections to them and that the Board did not consider it in any sense necessary or advisable to change the exercises or to eliminate any of the children therefrom.

On motion the Board decided to let the construction to the Motley Construction Company at Farmville, for the construction of the new Occoquan School for \$23,649.70; the contract for heating to Mr. C. H. Wine of Manassas for \$2,650; the contract for plumbing to Mr. C. H. Wine of Manassas for \$1,324.91; and the contract for electrical wiring and fixtures to Hynson and Bradford of Manassas for \$496.25.

On motion the Board approved the following form for the Occo1uan District School bonds and the coupons to be attached thereto:

Whereas by appropriate resolutions ratified by a majority vote of Occoquan School District it has been authorized that bonds shall be issued for the purpose of erecting an additional school building in said District to the extent of \$30,000.00; and,

Whereas, by a former order of this Board a committee has been appointed to formulate a bond with interest at the rate of five and one-quarter per centum per annum, payable semi-annually; and,

Whereas, said committee has made a report with a form of bond recommended:

Now, therefore, be it ordered that thirty bonds be and they are hereby authorized to be issued in denominations of \$1,000 each, with interest at the rate of five and one-quarter per centum per annum payable semi-annually in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard, weight and fineness, which bonds shall be payable on or before thirty years after March 1, 1927; said bonds to be a lien on all school property in said Occoquan School District, both as to principal and interest, and exempt from taxation as provided by Section 2302 of the Code of Virginia from all county, city, town and district taxes, and that any and all of said bonds shall be subject to call for redemption at any interest paying period; and be it further,

Ordered that said bonds be dated March 1, 1927, numbered from 1 to 30, both inclusive, to be signed on behalf of this Board by the chairman and its secretary and substantially in the words and figures as to said bonds and interest coupons attached as follows:

(Then copy the bond and coupon attached)

BOND OF OCCOQUAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PRILNCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA.
No \$1,000.00
FOR VALUE RECEIVED, Occoquan School District of the County of Prince William, State of Virginia, promises to pay to BEARER hereof the sum of ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS  In gold coin of the United States of America, of the present standard of weight and fineness, negotiable and payable at The National Bank of Manassas, Manassas, Virginia, on or before thirty years after March 1, 1927, with interest at the rate of five and one-quarter centum per annum, payable in like gold coin, half yearly, on the first days of September and March in each year, until fully paid, at said bank, upon presentation and surrender of the annexed coupons as they may severally fall due.
This bond is one of a series of bonds of even date aggregating the principal sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars, all issued under appropriate resolutions of the County School Board, and Board of Supervisors and an order of the Circuit Court of Prince William County, Virginia, ratified by a majority vote of the qualified voters of Occoquan School District, County and State aforesaid, on the $27^{th}$ day of November 1926, for the purpose of erecting an additional school house and furnishing the same in said School District; and by appropriate resolution of said School Board these bonds are issued of the denomination of One Thousand Dollars each, numbered from one to thirty, both inclusive, with coupons representing the semi-annual interest attached to each; the said bonds are a lien upon the school property to be erected by the proceeds hereof, as well as the lien on all the school property in said Occoquan School District, both as to principal and interest accruing thereon. These bonds shall not be subject to any county, city, town or district tax. That any or all of said bonds shall be subject to call for redemption by said School Board at any interest paying period.
In witness whereof the said School Board hath caused its corporate seal to be hereunto attached this 1st day of March 19217.
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VA., SCHOOL BOARD
ByChairman
Atteste

Secretary

(The coupon to be attached substant	tially as follows):		
Coupon No			
On September 1, 19 the undersig dollars in gold coin of the United States of and fineness, on presentation and surrender Manassas, Virginia, being six months inter	America, of the part hereof at the Nat	resent standard ional Bank of M	of weight Ianassas,
\$26.25	Prince William	County, Va. So	chool Board
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The following bills were presented, rea	d and ordered paid	d:	
[Detailed payment information omitted.]			
RECAPITULATION			
BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT		7.50	
COLES DISTRICT		5.68	
DUMFRIES DISTRICT		91.20	
GAINES VILLE DISTRICT		35.00	
MANASSAS DISTRICT		631.38	
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT		75.81	
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY		8277.98	
		9124.53	

There being no further business the Board adjourned to meet again on Wednesday, April 6.

[signed] J. R. Cooke CHAIRMAN

[signed] R. C. Haydon CLERK

### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas, Va., April 6, 1927

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The County School Board met as per adjournment on the above date with all members present except Mrs. Cline.

A letter was received from Mr. W. A. Davis requesting that the Board pay him for hauling patrons and pupils to the Patrons' League at Bethel. The Board decided that it could not allow Mr. Davis for this work.

A bid of \$46.00 was received from Sadie and Charlie Randall for the old Manley School. The bid was ordered filed and the Clerk was ordered to advertise for bids on this school.

The regulation of the State Board of Education in reference to certification of teachers in standard elementary schools and in the grades of accredited high schools was adopted by the Board to become affective for session 1927-1928.

The Board authorized the Clerk to communicate with the Occoquan Masonic Lodge and request that it lay the cornerstone for the new Occoquan District high school building, on Thursday, May 26.

On motion R. C. Haydon and E. S. Brockett were authorized to pay requisitions that were duly approved by the architect on new Occoquan District building when presented.

The following teachers were elected for session 1927-'28:

Grace T. Hite	\$90	Selina T. Wilson	\$80
Naomi Pearson	75	Dorothy E. White	75
Katherine Shumate	70	C. T. Dunkins	60
Olga E. White	90	J. M. Willims	65
Cora Beahm	85	S. B. Willims	60
Elizabeth Thomasson	75	Louise V. Allen	60
Nettie V. Williams	60	Lula Brydie	70
Agnes Scott	75	Mary Harley	75
Nettie P. Wright	80	Virginia Polen	70
Emma W. Carter	80	Margaret Pattie	70
Susie Jeffries	65	Beatrix Clark	120
Florence Marshall	70	E. Robinson	85
Mary Weber	80	India Flinn	85
W. Y. Ellicott	80	Beula Boserman	85
Carrie Edwards	90	Mrs. E. Metz	70
T. Ethel Waters	85	Mrs. Roger Cross	85
Evelyn Shields	70	Ruth P. Smith	80
Janet B. Sykes	85	Grace Metz	80
Nora B. Keys	95	E. H. Osbourn	125
Eleanor Purks	95	Lydia Shenk	120
Florence Simms	60	Emily Johnson	120
Grace Evans	60	Williette Myers	166.66

Edna Woodson	60	Lulu D. Metz	150
Selina H. Hindle	150	J. P. Pullen	200
Mrs. Foley	80	Margaret Grammer	115
Lucie Scott	85	Bessie White	65
Mand Jordan	90	Ethel Baily	55
Mary Meade	105	Ruth Butler	55
Marjorie Brower	105	Georgia H. Berry	60
Sallie Massie	85	Myrtle Hall	90
Helen Cooke	85	Helen Young	80
Ercelle Weedon	85	Fannie Minnich	85
Ione C. Glascock	90	E. P. Grayson	60

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

### RECAPITULATION

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	82.13
COLES DISTRICT	80.50
DUMFRIES DISTRICT	93.00
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT	310.00
MANASSAS DISTRICT	546.02
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT	43.00
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	9387.94
	10542.59

There being no further business the Board adjourned to meet again on Wednesday, May 4.

[signed] J. R. Cooke CHAIRMAN

[signed] R. C. Haydon CLERK

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas, Va., May 4, 1927

The County School Board met as per adjournment on the above date with all members present. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

Applications were presented for the following teachers and were acted on as follows: Miss Mary Haile reelected to Manassas High School for \$135.00, Miss Elizabeth Vaughn as principal of Occoquan District High School at \$150.00, W. Y. Ellicott elected to Goldridge School at \$80.00, Miss Mary Weber to Hayfield School \$80.00.

A letter was received from Mr. Davis Nolley re-applying for the position at Nokesville School. The Board after some discussion directed the clerk to write Mr. Nolley that in the opinion of the Board, it would be unwise for him to return to Nokesville School as it seemed to be a general desire and need for an entire change of faculty there.

On motion Dr. C. R. C. Johnson was re-elected as the County Text Book agent from July 1, 1927 to July 1, 1928. An amendment was offered by Mr. C. B. Allen that Dr. Johnson be notified that after this year the Text Books problem would be taken over and be operated by the County. This amendment was allowed to lay over until the June Meeting, and the clerk was ordered to investigate the matter and assure the Board whether it would be a practical move.

On motion the Board appropriated \$200.00 toward Home Demonstration Work in the County.

J. R. Cooke and R. C. Haydon were appointed a committee to go thoroughly 8into the condition as to the best course to pursue at Brentsville, Aden, Nokesville, Bristow and Greenwich.

Mr. Brockett, Mrs. Cline and R. C. Haydon were appointed a committee to recommend the necessary organization for transportation, etc., in that end made necessary by the consolidation of the Occoquan District High School.

A motion was made and second that Mrs. Nettie Wright be not employed to teach after her present contract expires. Recorded votes was aye: Mr. Allen, Mr. Arrington, Mr. Brockett, and Mrs. Cline. Nos: Mr. Russell. Not voting: Mr. Cooke.

On motion the Board ordered that the bill for the banners for County Night be presented and paid when due.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

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On motion the Supts. Traveling expense increased from \$16.33 to \$25.00 per month. Vote- Ayes: Allen, Arrington, Cline, Russell and Brockett. Noes: Cooke.

### RECAPITULATION

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	180.13
COLES DISTRICT	93.17
DUMFRIES DISTRICT	418.00
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT	767.17
MANASSAS DISTRICT	413.54
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT	47.70
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT SCHOOL BOND ISSUE	158.05
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	8057.15
	10.158.25

There being no further business the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, June 1.

[signed] J. R. Cooke CHAIRMAN

[signed] R. C. Haydon CLERK

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas, Va., June 1, 1927

The Prince William County School Board met as per adjournment, on the above date with all members present, except Mr. Allen. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. L. D. Copen appeared in person before the Board and presented a petition that Mrs. Nettie P. Wright be elected as teacher at the Hayfield school. The Board discussed the matter in executive session and decided to abide by its former decision being not to elect Mrs. Wright to the position in the county for next session.

Letters were received by the Board, objecting to the election of Mr. W. Y. Ellicott as teacher of Goldridge school from: Granville Keys, R. B. Tolson, F. B. Davis, W. W. Cornwell, O. B. Cooper. Letters were received commending Mr. Ellicott and asking that he be returned from: N. F. Wells, Mrs. Mamie Breeden, O. B. Cooper, Mrs. Rachael Robinson, Tirzah Cameron, F. M. Cameron, R. B. Tolson. Also the following appeared in person in behalf of Mr. Ellicott: D. B. Landis, C. P. Ennis and J. W. Petty. On motion the Board decided to sustain Mr. Ellicott's election as teacher of Goldridge.

A bid was received from the Patriotic Order of Sons of America, S. T. Cornwell recording secretary, \$90.00 for Fairview schoolhouse to be removed from present site. The Board decided to advertise the sale of this property at Russell's store, near Bethel schoolhouse, Saturday July 9, at 2 P. M. It also decided to advertise for sale the old Manly colored schoolhouse to be removed from present sight on the same date and at the same time in front of the National Bank of Manassas, Manassas, Virginia.

On motion Miss Grace Moran was reelected Rural Supervisor for County schools with salary and expenses \$2000.00 for 9 months.

A letter was read from Mr. W. S. Newman, State Supervisor of Agricultural Education, offering to place an agricultural department in the county, with headquarters at Haymarket with day unite work at Nokesville. The Board after discussing matter fully decided that it was not in financial position to undertake the added expense for this year.

A letter was received from Mr. I. N. H. Beahm, offering the County School Board the Hebron Seminary and real estate attached thereto for \$6000.00 with an additional offer to take in trade the present school and site for \$2500.00. The Board directed the clerk to notify Mr. Beahm that by a former resolution of the Board, the question of the purchase of the Hebron Seminary had been finally settled and that the offer was, therefore, rejected.

A letter was received from Mr. and Mrs. F. Earl McMichael requesting that Mr. Nolley be retained as teacher at Nokesville. This matter was laid over for future reference.

On motion Mrs. Anna M. McMichael was elected as teacher in the Nokesville school at a salary of \$85.00 per month.

A petition was received from the patrons of the Brentsville school requesting that Mr. George Beahm be made principal of that school for session 1927-19p28. on motion Mr. Beahm was elected as principal at a salary of \$90.00 per month.

The resignation of Mrs. H. E. Metz as teacher in Bennett School was presented to the Board and the Board unanimously accepted her resignation.

A petition was received from the High School patrons of Greenwich requesting that the Board continue to transport their children to Manassas instead of Haymarket. The Board decided to make no change in transportation for next session.

On motion the Board decided to deposit reimbursements, to the R. F. P. Railroad, on freight for material shipped to Occoquan building, in Occoquan District school fund.

The question of what part the schools should take in local community fairs was discussed, there was a definite feeling by every member of the Board that too much school time has been taken up in preparation for fair work. It was decided that the schools in the immediate community would be allowed to attend and if so desired by the fair authorities could parade; that no costuming or floats or anything that took previous preparation by either teachers or supervisors would be allowed. No objection was raised to school boys and girls taking part in the athletic contests, but as community entrance and not school entrance and that no school time should be used for practice in these events.

The Board authorized the superintendent to purchase additional filing case for the School Board office.

The following bills were presented read and ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

### RECAPITULATION

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	785.11
COLES DISTRICT	5.00
DUMFRIES DISTRICT	8.00
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT	30.00
MANASSAS DISTRICT	192.99
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT	37.50
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT BOND ISSUE ACCOUNT	9390.70
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	82.08
	10531.38

There being no further business the board adjourned to meet at Manassas, Va., Wednesday, June 29, 1927.

signed	D. J.	Arrington	Tem.
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### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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[June 29, 1927]

The County School Board met in special meeting with all members present except Mr. Cooke and Mr. Allen. In the absence of the chairman Mr. D. H. Arrington was elected chairman for the meeting.

The following teachers were elected for session 1927-'28.

Aden	Lucy C. Lewis	\$75.00
Greenwich	Lucy J. Hillman	85.00
Nokesville	A. M. West	125.00
	Helen W. Wilcox	80.00
Purcell	Ila Atkins	70.00
Smithfield	Ila Breeden	80.00
Woodbine	Dorothy White	80.00
Quantico	Violet Walshe	85.00
Dumfries	Lillian Williams	80.00
Niabsco (colored)	Edith Mae Caskins	50.00
Haymarket	Mary M. Armstrong	105.00
	Anna L. Scott	80.00
	Katherine Foster	90.00
Bennett	Ruth Cox	90.00
	Grace Jamerson	80.00
High School	Pearl Renow	130.00
Brown (colored)	Lucile Ford	50.00
Occoquan District High Scho	ool John Cline	100.00
	Florence Cossom	80.00

The Board decided to conduct a two teacher school at Brentsville, to close Bristow and transport the children to Manassas, to run a transportation route from Nokesville carrying third and fourth year high school children picking up the grade children at Bristow and Cannon Branch.

The Board decided to close Holmes school and transport the lower grades to Joplin and the upper grades to Dumfries. The high school children from Holmes and Joplin to connect with the route from Quantico to the new high school in Occoquan District.

Transportation routes were left to the Supt. And the Trustee in the different Districts to adjust.

A letter was received from H. F. Slack relative to annoyance received by him at the hands of workmen on the Occoquan building, this matter was referred to the architect for adjustment.

An application for the position of janitor in the Occoquan District high school was received from Mr. S. F. Adams, this matter was left open for the present.

Mrs. Elmer Metz sent a letter to the Board explaining her reasons for resigning her position at Bennett school. The letter was ordered filed.

Communication was received from Bessie White requesting that curtains be placed on the windows of the new Brown school. A check for \$45.00 was enclosed to help defray the expense. The Board decided to purchase these curtains and appointed D. J. Arrington and R. C. Haydon to look after the matter.

A letter was received from Mrs. Helen Young Davis requesting that she be allowed to teach in the new Occoquan District school without going to summer school. The Board decided that this exception could not be made.

In view of the fact that consignments of coal for the different schools are coming in at this time of year, the Board empowered the Clerk to issue warrants covering freight and drayage for same when necessary.

Mr. Brockett reported the action of himself and Supt. In going ahead with the plans for erection of Bethel school after it had been destroyed by fire caused by lightning and recommended that a two room school of brick construction conforming to State standard two room 12 AA plans and specifications be erected. The Board unanimously ratified the work of the committee.

At noon as per advertisement bids for the construction of Bethel school were opened and were as follows.

Mottley Construction Co.	\$5879.00
Russell and Keys	5837.00
Leary and Selecman	5144.31

The contract was let to Leary and Selecman at the above figure. The Board agreed to allow them the brick and the chimney and footings if they would clear away the premises and put it in proper shape for building. E. S. Brockett, R. C. Haydon and C. C. Russell were appointed a committee to locate the building.

An offer was made by supervisor of Occoquan District to lend the Board the amount of \$1000.00 from Occoquan District general fund for the purpose of helping to defray the expense of erecting and equipping the new school at Bethel. The Board accepted with thanks this generous offer of the supervisor and appointed Mr. Brockett to go before the Board of Supervisors and make the necessary arrangement.

The following bills were presented read and ordered paid.

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

### RECAPITULATION

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	\$165.07
COLES DISTRICT	20.23
DUMFRIES DISTRICT	86.62
MANASSAS DISTRICT	548.42
MANASSAS DISTRICT BOND ISSUE ACCOUNT	1325.00
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT	35.66
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT BOND ISSUE ACCOUNT	57.37
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	499.30
	2737.67

There being no further business the Board adjourned to meet on Wednesday, August 3, 1927.

[signed] J. R. Cooke CHAIRMAN

[signed] R. C. Haydon CLERK

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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Manassas, Va., August 3, 1927.

The County School Board met on the above date as per adjournment with all members present except Mr. Arrington. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following teachers were elected for session 1927-'28:

Hilda T. Shannon	\$85.00
Loriece Carter	80.00
Marjorie Brower	110.00
Helen E. Riss	80.00

The following transportation routes were awarded:

Quantico, Triangle & Dumfries to Occoquan District High School—

Quantico—Washington Bus Company 80.00 Holmes School via Joplin to Dumfries—Luther Carter 80.00

Bids were received on the Greenwich bus route and referred to a committee composed of J. R. Cooke and R. C. Haydon with power to make necessary arrangement.

All transportation routes not contracted for were referred to the Supt. And the trustee with power to make necessary arrangements.

Request of John Payne and Malcolm McCuen that the salary be raised on their routes respectively was considered by the Board and the Board decided that it would be unable to make any raise in either of the cases.

Mr. Brockett reported sale of Fairview school house for \$127.00 and that the money had been deposited with the Treasurer to the credit of Occoquan District School Fund.

Mr. C. A. Sinclair's inquiry relative to the possible purchase of the Buckland School property was presented. The Board decided that it was inadvisable to sell this property until the State road in that section was completed.

Application of David Maconaghay as janitor of the new School in Occoquan District was presented. The Board a0pointed Mr. E. S. Brockett a committee to make necessary arrangements for janitor at this building and requested the clerk to forward all applications to him.

The following bids were received for wood:

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Walter Tolson, Bristow, Va.,	Aden School	\$30.00 per stove
	Brentsville School	30.00 " "
George Spinks, Nokesville, Va.	Greenwich School	19.40 " "
	Nokesville School	35.00 " "
	Kettle Run School	30.00 " "
	Woodlawn School	30.00 " "
George Wood, Nokesville, Va.	Greenwich School	18.40 " "
H. E. Squires, Nokesville Va.	Nokesville School	4.00 " cord
J. M. Wells, Bristow, Va	Goldridge School	25.00 " stove

The Greenwich and Goldridge bids were awarded contracts and the others referred to Mr. Cooke for further investigation.

School calendar for session 1927-'28 was presented to the Board and adopted. The Board appointed Mr. D. J. Arrington and Mr. R. C. Haydon a committee to immediately make the necessary arrangements for the sale of Ruffner School Building. The building to be removed from the property of the County School Board.

Upon request that a first yr. high school pupil of Nokesville, be allowed to attend high school at Manassas in order to get the agricultural course there, the Board decided that there would be no objection to a pupil getting the work at Manassas High School, provided he made his own arrangements relative to going to and from school, but that no pupil lower than third year high could be transported from the Nokesville vicinity by the County School Board.

Upon request of Miss Mildred Ewell that her ward be allowed to attend the seventh grade class at Haymarket and be transported thereto on the Hickory Grove truck, the Board acted favorably.

A committee from Bristow composed of Mr. Reedy, Mr. Winslow, and Mr. Moss appeared before the Board and presented a list of children who wish to attend school at Bristow for the next session. They requested that the Board reopen the school there for next session. The matter was referred to Mr. Cooke and the Superintendent for further investigation with power to act.

The bid of B. B. Hoffman for \$125.00 for the County School truck which has been operating from Greenwich to Manassas was referred to Mr. Cooke, Mr. Arrington & the Supt. With power to act.

The County School Board expresses it appreciation to the County Board of Supervisors and to the supervisor of Occoquan District for the loan of \$1000.00 from the Occoquan District Road Fund to be used in rebuilding and equipping the Bethel school, which was recently destroyed by fire. The Board agrees to repay the loan as follows: Jan. 1, 1929--\$200.00; Jan. 1, 1930--\$200.00; Jan 1, 1931--\$200.00; Jan. 1, 1933--\$200.00.

The following bills were presented, read and ordered paid:

[Detailed payment information omitted.]

### RECAPITULATION

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT	\$7.60
COLES DISTRICT	5.00
DUMFRIES DISTRICT	204.25
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT	44.13
MANASSAS DISTRICT	363.80
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT	1505.00
OCCOQUAN DISTRICT SCHOOL BOND ISSUE	3779.34
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	<u>520.95</u>
	6430.07

There being no further business the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, September 14, 1927.

CHAIRMAN
 CLERK