

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LINDENWOOD COLLEGE TO THE SYNOD OF MISSOURI IN SESSION AT INDEPENDENCE MISSOURI OCTOBER 26-29 1904

Evidences of the favor of God toward LINDENWOOD, the Synod's School for young women and girls are abundant. The health⁴ of the school, its teachers and pupils, has been most excellent. The patronage of the school has been such as to enable it to do its usual work comfortably without the incurrence of any debt. The character of the work has been up to the standard set and maintained at LINDENWOOD. The relationship existing between the management and the Board has been of the most cordial character.

The Board⁴ presents for the Synod's consideration the following details of the works and needs of LINDENWOOD:

ENROLLMENT:

THROUGHOUT: The total enrollment for all departments for the school year 1903-1904 was 85, distributed as follows; boarding pupils 73, day pupils 12, of which number 8 were special pupils, taking only music or elocution. Of this number, twelve were graduated from the seminary course: two from the seminary course and the department of elocution; one from the school of elocution alone; making a ^{total} of fifteen graduates from the College.

The enrollment at the time of reporting, for the school year is 88, distributed as follows; boarding department 68, day pupils 18. Four boarding pupils and one day pupil are expected to be in the school within a week after this report is offered. This will bring this Term's enrollment up to 91. These facts indicate a total enrollment for the year of at least 100.

FACULTY CHANGES:

A former president of LINDENWOOD now in charge of an eastern synodical College has called to his assistance in his new field of labor the following LINDENWOOD teachers: Mr. and Mrs. Ryder, Miss. Tucker, and Mr. Vieh. This has necessitated a large number of changes in the LINDENWOOD faculty. After the most mature deliberation and wide search for good and permanent teachers, the following new teachers have been added to the LINDENWOOD teaching corps:

Rev. Colia A. Mc Pheters M. A. (Westminster)

Miss. Francis Reubelt/

Miss. Flora B. Harwick/

Mr. Wm. H. Sherwood,

Mr. J. E. Quarles/

Mrs. Geo. F. Ayres

Miss. Mattie L. Catron/

B.A. (Cornell)

Miss. Francis Lee Johnson,

Miss. M.E. Myers / B.A. (Ann Arbor)

Mrs. M.A. Andrews,

NEW COURSE OF STUDY:

In order to meet the competition of the numerous girls's schools throu^ot the west which are offering degrees of all sorts, the Board of trustees of LINDENWOOD have reviv^ded the subsidiary degree of Bachelor of Letters, and made the requirements for the same different and lighter than the demands of their B.A. course. This course is proving popular,; two young ladies expect to graduate from this ¹⁵course this year and a number have entered it for future graduation.

The College will continue to offer the two seminary courses, the B. A. ~~course~~ and a College preparatory course^s.

FINANCIAL:

One of the trying and important problems in the maintenance of a church school is the question of its financial support. LINDENWOOD's endowment furnishes only a small portion of the amount need for its support. It is therefore gratifying to the Board to be able to report that the income of LINDENWOOD was sufficient for all of its current expenses and left a small ballance for the summer canvassing.

The total income of the school from all sources was-----	\$20,184.47
The total expenses including President's salary-----	\$19,935.15
Leaving a ballance on the right side of-----	\$249.32

IMPROVEMENTS:

The present ^{ment} manager assumed charge of a property very much out of shape in many ways: ~~the~~ the inside looked old and dilapidated; many of the rooms were without suitable furnishings: there was not table ware enough to set the tables.

\$2245.32 have been expended in remedying these conditions and whilst much is left to be desired, the building is in fairly good shape for the work which is expected of it.

WORKING CONDITIONS:

The school is cramped for room for effective work. The living room question is an acute one: there is not sufficient room for the school work. Halls, living rooms ~~and~~ ^{the} chapel have been converted into practice and teaching rooms. Library and parlor have to be pressed into service for recitation uses.

PLACING THE SCHOOL BEFORE THE PUBLIC:

The president of the College has been afforded the opportunity of addressing quite a number of the churches of our synod in behalf of the College.

The school is well represented by paid advertisements in the newspapers and magazines.

Five canvassers were in the field in the interest of the College during the past summer, the time of their service varying from three weeks to two and one half months.

PROSPECTS:

With the property in better shape than it has ~~been~~ been in years; with a larger patronage than the school has enjoyed in several ~~many~~ years with the good will of our fellow townsmen and the clergy of the synod the prospects of the school are ~~good~~ *good* and now is the opportunity of the Presbyterian church in Missouri to make of LINDENWOOD the first well sustained Women's College of the west.

A larger number of girls are doing College work this fall than usual in the experience of LINDENWOOD.

PRESSING NEEDS:

A new heating apparatus.

A new dormitory, thereby increasing the carrying capacity of the school.

A separate music building.

A separate school building.

THE OPPORTUNITY OF LINDENWOOD.

The day is not far distant when there will be a substantial Woman's College west of the Mississippi River.

LINDENWOOD HAS THE NEST EGG OF AN ENDOWMENT: seventy -three years of history: a splendid property in every way equal to the demands of a College: traditions: an influential alumnus.

DIAMOND JUBILEE:

The attention of the Synod is directed to the fact that in 1906, LINDENWOOD will have been in existence as a school for seventy five years, and that it will be eminently appropriate that this occasion be celebrated by synod in some fitting way. The most fitting celebration would comprehend the dedication of a new dormitory and other much needed buildings.

DIRECTORS.

The term of service of the following directors expires at this meeting of synod:

Mr. Robert Rankin

Mr. George S. Drake.

Rev. Dr. Gregg.

Mr Henry P. Wyman

Rev. J. F. Handy D.D.

It is recommended that all of these be reelected by this synod.

The place of Dr. Stumberg, deceased, has never been filled. It is recommended that his son the Dr. E. Kurt Stumberg of St. Charles, be chosen to fill take his father's place on the Board.

Pres. Board Trustees LINDENWOOD COLLEGE