

Records
of
the Board of Directors
of
Linden-Wood Female College.
1853

First Board of Directors, being those names in the Act of Incorporation.

Archibald Gamble	Rev Saml J.P. Anderson
Rev Thomas Watson Jr	Rev Samuel B. Smith
Charles D. Drake	Joseph Charless [sic]
Charles F. Woodson	John J. Johns
Achilles Broadhead	T. G. Chiles
Samuel S. Watson	Rev Saml B. Mc.Pheeters
Rev Robert P. Farris	Rev James A. Lyon

Rev Joseph F. Fenton.

The Act of the General Assembly of the State of Missouri Incorporating The Linden Wood Female College
was approved February 24. 1853

The first Board of Directors, organized March 22. 1853.

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Linden Wood, St. Charles County
Missouri, Tuesday March 22^d 1853

The Legislature of the State of Missouri having passed "An Act to incorporate the Linden Wood Female College", in which the first Board of Directors were named, a meeting of the Board was held this twenty-second day of March, Eighteen hundred and fifty = three, at the residence of Maj. George C. Sibley, Linden Wood, St. Charles County, Missouri, for the purpose of organization; when were present Samuel S. Watson, Rev. Samuel B. Smith, Rev, Robert P. Farris, John J. Johns, and Charles D. Drake.

After prayer by Rev. Mr Smith, Mr. Samuel S. Watson was appointed President and Charles D. Drake Secretary of the Board.

A certified copy of "An Act to incorporate the Linden Wood Female College passed February 24. 1853, was laid before the Board and read, and on motion said Act of incorporation was unanimously accepted.

The Board then proceeded to divide the members of the Board, by lot, into three classes. It was ordered that the names of all the members should be placed separately in a hat, and thence drawn out one by one; and that the five members whose names should be drawn out from the hat first should constitute the first class;

the five members whose names should be next drawn should constitute the second class; and the five remaining members should constitute the third class.

The names were then all placed in a hat, and thence drawn out, one by one, when the following was the results: [This last line is not entirely clear due to the lower halves of the words, at the bottom pf the page, having worn away. The next page begins as follows:]

The first five names drawn out were Samuel J. P. Anderson, Joseph Charless, T. G. Chiles, Charles D. Drake, and Robert P. Farris; who, therefore, constitute the first class.

The five names next drawn out were Archibald Gamble, James A. Lyon, Thomas Watson, Samuel S. Watson, and Charles H. Woodson; who, therefore, constitute the second class.

The remaining five names were Achilles Broadhead, Joseph F. Fenton, John J. Johns, Samuel B. McPheeters, & Samuel B. Smith; who, therefore, constitute the third class.

Ordered, That the next regular meeting of the Board be held on the Tuesday next after the Fourth Monday of May next, and that the present officers of the Board hold their places until that time; and that the regular annual meeting of the Board be on the same day in each year.

Ordered, That the Secretary communicate to the Presbytery of St. Louis the Act of incorporation of the Linden Wood Female College, and the names of the Directors whose terms of service will Expire on the first day of May next, in order that that body may fill the vacancies.

Ordered, That a committee of two in St. Charles and three in St. Louis, be appointed to obtain in person, or through others, subscriptions in money, building materials, furniture, or whatever may be needed, for the purpose of proceeding, as soon as practicable, to the construction and Equipment of suitable buildings for the Linden Wood Female College; and that in addition to direct & unconditional subscriptions, said committee be authorized to receive subscriptions on the following plan, viz: that the amount subscribed by any _____ [paper is torn and word is missing] shall be credited to him an [only the upper half of this entire last line is legible so it is uncertain.]

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amount [half of this word is missing and the remainder is not entirely clear; it may easily be something else entirely] of expenses of board & tuition to be given a pupil or pupils named by him, in the institution, until the whole amount be reimbursed to him; provided, that any subscriber shall not be permitted to have so reimbursed to him, in any and year, more than one = third of the amount of his subscription.

Messrs. S. S. Watson and Johns, of St. Charles, and Messrs Anderson, McPheeters, & Farris, of St. Louis, were appointed said committee.

Ordered, That direct & unconditional subscriptions for less than three hundred dollars, be payable in six, twelve, & Eighteen months, and those over that amount in six, twelve, Eighteen, and twenty-four months, from June 1. 1853; but the Committee shall be authorized, in cases which in their judgment require it, to change the times of payment.

Ordered, That reimbursable subscriptions be payable in six months from June 1. 1853.

Ordered, That the President be authorized to call a meeting of the Board at any time when in his judgment necessary.

Ordered, That the proceedings of this meeting be published in St. Louis Presbyterian, St. Louis Intelligencer, and St. Charles Chronolys [?]

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After prayer by Rev. Mr Farris, the Board adjourned to meet on the Tuesday next [word slightly uncertain] after the fourth Monday of May next.

Chas: D. Drake,
Secretary.

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St. Louis , April 13. 1853.

At the call of the President a meeting of the Board of Directors of Linden Wood Female College was held on the thirteenth day of April, 1853, at 5 o'clock P.M., at the office of Rev. E.T. Baird in the City of St. Louis.

Present, S.S. Watson, President, in the chair, C. D. Drake, Secretary, and Rev. Messrs. Anderson McPheeters, and Lyon.

It being made known to the Board that Rev. Samuel B. Smith, of St. Charles, is about to spend several months in the East, & would be willing, while there, to act as agent of the Board in soliciting donations for the College, it was

Ordered, That Rev. Samuel B. Smith be appointed an agent of the Board in the East, to solicit donations in money, books, philosophical apparatus, or other things, for the LindenWood Female College.

Ordered, That the Secretary open a correspondence with Rev. C. VanRenssalaen [spelling not entirely certain, especially last three letters], DD. [?] Secretary of the Board of Education, with reference to obtaining a suitable person to take charge of the College, and also to act as fiscal agent in obtaining the necessary funds for erecting the buildings thereof.

The Board then adjourned.

Chas: D. Drake,
Secretary.

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Linden Wood, St. Charles,

May 24. 1853

At the call of the President, the Board of Directors of the Linden Wood Female College met at Linden Wood, near St Charles this day. Present, Messers Samuel S. Watson, President, S. J. P. Anderson, John Jay Johns, B. A. Alderson, and Andrew King.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Mr. Anderson.

Mr. Johns was appointed Secretary pro tem.

A letter was received and read from Rev. C. Van Rensselaen, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Education, on the subject of a suitable person to take charge of this institution.

On motion of Mr. King

Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed to correspond with suitable persons on the subject of taking charge of this institution

Messrs Anderson, McPheeters, & Drake were appointed said Committee.

The Board then proceeded to an Election of officers for the Ensuing year, when the following persons were Elected:

Samuel S. Watson, President.

Rev. Saml J. P. Anderson, Vice President.

Charles D. Drake, Secretary

B. A. Alderson, Treasurer.

The following statement of the proceeding of the Presbytery of St. Louis, in relation to this institution, was presented and ordered to be spread at large on the minutes of the Board.

“As a meeting of the Presbytery of St. Louis in regular session, begun & held at the town of Washington, Franklin County Missouri, on Thursday, April 7. 1853, a Report from the Board of Directors of Linden Wood Female College, together with [Begin new page; faint penciled numbering appears to read “6”] a communication from Major George C. Sibley and wife – the act of incorporation of the said College – and the minutes of the said Board of Directors – was presented to Presbytery by Rev. S. J. P. Anderson and read; and on motion, these papers were referred to a special committee,

consisting of Rev. Messers Anderson and McPheeters, who submitted a report, which was unanimously adopted, as follows: —

‘The Presbytery having received a communication from Charles D. Drake, Esq., Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Linden Wood Female College, Enclosing the Act of Incorporation of said institution, by the Legislature of Missouri; also a certified Extract from the last will and testament of Major George C. Sibley, accompanied by a statement of Major G. C. and Mary E. Sibley his wife; also, the action of the Board of Directors of said College, organized at Linden Wood on the 22^d of March, 1853; therefore

Resolved, 1st, That this Presbytery gratefully acknowledge the noble & Enlightened liberality of said donors, and do hereby accept the trust confided in them.

Resolved, 2^d, That the Rev. S. J. P. Anderson, Rev. Robert P. Farris, Charles D. Drake, Andrew King, & Benjamin A. Alderson, be appointed Directors, to fill the class whose term of office Expires on the 1st day of May, 1853.

Resolved, 3^d, That the whole matter of the Endowment of said College, the preparation of building, taking up subscriptions, together with such arrangements as may be necessary to carry out the object of said institution, be referred to the Board of Directors, with the full sanction of the Presbytery to act in the premises within the bounds of the Presbytery.

A true minute of proceedings.

S. J. P Anderson, Moderator

_____ Thompson [?] Baird, Charles [? This bottom line is worn out and mostly illegible.]

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After prayer by Rev. Mr. Loomis [?], the Board adjourned.

St. Louis, Decr 15. 1853.

At the call of the President, a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Linden Wood Female College was held this day, in the Lecture Room of the Central Presbyterian Church, St. Louis.

Present, Messrs S.S. Watson, President, Archibald Gamble, Rev. James A. Lyon, John J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, & C.D. Drake.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Committee of correspondence appointed at the last meeting be instructed to correspond with Rev. Robert Galbraith, of Maryland, in relation to taking charge of the affairs of this College, and that the Board will guaranty to him, if he accept, one thousand dollars per annum as a salary, and his traveling Expenses while he is soliciting funds, and will appoint him President of the College when it is put in operation.

The Board then adjourned.

Chas: D. Drake,
Secretary

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St. Louis Febry. 1. [? Number very unclear] 1854

The following members of the Board of Directors of the Linden Wood Female College met by appt. in the Parton Study of Pine St. Church.

S. S. Watson Prest. – Rev^d. S. J. P. Anderson – Rev^d. Ja^s. A. Lyon. Rev. Saml. B. McPheeters – Joseph Charless and Charles D. Drake – opened with prayer – Rev. S. J. P Anderson Stated, that the Com: of Correspondence had corresponded with Rev. H. E. Ruggles in relation to taking charge of this institution, and had rec.^d a letter from him, in which he States, that if cordially and unanimously called to the Presidency of the College he would accept – but if there Should be opposition in the Presbytery or the Board, he would decline – thereupon it was Ordered, that the Committee be directed to inform Mr. Ruggles that it is deemed inexpedient at present to elect a President, and that Since the Committee commenced correspondence with him, it has been ascertained that there is to Some extent a feeling of disinclination to his taking charge of the Institution, which would probably make it less agreeable to him to do So, than it would be if entire unanimity prevailed –

Resolved. That Mr. John J Johns and Mr. Sibley be requested to undertake an Agency for the Board in raising funds in the City of St. Louis, and that the President be authorised to arrange with them ____ [word illegible due to torn paper; the two visible letters appear to be "ar"] to compensation for their Services.

Resolved. That the Committee of Correspondence be requested to proceed to correspond with Rev. Robt. C. Galbraith, as directed by the Board at their Meeting on the 15.th of December last – closed with prayer.

Secretary.

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Linden Wood 2d July 1855

A meeting of the Board to be held here on this day was duly appointed. But only two members appearing (Mr. Watson the Prest., and Mr. Johns the Secy pro. tem.) they adjourned to meet at the Same place on the fifth Instant.

Jno. Jay Johns Secy pro: tem:

Linden. Wood July 5th 1855.

The Board met according to adjournment. Present S. S. Watson Prest. – Rev. N. S. Rice D.D. B. A. Alderson – Andrew King & John J. Johns – Opened with prayer –

It appearing that Sufficient funds have been Subscribed and to be relied on to justify Some order being taken for putting up Suitable Building or Buildings, it is Ordered that Rev. N. L. Rice – S.S. Watson – B. A. Alderson and S. E. Powell be and are hereby appointed a Building Committee, with authority to obtain Plans, Proposals &c., to decide the Same, and to make contracts and Suitable arrangements for the erection of a Suitable Building &c., and also to employ proper means for increasing the fund already Subscribed, and to Secure its availability as far as practicable.

On Motion Mess. A. King, B. A. Alderson & John Jay Johns were appointed a Committee to call on the Subscribers to the L.W.F. College, to obtain their consent to pay their Subscriptions respectively, wherever the Sum of Ten [? Few?] thousand Dollars is Subscribed, and to obtain additional Subscriptions –

It was moved and Seconded that Rev.^d Dr. Rice be added to the Committee of Correspondence appointed by the Board 24th May 1853 – (Said Committee now consists of Rev.^d Dr. Anderson, Rice, McPheeters & Mr. C. D. Drake) (See P. 5.)

The board then adjourned – Close with prayer –

Jno. Jay Johns Secy pro. tem.

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Linden. Wood 23.d June 1856 –

A meeting of the Board of Directors having been called by the Prest. and duly notified to be held here this day – the following members of the Board appeared – S. S. Watson Prest. John J. Johns Secy pro tem – Andrew King – B. A. Alderson – No Quorum – adjourned to meet at the Same place on the 4.th day of July prox. –

Jno Jay Johns Secry pro tem

Linden Wood 4th July 1856.

The Board of Directors met this morning pursuant to adjournment. Present – S. S. Watson Prest. Rev: S. J. P. Anderson Vice President – Rev. Samuel B. McPheeters – B. A. Alderson – John Jay Johns Secry. Pro tem – Opened with Prayer. George C. Sibley and Mary E. Sibley his wife, came before the Board, and offered them their Quit Claim Deed for One Hundred and twenty Acres of land to be ____ [word missing from torn sheet, appears to end with “kew” or “ken”] from the Southerly end of their Linden Wood tract, including all the improvements thereon – The Deed is drawn in due form, with the Signatures and Seals of the Granters affixed.

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[a Picnic celebration of the day being in progress under the ____ of S. Wood, the Board ~~adj. for~~ took a recess to join the assemblage, & took Seats together on an elevated platform, when G. C. Sibley presented the Deed above named to Mr. Watson Prest. of the Board].

After recess the Board assembled again for business; Mr. Andrew King _____ appeared [? First half of word is lost, remainder is construed based on context] and took his Seat as a Member of the Board. – On Motion of Rev. Dr. Anderson it was Ordered Nem: [?] Con. [?] _____ the Quit Claim Deed presented by G. C. Sibley & Wife to 120 Acres of the Linden Wood tract, for the use of the Linden Wood Female College, be _____ [word is entirely lost except that it ends in “ed”] is hereby unanimously accepted by this Board – And the President S. Watson, is hereby authorised and directed to execute a life lease of the said 120 Acres to G. C. Sibley & wife jointly and Successively, with the exception of twelve Acres Set apart for the present use of the College aforesaid. Whereupon Mr. Watson, the President, Signed & Sealed a Deed of Lease as above ordered, in the presence of the Board, and delivered the Same to Said Sibley and wife –

On Motion, the Board appointed G. C. Sibley on the building committee, the place of L. E. Powell who has resigned – Said Committee now Consists of G. C. Sibley (named chairman by the Board) Rev. N. L. Rice – S. S. Watson and B. A. Alderson – –

Mr. B. A. Alderson tendered to the board his resignation as Treasurer of the Board – which was accepted –

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And on Motion – Mr. John Jay Johns was appointed to be Treasurer of the Board in the place of B. A. Alderson resigned –

On motion of Rev. Dr. Anderson, it is, by order of the Board, made the duty of the Secretary of this Board, to Send up the Records of the Board to the Spring Meetings of the Presbytery of St. Louis –

The Board then adjourned – Closed with prayer –

Jno Jay Johns

Secry pro: tem =

St Louis Mo. Sept 22^d 1856

The Board of Directors of the Linden Wood Female College met at the house of Dr. N. L Rice – At the request of the President, Rev. S. B. McPheeters opened the meeting with prayer – Present S.

S. Watson, Pres. Of the Board, Dr. N. L. Rice, Dr. S. J. P. Anderson, Rev. S. B. McPheeters, B. A. Alderson and Jno. Jay Johns –

The following Resolutions were moved by Dr. Anderson and unanimously adopted:

Resolved 1st The the [sic] Rev. R. C. Galbraith of Baltimore is hereby elected President of the Linden Wood Female College –

2nd – That he have entire charge of the appointment of teachers and government of the school, the Board reserving to itself only a veto power in both these respects –

3rd That he have the entire proceeds of the school for the term of five years from its opening, and buildings & furniture free of rent.

4th – That he be appointed agent of the Board for the purpose of raising funds for completing the endowment and furnishing the school and that he receive ten per cent on the amount collected, the Board guaranteeing to him the sum of four hundred dollars for the

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first year of his services –

Resolved that the Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed to pay to Mr. Galbraith the sum of Thirty dollars to pay the expense of his visit to St Charles –

On motion, Dr. Anderson & J. Jay Johns were appointed a Committee to inform Mr. Galbraith of his election –

On motion, the Board adjourned –

Jno Jay Johns, Sec, Pro. Tem.

St. Louis March 24th 1857.

Board of Directors of Linden Wood Female College Met at the Call of the President. Present. S. S. Watson, President. Rev S. B. McPheeters Rev. S. J. P Anderson D.D. Rev. J. F. Fenton, B. A. Alderson and Jno. Jay Johns - The Rev. John Cowan being present by invitation was called on to open the meeting with prayer –

A letter was presented from the Rev R. C. Galbraith declining to accept the Presidency of the College, to which he was elected on the 22nd Sept last – The cheif [sic] reason he assigns for declining is feeble health –

On motion the Board now proceeded to elect a President of the College –And The Rev. A. V. C. Schenck of St. Joseph's Mo, was unanimously chosen – and Dr. Anderson was appointed a committee to inform him of his election –

On motion adjourned –

Jno Jay John Sec, pro tem

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St Charles, April 19th 1857.

The Board of Directors of Linden Wood Female College met in the Office of A. King Esq. at the Call of the President – Opened with prayer. The members of the Board present were S. S. Watson Pres. B. A. Alderson – A. King Q. [?] A. Diek [?] and Jno Jay Johns – A quorum being present the Board proceeded to business. The Rev. A. V. C. Schenck the President Elect of Linden Wood F. College being present – The Board entered into free & lengthened conversation with him, on the condition & prospect of the College, and in reference to his acceptance of the Presidency of it – He expressed himself favorable towards it, but declined giving a final answer untill [sic] he should return home – After becoming acquainted with Mr Schenck and hearing his veiw [sic] on the Subjects ~~of~~ connected with the management of Females Schools – The members of the Board expressed their Conviction of his high qualifications as fitness for the position to which they have called him –

On motion the Board adjourned to meet in St Louis at the Church Extension Rooms at 10^{0al} [?] A. M. on the 7th day of May next –

Jno Jay Johns Sec pro tem

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Saint Louis May '57

Board met in Church Extension [?] Rooms and was opened with prayer,
The President (Mr Watson) stated the object of the meeting to be as follows: –

- (1) To sanction the actions of a committee previously chosen in determining [?] to Employ Rev. A. V. C. Schenck as President of Lindenwood Female College.

On motion this action was sanctioned

(2) To Elect a President of the Board. Whereupon Mr S. S. Watson was unanimously re-Elected
Messrs Watson, Alderson & Paige were appointed a Committee to Complete [word not entirely
certain] the terms of engagement with Rev Mr Schenck

The following complementary resolution was adopted: –

Resolved, That the thanks of the Board be awarded to Mrs Mary E Sibley for her self-
denying and persevering industry and success in raising funds for the Erection & completion of the
College Building.

On motion of Dr. Rice the Committee chosen to negotiate with Mr Schenck was
authorized to devise the means of raising 3000 \$ if necessary to complete the College Building, or
discharge the debt incurred by such completion

Rev J. A. Paige was Elected Secretary

Adjourned

J. A. Paige Sec.

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Saint Charles June 24 '57

The Board of Directors of Lindenwood Female College met and the meeting was opened with prayer
Present, Rev Messrs Schenck & Paige, and Messrs Watson, Johns, Alderson & Dick.

On motion Mr Watson took the chair

Mr Watson as chairman of the Business Committee was authorized to make arrangements to discharge
the debt due on the College building, and have the same insured in such manner as he should deem
most safe.

It was agreed with Rev Mr Schenck that the Board would provide the instruction-rooms with
suitable furniture.

Also the private rooms of pupils with a bedstead ~~Each~~, a table & wash-stand Each, and the
lumber for wardrobes.

Also the dining-room with suitable tables

It was further agreed that Rev Mr Schenck should ____ [word looks like "chilor" or "ehilor"] his
library to his taste at his own present Expense, but that on his leaving this institution the Board would
compensate him for the same.

That the Board should retain supervisory authority over the institution and the right of veto upon the acts of the President

That the period of his Engagement on previous [word not entirely certain] terms should be 5 years.

On motion Mr Sibley was added to the Business Committee.

Adjourned

James A. Paige,
Secretary

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Saint Charles Aug 24. '57

The Board met at Lindenwood and the meeting was opened with prayer

Present: Messrs Watson, King, Dick, Alderson and Johns

On motion the Building Committee was instructed to go on and have the necessary out-buildings & improvements made

At request of Maj. Sibley it was agreed that Mr. Alderson should act as Chairman of the building Committee

On motion, Mr J. J. Johns was added to the Financial Committee. --- And it was Resolved: -

That the ~~Building~~ Financial Committee heretofore appointed [?] to raise funds for building Lindenwood College by sale of property, borrowing money, or by subscription, be hereby instructed to proceed to sell so much of the Lindenwood tract of land as shall be necessary to pay the debts contracted and remaining unpaid for the Erection of said building, and other necessary out-buildings and improvements

Adjourned.

J. Jay Johns

Sec. pro tem.

Saint Charles Sept. 20 '57

The Board met at Lindenwood College and the session was opened with prayer.

Present: - Rev Dr. Anderson, S. S. Watson, B. A. Alderson, I. A. Dick, J. J. Johns

J. J. Johns was chosen Secretary pro. tem.

On motion, Rev. A. V. C. Schenck was appointed agent to collect funds for the College, and his expenses to be borne.

Adjourned

J. J. Johns

Sec. pro. tem.

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Lindenwood Female College

Dec. 29th 1857

The Board met and was opened with prayer by Rev. J. F. Cowan

Present, Messrs. S. S. Watson, President, Rev. J. F. Cowan, Rev. S. B. Mc Pheeters, B. D. Alderson and J. J. Johns

The financial condition of the Board was brought forward and investigated with the following result;

Indebtedness of the Board	\$8.500 –
Available means — now due	\$ 550 –
Available means due in 1, 2 and 3 years	\$1.000 –

The subject of a sale of a portion of the Lindenwood tract of land was taken into careful consideration and the following Resolutions were adopted:

1. Resolved; That B. A. Alderson, J. J. Johns and A. King be and they are hereby constituted a Committee to sell and convey about twenty acres of the Northerly part of the Lindenwood Tract of land and about twenty acres of the Southerly part of said tract, in all not to exceed forty acres, or so much thereof as may be necessary to raise a sum sufficient to cover the present indebtedness of said College. The land to be disposed of at such price and upon such terms as said Committee shall consider most advantageous to the interests of the College

2. Resolved; That it shall also be the duty of said Committee to obtain and receive from Geo. C. Sibley and Mary E. Sibley his Wife, a release and acquittance for the life-estate which they hold in and to the said Lindenwood Tract of land on such terms as may be agreed upon; said Committee being authorized to contract and bind the Trustees of said

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College, to pay said Sibley and Wife, not to exceed three dollars (\$3.) per acre, per annum as a consideration for said Release and acquittance, during the lives of said Sibley and Wife

Messrs. I. A. Dick and B. A. Alderson, on motion were appointed a Committee to examine and audit the Treasurer's account

On motion Messrs. S. S. Watson and A. King were appointed a Committee to conclude the contract with Mr. Schenck as President of the College.

On motion Mr. J. J. Johns was added to the existing building-committee to conclude arrangements with Mr. Schenck in reference to improvements.

Adjourned.

A. V. C. Schenck, Secretary pro tem.

Lindenwood

Jany. 26. 1858.

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present Messrs. S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns B. A. Alderson, A. King and I. A. Dick

Rev. A. V. C. Schenck was appointed Secretary pro tem

The Minutes of the last meeting of the Board were read.

Mr. A. King of the Committee to sell a portion of the Lindenwood Tract of Land presented their report which on motion was received and adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee appointed at the last meeting of the Board to contract sales of a portion of the Lindenwood Tract of Land to pay off the debts of Lindenwood Female College, beg leave to make the following report: That we contracted a sale of about eighteen (18) acres, to be taken from the front ["part" is also a possible reading] of said tract at three hundred dollars (\$300.) per acre, but Major Sibley and Wife refusing to release their life-estate thereto, the sale was

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therefore not consummated;

That we had a conference with Major and Mrs. Sibley in reference thereto and they agreed that the Board might sell alternate lots of said front, ["part"?] according to a plat thereof made by Major Sibley, containing ten lots – each lot containing about one and a half acres, which plat is herewith presented to the Board:

The Committee have endeavored to make sales of said lots, in pursuance of said plat, by public advertisement and personal effort but have thus far failed to sell:

That there are negotiations pending with Saml. S. Watson Esq. in regard to the sale of a lot of twenty (20) acres to be taken off the back or North end of said tract but that a contract of sale thereof has not yet been accomplished:

The Committee also state that they were instructed by the Board, to obtain from Major and Mrs. Sibley the release of their title to so much of said land as might be sold off said tract and to agree to pay them three dollars per acre, annually, for the same; but that Major Sibley and Wife insist on three dollars per acre for the back end and four dollars per acre for the front of said tract – and that the Board must secure the payment of the same in some other way than by obligation of said Board:

Your Committee would further report and recommend to the Board, to get a release from Major Sibley and Wife of their Life Estate to the whole one-hundred-and-twenty acres, including the improvements, if it can be done in reasonable terms.

All of which is respectfully submitted

A. King, Chairman

On motion it was

Resolved; That the Committee on the sale of land is hereby instructed to go forward and take a lease from Major and Mrs. Sibley, to the Board for the whole of

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said tract during their lives, on such terms as may be agreed upon and in pursuance of an agreement dated Jan'y 4th 1858, so far as that may be applicable.

The Committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's accounts reported and were continued.

Messrs. A. King and B. A. Alderson were appointed a Committee to prepare By-Laws for the Board

The Committee appointed to conclude the contract with Rev. A. V. C. Schenck as President of the College reported and were continued

Adjourned to meet two weeks from to-day (Tuesday Feby 9th.) at 2 o'clock P.M.

A. V. C. Schenck

Secretary pro tem.

Lindenwood Feby. 9th. 1858

According to adjournment the following members of the Board met, viz: Messrs. Watson, Johns, Alderson and Dick. As a quorum was not present they adjourned to Monday Feby 15th at 2 o'clock P.M.

A. V. C. Schenck

Secretary pro tem.

Lindenwood Feby 15th. 1858.

Messrs. A. King, B. A. Alderson and J. J. Johns, members of the Board met pursuant to adjournment. Not having a quorum they adjourned to meet on Tuesday the 23^d inst at 2 o'clock P.M.

A. V. C. Schenck

Secy. pro. tem.

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Lindenwood Feby 23^d. 1858

Messrs. S. S. Watson, Johns, King and Dick, members of the Board, met according to adjournment, but not having a quorum adjourned to meet on Tuesday March 22^d 1858 at 2 o'clock P.M.

A.V.C. Schenck

Secy pro tem.

Lindenwood March 22^d. 1858 — — —

The Board met and was opened with prayer. Present Messrs. S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, A. King, B. A. Alderson and I. A. Dick.

The contract of the Board with the President, Rev. A. V. C. Schenck was considered and agreed upon. the contract to be copied in duplicate and signed at the next meeting of the Board

The following bills on presentation were audited and allowed and it was ordered that warrants issue for the same.

[Many of the below names are uncertain.]

Hoodapp and Beggenberger	\$70.20
Valentine Baker	13.78
Peter Hansaw	197.35
Overall and Brother	742.33
Wm. H. Bates	108.25
E. M. Avery	120.00
Allen Thompson	97.25

The Board adjourned to meet on Monday 29th inst. at 2 o'clock P.M.

A.V.C. Schenck

Secy. pro tem

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Lindenwood March 29th. 1858

The Board met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. Present, S. S. Watson Pres^t. J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, A. King and I. A. Dick

The contract of the Board with the President, Rev. A. V. C. Schenck was again read, and then was signed by the parties agreeing thereto, and is as follows:

“ This Article of Agreement made and concluded by and between the Board of Directors of the Lindenwood Female College of the first part, and Addison V. C. Schenck of the second part, Witnesseth –

That for, and on account of the considerations hereinafter mentioned, said party of the first part, have and doth hereby grant, assign, lease and rent unto said party of the second part for and during the term of five years from and after the tenth day of July, eighteen-hundred and fifty seven, the College building of the Lindenwood Female College now erected and located on the Lindenwood Tract of Land adjacent to the City of St. Charles, in St. Charles County, State of Missouri, together with the twelve acre of lot [sic] of land owned by said Corporation and on which said College building is situated, with the out-buildings and improvements now thereon or which may hereafter be furnished by said Board of Directors, together with the privileges and appurtenances belonging to said College building and lot of ground, (provided that the above enumeration shall include the gas-apparatus only when it shall be received by the Board from the contractor for the same); and also the use of the following furniture belonging to said Board of Directors and placed by them in said College building, to-wit: four dozen chairs in rooms, five dozen chairs in school-rooms, 25 Cottage bedsteads, 2 single bedsteads, 25 Wash-stands, 25 Reading-tables, 2.0 Strong [Sturdy? Stoves? “St” is all that is visible of the word]

Walnut desks, 2 Tables in school-rooms, one set outline Maps, Library case in the study and two closets in the family-room; the last two items paid for by said Schenck.

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and for which he is to be refunded upon ceasing to act as President of said College.

In consideration whereof, the said party of the second part agrees and binds himself to establish and carry on during said Term of Five years aforesaid or so long as he may continue to act as President, a First Class Female College embracing a full course in the Preparatory, Collegiate and Normal Departments, as far as students of a worthy character may offer themselves for either of said Departments, and so far as convenient accommodations can be afforded to them; and also to furnish at his own cost and expense a sufficient number of qualified and capable Teachers in said Departments of learning in said College.

The said Lindenwood Female College, by the provisions of the act of its incorporation being under the supervision and control of the Presbytery of St. Louis in connection with the (O.S.) General

Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, it is understood and agreed by said party of the second part, that in the conduct and control of said College during said term, he will pursue the course indicated and laid down in the deed of gift of the Lindenwood Tract of Land, made by Major Geo. C. Sibley and Wife to said Board of Directors, bearing date July 21st. [? Date might also possibly be "July 2"] 1856 and of Record in Book E. [?] No. 2 page 157 and following, of the Recorder's office of said St. Charles County.

The Establishment, management and conduct of said Lindenwood Female College by said party of the second part shall be as above described, so far as the equipment, apparatus, arrangements and appurtenances of the same will permit

It is further agreed by said party of the second part, that the students who may attend as day-pupils in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the College, shall be placed upon an equal footing with the students residing in the College-building, in all the Literary and Religious

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privileges of said College as far as they may choose to avail themselves of them.

It is also agreed between said parties, that any other improvements which may be made by said party of the second part during said Term, from and after this date, if not made in accordance with some special agreement, shall be made by said Schenck at his own cost and expense and at the end of said Term he shall be Entitled to compensation therefor according to the actual value for use of such improvements, or he may at his option remove the same.

At the End of said Term said party of the second part is to Return the premises and property herein leased to him in as good order as when received, the natural and usual wear and decay Excepted.

The said party of the first part, hereby delegate the powers conferred on them by the charter to said party of the second part, reserving to themselves and [sic] advisory and supervisory control and a veto-power in such matters as properly fall within their province, or in matters which do not interfere with or prejudice the Rights, privileges or immunities of the President or Faculty of said College. It is acknowledged by both parties to this contract that it is impossible to draw the precise line of distinction, between the powers and privileges of either of them, inasmuch as the Board of Directors have and must have certain Rights and privileges, as such, belonging to them, and on the other hand, the President of the College, taking the management and control of the College upon his sole personal Risk and Responsibility, and being directly interested, both pecuniarily [sic] and in Reputation, the Relation

between the Board of Directors and the President of the College cannot be precisely such as exists in cases where the presiding officer of a College is simply salaried and runs no personal Risk. Under this view, it is understood and Expressed by the parties to this contract, that, collectively and individually, each in his place, it is his duty and a part of his obligation by this agreement, to lend his energies and use every opportunity [Begin new page labeled "25"] and endeavor in order to maintain and cherish the College and its interests and Reputation, with the fixed purpose of making it by the blessing of God upon our labors, one of the distinguished means among the agencies of the church for the intellectual and spiritual good of the daughters of our land

In witness whereof, said party of the first part by their President S. S. Watson, in open meeting of the Board hereto subscribe their name and affix their corporate seal. And said party of the second part hereto subscribes his name and affixes his seal

Done at Lindenwood this

29th. day of March A. D. 1858

Executed in duplicate

(Seal) Signed { S. S. Watson
President

(Seal) Signed { A. V. C. Schenck "

[The parentheses represent the circular squiggles which appear on the page surrounding the word "seal." These are evidently intended to represent the place where, in the actual document, the actual seals appeared.]

A bill of A. V. C. Schenck for \$2.87. 99½ against the Board was presented and allowed and a warrant ordered to issue for the same.

"The proposed contract with Major Geo. C. Sibley and his Wife (see page 17 2^d. Resolution and page 19) in Reference to their lease of the Lindenwood Tract of Land, was taken up and considered and its conclusion was postponed until the next meeting of the Board.

Mr. S. S. Watson tendered his resignation as President of the Board, which the Board, in view of the reasons presented for it, accepted. Mr. J. J. Johns was elected President of the Board of Trustees

On motion, the Board Resolved to Request possession of twenty acres of land in the front part of the Lindenwood Tract.

Adjourned to meet on Saturday April 3^d at 2 o'clock P. M.

A. V. C. Schenck Secretary pro tem.

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Lindenwood Saturday April 3^d. 1858

The following members of the Board met, pursuant to adjournment, viz: J. J. Johns, President, S. S. Watson, B. A. Alderson and I. A. Dick. A quorum not being present, they adjourned to meet on Saturday April 17th. at 2 o'clock P.M.

A. V. C. Schenck

Secretary protem.

Lindenwood Saturday April 17th. 1858

According to adjournment the following members of the Board met, viz: J. J. Johns President, S. S. Watson, B. A. Alderson and I. A. Dick. A quorum not being present, they adjourned to meet on Monday 19th inst at 3 o'clock P.M.

A. V. C. Schenck

Secretary pro tem.

Lindenwood Monday April 19th. 1858

The Board met and was opened with prayer. Present, J. J. Johns, President, S. S. Watson, B. A. Alderson, I. A. Dick and A. King.

A committee consisting of B. A. Alderson, I. A. Dick and A. V. C. Schenck, was appointed to conclude matters of business between the Board and Mr. Wm. Dean in reference to the gas-apparatus furnished by the latter.

Mr. J. J. Johns offered his resignation as Treasurer of the Board which was accepted and Mr. B. A. Alderson was elected to fill his place.

On motion, the President of the Board was directed to commence suit against any or either of the delinquent subscribers to Lindenwood Female College

The proposed lease by Maj. Geo. C. Sibley and Wife to the Trustees of Lindenwood Female College of the Lindenwood [Begin new page labeled "27"] Tract of Land was concluded and signed in duplicate in presence of the Board.

Mr. B. A. Alderson, Chairman of the Committee appointed to sell certain portions of the Lindenwood Tract, Reported that they had contracted a sale of twenty acres on the Northerly part of said tract to S. S. Watson, at one hundred dollars (\$100.) per acre. On motion the Report was approved and it was ordered that a deed issue to Mr. Watson from the President and Secretary of the Board in Pursuance of said Contract of sale.

The President of the Board of Trustees, Mr. J. J. Johns, Reported that after conference with the Committee on the sale of land, he, on the 17th. inst. Executed a deed to E. A. Lewis for a lot on the Southerly part of the Lindenwood Tract, marked No. eight (8) in the plat, for the sum of seven-hundred dollars (\$700) – payable one-fourth in cash, one-fourth in twelve months and the balance in two years, with ten per cent interest; and in consequence of the lease of Maj. Sibley and Wife to the Board of Trustees, not having been concluded at that time, they joined in said deed and Executed the same.

On motion the above-mentioned sale of lot No. 8 to E. A. Lewis was approved by the Board.

The Board adjourned to meet on Thursday 22^d inst. during the Sessions of the Presbytery of St. Louis at the Pine St. Church, St. Louis.

A. V. C. Schenck

Secy. pro tem

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St. Louis April 22^d 1858

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lindenwood Female College was held in the Basement of the Pine St. Church.

Present, S. J. P. Anderson D.D. A. Gamble, B. A. Alderson, Rev. J. B. Mc Pheeters, Rev. J. Fenton and Rev. J. A. Paige.

Rev. Dr. Anderson, Vice President, took the chair

It was announced that the following persons had been elected Directors of Lindenwood Female College by the Presbytery of St. Louis, in place of those whose term of service now Expires – viz;

Rev. Joseph Fenton

Rev. J. B. Mc Pheeters

Rev. A. V. C. Schenck

Rev. N. W. Calhoun

Mr. J. J. Johns.

The term of office of the above class Expires May 1st 1861

The following are the other members of the Board of Directors,

Rev. J. F. Cowan

Rev. J. A. Paige

Mr. Saml. S. Watson

Mr. Isaac A. Dick

Mr. John Brown.

The Term of office of the above class Expires May 1st 1860.

Rev. S. J. P. Anderson D.D.

Rev. Robert Farris

Chas. D. Drake Esq.

Andrew King Esq.

Mr. B. A. Alderson

The Term of office of the above class Expires May 1st 1859

Rev. J. A. Paige offered his Resignation as Secretary of [Begin new page marked "29" in pencil]
the Board which was accepted. Rev. A. V. C. Schenck was elected to fill his place.

The Board adjourned to meet at Lindenwood May 12th. at 3 o'clock P.M.

A. V. C. Schenck Secretary.

Lindenwood, Wednesday May 12th 1858.

The Board met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

Present, J. J. Johns, President, S. S. Watson, I. A. Dick, B. A. Alderson, Rev. N. W. Calhoun and
Rev. A. V. C. Schenck.

The Board entered into a general conference upon the condition of the College Building,
particularly in reference to the imperfections of the observatory and roof. Messrs. B. A. Alderson and I.
A. Dick were appointed a committee to call upon the contractors and make such arrangements as may
be necessary to insure the completion of the repairs required.

A bill of Mr. S. S. Watson amounting to sixteen hundred and sixty $\frac{92}{100}$ [second digit of numerator
is very unclear; might also be a "8" or anything else] dollars ($1660 \frac{92}{100}$) was presented, audited allowed,
and it was ordered that a warrant issue for the same.

The President of the Board reported, that in accordance with their previous direction, a deed
has been executed to S. S. Watson for twenty (20) acres on the Northerly part of the Lindenwood tract
for one hundred dollars per acre. Mr. Watson paid to the Board sixteen hundred and sixty $\frac{92}{100}$ dollars
($\$1660 \frac{92}{100}$) in accounts paid by him for the Board and the balance by his note at twelve months from
this date for three hundred and thirty nine $\frac{8}{100}$ ($\$339 \frac{8}{100}$) dollars

Adjourned to meet at Lindenwood on May 25th at 2 P.M.

A. V. C. Schenck Secretary P. I.

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Lindenwood May 25th. 1858

According to adjournment Messrs. Watson, Alderson and Johns met at Lindenwood, and a quorum not being present they adjourned to meet on Wednesday June 9th.

A. V. C. Schenck Secy p.t.

Lindenwood

Wednesday June 9th 1858.

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present J. J. Johns President, B. A. Alderson, S. S. Watson, I. A. Dick and A.V.C. Schenck [It looks as though "Johns" was either scratched out or had something else scrawled over it, but if so the other text cannot be read.]

It was moved and carried that a Committee be appointed to settle Interest due Mr. Josiah Cary, to settle with Mrs. Julia Eaton by exchange or renewal of notes, and to arrange with Mr. Norris for the fifteen-hundred dollars due him.

Messrs. Alderson and Watson were appointed the above Committee.

Messrs. Alderson, Johns and Dick were appointed a Committee to make an accurate survey of the lots proposed to be sold and laid down on a plat of lots belonging to Lindenwood Female College

It was ordered that a warrant be issued to Scanitt [name not entirely certain] and Mason for their bill, amounting to three hundred and forty-nine $\frac{45}{100}$ dollars (\$ 349 $\frac{45}{100}$) [Numerator not entirely clear.]

The Board then entered into the annual election of officers, with the following result.

President — S. S. Watson

Vice President J. J. Johns.

Treasurer — B. A. Alderson

Secretary — A. V. C. Schenck

Adjourned

A. V. C. Schenck Secy

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Lindenwood Tuesday July 27th 1858

The Board met according to appointment and was opened with prayer. Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, I. A. Dick, N. W. Calhoun and A. V. C. Schenck.

A. V. C. Schenck having paid for the Board the sum of Eighty dollars to J. Cary, it was ordered that a warrant issue to him for the sum of Eighty dollars with interest from June 14th 1858 at the Rate of ten per cent.

Mr. J. J. Watson reported that the note held by Mrs. Eaton against the Board had been Redeemed by Substituting for it the second note of E. A. Lewis to the Board for three-hundred and fifty (\$350.) dollars due in two years from April 17th 1858, and a note of S. S. Watson to the Board for three hundred and thirty nine $\frac{8}{100}$ dollars ($\$339\frac{8}{100}$) due May 12th 1859 and Receiving from her the sum of Eighty one (\$81.) dollars being the Excess of the notes of Lewis and Watson over the one Redeemed.

Mr. Watson further Reported that the Sum of Eighty one (\$81.) dollars Received as above from Mrs. Eaton, together with the first note of E. A. Lewis for one hundred and seventy-five (\$175.) dollars due in one year from April 17th 1858 was used in payment of interest to Mr. S. W. Norris on the debt of fifteen hundred dollars due him by the Board.

On motion it was Resolved that a Missouri State Bond of one thousand (\$1000) dollars proposed as a loan to the Board by Mr. S. W. Norris be Employed in [on?] account of the claim of Mr. Dean against the College, such Security being given to Mr. Norris as will be Satisfactory to him.

Adjourned to meet on Wednesday August 5.th at 2 o'clock P. M.

A. V. C. Schenck, Secretary

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Lindenwood Aug. 5.th. [2th?] 1858

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, Rev. N. W. Calhoun & Rev. A. V. C. Schenck.

A. V. C. Schenck was authorized to make three rooms from what is now the chapel of the College – to be paid for by money to be collected.

After a general conversation on the interest of the Institution, the Board adjourned to meet on Wednesday Sept. 1. 1858 at 8 o'clock A.M.

A. V. C. Schenck, Secretary.

Lindenwood

Wednesday Sept. 1st 1858 8 o'clock A.M.

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson N. W. Calhoun I. A. Dick, and A. V. C. Schenck.

Mr. S. S. Watson, President, presented his account against the Board, including account of Mrs. Eaton and account of fifteen hundred (\$1500.) dollars loaned formerly to the Board by Mr. S. W. Norris. This account amounting to one thousand, three hundred and forty nine $\frac{63}{100}$ dollars (\$1349 $\frac{63}{100}$) was audited and allowed.

On motion it was Resolved, That the judgment found by Circuit Court of St. Charles County June 16 1858 [the year is unclear] in the case of Geo. Hoyle vs. Watson & Alderson, for the sum of two thousand and forty four $\frac{7}{100}$ dollars (\$2044 $\frac{7}{100}$) _____ costs five $\frac{85}{100}$ dollars, is hereby Recognized as the debt of Lindenwood Female College. It was further Resolved That N. W. Calhoun & S. S. Watson be appointed a Committee [Begin new page labeled "33" in ink] to Endeavor to obtain an Extension on the payment of the above judgement [sic].

Adjourned to meet at Dardenne church during sessions of Presbytery of St. Louis, on Friday at 12 oc. M. [sic]

A. V. C. Schenck

Secretary

Office of A. King Esq.

St. Charles Mo. Friday Oct. 22^d. 1858

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson A. King and A. V. C. Schenck

Mr. S. S. Watson of the Committee appointed at the last meeting of the Board, Reported that an extension of the payment of the judgment in the case of Hoyle vs. Watson and Alderson could not be obtained.

On motion, B. A. Alderson, J. J. Johns, and A. V. C. Schenck were appointed a Committee to negotiate the sale of such a portion of the Lindenwood Tract of Land as may be necessary to liquidate the debts of the College.

Mr. B. A. Alderson was on motion appointed a Committee to have the Lindenwood Tract and lots proposed to be sold, – accurately surveyed.

Adjourned to meet on Thursday next at 2 o'clock P.M.

A. V. C. Schenck

Secretary.

Thursday Oct. 28th 1858

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, N. W. Calhoun and A. V. C. Schenck.

Mr. B. A. Alderson of the Committee on the sale of land Reported, Recommending the sale of twenty to twenty two acres of land, as may be agreed on, to S. S. Watson, [begin new page labeled "32." in ink] adjoining the land Recently purchased by him from the College – at the Rate of one hundred dollars (\$100) per acre.

The Report was adopted, the College in the sale Reserving to itself the Right to Redeem the land at any time before Aug. 15. 1859 at the original price, together with such interest as may be paid for the money to purchase by S. S. Watson. As possession cannot be given till Aug. 15. 1859, no interest is to be Required of Mr. Watson until that date in case the land is not Redeemed

Adjourned to meet at St. Louis Nov. 23^d 1858 at 10 o'clock A. M.

A. V. C. Schenck

Secretary

St. Louis Nov. 23^d 1858 10. oc. A. M.

The Board met and was opened with prayer

Present, J. J. Johns Vice President, B. A. Alderson, S. J. P. Anderson D.D. S. B. Mc Pheeters D.D. Rev.

Messrs J. F. Cowan J. A. Paige and A. V. C. Schenck

Mr. J. J. Johns Vice President took the chair.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

The question of an agency for the Collection of Funds for the benefit of the College was taken up and fully discussed. After a conversation with Rev. S. K. Sneed to ascertain his views in regard to an agency, the Board unanimously adopted the following Resolutions : viz,

1. Resolved, That the Rev. Samuel K. Sneed be and he is hereby appointed an Agent of Lindenwood Female College for the Collection of Funds, the duties of said Agency to Commence Jany 1st 1859 and to continue for the space of one year unless the Board shall conclude to terminate the arrangement at the end of six months.

2. Resolved, That the Board agree to pay Mr. Sneed for his services as Agent the sum of one thousand [Begin new page labeled in ink "33"]

(\$1000.) dollars per year and his traveling expenses.

Messrs Schenck and Johns were appointed a Committee to inform Mr. Sneed of this action of the Board.

Adjourned to meet at Lindenwood, on Saturday Jany 22^d 1839

A. V. C. Schenck Secretary --

Lindenwood

Saturday Jany 22^d 1859.

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present S. S. Watson President, Dr. N. W. Calhoun, J. J. Johns B. A. Alderson, I. A. Dick and A. V. C. Schenck

A communication was read from Mr. Wm. Dean, giving a statement of his account against the College.

B. A. Alderson and A. V. C. Schenck were appointed a Committee to settle the account of Wm. Dean and also the account of R. Mc Graine [Gvaine? Hraine?] & Co.

It was ordered that a warrant be issued to S. J. Mitchell for the sum of \$40. $\frac{20}{100}$ [first digit of numerator unclear] the amount of his account.

On motion the deed to S. S. Watson for twenty $\frac{60}{100}$ [numerator might also be "68"] acres of land, additional to that already sold him, was approved and delivered

Mr. B. A. Alderson was on motion appointed to prepare and file in the Recorder's office a plat of the Lindenwood Tract of Land

Adjourned to meet at Lindenwood on Friday Feby 5.th 1859

A. V. C. Schenck

Secretary

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Lindenwood

Friday Feby 5.th [2th?] 1859

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson I. A. Dick, Rev. N. W. Calhoun and Rev. A. V. C. Schenck

The Minutes of the last meeting were Read.

Mr. B. A. Alderson of the Committee to settle the accounts of Mr. Dean and Mr. Mc Graine [first two letters very uncertain] & Co. reported an arrangement made in regard to the latter account. The Committee were Continued upon the account of Mr. Dean with instructions to Settle.

A communication from Maj. G. C. Sibley concerning the lease of the Lindenwood Estate was Received and Read. On motion Messrs. J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson and S. S. Watson were appointed a Committee to arrange with Maj Sibley concerning the lease.

An account of Mr. S. S. Watson against the Board for \$250.00 was on motion allowed

It was on motion ordered that a deed of trust be given to Mr. S. S. Watson to secure the payment of one thousand, six hundred and seventy eight $\frac{35}{100}$ dollars, (\$1678 $\frac{35}{100}$) the amount due him by the College.

After conversation upon the general interests of the College, the Board adjourned to meet at Lindenwood on Feby 25th at 2 o'clock P.M.

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Lindenwood Female College

St. Charles Mo. Feby 25th 1859

The Board met and was opened with prayer. Present S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, I. A. Dick and A. V. C. Schenck

An account of Riggs and Fielding for brick was presented for settlement. Mr. J. J. Johns was appointed to examine the account and arrange for closing it.

An account of N. B. Barron against the College was presented in the amount of Fifty-five $\frac{29}{100}$ Dollars. The bill having been paid by Mr. J. J. Johns, it was ordered that said amount be Endorsed on the note of Mr. Johns to the College.

It was ordered that the following paper be spread upon these records: viz —

“In the Board of Directors of Lindenwood Female College

Feby 25th 1859

Ordered, that the Subdivision of the front part of the tract of land owned by the Lindenwood Female College here exhibited be approved and adopted, that the streets as marked on the Plat be dedicated to Public uses and that the Several lots thereon marked with numbers from 1 to 16 inclusive be held for sale or other disposition — that the Said subdivision be called ‘— The Lindenwood Subdivision’; that Samuel S. Watson, President of this corporation execute and acknowledge a plat and description of the said subdivision according to law and that the same be Recorded as Required by law. (Recorded in these Minutes on page 39.)

Whereas, this corporation on June 18th 1858 borrowed of Seton W. Norris the sum of one thousand dollars for five years, bearing interest from the said date at the Rate of ten per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, therefore

Ordered, That Samuel S. Watson, President [Begin new page labeled “38”] of this Corporation Execute a note to the said Norris according to the terms of the said loan, to bear date on June 18th. 1858, and Execute and deliver a deed of trust to Joseph H. Alexander Trustee, conveying to the said Trustee, Lots Nos. 7. 15 and 16 of the Lindenwood Subdivision, for the purpose of securing the payment of the said note.

Whereas, this corporation is indebted to Samuel S. Watson in the Sum of one-thousand, six hundred and seventy eight $\frac{35}{100}$ dollars, therefore

Ordered that John Jay Johns, Vice-President of this Corporation Execute a note to the said Watson for the said sum to be acted Feby 25th. 1859 and due July 1st 1859 and bearing interest from date at the Rate of ten per cent per annum, and also Execute and deliver to Joseph H. Alexander,

Trustee a deed of trust, conveying to the said trustee, Lots Nos. 1. 2. 5 and 6 of the Lindenwood subdivision, for the purpose of securing the payment of the said note.

It was ordered, That a duplicate warrant (No. 5.) be issued to W. A. Bates for one hundred and Eight $\frac{45}{100}$ dollars, the first one having been lost.

The Secretary of the Board was appointed to procure at the Expense of the Board, the printing in pamphlet form of one thousand copies of the ____ [word ends with "ment"] concerning Lindenwood Female College, adopted by the Presbytery of St. Louis at its last called meeting

Adjourned to meet at Lindenwood on Thursday March 10th at 2 o'clock P.M.

A. V. C. Schenck

Secretary

[The following page, labeled in ink with what looks like "21", contains a plat (map) of the Lindenwood land which cannot be fully reproduced here. The "key" to the dimensions of the lots is copied below. Other figures appear on the map itself which cannot be reproduced with meaning without the map itself.]

- The -

- Lindenwood -

- Subdivision -

Contents of Lots.

No 1. = $1\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{337}{4840}$ acres.

2 = "

8 = "

7 = "

3 = $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres less 22 sq. yds.

4 = "

5 = "

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9 = $1\frac{5}{8}$ acres of 31 sq. yds over.

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11 $1\frac{5}{8}$ acres of 250 sq. yds. over

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13 = "

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Lindenwood March 10th. 1859.

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, I. A. Dick, N. W. Calhoun and A. V. C. Schenck.

On motion it was Resolved, That the lease of the Lindenwood Tract of Land, consisting of 108 acres of land described in the lease of Major & Mrs. Sibley to the Directors of Lindenwood Female College, be offered to A. V. C. Schenck for one year with the privilege of Renewal for three years, from Aug. 15th 1859 at the Rate of Eight Hundred Dollars per annum with all the Rights and privileges described in said lease of Mr. & Mrs. Sibley.

Further Resolved, That Mr. Schenck be offered the lease of that part of the Lindenwood property vacated by Maj. Sibley in Jany. 1859, from March 1st 1859 to Aug. 15th 1859 at the Rate of Two Hundred Dollars per annum. If any part of the above mentioned land has been or shall be sold during the continuance of this lease, deduction is to be made from the aforesaid Rent at the Rate of three dollars per acre for tillable land sold from the Northerly part of the tract and at six dollars per acre for land sold in front

The proposed lease having been accepted by A. V. C. Schenck, Mr. J. J. Johns was appointed to attend to the preparation of the necessary papers and closing the lease

A. V. C. Schenk

Secretary

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St. Charles Mo. Aug 15th 1859

The Board of Trustees met at the College to consult about certain matters connected with the Institution and especially to devise measures to meet the demand of Scanitt & Mason; when upon deliberation it was Resolved that they would liquidate the said claim in six months from this date

The board met again the 20th. inst. at the house of Maj. G. C. Sibley for the farther transaction of the business of the Institution. This day the board made a settlement with Maj. Sibley and resolved that a warrant for Eighty dollars be granted for the payment of all his claims to Aug 15th 1859

(Signed) N. W. Calhoun Secretary pro. tem.

Lindenwood Thursday Oct. 22.th [second digit unclear] 1859

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson I. A. Dick and A. V. C. Schenck.

Mr. E. A. Lewis presented a request that the Board open a way for his admittance to the lot purchased by him. An arrangement was agreed upon by which such a way could be secured.

On motion a warrant was ordered to be issued for Twenty Seven $\frac{75}{100}$ dollars, to Maj. G. C. Sibley, for rent for land sold

The Lease of the Lindenwood Tract by the Board of Directors to A. V. C. Schenck has closed and signed in accordance with the terms and provisions of said lease

After a general conversation upon the interests of the College, the Board adjourned.

A. V. C. Schenck

Secretary

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Lindenwood Nov. 8th. 1839

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, N. W. Calhoun, I. A. Dick and A. V. C. Schenck

A full and free interchange of views was had [This word is stained and difficult to read] in Regard to the financial condition of the College

The appointment of Rev. A. V. C. Schenck as Agent of the College, made Sept. 23^d 1857 was Renewed. His Salary as Agent was on motion fixed at Eight Hundred Dollars – his Expenses to be borne by the Board.

A. V. C. Schenck

Secretary –

Lindenwood Dec. 16th 1859

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, I. A. Dick and A. V. C. Schenck.

A Bill of Mr. F. W. Hinman for printing, of Fifteen Dollars, was presented and allowed.

Mr. B. A. Alderson having paid Mr. Hinman [name not entirely certain] the above-mentioned bill, it was ordered that the amount be credited upon Mr. Alderson's third note to the Lindenwood Female College, due Sept. 1st 1860.

Mr. N. B. Barron's account against the College of Fifty Five $\frac{29}{100}$ dollars – also Mr. J. F. Riggs account of Forty $\frac{32}{100}$ dollars (\$55. $\frac{29}{100}$ and \$40 $\frac{32}{100}$) having been allowed and having been paid by Mr. J. J. Johns, and Mr. Johns having also paid in cash the sum of Four $\frac{38}{100}$ dollars (\$4 $\frac{38}{100}$) it was ordered that these several amounts, being one hundred dollars in the aggregate be credited on the note of Mr. Johns due Sept 1858 and that the same be cancelled.

Mr. J. J. Johns having paid Fifty Dollars (\$50.) [begin new page labeled "43" in ink] into the Treasury, it was ordered that this sum be credited on the second note of Mr. Johns, due Sept. 1859.

Adjourned to meet at Lindenwood on Tuesday January 17 1860 at 7 o'clock P.M.

A. V. C. Schenck

Secretary

Lindenwood Jan'y 17. 1860

The Board met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. Present S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, I. A. Dick and A. V. C. Schenck

Mr. J. J. Johns having paid into the Treasury the sum of twenty five dollars, it was ordered that the amount be credited on the second [? Secured?] note of Mr. Johns to the College, due Sept. 1859

After general conference upon the interests of the College, the Board adjourned

A. V. C. Schenck

Secretary

Lindenwood March 27. 1860

The Board met and was opened with prayer

Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, I. A. Dick B. A. Alderson and A. V. C. Schenck

Mr. S. S. Watson presented his account with vouchers, showing a balance in his favor of Two Hundred and Eighty One $\frac{85}{100}$ dollars (\$281 $\frac{85}{100}$) On motion it was ordered that a warrant issue to Mr. Watson for the amount

On motion it was ordered that an order on Archibald Gamble for Three Hundred Dollars, be paid to Scanitt & Mason on account.

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The Secretary was directed to write to Rev. Wm. Chester D.D. in Regard to his proposed efforts in behalf of the College.

Mr. Johns, of the Committee on sales, Reported the sale of Lot No. 1. to Edward A. Lewis and Joseph H. Alexander for the sum of Nine Hundred and Twenty Five Dollars (\$925) The Report was approved and on motion it was ordered that a deed for said lot be prepared.

The Board adjourned

A. V. C. Schenck
Secretary

Lindenwood May 17th. 1860

The Board met and was opened with prayer

Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson I. A. Dick, A. V. C. Schenck.

The Committee on sales Reported the Deed for Lot No. 1. Sold to Lewis & Alexander, which on motion was approved and the deed was signed, sealed and ordered to be delivered.

Mr. J. J. Johns having taken up two warrants of the College, of the several amounts (including interest) of Eighteen $\frac{78}{100}$ Dollars (\$18 $\frac{78}{100}$) and Eighty Seven $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars (\$87 $\frac{50}{100}$) it was ordered that the former amount be credited on his note due Sept 1859 and the latter be credited on his note due Sept. 1860

Mr. Archibald Gamble having accepted the order of the Board for Three Hundred Dollars being the balance due on his subscription and which was ordered

to be paid to Scanitt & Mason on account, Mr. Gamble's subscription was credited with the amount.

On motion Mr. J. J. Johns & Mr. B. A. Alderson were appointed a Committee to examine the account of Mr. J. J. Gill. [?]

The Board adjourned

A. V. C. Schenck
Secy.

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Lindenwood
Tuesday May 29th 1860

Annual Meeting.

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present – S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, Rev. J. F. Cowan, Rev. N. W. Calhoun, I. A. Dick and A. V. C. Schenk.

The Minutes of the meetings of the Board from and after Feb'y 25th 1859 were read and approved

On motion the following paper was adopted, viz; Whereas, By some oversight no notice has been taken in the Minutes by the Board of the settlement made with Mr. I. A. Dick in reference to his notes to the Lindenwood Female College, It is ordered, that it be here declared, that on Dec. 19th 1859 the notes of Mr. Dick, amounting to Three Hundred Dollars were credited on warrant No. 8. issued to A.

V. C. Schenck for \$487 $\frac{99\frac{1}{2}}{100}$ and the notes of Mr. Dick were delivered to him.

On motion, the Board went into an election of officers for the ensuing year. The same officers were reElected [sic] – viz: S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns Vice President, B. A. Alderson Treasurer and A. V. C. Schenck, Secretary

At their own Request further time was granted to the Committee to Examine the accounts of Mr. J. J. Gill [?] and Mr. S. S. Watson was added to the Committee

On motion the Board adjourned

A. V. C. Schenck

Secretary – – –

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Lindenwood

August 1st 1860

The board met and was opened with prayer.

Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, I. A. Dick, A. King and A. V. C. Schenck.

Rev. A. V. C. Schenck presented to the Board a written proposition for a settlement of accounts between himself and the Board and for the repairs necessary upon the College building. On motion Mr. B. A. Alderson and Mr. J. J. Johns were appointed a Committee to Examine the matter more fully and act in the premises upon their own discretion.

On motion the Board adjourned

A. V. C. Schenck Secy.

Lindenwood

Aug. 9th 1860

The Board met and was opened with prayer

Present S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns B. A. Alderson, N. W. Calhoun and A. V. C. Schenck

The Committee appointed to Examine the proposition of A. V. C. Schenck Reported. On motion the Committee was Continued.

Mr. B. A. Alderson was appointed a Committee to purchase the lead necessary for the repairs of the College Observatory.

Adjourned.

A. V. C. Schenck Secy

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Lindenwood
September 11th 1860

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, I. A. Dick and A. V. C. Schenck.

Mr. B. A. Alderson, the Committee appointed at the last meeting of the Board, reported the purchase of lead and its use for the purpose intended.

Four notes for rent of the Lindenwood farm for the year ending August 15th 1861 were received from A. V. C. Schenck, duly prepared and signed.

It was ordered that four Warrants be issued to Geo. C. Sibley for Rent of land sold by the Board from the Lindenwood Tract, the first dated Nov. 15. 1860 for

p. 12) Forty one $\frac{50}{100}$ Dollars ; the second dated Feby 15th 1861 for

p. 13) Thirty $\frac{50}{100}$ Dollars ; the third dated May 15th 1861 for

p. 14) Thirty $\frac{50}{100}$ Dollars ; And the fourth dated Aug 15 1861 for

p. 15) Thirty $\frac{50}{100}$ Dollars.

There being no farther business, the Board adjourned

A. V. C. Schenck

Secy.

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Lindenwood Jany 8th 1861

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present, S. S. Watson, President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, I. A. Dick and A. V. C. Schenck.

Mr. B. A. Alderson presented an account against the Board of One Hundred and Four $\frac{80}{100}$ dollars (\$104 $\frac{80}{100}$) Fifty Two $\frac{70}{100}$ dollars (\$52 $\frac{70}{100}$) of this amount having already been allowed and credited on his note on Sept. 1860, it was ordered that the balance of his account, Fifty Two $\frac{10}{100}$ dollars (\$52 $\frac{10}{100}$) be allowed; that Forty Seven $\frac{30}{100}$ dollars (\$47 $\frac{30}{100}$) of said account be endorsed upon said note and the same be cancelled and that the balance of Four $\frac{80}{100}$ dollars [begin new page "48"] (\$4 $\frac{80}{100}$) be placed to his credit upon the Treasurer's books.

Mr. S. S. Watson Reported that he had collected the subscription of Mr. N. C. O'Rean [? O'Rear?] to the College – of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) : that of this amount he had paid Fifty Dollars on the note [word could also be "vote"; see note above] of the Board to S. W. Norris for interest on the same

(Receipt filed), and Fifteen Dollars (\$15.) on account of sheet-lead; leaving a balance in his hands of Thirty Five Dollars (\$35.) It was directed that said balance of Thirty Five Dollars be endorsed by Mr. Watson on the note of the Board in his favor for Sixteen Hundred and Seventy Eight $\frac{35}{100}$ dollars (\$1678 $\frac{35}{100}$) dated Feby 25th 1859.

Adjourned —

A. V. C. Schenck Secy.

Lindenwood May 27th 1861

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present, S. S. Watson, President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, I. A. Dick, Jos. H. Alexander and A. V. C. Schenck.

On motion S. S. Watson & B. A. Alderson were appointed a Committee to see Mr. A. N. Overall [name is hard to read, as though it were written over an existing name] and endeavor to get an extension of time on a certain execution held by him against the College.

Mr. B. A. Alderson was appointed a Committee to endeavor to collect the portion of amounts due the College by Mr. Geo. Lackland & Dr. Geo. Penn in a certain subscription to the College signed by Geo. Lackland.

A. V. C. Schenck was appointed a Committee to write to Rev. H. A. Booth [Borth? Bouth?] for his portion of the same subscription, viz: Twenty Dollars – and Interest – viz [?] Five Dollars

Mr. S. S. Watson was added to the Committee on Mr. J. J. Gill's account against the Board and also a Committee formerly appointed consisting of Messrs. Alderson and Johns, to Report upon the proposition of A. V. C. Schenck for a settlement of accounts with the Board, presented Aug. 1.

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On motion the Board adjourned to meet on Friday 7th inst. at 9 o'clock A. M. at the office of Judge A. King.

A. V. C. Schenck Secy.

St. Charles Mo. Friday June 7th 1861.

Annual Meeting

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present, S. S. Watson, President, B. A. Alderson, A. King, J. J. Johns, I. A. Dick, Jos. H. Alexander & A. V. C. Schenck.

Mr. S. S. Watson of the Committee on procuring an extension of time on an execution against the College in favor of A. N. Overall, Reported that Mr. Overall would ascertain if the extension could be granted and would give information in a few days.

Mr. B. A. Alderson, the Committee upon the subscription of Mr. Geo. Lackland, made a verbal report.

The above two Reports were received & the Committee continued.

A Communication was received from the Home Mutual Fire & Marine Insurance Co. of St. Louis giving notice of a Reduction from Receipt of notice, of amount of Risk by Policy of College, to Two Thousand Dollars. On motion the proposition for this Reduction was accepted.

On motion, Jos. H. Alexander was appointed a Committee to examine and Report upon the propriety and plan of securing additional insurance upon the College building the aggregate amount of insurance to be Ten Thousand Dollars.

B. A. Alderson of the Committee upon the account of J. J. Gill and upon the proposition of A. V. C Schenck for a settlement of accounts with the Board, presented a Report which on motion was accepted. The Recommendation of the Committee that a warrant be issued to Mr. J. J. Gill for his bill of stores, was adopted. It was ordered, that the warrant be for the amount of Four Hundred and Eighty Five $\frac{73}{100}$ dollars (\$485 $\frac{73}{100}$) dated June 7th 1861 and

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bearing interest at ten per cent per annum from June 8th 1858.

A Communication was Received from Rev. A. V. Schenk tendering his Resignation of the Presidency of Lindenwood Female College

On motion the Report of the Committee on the account of J. J. Gill, with the exception of the recommendation of the warrant was recommitted to the Committee, which consists of Messrs. Alderson, Johns and Watson.

The tender of resignation of Rev. A. V. C. Schenck President of the College, together with his proposition for a settlement, was referred to the same Committee to Report at the next meeting

The Board entered into an election of officers for the ensuing year which resulted in the re-election of the present officers: viz,

S. S. Watson President , B. A. Alderson Treasurer,

J. J. Johns Vice President , A. V. C. Schenck Secretary

The Board adjourned to meet at the office of Judge King on Friday June 12.th at 8 o'clock A. M.

A. V. C. Schenck, Secretary

St. Charles, Friday A. M. 8 o'clock June 12. 1861

The Board met, and the Committees not being prepared to Report, adjourned until to-morrow P.M. at 2. o'clock

A. V. C. Schenck, Secy.

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Saturday June 13th 1861 2 o'clock P.M.
Office of Judge A. King, St. Charles.

The Board met and was opened with prayer

Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, A. King, Jos. H. Alexander & A. V. C. Schenck

Mr. Alexander, of the Committee upon Insurance presented the following Report which was Received and Read. "I have had interviews with the agents of several Insurance Companies in Reference to insuring Lindenwood Fem. College The St. Charles Company will take \$1000 – The Mound City Mutual, amount not limited. The Co. for which F. W. Gatzweiler will take a Risk, amount not limited These Companies will charge for an Insurance for six years, from six to nine per cent. I cannot state at what rate the Actua [? Cetua] would take a Risk as the Agents would have to refer the application to the General Agency in Cincinnati; but I presume that Company would charge from one to one and a half percent per annum"

On motion the Report was recommitted with instructions to make applications in accordance with the suggestions of the report.

Mr. Alderson of the Committee upon the account of J. J. Gill presented a report which on motion was received and laid upon the table

The following Resolution was adopted, viz,

Resolved, That the Resignation of Rev. A. V. C. Schenck as President of the Lindenwood Female College be accepted, it being expressly understood that this Resignation terminate the term mentioned in the contract between the Board of Directors and Mr. Schenck and the Rights of the parties to the said Contract shall now be determined in the same manner as they would be determined if the full term of five years mentioned in said Contract had already elapsed: And that the parties to the said Contract will proceed immediately to make a settlement between them, agreeing on the terms thereof [Begin page "52"] as far as they saw; and where they Cannot agree, submitting the matter in controversy to two disinterested persons, one to be chosen by the Board of Directors and one by Mr. Schenck. And in case the two persons so chosen cannot agree on any item, they shall choose a third person to decide between them; the said submission to be in writing, and the award to be a finality between the parties, in satisfaction of which Mr. Schenck shall accept the warrants of the Board; – the said settlement to be made on or before July 10th 1861 and when the said settlement shall be so made on or before the said July 10th 1861, Mr. Schenck shall deliver possession of the College with its premises and appurtenances to the Board of Directors.

It was also Resolved that Messrs. Watson, Johns and Alderson be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to settle with Rev. A. V. C. Schenck: and if the Committee and Mr. Schenck Cannot agree on any item, the said Committee shall cause the Article of submission provided for in the foregoing Resolution to be drawn up and signed by the President of the Board and Choose the arbitrator to be Chosen by the Board as provided in the said Resolution

The Board adjourned to meet on Monday 25.th inst at the office of Judge King at 8 o'clock A. M.

A. V. C. Schenck

Secretary

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St. Charles Mo. Monday June 22.th 1861

The board met and was opened with prayer

Present S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, I. A. Dick, Jos. A. Alexander and A. V. C. Schenck.

Mr. B. A. Alderson of the Committee appointed at the last meeting presented the following Report:

Your Committee, B. A. Alderson, J. J. Johns and S. S. Watson to whom was Referred the account of Mr. Schenck, in three pages marked A. and attached to this paper (filed) and directed to make a settlement with the Rev. A. V. C. Schenck late President of Lindenwood Female College, find the unsettled accounts with Mr. Schenck and the Board amount to Twenty Five Hundred and Sixty one $\frac{29}{100}$ [numerator might possibly be "28"] dollars (\$2561 $\frac{29}{100}$) Of this Amount Mr. Schenck and the Committee propose that the Board issue warrants to Mr. Schenck to the amount of Eleven – Hundred Dollars (\$1100 $\frac{x}{100}$) [sic] as a settlement of all claims to date – and this settlement to include all items on the bill of charges as presented and also all articles and improvements made or put there by said Schenck and mentioned on the three pages of this Report, on the Lindenwood tract or premises, excepting the swing-bed and its fixtures, together with the Commencement platform.

The Committee also assume that portion of Mr. Gill's stone-bill amounting to Two Hundred and Eighty Eight $\frac{98}{100}$ dollars (\$288 $\frac{98}{100}$) which in a previous Report had been allotted to Mr. Schenck.

It is further agreed that the offer of Mr. Schenck to subscribe the balance of his account, Fourteen Hundred and Sixty One $\frac{29}{100}$ [numerator might possibly be "28"] dollars (\$1461 $\frac{29}{100}$) as a donation to Lindenwood Female College be accepted.

Respectfully Submitted June 22.th 1861
B. A. Alderson. Chair. [?] Committee.

On motion the Report was adopted.

Messrs. Watson, Alexander and Alderson were appointed a Committee to call upon Rev. R. P. Farris and ascertain whether any and what arrangement can be made with him in Regard to his accepting the Presidency of the College.

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On motion the Board adjourned to meet on Saturday July 6th at 8 o'clock A.M.
Adjourned

A. V. C. Schenck Secy.

Saturday July 6th 1861 8 o'clock A.M.

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, I. A. Dick, Jos. A. Alexander & A. V. C. Schenck.

On motion, four warrants of Two Hundred dollars each and three warrants of one hundred dollars Each – all to bear ten per cent interest were ordered to be issued to A. V. C. Schenck to cover the amount of settlement with him, allowed at the last meeting.

Mr. S. S. Watson, having held a deed of trust for Lot No. 1. of the Lindenwood addition and having Released the same upon the sale of said lot to Lewis and Alexander, it was ordered that a deed of trust be given to Mr. Watson upon Lots Nos. 9 & 10 in lieu of the one Released

Adjourned to meet on Monday July 15th at 9 o'clock A.M.

A. V. C. Schenck Secy

Monday July 15th 1861 9 o'clock A.M.

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson I. A. Dick Jos. H. Alexander & A. V. C. Schenck.

Messrs. S. S. Watson & J. J. Johns were appointed a Committee to make arrangements for Renting the Lindenwood farm.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

A. V. C. Schenck Secy

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Wednesday July 22th 1861

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson I. A. Dick & Jos. A. Alexander.

It was agreed upon between the Board and Rev. R. P. Farris who was present, that Mr. Farris would take charge of the College upon the following general terms.

"For Each Preparatory Day Scholar above the number of twelve (12) the Board shall Receive Fifteen (15) dollars

For Each Collegiate Scholar above the number of twenty (20) the Board shall Receive Twenty dollars (\$20)

This arrangement to have no reference to the income from the Extras.

This arrangement not to include scholars for whom no change shall be made.

The Repairs on the premises to be made with the sum that falls to the Board."

Whereupon Rev. R. P. Farris was duly Elected President of Lindenwood Female College.

Messrs. Alderson & Johns were appointed a Committee to Receive from Mr. Schenck the articles belonging to the Board, and deliver them to Mr. Farris.

Mr. S. S. Watson presented an account against the Board of Eight Hundred and Sixty Six $\frac{85}{100}$ dollars ($\$866\frac{85}{100}$) (account filed) which was allowed. It was ordered that a note be executed in favor of Mr. Watson for the amount of the above account, dated this day, due twelve months after date and bearing interest from date at the Rate of ten per cent per annum.

Adjourned to meet Tuesday July 30th at 9 o'clock A.M.

A. V. C. Schenck Secy.
(Signed) by Jos. A. Alexander Secy. pro. tem.

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Tuesday July 30th 1861 9 o'clock A.M.

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson I. A. Dick and A. V. C. Schenck.

Mr. S. S. Watson announced that Rev. R. P. Farris had positively declined undertaking the Presidency of Lindenwood Female College to which he was elected at the last meeting.

The Board adjourned to meet on Saturday Aug. 3^d.

A. V. C. Schenck Secy

Saturday Aug. 3^d 1861

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, I. A. Dick, J. H. Alexander & A. V. C. Schenck.

Mr. B. A. Alderson presented the following Resolution which on motion was adopted.

1. Resolved, That as it was announced at the last meeting of this Board that the Rev. R. P. Farris declined the Presidency of Lindenwood Female College, that said office now be declared vacant.

2. Resolved, That Messrs Alderson, Johns & Alexander be authorized and Requested to make such arrangements as the Remaining short time will admit, with some professional teacher or teachers, male or female, to take charge of the College for the ensuing year.

Adjourned

A. V. C. Schenck Secy

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St. Charles Mo. Sept. 4th [2th? Date not entirely] 1861 4 o'clock P.M.

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present, S. S. Watson President, J. J. Johns, I. A. Dick, B. A. Alderson, Jos. H. Alexander and A. V. C. Schenck.

A Deed of Trust, made to Jos. H. Alexander as Trustee on Lots 3, 2, 9 and 10 of the Lindenwood Addition to Secure to S. S. Watson the payment of two notes, one of Sixteen Hundred and Seventy Eight $\frac{35}{100}$ Dollars (\$ 1678 $\frac{35}{100}$) dated Feby. 25th 1859, due July 1st 1859 bearing interest from date at ten per cent; and the other for Eight Hundred and Sixty Six $\frac{85}{100}$ Dollars (\$866 $\frac{55}{100}$) dated July 24th 1861, due Twelve Months after date and bearing interest from date at ten per cent, was presented and approved by the Board, and it was ordered that Mr. J. J. Johns as Vice President of the Board sign the same, and that the same be executed according to law.

The Contract between the Board and A. V. C. Schenck ordered to be prepared, was presented and approved and ordered to be closed.

On motion Rev. A. V. C. Schenck was duly elected President of Lindenwood Female College for the term of one year, ending July 10th 1862.

Adjourned

A. V. C. Schenck Secy.

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December 13th [possibly "15th?] 1861

The Board met and was opened with prayer.

Present; S. S. Watson, President, J. J. Johns, I. A. Dick, J. A. Alexander and A. V. C. Schenck.

On motion it was ordered, That as it was ordered on July 6th 1861, that certain warrants, amounting in the aggregate to Eleven Hundred Dollars (\$1100.–) be issued to A. V. C. Schenck, and inasmuch by a contract subsequently entered into, between the Board and A. V. C. Schenck, dated September 5th 1861 it was agreed that the interest on the said Eleven Hundred Dollars (\$1100.–) for one year, is to be deducted from said warrants, it is hereby agreed and ordered that at the Request of A. V. C. Schenck, warrant No. 20 dated July 6th 1861 be returned to the Board and a warrant, No. 24 for the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.–) dated July 6th 1861 be issued in its stead and that this Return and issue be a full satisfaction of the stipulation above referred to as contained in said Contract.

Adjourned

A. V. C. Schenck, Secretary

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June 16th 1862

The Board met; Were present S. S. Watson, Pres^t., Jno. J. Johns, Isaac A. Dick, Benj A. Alderson and Jos. H. Alexander.

Jos H. Alexander was appointed Secretary pro tem.

Ordered that a note be executed according to law by this Corporation to Samuel S. Watson for two hundred and sixty seven 83/100 dollars, dated June 24. 1862, due thirty days after date and bearing interest from maturity at the rate of ten per cent per annum – of which amount, the sum of one hundred and sixty seven 83/100 dollars being for one year's interest on the note for \$167.835 held by Mr. Watson, from July 24. 1861 to July 24. 1862, and the sum of one hundred dollars being for one year's interest on the Norris debt, up to June 16. 1862 or thereabouts, paid by Mr Watson;– And that the said note and the two notes named in a deed of trust executed by this Corporation to Jos. H. Alexander, Trustee, dated July 24. 1861 and recorded in the Recorder's Office of St Charles County in Book Q ["R"?] No 2 pages 18, 19 & 20, be secured by a deed of trust on all the personal property of this Corporation, the said deed of trust to be executed to the same Trustee and signed (together with the said note for \$267.83) and executed by Jno. J. Johns, the Vice President of this Board according to law, with the common seal of this Corporation thereunto affixed.

On motion, Adjourned

Jos. H. Alexander
Sec. pro tem.

[Alexander's middle initial is not really clear and could also be "N" or perhaps "W." Here begins what is probably page 60 but the number has been torn off. There are several very faint checkmarks.]

St. Charles July 9th 1862

The Board of Directors of Linden Wood Female College met – Present: Saml S. Watson (Pres.) Andr King, Benj A. Alderson, Isaac A. Dick and Jno. J. Johns

On motion, Jno. J. Johns was appointed Secretary pro tem.

On Motion, Messrs Alderson and Johns were appointed a Committee to correspond with Wm. D. Butler, Profesor in the City University at St. Louis, in reference to his taking charge of this Institution, and also with the members of this Board residing in St. Louis.

On motion, Board adjourned to meet on the 15th inst. at 8 o'clock A. M.

(Signed) Jno Jay Johns Sec. p.t.

St. Charles July 15. 1862

Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Saml S. Watson (Pres.) Jno J. Johns, Andr King, Benj A. Alderson, Jos H. Alexander and A. V. C. Schenk

The Board having had an interview with Mr. Wm. D. Butler, of St. Louis, in reference to his taking charge of the College, after due Consultation agreed to offer him the College Building and twelve acres of ground for two years without rent; and for three additional years, he paying the Board 25 per cent of the ordinary tuition fees beyond the sum of twelve hundred dollars – The ordinary repairs on the property to be made by Mr Butler during the time of his occupancy

(This proposition was declined by Mr Butler)

J. H. A. Sec.

[The bottom half of the signature is cut off and it is mostly unreadable; handwriting and letter comparisons suggest that it belongs to either J. H. Alexander or John Jay Johns. Letter shape led me to interpret it as Alexander's initials, but since Alexander, like other secretaries, usually spells out his last name this is not an entirely acceptable interpretation. Additionally, since page "61" begins here without any date or introduction, it is highly plausible that this "signature" is not really a signature at all, but something else marking continuation of the document.]

The President was ordered to confess judgment on Warrants Nos 8, 10, 12, 17, 18, 19 and 24 in favor of the parties holding the same.

Rev A. V. C. Schenck tendered his resignation as Secretary of the Board, which was accepted; and Jos H. Alexander was elected Secretary to fill the vacancy thus occasioned

Adjourned.

(Signed) A. V. C. Schenck

Jos H. Alexander Sec.

St. Charles Mo July 26. 1862

The Board met:

Present – Saml S. Watson (Pres.), Jno J. Johns, Benj A. Alderson, Andr King, Isaac A. Dick and Jos H. Alexander

A letter of Prof. L. E. W. [middle initial uncertain] Warner, of Ashland Seminary, Kentucky, being read to the Board – Ordered, that Messrs Johns & Alexander correspond with Mr Warner in relation to his taking charge of the College – and that Messrs Watson & Alderson correspond with other persons in reference to him.

(This was done immediately – the letters from others were to the effect that they were entirely unacquainted with Mr Warner; no answer came from Mr Warner himself – he came in person August 9th after the action of August 7th recorded in the minute next below. Sec)

Adjourned

Jos H. Alexander

Sec.

St Charles August 7. 1862

Board met – Present: Sam S. Watson (Pres.) Jno J. Johns, Benj. A. Alderson, Rev A. V. C. Schenck, Isa A. Dick and Jos H. Alexander – Messrs [Begin page “62”]

Watson and Schenck were appointed a Committee to correspond with Rev Wm. Chester, Sec. of Board of Education, with regard to procuring pecuniary assistance for this Board.

Prof. L. E. W. Warner not having been heard from nor having appeared, the Board, thinking they had waited for him a sufficient length of time and that it would be no breach of faith towards him to enter into proposals with others, proceeded to make an offer to Prof. Thos P. Barbour with a view to his taking charge of the College under the care of this Board – which was substantially the offer made to Mr Butler as recorded on page 60

On Motion, Adjourned.

Jos H. Alexander Sec

(Mr Barbour signified to me his acceptance of the offer of the Board, on the morning of Augt 8. 1862
Jos H. Alexander Sec.)

St Charles Mo August 11. 1862

The Board met at the call of the President –

Present: Saml S. Watson (Pres.) Isaac A. Dick, Benj A. Alderson, Jno J. Johns, Rev. A. V. C. Schenck
and Jos. H. Alexander

Prof. Thomas P. Barbour having accepted the offer made him by the Board in relation to taking
charge of the College, the Board proceeded formally to elect a President of this Institution, whereupon,
Prof. Thomas P. Barbour having been put in nomination, was unanimously elected President of the
Linden Wood Female College for the Term of five years commencing on the tenth day of July (1862)
Eighteen hundred and sixty two; and Rev A. V. C. Schenck was appointed a [Begin page “63”] Committee
to inform him of his election.

On Motion, Board adjourned
Jos H. Alexander
Secretary.

Monday January 5th 1863

The Board of Directors of the Linden Wood Female College met in the College Building, pursuant to
written and verbal notice given to each Director –

Present: Rev Jas H. [?] Brookes, [spelled “Brooks”] and Messrs Arch. Gamble, Isaac A. Dick, Jno.
J. Johns, Benj A. Alderson, Saml. S. Watson and Jos. H. Alexander

Mr. Watson, President, being in the chair, the meeting was called to order, and the session
opened by prayer by Rev Jas. H. Brookes.

On motion of Archibald Gamble Esq.

Ordered that the Secretary prepare a detailed statement of the present financial
Condition of the College showing the amount of money received and from what sources, the amount of
money expended and for what objects, and the amount of present indebtedness, to whom it is due and
how the same originated.

On motion, the Board adjourned to meet at the same place on Monday evening the 26th instant
at 7 oclock.

Jos H. Alexander

Secretary

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Monday January 26. 1863

This being the time to which the Board adjourned, was present Saml S. Watson, who (no others appearing) adjourned the meeting till to-morrow at 10 O'clock A. M. at the Office of Lewis & Alexander.

Jos H. Alexander Sec.

Tuesday January 27. 1863

The Board met pursuant to adjournment –

Present: Messrs S. S. Watson (Pres^t.) Jno J. Johns, Isaac A. Dick, Benj A. Alderson Jos H. Alexander and Rev. R. P. Farris.

The Secretary, in pursuance of the order of the Board made January 5th (see page 63), presented to the Board the Statements then ordered to be made; which statements were referred to a Committee consisting of Archibald Gamble, Rev^d. Jas H. Brookes [spelled "Brooks"] and S. B. M^cPheeters, and Benj. A. Alderson and Jos. H. Alexander

An account of Maj Geo C. Sibley against the Board amounting to \$1057. was referred to a Committee consisting of Messrs Watson & Johns.

On Motion, the Board adjourned
Jos. H. Alexander
Secretary.

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February 24. 1864

Board met – Present: Messrs Watson (Pres^t.), Alderson, Johns, Gibbs, King, Farris and Alexander.
Meeting opened with prayer

Messrs Watson, Johns and Alderson were appointed a Committee to settle with Mrs Mary E. Sibley for the rent of the premises at Linden Wood held by lease from Geo C. Sibley, now deceased, up to 15th February 1864; and to arrange with Mrs Sibley for a surrender of the lease provided Mrs Sibley will secure to Mr Thos P. Barbour his rights under the lease which he holds from this Board.

The President was authorized to confess a judgment against this Board in favor of Mrs Sibley for the amount which may be found due to her for rent as above referred to, with a stay of execution till November 20th 1864.

Messrs Farris, Johns and Gibbs were appointed a Committee to confer with Miss Elizabeth M. Broadhead, with a view to her agency in raising the sum of six thousand dollars for the College.

On Motion

The Board adjourned

Jos H. Alexander

Secretary

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Saturday March 5. 1864

The Board met –

Present: Messrs Watson (Pres^t.), Alderson, Farris, Johns and King

Opened with prayer.

Mr Watson from the Committee to settle with Mrs Sibley reported progress; and the Committee was continued.

Mr Johns, from the Committee to confer with Miss Broadhead, reported that She will accept the Agency; And the Committee were authorized to furnish Miss Broadhead with all necessary information and instructions, and authorize her to begin the work at once.

On Motion, the Board adjourned

Jos H. Alexander

Secretary

April 25. 1864

Board met –

Present: Messrs Watson (Pres^t.), King, Alderson, Johns, Gibbs, Farris

The President called attention to a letter from Miss Broadhead in reference to her effort to secure subscriptions for the College in St. Louis.

After a long conversation in regard to the interests of the College,

The Board adjourned

Jos H. Alexander

Secretary

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July 18, 1864

The Board met –

Present: Messrs Watson (Pres^t.), King, Johns, Alderson, Alexander

Ordered that Mrs Mary E. Sibley be notified to readjust the rent of the premises at Lindenwood held by lease from Geo C. Sibley, now deceased, in accordance with the provisions of the said leased; [sic] and that Judge King be requested to prepare the notice to be given.

On Motion, the Board adjourned

Jos H. Alexander

Secretary

(~~) See next page for proceedings that should be recorded here)

[The parenthesis and squiggles are used to represent a squiggled loop under a line that is placed in the same place in the text, apparently intended to capture a reader's intention regarding the misplaced information. As it is copied here in the order in which it appears in the book, the error is here reproduced, and the page continues with an entry from the following February.]

February 6, 1865

The Board met –

Present Messrs Watson (Pres^t.), Alderson, Johns, King, Farris and Alexander

An Account of Redman [Redmon?] & Gauss as follows

1864 Nov – For 3000 Shingles @ 8¼¢	\$24.75
" 200 ft Sheeting @ 3 "	6.
" 128 ft Scantling @ 3½ "	4.48
" 100 laths	.90
" Drayage	50
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	34.63
Cr [?] By lumber returned	<hr/>
	7.76
Twenty Eight $\frac{87}{100}$ Dollars	\$28.87

Was Allowed and A warrant ordered for the same.

[The symbol used to show the price of shingles looks much like the dollar symbol, but the price and calculations only make sense if it is interpreted as a cent symbol. The lines in the arithmetic do not represent missing text but are reproductions of lines used in the original document to work arithmetic.]

An Account of L. S. Wheeler as follows

For 13½ days work @ \$2⁵⁰ = \$33.75; 1 Windowlash \$2.;

Conversion for benches \$2; 14 doz inch screws \$1 –

thirty Eight 75/100 dollars — Allowed and a warrant ordered for the same.

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An Account of Jno. S. McDowell for repairing the roof of the College Building, Twenty Dollars, was allowed and a Warrant ordered for the same.

The Board accepted the resignation of Thos P. Barbour of the Presidency of the College and appointed Messrs Johns and Alderson a Committee to settle with Mr Barbour, receive all property in his hands owned by the Board, and place the said property and the College Building in the care of some suitable person for safe keeping

On Motion the Board adjourned
Jos H. Alexander
Secretary

December 20. 1864

The Board met –

Present Messrs Watson (Prest.), Johns, King, Farris and Alexander –

Thos P. Barbour, President of the College, presented a Communication to the Board tendering his resignation to the Board to take effect February 6. 1865, and giving his reasons therefor:
Ordered that action thereon be postponed for the present.

On Motion, the Board adjourned
Jos. H. Alexander
Secretary

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St. Louis March 21. 1865

The Board of Directors, after previous notice given personally and by letter to all the Directors, met in the Pastor's Study of the Second Pres. Chh

Present: Saml S. Watson (Pres.) A. Gamble, Rev. Jas. H. Brookes, B. A. Alderson, Jno J. Johns, and Rev R. P. Farris.

Opened with prayer by Rev Jas H. Brookes

The President stated the object of the meeting to be to raise money &c

The following resolution was offered, viz:

Resolved, that Jno Flounioy, [Flownioy? Although the letters seem clear, it is difficult to be sure of the spelling of an unusual name] the holder of the claim for the liquidation of Which certain lots are advertised to be sold tomorrow, be requested to withhold the property from sale for one year from this date and receive as a consideration for such extension and additional lieu ~~for the~~ upon the same lots to secure the interest to this date and the expense of advertising –

Upon which resolution the ayes and noes being demanded, there were

Ayes

A. Gamble

Rev J. H. Brookes – 2.

Noes

B. A. Alderson

J. J. Johns

S. S. Watson – 3.

So the Resolution was not adopted

Mr Gamble moved that Mr Flounioy [see previous note on troublesome name] be requested to postpone the sale advertised for tomorrow

Upon which motion the ayes and noes being demanded – there were

Ayes, Messrs Gamble, Brookes, Alderson – 3

Noes, Messrs Johns, Watson, Farris – 3

So the motion was not adopted.

Board adjourned

Jos H. Alexander Sec

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St. Charles Mo

Board met:

Present: Messrs S. S. Watson, J. J. Johns, B. A. Alderson, A. King, J. H. Alexander

The Board after consultation employed Rev A. V. C. Schenck as the Agent of the Board in the raising of funds for the Board and agreed to pay him a Salary of twelve hundred dollars per year and his necessary travelling expenses, and also a commission of ten per cent on all sums he may raise up to four thousand dollars and five per cent on all sums over four thousand dollars, to be paid out of the moneys raised by him.

On Motion Board adjourned

Jos H. Alexander Sec

St. Charles Mo June 10. 1865

The Board met –

Present: Messrs Watson (Pres), Parks, Farris, King & Alexander

The Board authorize the President to borrow Seven thousand five hundred dollars at an interest not exceeding eight per cent per annum, for one year, and secure the loan by a lieu on the Linden Wood Tract owned by the Board, for the purpose of paying the debts of the Board and of purchasing Mrs. Sibley's life interest in the lands of the Board including her life Estate in the lands sold by the Board.

Ordered that application be made by the President to the Board of Education for the sum of two hundred dollars or [word seems uncertain, but this is only plausible reading that makes sense in context] such other sum as can be obtained for the

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purpose of supplementing the Salaries of Teachers.

The Board adjourned

Jos H. Alexander Sec

June 15. 1865

The Board met – Present:

Messrs Watson (Pres), Farris, Alderson, Johns, King and Alexander

George Achri [Ochri? Achu? The same name appears again the paragraph following the list of costs, but is equally uncertain.]? A/c

Commented [a2]:

1864 Nov 18 – Mechanic, & Laborer	7.50
19 – Do	7.50
– 2 loads sand 2.50, Lime 2.00	4.50
Dec 30 – Mech. & laborer	7.50
– Lime 2\$ – Brick \$9 – Sand \$1 – Brick \$8 –	20.00
1865Feb 18 – ½ day Mech & laborer	3.65
Mar 1 – 2 ds "	12.50
2 – 1 " + ½ "	6.25
– 7 loads sand	<u>8.75</u>
	\$78.15

Was presented and referred to Mr Watson, to ascertain what amount Achri [See earlier note on this troublesome name] will deduct from it as a donation to the College

Messrs Alderson & Johns were appointed a Committee to sell the buggy and harness donated to the College by Mrs Mary E. Sibley

Messrs Watson, Farris & Alexander were appointed a Committee to employ a Principal for the College, so as to keep the College in operation, and to enter into such contract with the person employed as shall to them seem best.

Adjourned

Jos H. Alexander Sec

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September 2. 1865

The Board met –

Present: Saml. S. Watson (Pres), Rev. R. P. Farris, B. A. Alderson, R. H. [N.?] Parks, Jno J. Johns and A. King

Ordered, that the President of this Board be and he is hereby authorized to raise funds sufficient to cancel the debt due to Mrs. Mary E. Sibley and to purchase her life estate in the Lindenwood property, and for that purpose he may ~~mortgage~~ ^{incumber} [sic] or sell the said property or such parts there of as he in his discretion may choose, and on such terms as he may deem proper – the payments to Mrs Sibley to be on the terms now agreed upon.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

Jas H. Alexander Sec

In pursuance of the authority conferred on the Committee (June 15. 1865), the Committee on the 9th day of July 1866 executed a written Contract with French Strother, of Howard County, Missouri, to maintain a school at Linden Wood, for the particulars of which agreement, see the Contract among the papers – which Contract was signed by Messrs Farris & Alexander, two of the Committee, Mr. Watson refusing to sign it

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St. Charles Mo April 9. 1867

Pursuant to written notice sent to each member of the Board, not residing at St. Charles or in its vicinity, and to verbal notice given to each of the other members, the Board of Directors of Linden Wood Female College met in the College Building this evening at 7 ½ P.M., and the meeting was opened with prayer by the President

Were present:

Samuel S. Watson, President,
Jno J. Johns, Vice President,
Jos H. Alexander, Secretary, and

Messrs Benj A. Alderson & Andrew King and
Revds James H. Brookes, S. J. P. Anderson
and Robt P. Farris.

Messrs Johns and Alexander were appointed a Committee to confer with Daniel A. Griffith Esq in reference to certain rent claimed by the Board to be due from him for the term of about seven months during which he occupied the College building

Messrs King, Watson and Alexander were appointed a Committee to consult with each other and with some attorney, and do whatever can be done to abate the nuisance occasioned by the slaughter house of Cunningham & Stewart.

President French Strother asked that the time during which he shall have the College and premises be extended to ten years from the first – that is, till the 1st day of August 1876 – in consideration of which, he would release the Board from the payment of half the cost of improvements already made by him (which half the Board had, in the contract made by the Committee with him, agreed to refund to him) and would keep the premises in repair and expend \$100 ⁰⁰ per year in insuring the College building, the insurance to Commence June 21. 1867; he also promising to carry

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out all the specifications mentioned in the Contract heretofore made with him, the Board doing the same, the board also agreeing to let him have entire control of all the real estate now owned by the College, except Lots 13 & 14 of the Linden Wood Subdivision.

Which proposition was accepted, the Board reserving the right to sell Lots 15 & 16 of the said Subdivision; and it was on Motion

Resolved, That the Contract heretofore entered into between French Strother and Messrs Robt P. Farris and Joseph H. Alexander, a Committee of this Board appointed June 15th 1865, be and the same is hereby amended as requested and mentioned by the said Strother, and as amended is hereby ratified, confirmed and approved by the Board –

Mr Alderson voting against the said resolution and Mr President Watson entering his dissent from the action of the Board.

Ordered that a Contract be drawn and executed in accordance with the foregoing action.

On motion,

Resolved, that Mr Strother is hereby authorized to remove, alter, repair or otherwise use on the premises as he may see fit – with the consent of Jos. H. Alexander, a member of this Board, now residing on the premises – any of the old buildings on the said premises, not removing the same from the premises but using the same or the materials thereof as far as may be in repairing and improving the College premises.

On Motion, the Board adjourned

Jos H. Alexander
Secretary

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St. Charles Dec. 30th. 1868

Pursuant to call by Mr. S. S. Watson, at the request of seven members of the Board a meeting of the Board of Directors of Linden Wood Female College was this day held at the residence of Rev. J. M. Smith in St. Charles: Present – Messrs S. S. Watson, J. M. Smith, D. W. Ferguson, W. P. Gibbs, B. A. Alderson, John Orrick, F. B. Walton.

Mr. Watson presiding stated that this meeting was called for the purpose of fully organizing the Board, which in consequence of the pending of legal proceedings affecting the right to act as such and of the occupation by others of their functions, had not been able to act.

On motion, Rev. J. M. Smith was elected Secretary pro. tem. On motion, it was unanimously ordered that a special meeting of this Board be and is hereby appointed to be held at 12 M. January 13th 1869 at the office of Messrs Orrick & Emmons in St. Charles, and that the Secretary pro tem. notify every member of the Board of such meeting and the time and place thereof by notice in writing by mail otherwise.

On motion adjourned to meet as above ordered.

J. M. Smith Sec. pro. tem.

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St. Charles Mo. Jan. 13 1869

The Board of Directors met at 12 o'clock M. at the office of Orrick and Emmons pursuant to call by S. S. Watson President, and written notice of the same sent by Rev. J. M. Smith secretary pro. tem. to each member of the Board including the five new members elected by the Presbytery of St. Louis to fill the vacancies occurring in 1868, namely Messrs. John Orrick, F. B. Walton, B. A. Alderson, Andrew King and John R. Warner.

Present as follows S. S. Watson, Rev. S. J. Nicolls, John Orrick, N. Reid, B. A. Alderson, W. P. Gibbs, Dr. Wilson, F. B. Walton. Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. S. J. Nicolls. S. S. Watson took the chair and called the Board to order. On motion F. B. Walton was elected Secretary Pro Tem. S. S. Watson stated that this meeting was called by him in order to lay before the Board the present position of the Corporation, and to take such action as ~~was~~ necessary. He stated that there had not been for months past any meeting of the Board because of the difficulties which had arisen out of the action of the Declaration and Testimony party so-called, heretofore, in the Connection of the Old School Prest. Church. These difficulties had resulted in the formation of a so called Presbytery of St Louis in Sept. 1866, which in April 1867 undertook to elect a Board of Directors, the majority of whom were members of the Board in 1866 and hostile to the true Presbytery. That the so called Board so elected in April 1867 had obtained possession of the property of the Corporation, and had ever since until November 1868 been acting as de facto Directors except so far as restrained by an injunction in respect to one particular

matter. That in July 1866 two members of a Committee of the Board appointed in June 1865 to employ a Principal for the College, on which he himself was also appointed, had drawn up and signed, against his remonstrance, a paper purporting to be a contract with Mr. French Strother, by which it was attempted in effect, to place the entire control of the College and its property [begin page "75"] in the hands of said Strother for (5) five years: but no copy of said contract has ever been delivered to him by said Strother. That at a meeting of the Board of Directors held on April 9th. 1867, an application from said Strother was favourably considered by the majority of those present, but against the remonstrance of himself and Mr. Alderson, by which it was proposed to contract with said Strother for ten years. upon terms greatly to the disadvantage of the Corporation, and as he was advised beyond the lawful authority of the Board: That such a Contract was drawn up and brought to him to sign as the President of the Board, which he refused to do. And in May 1867 he brought suit in his own name against the Corporation and several of those acting as Directors, in the St. Charles Circuit Court, praying for an injunction to prevent said Contract from being executed. Mr. Watson proceeded and caused to be read to the Board a copy of the Contract referred [sic] to as set forth in the petition filed by him in said injunction suit. He further stated that on the argument of the petition the St. Charles Circuit Court granted a temporary injunction as prayed for, which is still in force that suit having ever since been continued by consent to await the final decisions of other proceedings also instituted by him. That soon after obtaining the injunction he instituted as relator proceedings by Quo Warranto [sic; this is a Latin legal term] in the St. Charles Circuit Court to try the titles of Messrs Edward Bredell, [possibly Bredell?] Robt. P. Farris, A. D. Madeira, Jas. [Jos.?] V. [N.?] Banks, Joseph Conway, Henry A. Booth and John N. Gilbreath as Directors of this Corporation: which cause was tried and submitted to the Court in June 1868, and was decided Nov. 17th, 1868 judgment of ouster being rendered against ~~the~~ all the defendants. That this case had been taken up by "Writ of Error", to the District Court of the 6th. Judicial District, and came up for hearing in that Court this day, Jan. 13th. 1869: but was

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submitted without argument by the Defendants and also by his own counsel who were present, ready to argue [it almost looks as though another word was whited-out before the word "argue" was written in to replace it, but this hardly makes sense given that the secretaries have in other situations simply struck through errors] the same. Mr. Watson stated that as the effect of this judgment was definitely to settle the right of the true Presbytery of St. Louis which was and is in connection with the Genl. Assembly, to elect Directors of this Board, and thus to confirm the title of all those now present, and as he was advised that there was every reason to believe [sic] that the Supreme Court would affirm the judgment, it was now important that the Board should complete its organization, and take all steps which seemed necessary for the welfare of the Corporation. Upon which statement Rev. S. J. Niccolls offered the following: Resolved – That the statement made by Mr. Watson in respect to the condition and affairs of this Corporation for the past three years be and is hereby accepted, and all things which he has done in that behalf are cordially approved, ratified and adopted by this Board: and furthermore that the hearty thanks of this Board are tendered to Mr. Watson for his prompt and efficient services rendered to this Corporation, through which the property of the same has been saved and Kept within its control, which resolution was unanimously adopted. On motion of Dr. Niccolls an election for officers of the Board was entered into, which election resulted in the choice of S. S. Watson as President. Rev. J. M.

Smith as Secretary and Benj. A. Alderson as Treasurer. On motion the Chair appointed as Committee to draught By-Laws Messrs Niccolls, Alderson and Orrick. The following resolution was offered –
Whereas – Joseph H. Alexander for some time past has been occupying as tenant at will the Old Linden Wood Building together with about (12) twelve acres of ground – Therefore. Resolved – That a Committee of two be appointed to settle with Mr. Alexander for the rents due on the same up to the first day of March 1869 – and to rent said premises for one year from said last

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named date, Which resolution was adopted, and Messrs. Alderson and Reid were appointed as committee. On motion the President and Treasurer were authorized to effect an insurance of \$500⁰⁰/₁₀₀ on the Linden Wood College Building.

Rev. S. J. Niccolls offered the following. Whereas It appears by an entry made on the Records of this Corporation that on the 15th. day of June 1865 Messrs Watson, Farris and Alexander were appointed a committee to employ a Principal for the College, so as to keep said College in operation, and whereas this Board is informed that more than a year elapsed after the appointment of such committee before any action was had by them or either of them to the end for which they were appointed. And this Board is further informed that in the month of July 1866 Messrs Farris and Alexander, two of the persons appointed on said Committee, against the remonstrance of Mr. Watson the other person so appointed assumed to make and execute on the part of this Corporation a certain instrument in writing in the nature of a Contract whereby Certain rights and privileges [sic] purported to be conceded to one French Strother in respect to the use and occupation of the real-estate and property of this Corporation, but which instrument never was executed by the President of the Board nor by the lawful authority thereof: And Whereas the terms and conditions contained in said instrument were and are as this Board is informed and beleives [sic] Contrary to the spirit and intent of the Charter of this Corporation and beyond the lawful authority of this Board. And Whereas The unlawful exercise and usurpation by Robert P. Farris and others for nearly two years now last past of the functions of Directors of this Corporation to the exclusion therefrom of the persons entitled thereto has at length been prohibited by the judgment [sic] of Ouster rendered

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by the Circuit Court of St. Charles County Missouri on the seventeenth day of November A.D. 1868, thereby for the first time enabling this Board to assent and exercise its rights in the premises. Therefore be it Resolved that the Board of Directors of Linden Wood Female College do hereby disown and repudiate the pretended contract under color or claim whereof French Strother, as this Board is informed, now occupies and possesses the real-estate and property of said Corporation at Linden Wood near the City of St. Charles: and that said French Strother be required to surrender possession of said property to said Corporation. – Resolved – That Messrs Alderson, Watson and Reid be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of this Board with instructions to call upon said French Strother and on the part of this Corporation to notify and require him to surrender said property within a reasonable time to the agents of this Corporation, and account for the use of the same, and that said Committee are further authorized as such agents to receive the same: and that in default of such surrender said committee be and they are authorized to confer with the Counsel of this Corporation and take such

steps and institute such proceedings as in the judgment of said Committee and of said Counsel may be expedient for the interests of this Corporation.

Resolved – That said Committee be and they are hereby authorized in case it appear that the said French Strother has actually expended any money of his own upon the property in question or that he should be allowed any thing in accounting for the use and occupation thereof, to make such equitable settlement in respect thereto as to said Committee may seem expedient, subject nevertheless to the approval of this Board – Resolved – That the action of this Board taken on the 9th of April 1867 in respect to an application by said French Strother for a

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Contract by this Corporation with him for a period of ten years from July 1866 be and the same is hereby declared to have been void for want of authority to enter into or approve such contract as was therein contemplated: and that the Committee above appointed are further instructed to notify Mr. Strother that any and all action heretofore taken by this Board purporting to favorably consider his application made to this Board as that time, is so declared void and of no effect. — The above resolution was adopted.

Moved and carried, that the Board adjourn, to meet at such time and place as the President shall direct by the Secretary, through the mail.

Frd: B. Walton
Secretary pro tem

St Charles Mo ____ [? This date extremely unclear. Perhaps an abbreviation of “June”?] 4 “ 1869

Office of Messrs Orrick and Emmons –

Pursuant to the call of S. S. Watson, President, the Board met and was opened with prayer – Present – S. S. Watson, B. A. Alderson, N. Reid, Rev. J. M. Smith, F. B. Walton, and J. Orrick.

On motion the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this Board does disclaim the answer purporting to have been filed by the Lindenwood Female College in a certain injunction suit, now pending in the St Charles Circuit Court in which Samuel S Watson is plaintiff and R. P Farris and others and Lindenwood College are defendants, and this Board does hereby direct and require the President of this Board to with-draw said answer as far as it affects or appears to have been made by this corporation, and the President of this Board is further empowered to do all other things pertaining to said suit and injunction in the name of this corporation as to him may seem proper. Adjourned to meet at the call of the President

J. M. Smith Sec.)

[The last sentence and signature of this past entry somehow seem to be written in slightly different handwriting from the rest of the entry. Begin page “80.” The words “Meetings” and “By Laws” are written sideways in pencil in the left margin of page 80 near the items referred to by those respective

headings. A row of penciled checks about an inch from the right margin begins at about the same place as the list of by-laws and continues all the way down the page, resuming at the top of page 81 and continuing most of the way down that page as well.]

St Charles. Mo. Jan 4th 1870
Office of Messrs Reid and Beckington

Pursuant to the call of the President, the Board met and was opened with prayer. Present Messrs S. S. Watson, H. R. Wilson, S. J. Niccols, [sic] J. R. Warner, Jno. Orrick, N. Reid, B. A. Alderson, J. M. Smith, W. P. Gibbs and F. B. Walton. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. A letter from Rev. W. P. Cochran was read, touching the future character &c of the College.

The President and Secretary were authorized to secure, at such compensation as they may deem reasonable, the services of Mr. Cochran as agent to collect funds for the endowment of the institution, the erection of necessary buildings.

The Committee appointed at a previous meeting to prepare By Laws presented a report which was accepted and adopted and is as follows:

1. Of the officers. The officers of this Board shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary. These officers shall discharge the duties usually assigned to such officers, with the exception that the Vice President shall also be Treasurer.

Meetings. This Board shall meet twice a year. Once on the First Monday in April, and once on the First Monday in November, at 11 o'clock A. M. The President also may call a meeting of the Board at any time, upon the request of two members, but at least one day's notice shall be given to the members of the Board of such meeting.

2. Any five members of the Board duly assembled shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to make a financial report at the semi-annual meetings of the Board. No funds shall be paid out of the Treasury except by direction of the Board and upon a warrant signed by the President.

4. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to send a report to the Presbytery of St Louis at its annual spring meeting, stating the condition of the institution and the names of the Trustees whose terms of office expire.

5. The officers of this Board shall be elected at the semi annual meeting of the Board in April and shall hold their respective offices

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for the term of one year or until their successors shall have been elected.

On motion the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, 1. That in the Judgement [sic] of this Board the interests of the Lindenwood Female Seminary would be greatly promoted by placing it under Synodical [sic] rather than Presbyterial [sic] control, and for this purpose Samuel S. Watson Esq – Rev J. M. Smith and Mr Jno. Orrick are hereby appointed a committee to apply to the Legislature of the State of Missouri to secure all necessary changes in the Charter. This application, however, shall be made on the following condition: that the permission of the Presbytery of St Louis shall be given to the proposed change.

Resolved. 2. That the committee is hereby directed to embody the following changes in the charter:

1. That the directors of the College shall be elected by the Synod of Missouri in connection with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. of America, and said Synod shall have power to remove any of the directors at its own option.

2. The term of office for the directors shall be six years. A committee consisting of Rev. S. J. Niccols [sic] ____, [? A suffix like "esq"?] Mr. S. S. Watson Esq – and Rev. J. M. Smith, was appointed to correspond with Mrs. J. C. Thom [name appears legible, but names are never certain unless they can be matched with an outside source and Miss _____ [In the original document, a blank line was drawn and left for the name, which was never filled in.] of Mount Holyoke, [sic; Mount Holyoke is a college.] as Principal teacher as soon as the way be clear.

The following officers were elected: Saml. S. Watson Esq – President – Rev J. M. Smith – Secretary, and Mr. B. A. Alderson – Treasurer. Also on motion J J Johns was removed from the office of Vice President and B. A. Alderson was elected in his stead.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the President

J. M. Smith
Secretary.

[Begin page "82," labeled like others previous in pencil.]

St. Louis. Church Extension Rooms.
May 2nd/70

The Board met pursuant to the call of the Pres and was opened with prayer. Present. Mr. S. S. Watson Prest. H. R. Wilson D. D. Rev. S. J. Niccolls D D. Rev J. R. Warner Rev Chas A. Dickey – Rev J. M. Smith and Messrs W. P. Gibbs – B. A. Alderson and N. Reid.

Minutes of the preceeding meeting were read and approved.

The Committee appointed to settle with Mr J. Alexander for rent due on the Old Linden Wood building and 12 acres of ground occupied by him reported that Mr Alexander gave them in payment his note for \$500. Payable on the 1st of Sept 1870, with interest at 8 per cent. A Committee consisting of Rev S. J. Niccols [sic] D.D. – Rev H. R. Wilson D D – and Rev J. M. Smith was appointed to secure a financial agent and present the claims of Linden Wood to the Committee appointed by the General Assembly to raise a memorial fund for 5 million dollars. A Committee consisting of Rev H. R. Wilson – Messrs Reid and Alderson were appointed to Examine the buildings and ascertain what repairs are needed.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the Prest.

Copies for Rev.

J. M. Smith secy.

B. A. Alderson Temp Clk [appears to be an

abbreviation for "temporary clerk"]

[Begin page "83." Besides the number written in pencil, a penciled note in the upper margin reads "Copy this page"]

Thursday 11 am [unclear] July 7 /1870

Board met in the First Pres Ch. Opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved; when the following preamble & resolutions were adopted.

Whereas, by an act entitled "An act to amend our act entitled an act to incorporate the Linden Wood Female College, approved Feb'y 24th 1853" approved Feb'y 18th 1870, and enacted at the session of the winter of 1869 and 1870 of the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, certain changes are made in the provision of the original act of Incorporation concerning the appointment and removal from office of the Directors of said College and the term of office of said Directors:

And Whereas: by the terms of the second (2nd) section of amendatory Act, approved February 18th 1870 it is provided that the Board of Directors of said corporation shall, within six months of the date of the approval thereof, accept the same and the provisions thereof, at any regular or called meeting of said Board; said acceptance so provided for, being the condition on which said act shall take effect.

Now therefore be it resolved: that the Board of Directors of said Linden Wood Female College, at a called meeting thereof, duly called and assembled and organized on this seventh day of July, A. D. 1870 at the First Presbyterian Church, in the City of St Louis, Missouri, do accept the provisions of said above recited act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Linden Wood Female College, approved February 24th 1853" approved February 18th 1870 and do hereby authorize and direct the President and Secretary of said Board to make known to the proper authorities in the proper form, the formal acceptance and the date of the adoption thereof.

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Moved and resolved that Prest Watson inform the Synod of Missouri of the action taken by this Board concerning the transfer of Linden Wood to said Synod.

Adjourn to ½ past 8 tomorrow.

½ past 8. Friday – July 8.

Judge Watson reported that he had presented the Charter to the Synod according to the instructions given and that it was the understanding the trust would be accepted by the Synod. Also reported that \$5000 insurance had been taken out upon the College Buildings – for 3 yrs at 2 per cent. – Ordered that \$5000 additional be taken for same time. [This last sentence looks very odd and is difficult to read. It looks as though it was added later over a penciled insertion; perhaps reading the same thing or perhaps reading something else (as the two texts do not always perfectly align with one another).] Resolved to open the College on Wednesday the 28th of Sept.

Resolved, that Mrs J. C. [unclear] Looks rather like an "O" here but was clearly a "C" on last occurrence of the name] Thom be electeded [sic – if any other meaning is intended I cannot find it] Principal at a salary of \$ 500. per Annum. Bro [unclear] The first letter is unmistakably a "B," yet Niccolls' initials are "S. J." The only other possible reading I can envision would be "Bn.", yet that seems even more improbable] Niccols [sic] was instructed to notify Mrs Thoms of her election.

Resolved, that Mrs Anna Keith be elected Matron at a salary of \$ 400. Dr Niccols [sic] and Prest Watson & Mr Dickey were appointed a Committee to notify of elections and make other necessary arrangements. Prest Watson was appointed in room of Dr Wilson on "Building Committee" and

Commented [a3]:

said Committee were authorized to examine & determine necessary repairs – negotiate a loan necessary to meet expense and put the building in readiness for occupancy. The Committee appointed to secure a Fiscal Agt. were authorized to correspond with Rev Dr Wayland and offer 15 per cent on first 25.000.

Rev J. M. Smith presented his resignation as secretary of the Board. Resolved that B. A. Alderson be elected temporary Clerk.

Adj. Chas Dickey
Temp Clerk.

~~P.S.~~ Messers Reid & Alderson were appointed a Committee to settle with Judge Watson for repairs during interim

Adjourned.

Chas Dickey
Temp Clerk.

[“In room of” is an expression meaning “in place of.” “Adjourned” is written very differently from the rest of the text, in darker ink. The hand may or may not be different, but it appears more bold and clear than much of the rest. As can be seen, several words were struck through; the phrase “as secretary of the Board” was also added, but such emendations in Board minutes are usually not noted because they presumably reflect the secretary simply recalling that he forgot to include something, rather than perhaps a shift of ideas after having completed the entry. Here begins page “85.”]

Linden-Wood Female College

Sept. 20th 1870 – 10½ a.m.

Board met according to notice given.

Present – S. S. Watson Prest. Rev^d S. J. Niccolls D. D. Rev^d J. R. Warner – Messrs. John Orrick, W^m P. Gibbs & B. A. Alderson.

Meeting opened with prayer. Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

The committee, appointed to see Mrs Thom, the Principal elect – Reported that she had accepted the situation, and further that the Committee had promised on behalf of the Board to furnish boarding for herself & children, free of charge, while she remains in the Institution.

Report accepted & action of Committee approved.

The Committee also reported that they had secured the services of Miss Martha Dole [possibly “Dale” though “Dole” seems more likely] at a salary of \$500. – per Annum, and boarding in the Institution; and that she should occupy the position of Assistant Principal. This report was accepted & their action ratified by the Board.

It was further resolved that the two children of the matron, Mrs. Keith, should have their board in the Institution at half price & their tuition free.

On motion, a Committee, Consisting of Mrs Thom S. S. Watson & Dr. Niccolls, were appointed to secure the services of a teacher of Instrumental and Vocal [spelling looks rather like “vocal” but the intended meaning is clear] Music

Committee, to secure a further Insurance of \$5000 – on College buildings – reported the duty performed for three years at 2 per ct. \$100. – paid

Board adjourned
B. A. Alderson

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Secy – pro – tem

[Begin page "86." The previous page and the next both contain a column of penciled checks in the middle-right of the page.]

Keith & Woods Store, St. Louis Mo. Oct. 18th 1870

Board met according to notice given –

Present; S. S. Watson Prest. S. J. Niccolls D. D. Rev^{ds} J. R. Warner & C. A. Dickey; Messrs John Cerrick, Eustice [sic] Smith & B. A. Alderson –

Minutes of last meeting read & approved. Prest. Watson from the Committee appointed to secure the services of a music teacher – Reported, that they had secured the services of Miss —— Alvord [Olvard?] at a salary of One Thousand Dollars per annum; and that she is now at the College in the discharge of her duties.

Dr. Niccolls offered the following paper which was adopted — as follows ——

Resolved; That in order to raise a permanent Endowment for Lindenwood Female College, it is, in our judgment, proper to issue scholarships, the money derived from the sale of the same to be invested as a permanent Endowment Fund for the College, in a manner hereafter to be arranged.

Resolved 2nd – That in order to carry out this design, a Committee of three, Consisting of S. J. Niccolls D. D. Revd. C. A. Dickey & E. H. Smith, is hereby appointed to prepare, and arrange & issue scholarships, on the following principles. ——

1st the scholarships shall be of two classes. –

Perpetual scholarships, & Term scholarships. The price of a perpetual scholarship shall be – Five hundred dollars. And of a Term Scholarship, – for a period of Four Years, or through the regular course of study prescribed in the College – One Hundred Dollars.

These scholarships shall be transferable. They shall not however be applicable for tuition until the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars shall have been secured from their sale

Adjourned

B. A. Alderson

Secy. pro. tem.

[Begin page "87." There are four checks near Walton's resignation and one at the top of the Nov. 16 entry.]

Nov. 7th 1870 – Board met at College as provided in the by-laws – Present, S. S. Watson Prest – Wm P. Gibbs & B. A. Alderson. – No quorum being present – adjourned to meet at College on Tuesday the 15th inst at 10 a.m.

B. A. Alderson

Sec. pro. tem.

Nov. 15th met according to adjournment. Present — S. S. Watson —— No quorum — adjourned to meet to-morrow 16th at 10 Oclk A.m.

B. A. Alderson

Secy. pro. tem.

Lindenwood Female College Nov. 16th 1870

The Board met according to adjournment, Present S. S. Watson prest., S. J. Niccols, [sic] J. R. Warner & Messrs W^m. P. Gibbs, Jno. Orrick, N. Reid & B. A. Alderson –

Opened with prayer, Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

The resignation of Mr. Fred B. Walton was laid before the Board & accepted, to take effect Nov. 1st inst. Rev^d H. H. Allen, member elect, took his seat to fill the Vacancy — The following paper was adopted Marked **A** — Viz — An Act of the Board of Directors of Lindenwood Female College establishing scholarships, Adopted Nov. 16th 1870 —

Whereas, it is highly important to the interests of Education and to the success & efficiency of the College placed under our direction, that said College should be amply endowed with a permanent fund affording sufficient income to secure the services of an able faculty, Therefore the Directors do enact:

1st That Four hundred scholarships (400) of one hundred dollars each, be created and established in Lindenwood Female College. These scholarships shall be known as Term Scholarships.
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2nd The holder of a term scholarship on his or her daughter or heir or nominee shall be entitled to a full course of instruction, taught in said College, without charge for Tuition. By a full course is meant, One year in the Preparatory Department and Four Years in the Collegiate Course.

3rd A Term Scholarship may be transferred [sic] by the owner, and the Assignee shall have all the rights of the original purchaser. This transfer shall be made on the books of the College kept for this purpose.

4th Each term scholarship, when used, shall have endorsed upon it, by the Treasurer of the Board, each session during which it has been used for tuition. In no Case shall it be good for more than one year's instruction in the Preparatory Department and Four Years in the Collegiate Course. Only one pupil at a time shall enjoy the benefit of a Term scholarship. In Case it shall be transferred [sic] or used for the benefit of another – it shall be good only for the balance of the unused time.

5th All students in attendance on said rights of scholarship shall be exempt from the charge of Tuition in the regular Collegiate Course, but liable to all other charges, and subject to all the laws & discipline of the college required to be observed by other students.

6th The money raised by the sale of said Scholarships shall be invested in United States Bonds, or secured by Deeds of Trust on unincumbered [sic] real estate or placed in some equally secure investment, and the interest therefrom shall be faithfully and only applied for the benefit of said College. No part of the principal shall be otherwise expended than in the investments aforesaid.

7th On the payment of One Hundred Dollars to the Board of Directors or to their order the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of scholarship in the following form.

— up —

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Certificate of Term Scholarship in

Lindenwood Female College

This is to certify that _____ of _____ having paid or secured to be paid into the treasury of Lindenwood Female College the sum of One Hundred Dollars, is entitled to a Term Scholarship according to the provisions of an Act of the Board of Directors of said College adopted at a meeting held November 16th A.D. 1870.

Signed _____ Pres. Board of Directors

_____ Treasurer

Preparatory Course.

1st session

2nd session

Collegiate Course

Freshman 1st session. 2nd session

Sophmore [sic] 1st &c 2nd "

Junior 1st " 2nd "

Senior 1st " 2nd "

The following paper marked B. was adopted.

An Act for the government of Lindenwood Female College.

Resolved, that until the Faculty of the College shall be completed, the government of the College shall be as follows:

1st The Principal of the College shall have charge of the administration of government & discipline and shall be responsible only to the Trustees. She shall have assign the hours of study & recitation, assign rooms to those boarding in the institution, & in general appoint all things necessary for the order & discipline of the College, both in & out of recitation hours. She shall also receive the co-operation of head teachers in maintaining discipline; & for this purpose she [the word actually appears to be "sh^d," an abbreviation for "should," but this makes no sense in context unless the phrase was originally "and for this purpose sh^d specify" (i.e., without the word "shall")] shall specify to each teacher some particular part of the general care & government of the scholars, to the end that order & discipline may be properly maintained.

No pupil boarding in the College shall leave the premises without permission from the Principal. The principal shall also, in consultation with the teachers, prepare rules for the government of the school while in session & also for the control of those boarding

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in the house & submit them to the Board for approval.

2nd The Assistant Principal shall give her co-operation & assistance to the Principal in Maintaining order & discipline &, in the absence of the Principal, shall assume her duties

3rd The Matron shall have exclusive charge of the boarding department [sic] of the College, but shall arrange the affairs of this department so as to suit the general arrangements made by the Principal. The Matron shall make a monthly report to the Board of all expenses in her department

(Revds S. J. Nicols [sic] & J. R. Warner were appointed a committee to present the above Act to
(Mrs. Thom.

The Treasurer made his Report which shows \$6.38 in Bank – approved –
Resolved that the Treasurer be required to get a book for accounts of Matron & reports
accompanying same

Adjourned to meet on 24 inst at 7 O'Clk. P.M.

B. A. Alderson

Sec. pro. tem.

1870 November 24th met at College

Present — Watson & Allen

No quorum —

Jan 11th 1871 – Board met at College opened with prayer. Present S. S. Watson, Revds
S. J. Nicolls, [sic] Dickey & Allen And Messrs Reid & Alderson – Minutes read & approved.

The Treasurer reported as donated to the College by Mr. S. S. Watson Prest., the sum of
\$2012.81 for which the thanks of the Board tendered [sic] to Mr. Watson — And the Treasurer was
directed to notify the chairman of synodical Committee

[Begin page "91." Regarding the opening sentence, the letters "mo" seem clear, yet why would a
memorial fund be made for a state? The first six lines of the page (through the 2nd proposition) are
dotted with checkmarks. "Nicolls" is presumably spelled incorrectly and ought to have another "c."]

of Memorial fund for Mo – S. J. Nicolls [sic] D. D.

Resolved that a committee of three be appointed to prepare & define a course of study
for the college.

2nd This course of study shall be for the four regular Collegiate Classes, defined as follows –
Freshman, Sophomore, [sic] Junior & Senior Classes

3rd This committee shall also prepare & submit to the Board an Act for the organization of a
Board of Instructors or Faculty of the college, defining the different Professorships, necessary for
complete instruction in the Collegiate Department.

The President appointed Revds Nicolls, [sic] Dickey & Allen said Committee.

Committee on supply of teachers, Reported Miss Dole's [Dale's?] resignation, Which
was accepted, and the services of Miss Mary Snyder engaged.

Revd Herman H. Allen was elected secretary — Adjourned to meet at call of the
President —

B. A. Alderson

Secy Pro. Tem.

Jan. 24th 1871 — Board met 1st Pres. Ch. St. Louis — Present S. S. Watson Pres. Revds
Nicolls, [sic] Dickey & Warner and B. A. Alderson.

On motion Dr Nicolls [sic] was appointed to correspond with Revd Marshall of Baltimore M.O. on the subject of Agency & Presidency of the College

Revd. H. H. Allen was elected financial Agent of St. Charles County & to be allowed five per ct. on each scholarship sold.

Also any minister will be allowed 10 per cent on any scholar's board which he may send into the school

Adjourned

B. A. Alderson

Sec. Pro. Tem.

[Begin page "92." More than half of this page is lined with a column of penciled checkmarks. This page also contains two penned notes in the left margin. Because these notes are evidently intended as headers to help a reader find specific parts of an entry quickly, in this transcription they will be inserted just above the portion of text that they accompany and reference, as a header would. This applies not only to this page but to all pages written by Herman H. Allen and containing marginal notes.]

Lindenwood College, March 7th 1871

The Board met pursuant to the call of the President issued in the manner prescribed.

Members present: - S S Watson, Rev Messrs Dickey & Warner, and Messrs Keith, Orrick, Alderson and Ferguson. The meeting was opened with prayer.

Mr Dickey was elected Secretary pro tem.

The President of the Board presented a report on the finances of the ~~Board~~ College.

Com'tee [sic] on Finance [This is the first of numerous marginal notes that appear in the Minutes recorded by Herman H. Allen. Because they were evidently intended as a type of header in order to help readers find specific information quickly, they are being placed as headers within this transcription.]

On motion, Messrs Watson and Orrick were appointed, with the Treasurer, a Committee to audit all accounts, and decide on all matters of finance pertaining to the College, during the year.

And the financial report above referred to, was placed in the hands of this Committee.

Messrs H H Allen and N. Reid appeared and took their seats in the Board. The Secty being now present with the records, the minutes of the two preceding meetings were read and approved.

Resignation of President & Teachers [Marginal note heading]

S S Watson tendered his resignation as President of the Board; And also laid before the Board the resignation, in writing of all the teachers in the Institution. In tendering his resignation, Mr Watson made a brief statement of facts relative to the difficulties wh [sic. The word, located in the extreme right margin of a page, literally ends after its first two letters, perhaps when the author realized that there was no remaining space. By context, "which" is clearly the intended meaning.] have arisen in the Institution from time to time, and which led to these resignations. After Some discussion, the Board, by

a nearly unanimous vote, declined to accept the resignation of the President. But at his earnest solicitation, [sic – clearly “solicitation” is intended] the Board finally reconsidered its action, and on motion postponed the further consideration of the matter until its next meeting.

The Communications from the teachers in the College were then read and Considered, and on motion it was resolved

- (1) That the resignation of Mrs J. C. Thom, as Principal of Lindenwood Female College, be accepted.
- (2) That this resignation take effect from this date.

[Begin page “93.” In addition to a sprinkling of penciled checkmarks, this page contains three penned notes in the right margin. See page 92’s notes for how these are handled.]

- (3) That the hospitalities of the Institution be tendered and assured to her, until such time as she may find it convenient to leave.
- (4) That the resignation of the other teachers, Misses Alvord [?] and Snyder, be accepted, to take effect at the expiration of the present term.
- (5) That S S Watson be appointed a committee to communicate to the teachers respectively, the above action of the Board.

Smith’s resignation

The resignation of Eustace H Smith, was a member of this Board, was read, and filed.

Allen, Pres. pro tem

On motion, Rev H H Allen was appointed President pro tem, of the College, with the understanding that he enter upon the discharge of his duties on Monday the 13th inst, or earlier if possible.

Com’ttee on teachers

On motion Messrs Niccolls, Watson and Allen were appointed a Committee to secure a permanent President; And were also authorized to supply the present deficiency in teachers, until the Close of the present term.

The Board then adjourned to meet at the Same place, two weeks from the present date, viz. Tuesday, March 21st at 10 ½ o’clock A.M.

Herman H. Allen, Secty

Lindenwood College, March 21st, 1871.

Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present S S Watson, Pres^t. Rev Messrs Niccolls, Warner, Allen, & Messrs Reid, Alderson and Gibbs. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Mr Watson presented a receipt from Mrs J C Thom for her year’s Salary. Whereupon the following resolution was adopted:

Salary of Mrs J C Thom

Resolved, that the Salary of Mrs J C Thom be paid for the whole Collegiate year; and also that she be released from the pledge of \$300 made by her to Supplement the Salary of Miss Alvord [Alond?]

After lengthy Conference on the subject of procuring an additional teacher or teachers; and upon some plan to Secure the permanent and more thorough organization of the Faculty,

[Begin page "94." The page is almost entirely lined with a zigzagging column of penciled checks. See note for page 92 referring to marginal note headings. "M" is an historic abbreviation for "noon" or midday.]

of teachers for the College, the Board adjourned with out taking any definite action.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the President

Herman H Allen, Secty

St Louis Mo April 13th 1871

The Board met at 12 o'clock M, in the Church where the Sessions of Presbytery are here being held ["here being held" is an insertion and "are" is written over so that it is barely legible and may possibly be erroneously rendered] upon the call of the President. The members present were Messrs S S Watson, S J Niccolls C A Dicky, [sic] J R Warner, D Keith, and H H Allen

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Donation of J G [?] Copeland [?]

Dr Niccolls stated to the Board that Mr J G [? C? S?] Copeland [?] had made a donation to the College of \$10.000, for the permanent, or endowment Fund: And also of means sufficient for the erection of a building for chapel and recitation rooms.

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Allen's report on temporary Presidency

H H Allen made a report of his brief administration in the College, as temporary President; And

On Motion the thanks of the Board were tendered him for his services in that Capacity.

The report of the Committee on Teachers was heard, and on motion the following nominations to fill vacancies in the Faculty were approved: —

Election of Profess'rs and

Miss Martha C Dole, to be principal of the Department of Natural Science;

Miss Mary W Snyder, Assistant Teacher of English Language and Literature;

Miss Frances M Alvord, principal of Music Department

Rev D A Wilson, Vice President, and professor of Ancient Languages and Literature;

Lecturers

Rev Chas A Dickey, Lecturer on Evidences of Christianity;

Rev S J Niccolls D D, Lecturer on Social Science

Rev J R Warner, Lecturer on Ancient History

Rev Herman H Allen, Lecturer on Biblical Geography and Antiquities

A L Buchanan, M. D., Lecturer on Pysiology [sic – “physiology” is intended] & Hygiene.

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Report on Scheme of Studies

The report of the Committee appointed to prepare a Scheme of Studies was made; and on motion the whole subject was recommitted to the Same Committee for final adoption, with instructions to publish the Scheme when finally approved.

Loan

On motion the President of the Board was authorized to negotiate a loan, by mortgage on lots numbered 14 and 30, belonging to the College, for the purpose of funding the outstanding debts of the Institution.

Moved to adjourn.

Herman H Allen. Secty.

Lindenwood, Tuesday, May 9th 1871.

The Board met pursuant to the call of the President, and was opened with prayer by Rev Dr Niccolls.

Members present, Messrs S. S. Watson, S J Niccolls, B. A. Alderson, D W Ferguson, and H H Allen. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Miss Alvord, Salary re-considered

A motion was made and carried, to reconsider the amount of Miss Alvord’s Salary, which had been fixed at \$900 per Annum. It was then resolved to leave the amount of her Salary, for the present, undetermined.

Rev J H Nixon elected Prest.

The Committee on Teachers reported, through Dr Niccolls, and on motion, Rev J H Nixon was elected President of the College, at a Salary of \$1,200 per annum with board of himself and family in the Institution; and upon the conditions named in the Communication of Mr Nixon, which are in the following words:

Conditions

“It would be understood that the Salary of the President Shall be made \$2,000 and a house, so soon as the finances of the Institution will justify. Until it is deemed advisable to Secure a house, I shall have rooms in the building, with board for my family, and \$1200 per Annum. If however there is a deficiency of income the first year, I will agree to give to the extent of \$200 towards making up that deficiency –

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\$100 for a Scholarship, and \$100, if necessary, for current expenses. This arrangement makes the actual liability of the Board to me, only the sum you named; while it puts the nominal Salary upon what I regard as a proper basis at the Start. On these terms I will

agree to undertake the work and I will be at the Service of the Board, at any time after the 16th of June they may appoint.

As my personal means are very limited, I shall ~~exp~~ be compelled to expect the prompt payment quarterly of the minimum Salary named." Dated at Springfield Mo. May 3rd 1871.

Election of Miss Jewell

On motion, Miss M. E. Jewell was elected a professor in the College, at a Salary of \$500 per Annum, with board in the Institution; the particular department in which she is to give instruction to be assigned at a future time.

Miss Dole

On motion, The President of the Board was authorized to inform Miss Dole of her election as professor in the department of Natural Science, at a Salary of \$500 per Annum, with Board in the Institution

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Mr Nixon informed

On motion, Rev Dr Nicolls was appointed a Committee to inform Mr Nixon of his election. ["inform" was inserted later in pencil] Moved to adjourned.

Herman H Allen, Secty

Lindenwood, June 20th 1871

The Board met on the call of the President, and was opened with prayer by Rev J H Nixon.

Members present, Messrs S S Watson, S J Nicolls, B A Alderson, DW Ferguson, N. Reid, J Orrick and H H Allen.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

And signifies his acceptance

Rev J H Nixon announced to the Board his acceptance of the office ~~to which~~ of President of the College, to which he had been elected; and expressed his purpose to enter upon the discharge of the duties of

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Thanks for his Address

his office on the 1st of July. Proximo. On Motion, the thanks of the Board were presented to Mr Nixon for the interesting address which he had just delivered, in the ~~new~~ College Chapel, in the presence of the Board and of a large and intelligent audience; assembled upon the occasion of the Commencement exercises, and to participate in the dedicatory services [the ending of the word "dedicatory" and the beginning and ending of "services" have been overwritten in editing. The "es" of "services" has been struck through and it is not clear what was intended for "serv"

unless it was supposed to be changed to "exerc" so that the word would read "exercises, or vice versa.] of the New Chapel.

Election of Misses Alvord
& Snyder reconsidered;
Their reelection lost

On Motion, the action of the Board, April 13th, electing Misses Alvord and Synder to professorships in the College was reconsidered.

On Motion, made to reelect the Same, it was lost; And the Secretary of the Board was directed to inform those Ladies of this action of the Board, with the reasons therefor, [sic] in appropriate terms.

On Motion, the Board adjourned, to meet at Lindenwood on Tuesday the 27th instat, at 12 o'clock M.

Herman H Allen, Secty

Lindenwood. June 27.th 1871

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, and was opened with prayer by Rev C A Dickey.

Members present, Messrs S S Watson, C. A. Dickey J. R Warner, S J Nicolls, B A Alderson, & H H Allen.

Removal of teachers
on notice of one month

After considerable deliberation, it was On Motion ~~Resolved~~, that hereafter the Board reserves to itself the right to remove any teacher in the College upon One month's notice.

Miss Alvord reelected

On Motion, Miss M L Alvord was elected Principal of the Music Department; And a communication, expressing the views and wishes of the Board in respect thereto, was prepared and ordered to be presented to Miss Alvord, in Connection with the official notice of her election.

President tenders his resignation

Mr Watson again tendered his resignation as President of the Board; but at the earnest request of members present, Consented to withdraw it until the Board meets in September next. Move to adjourn.

Herman H Allen, Secty

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In testimony of our personal esteem for Mr Wilson and his wife, the Board cordially invite them to remain in the college until it shall be convenient for them to move elsewhere.

Rev J H Nixon presented his report, as President of the College, which was accepted and placed on file.

The minutes were read and approved; and the Board adjourned to meet at the Call of the President, during the sittings of the Presbytery of St Louis, which is to meet this evening, at the First Presbyterian Church, St Charles. *

Herman H Allen, Secty.

First Pres. Church, St Charles. Mo, Sept 21st 1871

The Board met on the Call of the President, in the First Presbyterian Church.

Adjourned meeting at Synod

Members present, S S Watson, S J Niccolls, J R Warner, B A Alderson, and Herman H Allen. [A huge space was intentionally left in the original document between Alderson and Allen, as though Allen was missing one or more names and had left a blank space to fill in later.]

On motion. The Board adjourned to meet at the Call of the Vice President, in Spring field, Mo, during the sessions of Synod, in October next, to hear the reports of Committees &c.

Herman H Allen, Secty.

*The following minutes were omitted by oversight; adopted at the meeting, Sept 19th:

Com'tee on Scheme [looks like "Schem"] of studies

On Motion, a Committee, Consisting of J H Nixon, S J Niccolls, and H H Allen, was appointed to prepare a revised Scheme ["e" in "Scheme" is noticeably missing] of studies.

On motion, S J Niccolls, J R Warner, B A Alderson, & H H Allen were appointed a Committee to prepare a report to Synod.

Herman H Allen, Secty.

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Lindenwood, Wednesday, June 12th, 1872

The Board of Directors met at the College, pursuant to Call.

Members present. S. S. Watson, D.W. Ferguson, David Keith, N D Noyes, Rev J R Warner, B A Alderson, John Orrick, and H H Allen.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

Report of Com^{tee} to Synod

Mr Warner made a verbal report, on behalf of the Committee appointed at the last meeting, to make a report to Synod.

Scheme of Studies

Rev J H Nixon stated, on behalf of the Committee appointed ~~at the last meeting~~ to prepare a Scheme of studies, that the work had been performed and the Scheme published in 'Circular.'

Presidents Report

Rev J H Nixon, President of the College, presented and read his report (annual) to the Board, which, on motion, was received.

The following orders and resolutions were passed, on motion regularly made, to wit:

Diplomas

The action of Rev J H Nixon, President of the College, in procuring diplomas was approved.

A certificate of graduation was granted to Miss Irene M^c Elkinney

Judge S S Watson was appointed to audit the accounts of Rev J H. Nixon.

Judge S S Watson presented vouchers &c, to the amt of \$1.681⁰⁰, paid by him during the year, including the sum of \$151⁰⁰ which he had received in money; And which was in fulfilment of his engagement to donate to the Institution the Sum of \$1.500 Annually, for a term of years. These vouchers were referred to B A Alderson for examination and during the Session of the Board, he reported them to be correct. Whereupon, the thanks of this Board were tendered to Judge Watson for his donation to the College of the Sum of \$1.500 for the Current year.

Donation of \$1500 by Judge Watson

Executive Com^{tee}

Messrs Watson, Orrick, Niccolls, and Dickey

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were appointed an executive Committee, ad interim.

Reelection of teachers

Misses Jewell and Pitcher were re-elected for the ensuing year, with a guarantee of the Same Salary paid them heretofore; and with the further guarantee, of \$100. Additional to Miss Pitcher's Salary, and of \$50 to the Salary of Miss Jewell, provided, the income of the Institution will justify it.

Election of Miss Walters

Rev J H Nixon stated that, after Consultation with the Committee on teachers, appointed last year, he had engaged the Services of Miss Jennie Walters, of Hannibal, Mo, as Lady Principal and Teacher of Mathematics, for the ensuing year, at a Salary of \$600 per Annum.

Whereupon, this action of the President was approved and ratified.

Scholarships The Board authorized the establishment of perpetual Scholarships, to be issued on the payment of \$500; the form of certificate &c to be prepared hereafter.
The Board took recess until Thursday following.

Thursday 15th June 1872

The Board assembled on the Call of the President.

Members present, Messrs S S Watson, B A Alderson, Rev C A Dickey, Saml Copp, David Keith, And H H Allen.

Fin Agt Rev J H Nixon was clothed with full power to act as Financial Agent of the College.

Abatement of expenses

Judge S. S. Watson was authorized to advise with Rev J H Nixon, in regard to the case of any students whose circumstances may Seem to require Some abatement of expenses in the College.

Insurance The question of insurance on the College buildings and property was refered [sic] to the Executive Com^{tee}.
Board adjourned to meet at the Call of the President.

Herman H Allen, Secty

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Lindenwood Sept 23^d 1873

The Board met pursuant to the call of the President. Opened with pray [sic] by Rev C A Dickey
Present S S Watson B A Alderson D W Ferguson SJ Niccolls C A Dickey J R Warner H H Allen
Minutes of last meeting read & approved on motion Rev J H Nixon & H H Allen were appointed Committee to prepare the Annual report to Synod on Behalf of the Board –
Rev. Dr. Nixon made a verbal report of the opening of the College this Year with favorable prospects.

On motion the Board authorized the purchase of Miss Shina's [? Allen's handwriting is so messy that this name is nearly indecipherable without outside references to test the accuracy of any interpretation.] Piano at \$350 – on time. [? Word very unclear]

A motion to adjourn then passed

Herman H. Allen

Secy.

At a meeting of Synod of Missouri held at Sedalia October 18th Rev J. H Nixon was elected member of the Board in place of Rev H H Allen removed from the State & resigned.

Robert Irwin [last name slightly unclear]
Stated Clerk

St. Louis April 28th 1873

Board met at the Call of the President in Presbyterian rooms St. Louis. Present – Mess. Watson Nicolls ~~Ferguson~~ Alderson Irwin & Nixon & Copp. Opened with pray [sic] by Rev R Irwin - - On motion Rev J H Nixon was elected Secy of the Board since [? Word is basically indecipherable] H. H. Allen resigned.

The thanks of the Board were returned to Hon Henry J. [T.?] Blow [“How”? “Blaw”?] for a donation of \$200 for the purchase of Philosophical Apparatus. The Rev Dr Nicolls reported that he would pledge his Church to accept a proposition recently made by the President

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that in view of the failure at present to secure the endowment needed the 1st and 2^d Churches of St Louis Should each Contribute \$500 between May 1st 73 & May 1st 74 – payable quarterly – as a fund to aid in the reduction of bills to the daughters of our ministers.

The President made a report as to the financial Condition of the College now which it appeared that the institution had about met its Current expenses the present year but as a Considerable Amount had been necessarily expended in furnishing additional rooms [? word isn't clear but there seem to be few other options that make sense in context] there would probably be a small deficit at the end of the Year

On motion the Board adjourned to meet at the Call of the President —

J. H. Nixon

Secy

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Lindenwood June 11th 1873

Board met in the Library & was opened with prayer by Mr Alderson.

Present Watson Alderson Orrick Ferguson & Nixon

The President of the College reported this Miss [? Word is unclear due to what appears to be later editing] Laura H [? Initial is a later insertion and too small to read clearly] Keith of Kirkwood & Miss Lucy Stella Honey of Jefferson County had so far completed the prescribed course of study as to entitled [sic] to a Diploma of the institution, and on motion of Mr Orrick the Board unanimously voted to admit them to the honors of graduation.

The Board then adjourned to meet the next day at Call of the President

Lindenwood June 12th 1873

The Board met at the Call of the President according to Adjournment Present,
Watson, Nicolls, Copp, Jas Richardson Irwin Nixon Alderson Orrick.

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The President presented his Annual report from which it appeared that the current income of the Year had exceeded the current expenses of the year by about \$400, [the first numeral of the figure was apparently originally something else; it has been later edited with a black pen] and this notwithstanding

the fact that the payments to teachers (not including the President's Salary) exceed the amount recd from tuition [word not entirely certain] about \$700 showing that it would require his [? "him"? "her" This word is very unclear. It looks most like "his," but this reading makes no sense grammatically] a moderate endowment to put the institution upon a basis which would enable the Board either to make Considerable improvement or to offer reduced terms.

The report was accepted and approved.

The appointments of previous years were renewed except that Mrs Flora J. Nixon was appointed Lady Principal

Miss Louisa H Keith was appointed Assistant in the Preparatory Department her duties and Salary to be adjusted hereafter according to the Amount of Service rendered. The Committee on Teachers was continued with power to make any needful changes in the Faculty.

The Rev Dr Nicolls reported donations from CS Greeley Saml Copp Mr Drake Mr Hall & others amounting to \$500 to meet deficiency caused by past indebtedness and to their amount Jn Jas Richardson added \$100 more.

The Board then adjourned to attend the graduation exercises at which the Diplomas previously ordered were conferred.

J. H. Nixon Secy

S. S. Watson Pres.

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Lindenwood June 3^d 1874

The Board met according to Call. No Quorum being present adjourned to meet the next day at Call of President –

June 4th Board met at call in Lindenwood Parlor. Present Watson – Alderson Ferguson Nicolls Dickey Warner Nixon

The minutes of last meeting read and approved

The President ~~appointed~~ of the College presented his Annual report Showing an increase in attendance & receipts & that there was a balance in the Treasury after all debts were paid.

On motion of Dr. Nicolls the President was requested to prepare a brief statement for Circulation embodying the facts of that report. –

Judge Watson presented a paper with Wicher [? "Micher"? It is not really clear whether this is a proper name or something else] Showing that he had paid out on a/c of the College the Sum of \$1000 – of which 250 had been applied to the payment of indebtedness to Synod.

Mr Alderson presented his Resignation as a Member of the Board – on Which the Board resolved

That they regretted that Mr Alderson had felt inclined to offer his resignation but that if he insisted upon it the Secretary was directed to lay the matter before the Synod at next meeting.

On motion of Dr Nicolls it was resolved that in view of there being a balance in the Treasury \$300 of the \$400 sum rendered by the President upon

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his salary for the two preceding years be returned to him as also the \$50 of _____ [? Word looks like "contruflut"] advance to Miss Jewell for last year and the Current year.

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The Committee on teachers was continued & the Subject of repaint & improvements was referred to a Committee Consisting of the President of The Board & the President of the College
The Board adjourned to meet at the Call of the President –

The Commencement exercises took place at 2 P.M Address by Rev. John R. Warner of Kirkwood
Essay Annie E Poage A gift Neglected Shall be withdrawn

Hattie A Chevalier – The Crystal World –

The Diploma of the Institution was conferred upon these two young ladies by a vote of the Board at the previous Meeting.

J H Nixon
Secy

S. S. Watson Pres

[Printed announcement is here pasted in book. It is labeled with a penciled note that says "Copy." The printed announcement uses square brackets instead of parenthesis; hence, these are reproduced within the reproduction of the insert. All that is added by me are notes of "Sic."]

THURSDAY - - - 9 O'CLOCK A. M.

Music.

Readings – By Preparatory and Scott Classes.

Music.

Readings – For Shakspeare [sic] Prize. [Dr. Montgomery Johnson,
Chairman of the Committee].

GRADUATION EXERCISES – 2 P. M.

Chorus – "The Two Springs" – [Mozart.]

THE MUSIC CLASS.

Address to the Coralline Society of the College;

REV. JOHN R. WARNER, Kirkwood, Mo.

Piano Trio – [Mendelssohn.]

MISSES FULTON, NIXON AND GRAHAM.

Essay – "The Gift Neglected Shall be Withdrawn;"

MISS ANNIE E. POAGE, Ashley.

Piano – "The Mountain Stream;"

MISS FULTON.

Essay – "The Crystal World," with Valedictory;

MISS HATTIE A. CHEVALIER, Jefferson City.

Conferring of Prizes and Diplomas.

Farewell Chorus –

THE MUSIC CLASS.

[End of inserted graduation announcement. From here on, square brackets once again only signify notes or emendations by the transcriber, unless specifically stated otherwise. Begin page “107.” Below the penciled (or possibly charcoaled) page number, the number “3.1875” has been added in the same medium.]

Presbyterian Rooms St Louis, May 1875

[The year is impossible to read as was highly faded and the page number was inserted over it. However, “1875” makes sense in chronological terms and it appears that the added penciled number “3.1875” was an attempt to make the year clearer.]

The Board of Directors met upon the Call of the President – Present S. S. Watson Prest. B. A. Alderson. S J Niccolls, Cha. A Dickey, John R. Warner, Robt Irwin, Saml M Dodd (elected by last Synod vice N. D. Noyes [Noyer?]) removed from the Synod & J. H. Nixon. The meeting was opened with prayer.

The Annual report of the President of the College was reported. Showing current receipts for the Year to be about \$1100 and current expenses about 9.000 – including the estimated receipts & expenditures for the months of May & June. Showing a profit for the year of about \$2000. of which \$700 had been already applied to the payment of money borrowed from E Flint & \$300 to the purchase of a new Piano.

It was moved by Dr. Niccolls that ~~of the \$1000~~ in view of the increased income of the College the Salary of the President for the Current Year be made up [?] to the amount originally Contemplated viz \$2000.

This motion was seconded by Dr Dickey who added an amendment appropriating \$100 additional to Miss Jewell and \$50 to Mrs Keith. These motions were unanimously adopted.

On motion of Rev Dr Dickey it was ordered that the Board of Directors of Lindenwood hereby record their ~~most grateful thanks~~ great gratification in the evident success of the institution during the past year & that they express their thanks to the President for his efficient management – to Miss Jewell & other teachers for their continual faithfulness & to Mrs Keith for her careful household management & to Judge Watson for his great interest & noble liberality.

The following young ladies were admitted to graduation upon the satisfactory completion of their final examinations

Emma McElhinney	St. Louis Co
Clara C Christy	St Charles
Jemima Lourain	St Charles

in the regular Classical Course and

[Begin page “108.” This page contains many proper names, most of which are relatively uncertain because they are faded and there is no source with which to compare to ensure the correct reading. Names of college graduates have been compared with commencement programs (last names and towns only) to attempt to ensure some correctness, but this cannot be done with the names of donors to the college.]

Sarah A Lindsay	St Charles Co
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Hattie N Fulton Greenfield Glade [?] Co
in the musical [word not entirely clear] & Scientific Course

The President was authorized to employ Miss Fulton as Assistant in Music the Coming Year in case the size of the Music Class Should warrant an additional Assistant.

Liberal contributions were reported by the President during the past year by S. M Dodd N. O. Noyes Nixon Bod__ [name too faded to read] of Philada & [E.?] P. Burken & Wm Adamson of Phila Th [??] P [?] H Sharp of Jna [?] in aid of the children of Ministers unable to pay the bills of their children.

Mr Watson's contributions for the year also amount to about \$400. — The Board then adjourned to meet at the call [Here are three words that have been struck through. The first two appear to be "The whole" and the third cannot be clearly made out] of the President during the Commencement weeks.

S. S. Watson

J. H. Nixon
Secy

Prest

St Louis Mo. May 8th 1876.

A called meeting of the Board was held at the Pres. Rooms St Louis — present Watson Alderson Niccolls Richardson Irwin Niccolls [? "Nixon"? It doesn't make sense to list Niccolls twice. This name is blurred and hard to read.] Mr Watson in the Chair.

The President presented his report from which it appeared that the income of the year would slightly exceed the expenses. & that with the aid of about \$400. received from Mr. Watson — every dollar of indebtedness would be paid & the new Year, July 1st, would begin with a small balance in the Treasury —

The following young ladies were recommended for graduation and were voted a Diploma upon completing Satisfactorily the final examinations.

Julia S. Adams	Dansville Mo
Augusta J Armstrong	De Soto Mo
A Eleana [?] Drury	Waterloo Ill.
Madge W. Fielding	St. Charles

[Note: commencement program lists "Madge Feilding." This may be the correct spelling, but it seems more likely that it is a typo and that "Fielding" is the correct spelling.]

Mary [Mamie? See note] W Keith	Lindenwood
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[Note: commencement program lists a "Mamie Keith," but the record book clearly calls her "Mary." Probably Miss Keith answered to both versions of her name.]

Jennie A Martin	Ralls Co
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Virginia M Minor	St Louis
Mary A Menown	St Louis
Ida B. Mc Lagan	Kirkwood
Belle A. Nixon	Lindenwood

Mae A. [? This letter entirely unclear] Zook St. Joseph
Ella E. Graham St. Louis

[Note: Ella's name is written in much darker ink than the rest of the page (which is considerably faded), suggesting that it was likely added later.]

The President (of the College) announced that as he had been called to the pastorate of the Central Church Wilmington Delaware under Circumstances which induced him to accept the call and Suggested that in view of the probability of this result, it might be well to begin to make inquiries regarding a Successor. Press. Watson & Nixon were appointed to confer with Rev. J. A. Quarter of Lexington Mo and ascertain if he would be willing to Consider the question of taking charge of the College in case the President feels Constrained to resign.

The Board adjourned to meet at the College June 8th —

S. S. Watson

J H Nixon Secy.

President

Lindenwood June 8th 1876

The Board met according to adjournment Present Watson Ferguson Alderson Niccolls Irwin Orrick & Nixon

The minutes were read and approved —

The President then offered his resignation which was accepted and Dr Niccolls was requested to prepare a minute to be spread upon the records expressive of the sense of the Board respecting his Service.

After considerable discussion respecting the best course to be pursued in filling the vacancy it was resolved that Miss M. E. Jewell be elected to take charge of the College for the ensuing year with the Salary of \$1000. — and with authority to select her own Corps of assistants (with the approval of the Board in each case) and Dr Niccolls was appointed to wait upon her & report

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Mrs. Keith was Continued in her position with a Salary of 400 pr Annum & Board for herself & daughter.

Mr Watson & Dr. Ferguson were appointed Executive Committee for the ensuing year to advise & assist with Miss Jewell in case she accepts this appointment.

Miss Jewell was recommended to Continue Prof Wolf in Charge of the Music Department in same terms as heretofore if satisfactory to him.

Mr. Alderson was requested to take charge of the Record Book as Secretary Pro. Tem.

The Board then took a recess until 7 'k [? Exact symbol is hard to tell but evidently intended as an abbreviation for "o'clock."] P. M when it was reported that Miss Jewell seemed disposed to accept the position though not fully decided & that Mrs Keith had not yet answered.

Board then adjourned

J. H Nixon

Secy

Note the graduating Exercises were attended in the Presbyterian Church by ~~the~~ a very large & intelligent audience the following being the programme.

[Here is inserted a copy of the June 8th 1876 Lindenwood commencement program, labeled in pencil "Copy." Since this typewritten document is known to exist in other archival sources, it has not been reproduced within this transcription. Now begin page "111," which from top to bottom is almost entirely lined by a swaying column of penciled checks.]

Lindenwood June 7th 1877 —

According to previous notice given, the Annual meeting of the Board of Directors convened at 11 O'Clk A.M. in the Sibley Classroom.

Present — S. S. Watson, Prest — Revds S. J. Niccolls, Irwin, Marshall, Warner & Messrs M. D. Collier & B. A. Alderson.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved. Miss Jewell presented her report, from which it appears that the income of the year exceeds the expenses \$743.87 — including Money yet to be collected.

A general discussion, of the Condition of the College affairs and its teachers, was then entered into.

The Synodical Committee, on examination, then made a verbal report unanimously recommending that the following named young ladies be granted Diplomas, Viz,

Julia B. Frayser	Laura C. Gatzweiller
Annie E. Erwin	Clara C. Pullis
M. Susie Martin	Julia W. Steed

Which, recommendation, the Board very cordially approved.

It was also resolved that Miss Alice L. Mermod of Kirkwood Mo., [Alice's middle initial and hometown were added later in a different ink] who was called away from school on account of the sickness and death of her mother — receive her Diploma — after she shall have passed the remainder of her examination.

Mr Watson then made his report of moneys Collected and expended in repairs & improvements of College buildings & grounds

Receipts \$ 951.93

Expenditures 930.74

This balance was paid over to Miss Jewell \$21.19

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Resolved that Prof. Wolf be engaged at a salary of Five hundred dollars per Annum upon the terms mentioned by Miss Jewell; viz. he to give eight music lessons per day.

Miss Jewell and Mrs Keith were Continued on the same terms as entered into last year

The Board then proceeded to the Annual election of officers.

S. S. Watson was re-elected President and B. A. Alderson Treasurer & secy. pro-tem.

A recess was then taken until 2 o'Clk. P.m.

Board met at 2 p.m. Present as in the morning

Revd Mr. Irwin, Who had been appointed in the morning to prepare a paper for publication, made the following Report to wit –

The board of Trustees of Lindenwood Female College would hereby express, first, its gratitude to Almighty God for his Continued & special blessings to the institution during the year; second, its hearty approval of the successful management of the College under Miss Jewell, as manifested in the financial exhibit; in the number, progress, and character of the pupils; and in the religious and home-like influences that draw teachers & pupils so closely together; Third, its conviction that the institution, as thus Conducted, is eminently worthy of the consideration & patronage of all who desire for their daughters the highest & most useful Christian education.

The report approved, & Board adjourned to meet at call of the president.

B. A. Alderson sec pro. Tem.

[Begin page “113.” This page begins with an 1877 graduation announcement which has been labeled “copy” in pencil and also considerably annotated in pen. The announcement is reproduced below, with the print presented in italics to distinguish it from the handwritten notes, which occur in regular text.]

The graduation exercises & awarding of Diplomas took place at the Pres. Ch. at 8 p.m. on the evening of the 7th June 1877

Lindenwood.

You are respectfully invited to attend the Graduating Exercises of the Class of 1877.

<i>JULIA B. FRAYSER,</i>	- - - - -	<i>St. Charles.</i>
<i>LAURA C. GATZWEILLER,</i>	- - - - -	<i>St. Charles.</i>
<i>ANNIE E. IRWIN,</i>	- - - - -	<i>Webster Groves, Mo.</i>
<i>CLARA C. PULLIS,</i>	- - - - -	<i>St. Louis.</i>
<i>M. SUSIE MARTIN,</i>	- - - - -	<i>Perry.</i>
<i>JULIA W. STEED,</i>	- - - - -	<i>Moberly.</i>

A very large audience attended at the church – everything passed off pleasantly. Announced to audience that heating furnaces & all necessary repairs would be made during vacation –

[This is the end of the annotated graduation announcement. Here the regular minutes resume.]

After closing the records for June 7th the President, S. S. Watson, informed me that a resolution passed the Board, which had not been recorded — viz —

Resolved, that in selecting the next additional teacher, she must be from some other school than Lindenwood.

B. A. Alderson

secy. pro. tem.

Lindenwood Female College

July 20th 1877

The meeting Called for 11 a.m. to day — Present S. S. Watson &
B. A. Alderson — No quorum — adjourned to meet on the 23rd (Monday) at 11 a.m.

B. A. Alderson sec. pro. tem

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Monday, July 23rd 1877 — Meeting called or adjourned to this morning at 11 am Present — S. S. Watson,
D. W. Ferguson & B. A. Alderson — No quorum — adjourned —

B. A. Alderson

Sec — pro — tem —

Lindenwood, August 10th 1877

The Board met according to Call of President —

S. S. Watson Pres. Revd R. Irwin & Warner and Dr. D. W.

Ferguson & B. A. Alderson — Members present —

Opened by prayer

After a general discussion on the subject of heating the buildings by the introduction of stoves &c
the following action was taken —

Whereas, it now necessary for [the phrase "it now necessary for" is an emendation added later
in pencil, perhaps but not necessarily when the row of penciled checks down the page was made.] the
prosperity of the College and the comfort of the pupils depend upon the heating of the house,

Therefore — Resolved — That a Committee, consisting of Judge S. S. Watson, B. A. Alderson
& Revd R. Irwin be appointed, to complete the Contract for the necessary heating apparatus by steam —
and to superintend its immediate its immediate erection.

Adjourned to meet at call of the President

B. A. Alderson

Sec. pro. tem.

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At a meeting of the Synod of Missouri held at St. Charles, in the Jeff St. Pres. Church on the 18th day of
October 1877 — Dr. Charles M. Johnson was elected a trustee in place of Honl Henry J. Blow [Name is
clear but not entirely certain] dead. — [Word looks more like "deed" but only "dead" makes sense in
context] And Dr. John H, Stumberg, in place of John Orrick, whose time has expired.

B. A. A. Sec. pro-tem.

The gentlemen elected are both)

Citizens of St. Charles Mo)

The Board of Directors now consists of the following gentlemen To wit

Honl. S. S. Watson President ——— St. Charles Mo.

B. A. Alderson Vice Prest. & secy, p.t. Do —
 Revd. J. H Nixon D. D. ———— Wilmington Del.
 " Saml. J. Niccolls D. D. ——— St. Louis. —
 " Robt. Irwin ——— ——— Do
 " Thomas Marshall ——— ——— "
 David Keith ——— ——— " —
 James Richardson ——— ——— " —
 Samuel Copp ——— ——— " —
 Saml. M. Dodd ——— ——— " —
 M. Dwight Collier ——— ——— " —
 Revd. John R. Warner ——— Kirkwood Mo.
 Dr. D. W. Ferguson ——— St. Charles " —
 Dr. John H. Stumberg ——— ——— " —
 Dr. C. M. Johnson ——— ——— " —

Lindenwood Female College
 May 28th 1878
 B. A. Alderson
 Sec. Pro tem

[Dashed lines in the list above are reproductions from the original document indicating dashes separating corresponding items in a list, not representations of missing text. Begin page "116."]

Lindenwood College June 6th 1878

The Board met according to the Call of The President; this being the regular annual meeting.

Members present Revd S. J. Niccolls D. D., Revd R. Irwin, Revd T. Marshall, B. A. Alderson, Dr. C. M. Johnson, Dr. J. H. Stumberg, Revd J. R. Warner Dr. D. W. Ferguson.

Meeting opened with prayer by Revd. Marshall —

The Vice President, B. A. Alderson in the Chair. — Called the meeting to order.

Revds Dr Niccolls & Irwin were appointed a committee to bring in a minute expressive of the sorrow of the Board occasioned by the death of the President, Honl. S. S. Watson which took place last night.

The following report was then made by the finance Committee

Your Comt. to whom was refered [sic] the financial report of the College, would report that, owing to the unexpected illness of Judge Watson — Miss Jewell has not been able to present a complete statement of the receipts & expenditures of the year. She has however, made such statements as assure us that the entire expenses of the year will be amply covered by the receipts.

We would therefore recommend that ~~that~~ an itemized statement be made to the Board at its next meeting, to convene at the Call of the President

Signed R. Irwin
 D. W. Ferguson

Report accepted

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Report of Synodical Committee

Lindenwood College for young Ladies

St. Charles June 6th 1878

To the Honl. Bd of Directors of Lindenwood College

The undersigned Committee appointed by the Synod of Missouri to attend the annual examination of the College, respectfully represent that, having heard the test examination of the senior class, and being satisfied that all the members of said Class have completed the entire Course of the institution, they are entitled, respectively, to its diploma as graduates: — for which Testimonial and Degree, They are hereby Cheerfully recommended,

Their names are as follows

Mollie Brenshaw

Eva Crossman

Mame J. Irwin

Alice E. Job

Madie H. McLean [Later entries and other records suggest that this name should read "Mary H. McLean"; yet it seems to clearly read "Madie."]

Mae A. Mermod

Signed

J. G. Reaser

Thos. Marshall

This Report was accepted and the recommendations adopted

Board adjourned to 2½ p. m.

2½ p. m. Met according to adjournment

Present as in the morning

The Committee, Revd Niccolls & Irwin, appointed to prepare a minute on the death of our much esteemed and beloved President, S. S. Watson,

Made the following report — which was published in The Interior & is hereto attached — see over —

[Begin page 118, in which the left margin is lined by a newspaper clipping. Several newspaper clippings in fact appear at this point in the book, and since was apparently the secretary's intent that they appear as part of the minutes, they are reproduced below in a conjectured order (since their order is not clear):]

—The sudden, sad and unexpected death of Judge Watson deserves a special notice apart from its incidental relation to the Commencement at Lindenwood. He died Wednesday night, June 5, at 12 o'clock. He came to St. Charles County with his parents when he was quite a young man. In 1826 he was married to Miss Mary Lewis, of St. Charles, and they have lived and labored together for over fifty years. For many years he was and continued to the day of his death an active elder and earnest worker in the Presbyterian Church of St. Charles. His place was rarely vacant (never when at home and well) in the sanctuary, prayer-meeting and Sunday-school. He was always a large contributor to the salary, to the college and to all benevolent objects. Long ago he gave \$10,000 to Lindenwood, and seldom has a year passed that he has not added several hundred dollars, and now he leaves in his will another

\$10,000 to Lindenwood, together with other sums not yet published, to the Church and other objects. He died aged 74 years and 3 months, active and genial to the very last. He was buried with tender hands, in a beautiful and choice spot in the college campus he loved so well. The funeral was attended by an immense concourse of people. The sermon was preached by his warm friend and pastor, Rev. J. B. Morton, and it was truly a noble tribute to the memory of Judge Watson, whose justness was recognized by all. Remarks were also made by Rev. Mr. Marshall, of St. Louis, Rev. Mr. Warner, of Kirkwood, and Rev. Mr. Alderson, of Maysville, Ky., took part in the services. The following appropriate preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted by

[Here the clipping is abruptly cut off, although the top halves of the words "the Board" can more or less be read from the following line. Then there is a handwritten note which is also cut off. This second newspaper clipping is presumably the "preamble and resolutions" referred to in the first clipping. In any case, it was obviously the intent of the secretary that its contents be regarded as a committee report and recorded as part of the official minutes:]

The death of Hon. S. S. Watson having been announced to the Board of Directors of Lindenwood College,

Resolved, We hereby record our heartfelt [the newspaper printed only the word "felt"; "heart" was added in pen, presumably as a correction of a newspaper typo] grief and our deep sense of loss on account of the removal by death of Hon. S. S. Watson, the honored and revered President of Board. [sic] By his death we have lost a beloved friend as well as a most active coworker in the cause of Christian education. We gladly bear witness to the purity and integrity of his character, to his Christian faith, and to his enlarged and practical beneficence. But especially do we deplore [sic; clearly "deplore" is intended] his loss in reference to the institution which has been the chief object of his care and solicitude for many years. He was its faithful friend and liberal benefactor through all its struggles and trials and successes. Indeed it is but just to his memory to say that but for him, Lindenwood college would have ceased to exist years ago. To him belongs the honor of saving the life of the college and placing it on such a basis as to insure its success for the future. For more than twenty years he was the honored and trusted president of its board of directors, and now for the first time in the history of the institution we must record his absence from our annual meeting. His fidelity in his office work, and his sincere and affectionate interest in the welfare of all the pupils, won for him the title of "Father" – an instinctive testimony of the place he held in their hearts.

Resolved, That we bow in submission to the will of God as revealed in his removal, we would also record our gratitude to the Great Head of the Church, that He so long spared the life of this faithful servant to minister in the service of the Church.

Resolved, That as a testimony of our respect for his memory and our appreciation of his life-work, the board will attend his funeral services; and it furthermore directs that the School Hall be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days from the opening of the next session.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be presented to his widow in testimony of our sympathy with her in her sorrow.

[End of newspaper clippings. Resume regular handwritten entry.]

This being the Annual Meeting It was moved that the Board now go into an election of officers

Revd S. J. Niccolls D.D. was nominated for president – and unanimously elected

B. A. Alderson was nominated for Vice pres. & secy. pro. tem. & ~~Treas.~~ ["& Treas." was added later] and was unanimously elected.

Dr. Niccolls then took the chair

The President, Dr. Niccolls, then made the following report

Teachers –

Miss Jewell Principal – salary to be eleven hundred dollars per ann \$1100.

Miss Jennings, salary Four hundred dollars per annum

Miss McLagan – salary Four hundred dollars per annum — Miss Fulton three hundred dollars per ann.

Professor Wolf same as last year.

Mrs. Keith, same as last year.

It was unanimously ordered by the Board that – provided Mrs Watson's consent can be obtained – the remains of Mr. Watson be buried in the College Campus —

Doc A. Niccolls & B. A. Alderson were appointed a committee to wait upon Mrs Watson; which was done – her consent obtained – and the remains laid in a commanding position in the grounds he had loved so well to decorate with shrubbery & flowers

[A penciled note at the bottom of the page adds:]

Remains afterwards removed to City Cemetery.

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The meeting then adjourned, to convene at the Call of the President

Closed with prayer

B. A. Alderson

Secy. pro-tem.

1878 Sept. 18th

Board met at Call of President at Lecture room of 2nd Pres. Ch. St. Louis 2 p.m. Present S. J. Niccolls president Tho. Marshall Th [?] – Marshall, Irwin, Warner, Keith, Ferguson & Alderson.

Opened by prayer by the President. Minutes of last meeting read & approved, report of Treasurer read & approved

Report of financial committee referred [sic] to Auditing Committe. [sic]

Recess for 15 minutes for members to attend Presbytery now in session. At 4 p.m. adjourned to meet on Monday 23rd inst at Lindenwood – College St. Charles Mo.

B. A. Alderson

Sec. pro. tem.

Lindenwood F. College Sep 23rd 1878

11 a.m. Board met according to adjournment –

Present – S. J. Niccolls, R. Irwin Rev. J. B. Warner D. W. Ferguson, Revd T. Marshall, B. A. Alderson.

Opened with prayer by Dr Irwin. R. Irwin D.D. & Rev J. R. Warner were appointed a committee to prepare a minute on the death of Mrs Mary E. Sibley –

Resolved that Professor Vollmer be allowed to take his meals at the college at \$2.50 per week.
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Ordered that, in draping the College chapel in mourning, in respect to the memory of our deceased president – S. S. Watson, as resolved upon at the June meeting – A suitable notice be taken of the death of Mrs. Mary Easton Sibley who has deceased since our last June meeting

Resolved, that Dr. Niccolls & Revd T. Marshall be a committee to lay the Deed, to the Lindenwood property, – before Judge Breckenridge of St. Louis – for his legal opinion as to the only proper use of the reserved twenty acres of ground.

A Committee, of three, was appointed to take into consideration the erection of a monument to Mrs. Sibley – Consisting of Irwin, Ferguson & Warner

Dr Niccolls was appointed to make a report to synod of Mo. & to classify names of members of the Board —

B. A. Alderson, Treas. was authorized to collect Thirty dollars of Estate of S. S. Watson & pay same over to Lindenwood.

Ordered that Miss Jewell pay to Miss Meursett [Memsett? Mensett?] \$30.00, this being one half of salary to substitute while she was sick.

The Executive Committee appointed Consists of S. J. Niccolls, Miss Mary E. Jewell & Dr J. H. Stumberg, [spelled “Stumburg”]

Board then adjourned to meet at the Call of the President

B. A. Alderson

Sec. pro. tem.

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St. Charles Mo. March 7th 1879

In pursuance of a call – the Board met at the house of Dr. Stumberg [spelled “Stumburg”]

Present Revd. Irwin D.D. Drs Johnson, Stumberg [spelled “Stumburg”] & Ferguson and B. A. Alderson

Opened with prayer –

The President not being present, the vice president presided (B. A. Alderson.)

The object of the meeting was to consider the interests of the college in connection with the professorship of Augustus Volmer – who appeared before the Board, and after being heard – he tendered his his [sic] resignation, which was accepted. The Board then adjourned.

B. A. Alderson

Sec. pro. tem.

Regular annual Meeting of the Board —

1879 June 5th Board met at Lindenwood F. College at 12 Noon,

Present Revs Dr. Niccolls, D. D. Ganse, Irwin, Warner & Marshall – and Stumberg M.d. Johnson
M.A. Ferguson M.A. and B. A. Alderson

Opened with prayer –

Minutes of last meeting read and approved & informal meeting of March 7th 1879 approved.

Committee, Dr Niccolls & Marshall, appointed to lay deed of Lindenwood property before Judge Breckenridge for his opinion as to the legality of burying Mr. Watson's remains on the College grounds – Reported – that whilst laying Mr. Ws remains on the grounds – might not impair the title – Yet it would not be judicious to have any further burials there – which fact was reported to Mrs Watson – who had the remains removed to the City Cemetery. Whereupon, it was resolved that this board refund to the estate the expenses of said removal, amounting to Twenty two dollars \$22.00 [A marginal note here reads:] Paid

The Board then took recess until 2 ' p.m.

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At 2 p.m. The Board met —

The treasurer, who had been authorized at a previous meeting – Sept. 23rd 78 – to collect \$30 – of estate of Mr. Watson – was for proper reasons excused from pressing the claim.

Marked A – Miss Jewell made her annual report, which was refered [sic] to the treasurer to make an itemized report. This report showed a balance of \$168.38 against the college.

Miss Jewell then reported the names of young ladies for graduation Viz –

Miss Alice G. Bragg	Miss Estelle Nulson
" Gussie M. Friedrich	" Nannie L. Pitman
" Lulu H. Babcock	" Minnie McDearmon
" Sadie A. McElhinney	" Annie M. Crawford
" Alice Fitzgerald	" Carrie J. Peers – all of which the Board approved

Resolved that Revds Niccolls & Warren with Miss Jewell be a committee to prepare a new catalouge. [sic] This committee was enlarged by addition of Revds Ganse & Irwin on rates of tuition and commencement exercises

Treasurer's report presented – read & approved showing \$43.35 recd & paid out \$52.20 leaving due Treasurer \$8.85 ——— Ordered to be paid.

[A marginal note indicates that the amount was paid:] Paid

Resolved that the Treasurer be requested to draw on Executor's of S. S. Watson's est. for any available funds coming from legacy

Adjourned to meet at minister's rooms in St. Louis on the 24th of June at 10'a.m.

B. A. Alderson

Sec. pro. tem

Ministers Rooms St. Louis, june [sic] 24th 10 ' a.m. 1879.

Board met as to adjournment.

Present Revd S. J. Niccolls, Revd Warner Mr. Dodd Dr. Ferguson Mr Copp & B. A. Alderson.

Meeting opened by prayer ———

up ———

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Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Report of Financial Committee, presented, read & approved & ordered to be filed, marked A. This report shows \$163.20 debt of College – when all bills are collected and paid. With old bills amounting to \$206.40 that may yet be collected.

Miss Jewell, Principal, made her report marked B. showing condition of the College – prospects &c –

Moved & carried – That the President, Doct. Nicolls, be a committee to make arrangements with Revd Doct. Marks to act as financial Agent of the College and procuring the attendance of pupils; also to act as chaplin [sic] in conducting religious services in the institution. The salary to be forty dollars (\$40.00 per month, for a trial of two months, and a percentage of ten per cent on all moneys collected as donations to the College, and also ten per cent on board & tuition of all scholars which he may be instrumental in bring into the College at full rates.

Board adjourned to meet at call of the President —

B. A. Alderson

Sec. pro. tem

St. Louis Mo. Minister's Rooms Cor. 6 & Locust Sts.

Nov. 22nd 1879

Board met, according to previous call, at 2 p.m.

Present Dr. Nicolls President, Dr. Brookes, Rev. Marshall, Mr. Copp, Mr. Richardson, Revd Warner, Doct Johnson, and B. A. Alderson.

Opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

After which, the following action was taken.

See over ———

[Begin page "124." The top of the page is labeled "Copy" in pencil and a side note in pen in the upper left margin reads:]

Lindenwood bequest

[A penciled side note in the lower left margin reads:]

Watson Fund

[A penciled plus sign also appears in the lower left margin, but not apparently connected with the marginal notes. Now begin regular text.]

Resolution, passed in relation to the Watson Fund bequeathed to Lindenwood Female College.

Preamble

Whereas – Samuel S. Watson in his last will bequeathed to Lindenwood – Female College a farm, containing Nine two & Ninety eight hundredths acres (92.98) and also two notes of Mrs. Mary E. Sibley – one for \$400.00 and one for \$401.50 — each bearing 8 per. ct. interest, the proceeds of

which – income & interest, are to be applied in assisting “Indigent Young Ladies to obtain an education”
— therefore —

1st – Be it resolved — 1st That the Cash proceeds derived from said gift be paid into the Treasurer’s hands – to be kept in a separate account from all other moneys of the College.

2nd – The beneficiaries of this fund shall be selected by this Board: and said Moneys paid out only by order of the Board on Warrants of the executive Committee, issued therefor, and signed by its Chairman and Countersigned by the secretary of the Board

3rd — Each and every warrant, so issued, shall set forth the name & place of residence of the young lady, for whose benefit it is intended, and also the amount due for her tuition and board (if any) – stating the time she has been in the College for which said Money is due.

The Board then proceeded to select some Beneficiaries — as follows —

Resolved – That two hundred dollars of the Watson Endowment fund be paid for the benefit of Miss Rose Steed – during the past year; and two hundred dollars to meet her expenses during the ensuing year.

[“\$200.” is twice listed here in the margin, representing each of the \$200 increments paid on behalf of Rose Steed, almost as though the secretary were preparing an addition problem that was never completed.]

On recommendation of Miss Jewell — Miss Ettie Wurtz, of Illinois, was admitted upon the rates accorded to daughters of ministers.

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Resolved — That the tuition of Miss Rosanna McGuire’s and Books be paid out of the Watson fund.
1878, 1879, 1880

[In the above sentence, one or more words was completely blotted out with ink and replaced by the phrase “and Books.” The years for which Rosanna’s and Clara’s fees were to be covered were also a later insertion.]

Also, that Fifty dollars be paid for Tuition of Miss Clare [Clara?] B. Richards 1879 & 1880

After a general conference with Miss Mary E. Jewell, Principal of the College, on the business interests of the Institution, it was Resolved – That the President of the Board, Rev. S. J. Niccolls, be authorized to borrow the sum of \$500.00 – Five hundred dollars for the purpose of paying College debts.

Board then adjourned.

At this meeting Notice failed
to reach Dr Ganse so that he was not there

B. A. Alderson
secy. –
pro. tem.

[The note about Dr. Ganse appears to have been added in different handwriting, but different entries signed by Alderson sometimes look different.]

St. Charles Mo. Lindenwood Female College, March 2nd 1880 —

Board met at 1½ O'clk p.m.

Present — S. J. Niccolls D.D. President —

Revd^s T. Marshall & R. A. Warner, Drs Ferguson, Stumberg, & Johnson and B. A. Alderson —

Opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

1st It was ordered that Miss Rosa [Rose?] McGuire be provided with board from the time of Mr. Rufus Easton's death — (she had been making her home there)

2nd A communication was received from the Executors of S. S. Watson's estate — turning over the Lindenwood bequest to the board — Whereupon a committee to accept the same, consisting of Dr. Ferguson and Doct. Stumberg, and place it in the hands of the Treasurer of this institution. Dr. Niccolls, the President, was directed to execute the necessary Bond to the Executors.

3rd Resolved: That we recognize the claim of Honl. C. S. Greely to certain scholarships on account of \$1000 — paid into the Treasury of the College to be applied for that purpose, and now invested

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in certain real estate belonging to the institution.

4th Resolved: That Revd S. J. Niccolls be appointed a committee to correspond with, and engage the services of a suitable person as president of the College after the expiration of the present school year — subject to the approval of the Board.

5th — That Doct. Niccolls will invite gentlemen of synod of Missouri to visit Lindenwood and attend the examination in June [sic] next.

6th Ordered that Doct. Stumberg take the necessary steps to have the remainder of old buildings torn down & pecked [packed?] away — On the best & cheapest terms he may be able to obtain.

Meeting adjourned

B. A. Alderson

Secy. pro. tem

Minister's rooms, St. Louis Mo. Apl. 5th 1880

According to notice given, Board met at 1½ O'Clk. P. M.

Present Doct. Niccolls President, Dr. Brookes [spelled "Brookes"], Revd Marshall, Dr. Irwin, Dr. Ganse, Revd J. R. Warner, B. A. Alderson, Mr. Dodd & Mr. Copp.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved

A letter from Revd L. G. Hay — with whom Doct. Niccolls had been corresponding in regard to the Presidency of the College, was read and commented upon — Also a letter from Dr. Nixon, in regard to another gentleman on the same subject — The President had also received a letter upon the same subject ~~which was not read~~ the substance of which was stated to the Board (Revd J. B. Morton)

[The phrase "the substance of which was stated to the Board" was added after the rest of the entry was completed. It is not clear precisely why Morton's name is here mentioned. A marginal note here reads:]

Mr. L. G. Hay Elected President

[Resume regular text]

On Motion of Dr. Brookes [spelled "Brooks"], Revd L. G. Hay was unanimously elected President – to take charge and enter upon his duties, after the close of the present school year – subject to certain stipulations as set forth in his letter to Dr. Niccolls

Bd Adjourned —

B. A. Alderson sec. pro. tem

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Lindenwood Female College, June 1st 1880

Annual Meeting

Board met pursuant to call – at 11 o'clk a.m.

Present Doct. Niccolls President, Dr. Irwin Messrs. Dodd, Copp, Ferguson, Stumberg, Alderson, & Revds Warner & Marshall

Opened with prayer.

Last minutes read & approved.

Doct. Niccolls made verbal report on his labors in endeavoring to obtain a President – (Revd. L. G. Hay having declined to accept) and concluded by submitting to the Board – the name of Robert Irwin D. D. as a suitable person to fill the office – The motion seconded & Revd Robert Irwin D. D. was unanimously elected.

A letter of Mr. James Richardson, of St. Louis was read, in which was expressed regret at not being able to meet with the Bd. and placing at the disposal of the Board \$50.00 to be used in their discretion in awarding premiums to the Class of 1881.

Treasurer's report read & put into hands of Committee, Ferguson & Copp, for examination —

Moved & seconded that the Executive committee with the Treasurer be authorized to loan out the permanent Watson – fund – consisting of \$801.50. & Election of officers was then gone into – Doct. Niccolls was elected President

Doct. Brookes [spelled "Brooks"] — Do — Vice Do

B. A. Alderson Do — — secy. ~~pro-tem~~ & Treas.

Recess until 2 p.m.

[Next section labeled with a margin note reading:

Graduates 1880

[Resume regular text]

At 2 p.m. Board met – Miss Jewell read her report on the work of the College for the last year – finances &c – And recommended for graduation honors – Eugenia J Mermod, Emma C. Mersman, Etta Marie Wurtz, Laura Barwise, [Barwise?] Rose G. Steed, Chloe Leonia Lieber,

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Mary Julia Lieber, and Virginia M. Christy.

A committee was appointed to examine he proposed graduates, composed of Revds Marshall & Warner, and report to a meeting to be held on Thursday 3rd June at 11 a.m.

Miss Jewell's abbreviated, or synoptical [sic] report of Finances —

Received up to June 1st 1880 — \$6075.89

Expended ———— 5528.54

Balance on hand \$547.35

Due on school Bills ——— 1382.06

Total —== \$1929.41

Due on College Bills ——— 2756.94

(Miss Jewells Bal. was 727.53 —) Balance \$827.53

Due on school Bills — 422.96

For last year ——— 404.59

Due on Beneficiaries are

Miss Steed \$100.00

" McGuire 130.00

" Richards — 25.00 255.00

College behind — \$149.59

(Miss Jewells Balance was \$49.59)

The President of the Board stated that he has had in his hands since last October the resignation of Miss Jewell as Principal of the College, This resignation he had earnestly requested Miss Jewell to withhold until such time as the Board might see its way clear to choose a President. He now presented her resignation which was on motion referred to a committee of two to report on the action to be taken — Committee Revds — Marshall & Warner —

Committee on Treasurer's report of his years accounts — reported approval.

The Executive Committee was authorized to spend in improvements or repairs the sum

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of \$1000.00 — Provided - they can see their way clear to meet all obligations

Dr Niccolls & Messrs Copp & Dodd were appointed a committee to collect (if possible) the funds.

Board then adjourned to meet on the 3rd day of June at 11 a.m. — (Thursday)

Thursday June 3rd 1880 — Board met at the college according to adjournment —

Present Revd S. J. Niccolls D.D. President — Revd R. Irwin D.D. Revd Thos. Marshall — J. H. Stumberg M. D. — C. M. Johnson M. D. — D. W. Ferguson M. D. + B. A. Alderson.

Dr Stumberg made report on improvements marked A & filed Viz

Veranda [looks like "Varanda"] — \$260 —

Painting — 275

Outside Blinds — 208

Painting Brick 75

Repairing Blinds 12

Do— Cornice	30
New Do Closets	60
One stone Cap	<u>3</u>
	\$918 [penned
	checkmark here]

Laundry 18' x 32' One story frame & cellar 300 [penned checkmark here]

(signed) W. R. Parson, architect

Recess until 3 p.m.

At 3 p.m. Present S. J. Niccolls – R. Irwin – T. Marshall & B. A. Alderson.

Not a quorum present – Mr. Marshall read a paper on the resignation of Miss Jewell's resignation – which was approved by members present with a request that a copy of same be presented to Miss Jewell – by the secretary – Adjourned to meet at Call of the President

B. A. Alderson
secretary

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Minister's Rooms, Corner 6th & Locust Sts, St. Louis Mo.

June 28th 1880 – 2 p.m. Board met according to Call — Present Revd S. J. Niccolls D. D. President, Revd Irwin D.D., Revds T. Marshall, Warner, Brookes, Messrs C. S. Greeley, Dodd, Copp & Alderson –

Opened with prayer –

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

The Deed of Trust held by S. S. Watson's Executors was returned to the Board –

The Financial Report for the last year signed by B. A. Alderson Treas. & Miss Mary E. Jewell as principal, was read & approved; and ordered filed

Miss Jewell then presented the following report – which was ordered to be spread upon the minutes

Report — The number of Pupils in attendance during the past year was thirty six. Of these – one was received free of charge. Three, at rates barely covering the expense of board, and four at Clergyman's rates, thereby materially aiding eight of our most promising pupils in obtaining an education –

Four were also received at reduced rates by Dr. Marks.

Written Examinations were carried on thoroughly and systematically weekly and Quarterly by all the teachers, resulting in a rapid improvement in scholarship and satisfactory attainments as not only noted by the teachers but as expressed in numerous letters received from parents & guardians.

Regular attendance upon public services has been maintained Sunday Morning, and the evening of the same day was devoted to Bible study and singing.

Almost without exception the boarding pupils have been present at the weekly Wednesday

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evening prayer meeting in the Principal's room; besides sustaining one of their own on Wednesday Monday afternoon of each week.

The Faculty has been greatly encouraged by the earnest desire for improvement both Mental; and Moral pervading the school during the entire year, and also by the special Manifestation of God's blessing in bringing nearly all of our number to a saving knowledge of His blessed Son Jesus Christ.

Signed

Mary E. Jewell

Resolved – The the [sic] President of the College Rev'd R. Irwin D.D. be authorized to use Three hundred dollars of the Watson Fund for beneficiaries – subject to approval of the board.

Resolved that Doct. Nicolls, President of the Board be authorized to sign a note to Miss Jewell for balance of salary [looks like "salary"] at 8 per cent interest.

The President of the Board is authorized to borrow Six hundred dollars to be placed in the hands of Executive Committee for necessary repairs of College building – Rev'd Dr. Irwin to take the place of Miss Jewell on the executive committee

Rev'd R. Irwin D.D. was called to the Presidency of the college on the following terms –
1st For two years the Board guarantees to him a minimum salary of nine hundred dollars (\$900 –) per annum, with free use of the buildings; and with boarding for himself & family in the College; also, free tuition for his children.

After the second year there is to be no guarantee from the Board as to a definite amount of salary; but it is agreed that Rev'd Robert Irwin is to receive such profits as may accrue from the school in excess of the necessary expenditures

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in paying efficient teachers, keeping up boarding-department, and incidental expenses; provided however, that when such net profits shall exceed the sum of | \$2500.— per annum, all in excess of such amount shall be paid into the Treasury [spelled "Treaury"] of the College for its benefit. It is also understood that the maximum salary is \$2500. — but this amount is not guaranteed by the board, and it is not to be paid – Only in case that the income of the College justifies it.

Board adjourned to call of Pres.

S. J. Nicolls D. D.
President

B. A. Alderson
secy ———

St. Louis Mo.

Minister's rooms, Nov. 8th 1880 – Cor. 6 & Locust St. Louis.

Board met as per call of the President

Opened with prayer —

Present, Rev'd. S. J. Nicolls, President

Brookes, [spelled "Brooks"] Marshall, Ganse, Warner, Copp, Irwin, Doct. C. M. Johnson, Greely & B. A. Alderson,

Minutes of last meeting read & approved. Doct. Irwin, President of L. H. College, read a report of the Executive Committee, of which the following is a copy — Viz. —

List of improvements &c on
Lindenwood" Painting House (Bracker) \$385.08
Do Portico & inside " — 137.68
Slating & Tin work (Hye) — 82.08
Portico — Bode & Bodfeil — 355.00
Repairs in house &c do — 85.75
Architect's Bill (Parsons) 10.50
Plastering — (Broker) — 11.50
Vault Cleaning, White Washing &c — 34.00
Steam pipes &c — (Goodin) — 176.65 [It's not clear whether "Goodin" is underlined or struck through]
Carried up —

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Bricklaying &c (Bode)	\$	9.90
Boarding of Goodin's hands —	15.14	
Pump —	2.25	
Insurance (\$6,000) —	<u>91.00</u>	
	\$1396.53	
Cash received from D. M. Dodd esqr. [?] <u>680.40</u>		
Bal. due R. Irwin Prest. —	\$716.13	

After this, The Board discussed generally the project of putting up an additional building or wing to to [sic] the College —

It was ordered that the Executive Committee go forward & build a Laundry, with a cellar under it.

It was — Resolved that \$240. — be appropriated to Board Tuition & Books for Miss Rosanna [spelled "Rosana"] McGuire — from "Watson Fund" —
Also, that \$80. — \$40.- for each — Clara & Ida Richards — be appropriated for their tuition, from "Watson Fund"

Drs Brookes, [spelled "Brooks"] Ganse, Niccolls, & Marshall were appointed a committee to arrange for a Union Meeting at the 2nd Pres. Church, to raise money for an Addition to College buildings — Plans & estimates to be prepared to lay before meeting — by the Executive comt.

Adjourned to meet at Call of the President.

B. A. ~~Alderson~~ secy —

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Presbyterian Rooms – Feb. 1st 1881, 2-30 P.M.

In compliance with the call of the President, the board of Trustees of Lindenwood College met.

Members present – Rev. Doctor Brookes, [spelled “Brooks”] Niccolls & Ganse - & Messieurs [sic] Greely, Richardson, Copp, Dodd & Warner – The meeting was opened by prayer by Dr. Brookes [spelled “Brooks”]. J. R. Warner appointed sec. pro-tem – see over

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Continued ——— After a statement by the President giving reasons for the call of the meeting – Viz, to consider the plans & specifications offered by Mr. Illsley [?] – for the proposed addition to the buildings of the College – The following paper – from Mr I. was presented –
(Said paper in hands of Dr. Niccolls)

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The President was, on motion, authorized to accept the proposition made by Mr. Illsley with reference to preparing plans & specifications & supervision; with the explicit understanding that the cost for his services, after his donation to the College shall have been made, shall in no case exceed – Three hundred (300–) dollars – On motion the Board adjourned – to meet at call of the President

Signed John R. Warner
secretary

St. Louis, Monday Feb. 22nd 1881

In compliance with the call of the President – The Board of Lindenwood College met in the Presbyterian rooms at 3 p.m., Members present – Rev – Dr Niccolls, Ganse & Irwin – and Messieurs, [sic] Dodd, Copp & Warner.

The plans & specifications, Proposed by Mr. Illsley at our last meeting were presented by Dr Niccolls and after consideration were approved – And the executive committee – authorized to solicit & receive bids for the erection [looks like “exection”] of said building and present them at our next meeting

On motion, Board adjourned
Signed ——— John R. Warner
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Presbyterian rooms – March 17th 1881 – 2-30 p.m.

Board met according to call of the President – and was opened with prayer – by the President –

Members present – Rev. Drs. Niccolls and Irwin – & Messrs. Dodd, Cop, Johnson, Greely & Warner –

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Lindenwood F. College, June 6th 1881

Board met as per call of the President at 11 a.m.

Present Drs Brookes, [spelled "Brooks"] Ganse, Irwin & Revd J. R. Warner and Drs. Stumberg, [spelled "Stumburg"] Johnson & Ferguson & Messrs – Copp & Alderson — Opened with prayer.

Dr. Brookes, [spelled "Brooks"] Vice President, presiding, Minutes of previous meetings read and approved. The Treasurer, B. A. Alderson, read his annual

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Report – showing on hand of Common fund of College \$4.35 And of the Watson fund, for use \$174.91. – & \$801.50 on hand to be loaned or invested in paying property.

Report referred [sic] to auditing Committee, to examine & report. (Warner & Copp)

A Committee was appointed to consider the admissibility of purchasing the Lewis house & lot – And, also, to have the street North of said lot – running E & West. Closed by the Court – Stumberg, [spelled "Stumburg"], Ferguson & Alderson.

The President, Dr. Irwin, presented a report showing that the following named Young ladies – had passed a satisfactory examination and recommended them for graduation which was adopted – Viz —

Diplomas to be awarded to Miss Susan M. Brookes [spelled "Brooks"] to Miss Thekla Bruere – Miss Josie Hodgman – Miss Agnes McCormick – Miss Idaho McDearmon.

Take recess until 2.30 p.m.

2-30 p.m. met & entered into a discussion for the best means of lighting the buildings – Whole matter referred [sic] to Executive Comt. to report at next meeting

The subject of water supply, for college, next engaged the attention of the members present

On motion, the treasurer was ordered to take immediate steps to collect old bills for tuition &c.

Adjourned to meet at call of the President –

B. A. Alderson

Closed with prayer

Secy —

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Presbyterian Rooms 719 Olive St. St. Louis Mo.

June 24th, 1881

Board met at 10 a.m. as per call of the President.

Present Drs Nicolls, Prest, Brookes, [spelled "Brooks"] Irwin, Revd. Marshall – Messrs Copp, Dodd, Alderson, & Doctors Stumberg & Johnson

Opened with prayer

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Committee on Treas – report – report as follows –

St. Charles 6th June 1881

The Committee to whom was referred the Treasurer's report of the Lindenwood Female Seminary this day presented to Board of Directors – have made examination of same & find it to the best of their judgment correct — signed — J. R. Warner)

Saml Copp) Com^t –

Ordered that the Executive committee be authorized to arrange for the heating of the building according to their best judgment.

Committee on purchasing Judge Lewis' house & lot – Reported his price to be \$1500.00: and that it is not advisable to purchase at this time –

Report approved –

Rev^d Dr. Irwin, President of the College, then presented his Financial Report to the Board & after explaining same – Was received and referred to auditing Committee – Rev^d Dr. Nicolls & Mr. Copps

Resolved that the balance in Dr. Irwin's hands \$413.90 be turned over to him in addition to his salary of \$900. — Making \$1313.90

The Treasurer was appointed to examine Mrs. Mary. E. Sibley's will & see upon what conditions her house & Lot at Lindenwood was left to the college & report at next meeting. Adjourn for dinner —

Met at 2.30 p.m. as per adjournment.

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The matter of lighting the college building was then, fully discussed, & turned over to Executive Committee to act on their best judgment & report to next meeting of the Board

The subject of water supply next engaged the attention of members

On motion the Treas. was ordered to take immediate steps to collect old College bills –
On Motion – Resolved – That the President of the Board of Directors of Lindenwood Female College, be authorized, so soon as found necessary, to negotiate a Loan of not to exceed Five Thousand dollars, either for a temporary period, or for a permanent one of two years – more or less as may be deemed expedient – for the purpose of finishing & furnishing the new Building now in course of Erection – on the grounds of the College. And to this end, he is hereby authorized to execute a deed of Trust on the property of the Corporation, if found necessary.

Resolved that the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors be authorized to erect on the premises a brick or frame building for a Laundry – not to exceed in cost the sum of six hundred dollars.

The Board then proceeded to the annual election of officers –

Rev^d S. J. Nicolls D. D. Elected President

Rev^d Jas. S. Brookes [spelled "Brooks"] D. D. " Vice Do

B. A. Alderson — Secy & Treas —

The Board then adjourned to meet at Call of the President

B. A. Alderson

Secy —

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1881 Oct. 18th St. Louis Mo.

According to call of the President - Revd S. J. Niccolls, The Board met in the Presbyterian Rooms at 10. a.m. & was opened with prayer by Revd Dr Niccolls.

Present – Niccolls, Brookes, [spelled “Brooks”] Marshall, Irwin, Copp, Dodd, Greely & Lionberger [spelled “Lienberger”].

The President stated the object of the meeting was to hear reports from the Building Committee and the Architect.

Revd R. Irwin made a statement as to the condition of both building & school.

The building had been completed – according to Contract and was already filled with boarders.

Mr. Illsley (Architect) made detailed statements as to contracts & work.

The President was authorized to make a loan of six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6500) — (\$5,000 of which was authorized at the previous meeting) to meet the deficiency in subscriptions, and to place a mortgage on the property – as security

Matters in dispute, with sub-contractors, were referred [sic] – for settlement – to Dr Niccolls – Messrs Lionberger [spelled “Lienberger”] & Illsley.

Adjourned to meet at call of Prest –

B. A. Alderson

Secy.

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Minister’s Rooms, Corner of Olive & 8th Streets

St. Louis Mo. Jan. 12th 1882 ——— 2 ‘ P.M.

Board met according to Call of the President —

Present Rev. S. J. Niccolls D. D. Pres^d – Doct. Ganse, Doct. Irwin, Revd J. R. Warner & Messrs, Dodd & Alderson.

Opened with prayer – by Dr. Ganse

On motion it was resolved – That Dr Niccolls, the President, be authorized to borrow Five hundred Dollars. \$222.50 to pay over draft on Mr. Dodd, and \$277.50 to pay balance on Plumbing bill for new building.

After discussing matters pertaining to the interests of the College – The board adjourned – to meet at call of the President

B. A. Alderson

Secy —

“ Lindenwood” June 6th (’82)

Board met and was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr Ganse. Present Rev Dr. Niccolls, Ganse, Irwin, Rev Thomas Marshall, Rev. Jno. R. Warner, John R. Lionberger, Geo. S. Drake, Stephen Ridgely Sam. Copp, B. A. Alderson, Dr. Stumberg. Minutes of last meetings were read and approved.

The following young ladies were commended by the Faculty for graduation having satisfactorily passed their final Examinations:

Josie Alexander

St. Charles.

Jennie A Coe

St. Louis

Annie Geisinger	Warrenton
Linda Lahrman	Bloomington Ill.
Mamie J. Redmon	St. Charles
Maud V. Reid	Carthage
Clara B. Richards	St. Louis.
Martha E. Robertson	Burr Oak Valley

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Annie T. Shore	Wentzville
Ruth Wadsworth	Collinsville Ill.
Minnie J. Whitaker	St. Louis

The Board endorsed the recommendation of the Faculty and ordered the College Diploma to be given the above named young ladies.

The Annual Election officers was entered into [up? upon?] and resulted as follows:

Rev. S. J. Niccolls	President
Rev. J. H. Brookes	Vice President
Rev. R. Irwin	Secretary
B. A. Alderson	Treasurer.

Dr Niccolls made verbal report on money loaned and placed in the hands of the Treasurer note. for interest and principal running three years – the sum being \$800. of Watson Fund.

The President made a verbal statement as to the prosperity of the College during the past year – that the rooms had all been occupied – that the special blessing of God had rested upon many of the pupils in leading them to Christ – that the attention of the Board should be directed to the needs of the College in way of Chemical & Philosophical Apparatus – that the outlook for the coming year was very encouraging. The enrollment for the year had reached 94, and the total receipts were about \$20.000.

The Board reaffirmed its confidence in the President's management and choice of teachers.

The Thanks of the Board was tendered Mr Daniel Carlin [name not entirely certain] of St. Louis for his generous gift of 250.\$ thro' Dr Niccolls, for the Art Dept.

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The account of the Building Committee were [sic] refered [sic] to an Auditing Com. consisting of Geo. S. Drake & ~~Joe R. Lionberger~~. Copp [The deletion of Lionberger's name and replacement with Copp was done later in pencil.]

Adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

R Irwin

Secy.

S. J. Niccolls

Pres.

Presbyterian Rooms

St. Louis June 26th 82

Board met at the Call of the President at 10 o'cl'r [last letter of abbreviation is unclear] a.m. and was opened with prayer — Present: Rev. S. J. Niccolls, Rev. H. D. Ganse, Rev. J. R. Warner, Stephen Ridgely, S. W. Dodd, Dr Stumberg B. A. Alderson, and R. Irwin.

The President of the College presented his annual financial Statement the summary of which is as follows:

Total receipts . 20.026.62

" Disbursements . 20.569.51

Excess of Expense over receipts \$543.89. approximate. The expenses include furnishing of new building, water works, pianos &c. all of which go into the permanent property of the College.

The President informed the Board that this excess could be carried over to next year, when expenses would be necessarily lighter.

On Motion of Dr Ganse it was

Resolved. That the Executive Com. will during the next current year decide what repairs of the premises may properly be paid out of the current income The Ex. Com. was

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instructed to secure the erection of an additional boiler for heating purposes.

Mr Alderson as Tres. Presented his annual report.

Both reports were refered [sic] to an Auditing Com. consisting of Messrs. Copp & Dodd.

R. Irwin presented a report of the "Sibley Fund" from rent of house & lot.

Rent from Oct. 12 1880 to Feby 12th 1882 at 10 " [the symbol after the "10" is not clear; it looks like a cross between a "4" and a quotation mark.] per month. — 160.00

From Feby 12th to May 12th 82 36.00
196 00

Paid on repair. 14.40 [last digit of this number is blotted by a large ink spot]

Expense of Miss Whitrahn [?] 100.00

' ' Lindsay 50.00

' ' Mitchell 25 00

Bal in Tres June 1st 6.50 \$ 196.00 [This underlining is part of the

arithmetic in the original document, was not added by me and to my knowledge does not signify missing text]

The appropriations were endorsed by the Board & report accepted.

Board adjourned.

S. J. Niccolls
Pres.

R. Irwin
Secy.

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Presbyterian Rooms
June 7th 1883

The Board met and was Called to order by the President, Rev. Dr Niccolls.

Members present Revs H. D. Ganse, Irwin Warner - Messrs Copp, Drake, Greeley Richardson, Lionberger, Ridgely.

The object of the meeting as stated was the completion of arrangements for the approaching Commencement.

The following Committees were appointed:

Examination of Senior papers:

Rev. Mr. Shields, Rev. Dr Reaser, Mrs Boggs, & F. M. Crunden

Art. [? "Ant"?] Messrs S. M. Dodd, Danl. Catlin and Mr J. B. Henderson

Junior Essays – Rev. P. H. R. McComb [name not entirely certain]

* Board adjourned to meet at the College Monday 14th

Adjourned

S. J. Niccolls

R. Irwin

Pres.

Secy

[A curved line drawn from the above asterisk to the note below indicates that this is what the asterisk represents:]

Mr Copp from the Com. to audit the a/c of the Building Committee reported that the paper, with vouchers had been carefully examined & found correct – Showing a disbursement of \$13,639.55 in the construction of the new building – of which \$6500 was obtained as a loan.

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(June?)
Lindenwood (May) 14 '83

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Board met according to adjournment. Present Rev. S. J. Niccolls, Rev. J R Warner, Rev. J. Marshall, Rev. R. Irwin, Messrs C. S. Greeley, Gen. S. Drake, S. Ridgeley, J. Lionberger, Dr Stumberg, B. A. Alderson.

Minutes of previous meetings read and approved.

Mr J. Richardson presented to the Board a scholarship certificate of \$100. The thanks of the Board were extend [sic] Mr Richardson & the certificate cancelled.

Mr S. Copp from the Auditing team presented his report upon the annual report of R. Irwin President for the year ending June 1882:

"The books and vouchers of receipts and expenditures submitted to the Com. have been carefully examined and the Receipts are shown to be \$20.026.62 and the total Disbursements, including bills unpaid for \$1.114.09, \$20.755.31; showing an excess of disbursements over Receipts of \$728.69, which amt is carried forward to be re-imbursed out of Receipts for the scholastic year of '82-'83.

Included in the Expenditures as above is the sum of \$1386.73 for permanent Improvements to the Real Estate, and \$2.412.73 for necessary Furniture for the new addition made last year. Deduct these two item [sic] which aggregate \$3.799.46 from the years expenditures, as not a portion of the necessary Expense of carrying on the school and the result will show an excess of receipts over the actual expenses of maintaining the Institution

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of \$3.070.77, which the Com. deem highly satisfactory."

Mr Copp also reported upon the report of B. A. Alderson Tres. that the papers had been found correct.

Reports were adopted.

R. Irwin reported on the 'Sibley Property':

To [?] Amt. in hand June 1 [?] 82.	6.50
" Recd from May 12 th to July 12.	24.00
" " Sept. 15 th to May 15.	<u>80.00</u>
	\$ <u>110.50</u>
Cr.	
By Taxes.	7.25
" Brookes's ____ Repairs [?]	9.50
" " ' " ' ,	7.25
" B.d.	2.80
" Appropriations – Miss Lindsay	50.00
" " ' Mitchell	25.00
" Bal in Tres.	<u>8.70</u>
	<u>\$110.50</u>

Report adopted & appropriations approved.

Messrs Saml. Copp & S. M. Dodd were appointed a Permanent Auditing Committee.

The President was instructed to place \$5.000 additional Insurance on the Building in the St. Charles _____.

Also, to increase the Insurance on the furniture to \$5.000.

Board adjourned to meet in the Presbyterian Room, Thursday 31st inst at 2 ½ P.M.

R. Irwin

Secy.

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Presbyterian Rooms St. Louis
Thursday June 3 1883

Board met according to adjournment. Present Revs. Niccolls, Ganse, Warner, Marshall & Irwin, and Messrs Cops, Dodd, Richardson, Greely, Ridgeley, Drake

The following young ladies were recommended for graduation having passed their Examinations satisfactory: [sic]

Olla J. Barnett	—	St. Louis
Emma Campbell		Manhattan Kan.
May Campbell	' "	'
Mamie Collin ["Collins"?]		Hannibal
Anna M. Elliott		Oswego Kan.
Mary Lindsay		St. Charles
Rosanna McGuire	" "	
Lizzie B. Morrison		St. Louis
Ella L. Ustick	" "	

The Board endorsed the recommendations of the Faculty and ordered the College Diploma to be given these young ladies.

Mr. Jas. Richardson offered last year to pay the expenses [] the Senior year of the Junior. who should make the highest per cent in scholarship.

From the grades submitted by the faculty this honor fell upon Miss Nellie Mitchell, She having a per cent of 92.3 for year, having pursued the full course and not absent from a recitation through the entire year.

Adjourned to meeting in Presbyterian Rooms Friday June 29th at 3 P.M.

R. Irwin

Secy.

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Presbyterian Rooms
Friday June 29.
1883 [Year is added in pencil]

Board met according to adjournment. Rev. Dr Niccolls in the chair.
Present Rev. Niccolls, Warner & Irwin Messrs Copp, Alderson, & Stumberg.

Mr Alderson presented his report as Treasurer of Permanent fund.
The report was accepted and refered [sic] to the Auditing Com.

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The Treasurer was ordered to pay Mrs Mermod (formerly Miss Jewell) \$185⁰⁰ on note held by her and also secure on same note a credit of \$40⁰⁰ [First digit of number is not at all clear. Looks like an upside-down seven with a dash through it. The digit written here is merely a guess.] – this amt. being a subscription of Miss Jewell's toward the support Miss McCormack while in College in 1880-1.

The Board directed Mr Alderson to discontinue the suit against Miss Jose George's Estate.

Rev. Mr Warner was appointed a Committee to confer with Mrs Mermod in regard to the "items" of this account.

R. Irwin presented his annual report, as President of the College, which showed that the receipts had been in excess of the Expenditures.

The report was placed in the hands of the Auditing Committee.

The Annual Election of officers was held. which resulted in the reelection [sic] of the present incumbents, viz:

Rev. S. J. Nicolls	Pres.
Rev. J. H. Brookes	Vice Pres.
Rev. R. Irwin	Secy.
B. A. Alderson Esq.	Tres.

Board adjourned.

R. Irwin Secy.

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Presbyterian Rooms
Nov. 22 1883.

Board met Members Pres. Revs. Brookes, Nicolls, Warner, Irwin, and Messrs Drake, Greeley, Copp, Dodd, Lionberger and Ridgeley.

Prayer was offered Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The following action was taken in regard to the terms of service of the members of the Board: –

Whereas, for several years there has been no definite order observed in the time for which Members elected to the duties of Trustees were to serve, and,

Whereas, this is required by the Charter of the College, therefore,

Resolved, that we proceed to divide the members of the Board, into three classes – that the names of all the members be placed in a hat, and thence drawn out one by one, and that the five members whose names should be drawn first should constitute the numbers for the long term; the five members whose names should be drawn next should constitute the second class or middle term, and the five remaining should be the third class.

The following the result of the lot:

First class or those whose term expires Oct. 1886.

(Samuel Copp
(Geo. S. Drake
1886	(James Richardson

(Carlos S. Greeley
(Rev. J. H. Brookes D. D.

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2nd class (Rev H. D. Ganse
(John R. Lionberger
(Rev Robert Irwin
1885 (B. A. Alderson
(Rev. Thos. Marshall

3rd Class (J. H. Stumberg M. D.
(Rev S. J. Niccolls D. D.
or (S. Ridgley
1884 (Rev. J. R. Warner
(S. M. Dodd

Mr Copp from the Auditing Committee present [sic] the following reports, which were adopted, viz:

The Auditing Com. have examined the statements of B. A. Alderson Tres. together with vouchers for disbursements connected with the management of the different funds held by him for Lindenwood Female College, viz. the "Permanent Watson Fund", the "Watson Legacy Fund" & the Fund belonging to the College proper. & find same according to their best judgment correct as reported. The first of said Funds viz. the "Permanent Watson Fund" shows a balance on hand uninvested of \$1.50. The Second or "Watson Legacy Fund" shows as overdrawn in Bank \$1.18 and the last or "College Fund Proper" shows a bal. in Treas. hand of \$185.60

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The Com. has also refered [sic] to it the Statement of Receipt and Expenditures submitted by Rev. R. Irwin President for the year ending 30th June 1883, & would

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report that the said Statement, together with such vouchers as accompanied the same, have been carefully Examined with the following results:

The receipts from all sources for that year, including bills due by pupils for \$2.060.70 not then collected (on June 30) amounted to \$21.148.05

The disbursements for same period amounted to \$20.708.47 – which on the supposition that all the outstanding bills for Tuition are as above, viz. \$2.060.75 are collected, would show an excess of \$439.58 of receipts over expenditures of all kinds

The statement of the President, however, claims that \$1692.02 has been expended on permanent improvements, which amount includes about \$400 paid for Interest on the incumbrance [sic] of \$6500. on the College, & which Interest the Com. would rightfully [sic] judge belonged to the item of

Sundry Expens [sic] for the Institution, leaving say \$1300. for Improvements, some 7 or 800 dollars of which was outlay for new Boilers for heating purposes as ordered by the Board.

Respectfully submitted.

The President of the Board (Rev. Dr. Niccolls) was authorized to execute a release deed for 16 ft. on property of Rev. Dr Allen upon which the Board holds a deed of trust; or if deemed best to sign a release of present deed & have a new one Executed.

The resolution of June 29th in regard to the dismissal of suit against the Estate of Miss Josie George was reconsidered, and the secretary authorized to notify the parties that the suit would be renewed.

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A Committee, consisting of Messrs Lionberger, Drake, and Dodd, was appointed to devise means for the enlargement of the College, to determine upon the amt. due the President from current receipt, and to fix upon some definite plan of distinction between "necessary expenses" and "improvements."

The President reported that the prospects of the College were more hopeful – the building was filled to its utmost capacity.

Adjourned

R. Irwin

Secy.

The following is the exact action in regard to the release deed of Re. [sic] J. W. Allen :

On motion of Mr Greeley & seconded by Mr Lionberger it was Resolved, that the President of the Board is hereby authorized & directed at the request of the Rev J. W. Allen to satisfy & [? Viz? Word very unclear, appears to contain a "z"] record the Deed of Trust on land in St. Louis given to the Board to secure a note of Eight hundred dollars and low interest notes thereon for twenty four dollars each dated Nov. 27th 1882, two of said notes having been paid, & to take therefor [sic] from said Allen & wife a new deed of trust upon the same property covered by the first (to - wit, the one to be released) less the west sixteen feet thereof, the remaining thirty four (34) feet to be covered by the new deed of trust securing the principal note of \$800.00 & the two interest notes of \$24.00 each being in the judgement [sic] of the Board sufficient for that purpose; this being done [word not entirely clear] at the instance [sic] of said Allen who desires said 16 feet to be released for other uses.

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Lindenwood June 2 1884

Board met and was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr Niccolls.

Present Rev. Dr Niccolls, Rev. J. R. Warner, Messrs Copp, & Alderson, Rev. Thos. Marshall and R. Irwin.

The following young ladies, having successfully passed their examinations and completed the course of study prescribed, were granted the College Diploma:

Anna W. Armstrong
Cora V. Donlin
Aphra E. Martin
May V. Mead
Nellie L. Mitchell
Kate E. Wadsworth.

The Richardson Fellowship prize was awarded to Miss Ida Richards who had the highest grade (98.1) in Junior Class.

The President of the Board announced that he had received from Mrs. Eliza McKee of St. Louis the gift of 300.\$ for the purchase of Apparatus.

It was Resolved, that the hearty thanks of the Board be extended Mrs. McKee for her generous and timely gift of 300\$ for the purchase of much needed apparatus for the classes in Natural Science and Physiology, and that we assure her that this gift will stimulate a deeper interest among the pupils in these important studies.

Mr Alderson was authorized, if in his judgment it is necessary in connection with neighbors to ditch the College farm, Expending not over 30\$ in the work. [While this last sentence seems odd and the handwriting is messy, I cannot think what else the words might be.]

Board adjourned

R. Irwin
Secy

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Presbyterian Rooms
June 30th 1884

Board met and was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr Niccolls.

Members present: Rev. Dr Niccolls, Rev. J. R. Warner, Dr Stumberg, Messrs Dodd, Drake, Lionberger, Copp, Alderson, & R. Irwin

Minutes of former meetings were read and approved.

Mr Alderson as Treasurer presented his annual report, which was accepted and refered [sic] to the Auditing Com.

R. Irwin present [sic] his financial report of receipts & expenditure for the year ending July 1st 1884, showing gross receipts of \$23.139.45 – and expenditures of \$20.292.55 – leaving \$2.846.90 in excess of expenses. Report accepted & refered [sic] to Auditing Com.

R. Irwin presented a report of the Sibley Cottage Fund:

July 1 83 Amt. in hand – 8.70

Rent for 13 mo 130.00

\$ 138.70

Cr.

By Farres [?] –	2.85
" Carpentering work	2.00
Appropriations R. Walker -	5.00
N. Mitchell	25.00
A. Armstrong	50.00
" Bal. on hand	<u>8.85</u>
	\$ <u>138.70</u>

Report received & appropriations approved.

The treasurer was instructed to pay

[Begin page "156." It rather appears that "Miss" was written out and corrected to "Mrs" in Mrs Mermod's name; as it is, it is difficult to read whether "Mrs" or "Miss" is intended without the help of context.]

to Mrs Mermod (formerly Miss Jewell) the bal. on hand of College fund —
in part payment of note held by her

Rev. Dr Nicolls from the special Com. appointed at the meeting Nov. 22. to rearrange President's Salary, presented the following report:

" The Com. appointed to confer with Rev. Dr Irwin, President of the College, with reference to the adjustment of his Claims, would report the following for adoption : —

Resolved 1st that the balance of income for this year remaining after the payment of insurance & interest be given to Dr Irwin as payment in full for all monies due him under former Contracts.

Resolved, 2nd That the salary of the President for the coming year be fixed at \$2500. with board for himself & family in the College.

Report accepted & adopted.

Board adjourned

R. Irwin
Secy.

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Presbyterian Rooms
May 27th 1885

At a called meeting of the Board held in the Pres. Rooms St. Louis May 29th at 3 o'clock there were present Rev. Dr Niccolls President, Rev. Messr Warner, Marshall, & Irwin, Messrs. Greeley Copp, Drake, Lionberger, and Rev. G. P. Wilson –

The meeting was opened with prayer by the President.

The following young ladies were recommended by the Faculty of the College for graduation, they having completed their course of study and passed satisfactory examination viz.

Annie L. Alexander

Jennie A. Daugherty [Dougherty?]

Kate M. Irwin

Emma A. McIntosh

Mame A. Orr.

Madge J. Overstreet

Ida B. Richards

Blanche S. Simons

Nettie E. Steed

Mildred B. Stotlemeyer

Julia P. Sutherland

Lulu D. Thurman

Carra A. Weber

It was ordered that the Diploma of the College be presented to them.

The following having Completed the prescribed Course in music were awarded the usual Certificate.

Miss Anna Bang

" Jessie Dougherty

" Blanche S. Simons

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The President announced that the highest grade in the Junior Class had been reached by Miss Clyde Newlon of Maryville Mo. & hence She was entitled to the Richardson Fellowship prize.

Dr Niccolls announced that Mr David Catlin had given an additional gift to the Art Department of 250.\$

It was resolved that the hearty thanks of the Board be extended, thru the Secretary, to Mr Catlin for his generous gift.

The President was authorized to drop the French from the list of "Extras" & hereafter to make no extra Charges for it.

Mr Copp presented the following report of the Auditing Committee on the Accounts of last year.

"The undersigned, as Chairman of the Auditing Committee for "Lindenwood Female College," would report that he has examined the accounts and vouchers of B. A. Alderson as Tres. of the "Watson Fund" – and also of the College Fund proper, and find Same Correct as reported, with balance on hand as stated. He has

Also examined the accounts of Receipts & vouchers for payment of Robt. Irwin for the "Sibley Cottage Fund," and for the Income and Expenditures Connected with the running of the College – all for the year ending June 30 1884 – and all of which, to the best of Knowledge and belief are correct and satisfactory.

In some few cases of the absences of Vouchers for small amts. and in the item of servants Hire [? these past two words unclear; lack of space between suggests they may in fact be one word] the personal statement & explanation [sic] of Pres. Irwin was accepted as a satisfactory account of the expenditures. In view of the changed

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basis of administering the financial affairs of the College, commencing with the present scholastic year, the Committee would suggest, and earnestly recommend, a more rigid adherence to the plan of requiring a receipt, or receipted Bill of items, for all expenditures, – especially in the item of Salaries of Teachers and other Employees - when practicable.

This course would much simplify the auditing of all accounts – be more satisfactory to the Committee & doubtless also the Board of Trustees

Respectfully submitted

Saml. Copp

Ch. Of Aud. Com.

Board adjourned.

R. Irwin

Secy.

Annual Meeting.

July 1st 1885

The Board meet [sic] in the Presbyterian Rooms at 3 o'clk notices having been duly issued. There were present Rev. Dr Nicolls President, Revs Messrs Wilson and Irwin, Messrs Copp, Alderson, Dr Stumberg, & Lionberger.

Meeting was opened with prayer by the President – Dr. Nicolls.

Minutes of previous meetings were read and approved.

Mr Alderson, as Tres. presented his annual reports which were accepted and refered [sic] to the Auditing Committee.

Mr Alderson stated that owing to the failure of Crops he had agreed with the tenant [word looks more like "tenent"] on the College farm to take as rent

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one third (1/3) of Crops until March 1st / 86

The terms approved by the Board.

R. Irwin Pres. presented this report which was accepted and refered [sic] to the Auditing Com.

He also made verbal Statements in regard to the past year's work, showing that in spite of depressing times, the College had been well supported, and that altho' [looks like "althu"] the gross receipt, had fallen below those of the former year; yet there was no embarrassment of finances.

R Irwin presented a report of the
Sibley Cottage Fund — Dr.
June 3 '84 To Cash on hand 8.80 —
" Rent to June 1st 120.00 \$ 128.85

Cr.
By Appropriation to Miss Walker 50.00
" " " " " Wright 50.00
July 1 1885 " cash on hand 28.85 \$ 128.85

Report accept [sic] & refered [sic] to Same Com.
The Appropriations were endorsed.

The Board adjourned.

R. Irwin
Secretary

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Presbyterian Rooms Feby 22^d 86

The Board met at the call of the President. There were present Rev. Dr Niccolls, Revs. J. R. Warner, Rev. R Irwin, Rev. Geo. Wilson, Messrs. Copp, Greeley, Lionberger, Alderson, Ridgely.

Mr Copp, of ["as" is other possible reading] Auditing Com. presented his report upon the financial reports of the Treasurer and President — that he had found them correct — that the expenditures in conducting the College for the year — provided all the Tuition Bills are collected — exceed the Receipts for same period, \$363.42.

A Communication was read from the President setting forth the needs of the College — its crowded Condition — its increasing patronage, its need of additional recitation rooms &c.

After a full discussion it was unanimously Resolved, that in the judgement [sic] of the Board it is expedient to erect another wing to the building — the cost of which shall not exceed \$12,000, and that subscribers be allowed to pay their subscriptions one half within this year and one half the following year.

Rev. R. Irwin was authorized to complete the subscription by canvassing among the friends of the College.

The following pledges were made by members present – Mr. Lionberger	1.000
" Ridgely	1.000
" Greeley	500.
Dr. Niccolls.	250.

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The following appropriations were endorsed for the Current year.

From Sibley Fund (Miss Bessie Walker –	50.00
(Miss Lottie Keith	50.00

From Watson Fund (Miss Meta Grandy [?] 50.00	[First name unclear; last name could also be "Graudy" or "Graudj."]
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(" Maud Ellers	100.00
(" Annie Bode [Bude?]	50.00
(' Nettie Scott	25.00
(' Viola Richards	20.00

The President of the College was instructed to pay from the current receipts the balance due Mrs A. S. Mermod on note of Board held by her, amounting to Seven hundred & Eighty five dols. & ninety Cents (\$785.⁹⁰)

Dr Niccolls contemplating an extended absence in Europe, Mr. Jno R. Lionberger was appointed President pro tem of the Board. ["pro tem" was an insertion]

Ajourned [sic]

R. Irwin
Secy.

St. Louis Ap. 5th 1886.

Board met in the office of Mr Lionberger at 3 P.M. and was opened with prayer
Present Messrs Lionberger, Greeley, Ridgeley Alderson, and Rev Messrs Warner & Irwin.

After a frank conversation concerning the propriety of carrying forward the work of the new wing, the following paper was offered by Mr Greeley and unanimously adopted:

Resolved: That in consequence of the depression among the people growing out of the Strike that has existed since our last meeting & the almost impossibility to raise the necessary means with which to erect the addition contemplated, therefore,

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be it. Resolved. that it is ~~imprae~~ inexpedient to let Contracts or progress with the work until at least the sum of ten thousand dollars is subscribed.

After conference with the Architect as to plans and costs, the Board adjourned.

R. Irwin
Secy.

St. Louis May 19th '86

Board met in the office of Mr Lionberger and was opened with prayer.

Rev. Dr Brookes V. P. in the chair.

There were present, Rev. Dr Brookes, Rev. J. R. Warner, R. Irwin, J. R. Lionberger C. S. Greeley, B. D. [for some reason Alderson's middle initial is given here as "D.," even though it should be "A."] Alderson, S. Copps.

The following young ladies, having passed their Examinations in the prescribed Course,

Were recommended by the Faculty for graduation:

Miss Adella Agnew

Florence Berry

" Nellie I. Callaham

' Jessie Crawford

' Ellen Fisher

' Lilly [Tilly?] Krauthoff

" Clyde Newlon

" Effie C. Ramsay

" Alice Sherman

" Cora Whitford

The bill of Mr Thompson the Architect for services rendered was presented & referred [sic] to Messrs Greeley & Irwin for settlement.

Mr James Richardson by letter tendered his resignation, as a

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Member of the Board.

It was resolved that the resignation be not excepted [sic] at this time with the hope that Mr Richardson will reconsider his purpose.

It was resolved that the Secretary be authorized to notify all parties indebted to Lindenwood that if their accounts are not settled at once they will be placed in the hands of a lawyer for Collection.

Mr Lionberger gave notice that he would at the next meeting of the Board offer an Amendment to the By laws to the effect that no Diploma shall be granted unless Cash payment is made of all the claims of the College upon the Candidate for graduation.

Board adjourned,
R. Irwin Secy.

July 1st 1886

The Annual meeting of the Board was held in the office of Mr Jno. R. Lionberger at 3. P. M. Present Mr Lionberger, in the chair. Messrs Copp, Greeley, Alderson and Stumberg, Revs. Wilson & Irwin. Opened with prayer. ["Opened with prayer" appears to have been added later in different handwriting.]

The minutes of former meetings were read and approved.

According to previous notice the following Amendment to the By laws was proposed and adopted : No Diploma shall be granted unless Cash payment is made of all the Claims of the College upon the Candidate for graduation.

The President was instructed to settle the a/c of Dr. Ordway in the best possible manner.

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The Committee appointed to settle with Mr Thompson, the Architect, reported that they had paid him 100.\$

Action approved.

Mr Alderson as Tres. of Watson & Sibley Fund, present his report, which was accepted and referred [sic] to Auditing Com.

The following appropriations from the Watson Fund were made:

Miss Viola Richards –	80.00
" Roberta Parks	25.00
" Mary Lindsay	65.00

R. Irwin Pres. present his annual report which showed the ~~condition of the~~ College to be in a flourishing condition – again over [? Word unclear] the receipts of last year of \$1.767.19 Report referred [sic] to the Auditing Committee.

The annual election of officers resulted in the reelection of the present incumbents. [sic]

Board adjourned

R. Irwin
Secy.

Oct. 21st 1886

The Board met in Mr. Lionberger's office & was opened with Prayer by Rev. Dr Nicolls.

There were present Rev. Dr Nicolls, Rev Messrs Warner, Marshall, Wilson & Irwin, Mr. Cobb, ["Copp"? Here and in several other places the name looks unmistakably like "Cobb," yet "Copp" is probably intended, as no Cobb is recorded as being on the Board at this time. All the same, the name looks distinctly different here than it does in the previous entry. Both of these entries are signed by Nixon, but the handwriting in each is distinctly different.] J. R. Lionberger, Geo. S. Drake, B. A. Alderson.

It was announced that Rev. Geo. E. Martin had been elected a Member of the Board and that the members of the class of '86 on the Board had been reelected.

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Mr. J. R. Lionberger was elected Vice President in place of Rev. Dr Brookes, whose term of office had expired.

The following appropriations were endorsed for coming year:

<u>Watson Fund</u> :	Miss Maud Ellers –	100.00
	" Sallie Little	50.00
	" Viola Richards	50.00
	" Meta Grandy	50.00
	" Grace Lee	50.00
	" Rose Wilson	50.00
	" May "	50.00
	" Blanche Fielding	<u>50.00</u>
		450.00
<u>Sibley Fund</u> :	Miss Bessie Walker	50.00
	" Mamie Cleland	50.00

The Auditing Com. (Mr Copp Chairman) reported the papers &c [? "10"? Looks like "10" but "&c" makes more sense in context] of the Treasurer & President as correct. The report also, Contained a detailed statement as to the revenue of the College for the past two years. The report was accepted & placed on file.

The subject of the enlargement of the accommodations of the College was discussed & it was resolved to renew the Effort to complete the subscription. Messrs Lionberger & Drake were added to the Committee to secure funds.

Board adjourned.

R. Irwin
Sec.

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St. Louis March 3^d 1887

The Board met at the Call of the President and was opened with prayer.

Present – Rev Dr Niccolls, Irwin Warner, and Messrs Copp, Lionberger, Greeley, Stumberg, Alderson

After a full and satisfactory conversation touching the condition of the Watson farm held by the Board, it was resolved to leave the matter of improvement to the St. Charles members of the Board, said improvement not to exceed \$500 and to be paid from the revenue of the farm.

Board adjourned

R. Irwin
Sec.

St. Louis May 20th '87

The Board met in the office of the Vice Pres. (Mr Lionberger), who presided.

The following young ladies, having completed their course of study & passed their Examinations satisfactorily, were recommended by the Faculty for graduation :

Emily M. Canfield	Mary T. Cleland
Mary L. Dalton	Blanche Fielding
Adele F. Kellar	Ida M. Mallinckrodt [Mallinchrodt?]
Harriet E. Powell	Carrie E. Shepherd
May F. Sheppard	Carrie F. Shields
Anna W. Steed	Belle Wadsworth

It was unanimously resolved that

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they be granted diplomas.

Board adjourned

R. Irwin

Secy.

St. Louis June 10th 87

Board met pursuant to call Present Rev. Dr Niccolls Revs Warner & Irwin Messrs. Lionberger, Copp.

It was announced that the subscription towards the new wing had reached \$10.000

The plans, which were presented were refered [sic] to the Building Com. for correction & adoption.

A Building Com. of three, consisting of R. Irwin, J. Lionberger & Dr Stumberg, [spelled "Stumber"] was appointed.

Mr Copp was chosen as Treasurer of the Building fund.

It was ordered that Calls be made upon the funds as Circumstances may demand.

Dr Niccolls was authorized to arrange with Mr Cameron Architect to superintend the work.

It was resolved that the sessions of the College open Sept 21st & close June 13th

Board adjourned

R. Irwin

Secy.

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St. Louis June 30 '89

Annual Meeting

The Annual meeting of the Board was held in Mr Lionberger's office and was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr Niccolls.

Present: Rev. Dr Niccolls, Rev. Warner Irwin, Messrs Lionberger, Copp, Greeley, Stumberg & Alderson.

Minutes of former meetings read and approved.

Mr Alderson Chairman of the Com. appointed to make improvements on College farm reported that the same had been completed at a cost of \$487.70, the amt. to be paid from the receipts of the farm during the coming year.

Report approved & adopted

B. A. Alderson Tres. submitted his report as Treasurer. It was referred [sic] to the Auditing Com.

R. Irwin presented his report as President of the College showing the receipts and expenditures for past year. His report was referred to same Com.

The bids for the erection of the new addition were opened, when it was found that the one offered by Messrs Bartfeld & Hallral of St. Char. was lowest — being \$9675.00) The Contract was awarded this party, provided they agree to the contract drawn up & approved by Mr Cameron Architect

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It was ordered that the use of red & hard brick exclusively be left to the discussion [Word looks like "descusion," so it is possible that "discretion" was intended] of the Architect & Builder.

It was agreed that the work should be completed by Dec. 1st and that a forfeit of \$25⁰⁰ per day be fixed in case of failure to complete at that time.

Pres. was authorized to sign the contract.

Board adjourned.

R. Irwin

Secy.

St. Louis Nov. 10th 1887.

The Board met in the office of Mr Lionberger and was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr Niccolls. There were present — Dr Niccolls Pres. Jno. R. Lionberger. S. Copp, G. S. Drake, S. Ridgely, B. A. Alderson, Rev. G. E. Martin, Rev. R. Irwin

Mr Copp presented the report of the Auditing Com. which was adopted and is as follows. : —

"I have examined the Reports of B. A. Alderson as Tres. of the Watson Legacy Fund" (useable) & of the "Sibley Cottage Fund" both for the year ending 1 July 87. showing balance on hand for the former of \$0.25 [figure not entirely clear] & for the latter of \$45.48 — accompanied with Vouchers for all payments & disbursements & find the same correct to the best of my knowledge."

I have also examined report of Receipts & Disbursements for same year as above, of Lindenwood Female College

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submitted by Rev. R. Irwin as Pres. of to [?] Faculty, showing an excess of Gross receipts over & above disbursements in same period of \$99.62 & reporting of Tuition bills unpaid on

1 July 87 pertaining to school yr, 84-5. \$781.24

85-6 391.45

\$ 1172.69

due College uncollected up to said date.

All of which, from the evidence submitted on which to form a judgment, appear to be correct.

Sam^l. Copp

Auditor.

Neutral statements were made as to the progress of work on the new wing and it was determined that as soon as Completed, a Dedicatory service would be held in the new Hall.

Rev. Geo. E. Martin was appointed a Com. to see Mr Richardson & explain to him the nature of his subscription so as to avoid any misunderstanding.

Board adjourned.

R. Irwin

Secy.

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St. Louis Dec. 19th '87

Board met and was opened with prayer by Rev. Geo. Martin.

Members present Revs. Dr Niccolls, Geo. E. Martin, Jno. R. Warner, G. P. Wilson, R. Irwin, Sam^l. Copp, Geo. S. Drake, Stephen Ridgely, & B. A. Alderson.

The report of the building Committee was presented & approved. The report showed that the Cost of improvement (exclusive of heating) was \$9,722.75: that the work had been done in a most satisfactory manner.

Arrangements were made for the Dedication of the New Hall, Wednesday 21st.

R. Irwin Pres. submitted to the Board for decision a special case of settlement with Geo. D. Barnard Guardian for Miss Brengle, who had been suspended from the College for disobedience & immoral conduct. Mr B. Claimed that he should pay for the time she was Actual [sic] in college – the President claiming that as Mr B. had not informed him of her character before placing her in the college & had made no contract for less than a year, the retention of the \$100. paid was just, tho' no adequate compensation for the injury done the school.

The Board unanimously sustain the action of the President & authorized him to so notify Mr Barnard.

Adjourned

R. Irwin Secy.

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St. Louis Jany 16 '88

Board met in Mr Lionberger's office.

Present Mr Lionberger, vice Pres. in the Chair, Saml. Copp. C. S. Greeley Rev. Geo. P. Wilson, Rev. J. R. Warner & Rev. R. Irwin.

Meeting opened with prayer.

A Communication was read from Mr Geo D. Barnard expressing his dissatisfaction with the action of the Board touching the settlement of his claim for the tuition of his Ward, and notifying the Board of his determination to enter suit.

After a full discussion of the whole case, on Motion of Mr Copp, the action of the Board at the meeting Dec. 19th was reconsidered.

The following paper presented by Rev. J. R. Warner, was unanimously adopted :

Whereas, the Board of Lindenwood has heard the statements of Dr Irwin concerning the dissatisfaction of Mr Barnard with the late action of this Board respecting the case of his Ward, lately a pupil of Lindenwood,

Therefore, be it Resolved, That in view of the very repulsive features in the case which in our opinion to make public would reflect as much upon the reputation [? Word looks like "reputation"] of the young lady, as it would be distasteful to this body, and,

Whereas it is our desire to keep our Institution free from everything which

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even ["ever?"] bears the semblance of scandal, much more a scandal so grievous as this would involve, therefore,

Resolved, that Dr Irwin be instructed to pay the Claim of Mr Barnard.

Board adjourned

R. Irwin

Secy.

St. Louis May 14th 1888

Board met in the office of Mr Jno. R. Lionberger and was called to order by V. President Lionberger. On Motion Mr C. S. Greeley was Called to the Chair. Members present – J. R. Lionberger. C. S. Greeley, Geo. S. Drake, J. R. Warner, Geo. S. Wilson, [Records indicate Wilson's middle initial should be "P." but the document clearly shows an "S."] Geo. E. Martin, Robert Irwin, S. J. Niccolls, J. M. Stumberg, Stephen Ridgely, Saml. Copp, B. A. Alderson.

President Irwin presented the following names of young ladies of the senior class, who having passed their examinations thus far ~~passed their examination~~ were, upon the recommendation of the Faculty, granted the usual Diploma :

Miss Gertrude Adams

Nashville Ills.

' Belle Cullings	Greenfield Mo
' Della M. Gerhardt	South Bend Ind
' Britta S. Ground	Edwardsville Ills.
" Hulda Haeberle	Eden Mo [Hulda's last name could also potentially be

read "Hueberte," but the version given is the one supported by the 1888 Annual Register.]

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Miss Mary E. Helphenstine	Greenfield Mo
" Elizabeth B. Kuhn	St. Louis
" Britta M. Lawson	St. Louis [Miss Lawson is listed in 1888 Annual

Register as "Bertie," but I cannot get that reading from this text.]

' Grace K. Lee	" "
' Alice L. Linney	Osceola Mo
' Louise D. Martin	St. Charles
' Jessie M. McIntyre	Mattoon Ills.
' Roberta Farris Parks	St. Charles
' Mary E. Rhodes	" "
' Florence M. Wright	Charleston Ills.

In the case of Miss Halberb [Halberte?] who goes to Europe with her parents, before the Commencement, the Board resolved that She should be awarded her Diploma in her absence, she having completed the course of study in full.

It was resolved that an Appropriation of \$50 from the Watson Fund be made for her benefit.

A financial statement was present [sic] by Pres. Irwin of money paid out of Current receipts on new improvements, whereupon it was

Resolved. That the President of the Board of Trustees be Authorized to secure a loan of not more than \$2000 for five months; to be repaid from the Current receipts of next year.

Board adjourned
R. Irwin
Secy.

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June 12th '89

The Board met at the College before the Commencement exercises, and was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr Niccolls President.

There were present, Dr Niccolls, Revs J. R. Warner, R. Irwin, C. S. Greeley, Stephen Ridgely, S. Cobb, [?] B. A. Alderson, and Dr Stumberg.

Rev. Dr Irwin presented the following names of young ladies, who had completed the prescribed course of studies, & passed their examination.

Miss Marie Louise Bruere,	St. Charles
Miss Edna E. [C.?] Caffee	Carthage
Miss Maud K. Ellers	St. Louis
Miss Urilla McDearmon	St. Charles
Miss Ella Ocheltree	Olathe Kans.
Miss Edith B. Steed	Belleville Kas.
Miss Bettie Stookey	Upper Alton Ills.
Miss Carolyn Todd.	Columbia
Miss Helen Toms	St. Louis
Miss Sarah E. Vaughan	Hot Springs Ark.

On motion they were awarded the Diploma of the College.

The following having completed the Course in music were awarded the usual certificate.

Kate Bancum	Little Rock
Helen Chrysap [first letter looks more like "G"] Barry	Ills.
Carrie Gibson	Little Rock Ark.
Minnie Potthast [Potthart?]	Davis Ill.
Flossie Stephens	Vinita, Ind. Ter.
Willie Honey [Hiney?]	Huntsville Ark
Adjourned –	R Irwin

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July 9th 89 Pres. Rooms St. Louis.

The Board met and was opened with prayer by Dr Niccolls.

There were present Dr Niccolls, Rev. J. R. Warner, R. Irwin, Saml. Copp, & Dr Stumberg.

The financial report of B. A. Alderson, Tres. was presented and refered [sic] to the Auditing Committee.

R. Irwin present [sic] his report as President together with a financial statement for the year.

The report showed that the receipts
of the College for the year were \$25.215.31
and the expenditures were ~~22~~ 22.937.46
making a surplus for the year \$ 2.277.85

This amt. is applied [sic] upon the deficiency of last year.

The report was refered [sic] to the Auditing Com.

Mr Henry Noel was placed upon the Auditing Com. to assist Mr Copp.

It was ordered that the Treasurer be authorized to appropriate the sum of \$59.43 for the benefit of Miss Meta Grandy.

The President was authorized to place \$5,000 additional insurance on College Furniture & \$1,800 on Boiler [not entirely clear] & Laundry.

Board adjourned to meet at the College in Oct.

R. Irwin Secy

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College – Oct. 8th '89

Board met at the College and was opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls.

Present – Dr Niccolls, Stephen Ridgely, H. M. Noel, B. A. Alderson [spelled "Aderson"], S. Copp, R. Irwin.

Mr Copp as Auditing Com. presented the following:

The undersigned would respectively report as follows – That he has examined the statement of Receipts & Disbursements made by Mr. B. A. Alderson as Tres. of the "Watson Legacy Fund" & the "Sibley Cottage Fund" of L. J. [?] Coe for the past two years up to July 1st '89 & find Vouchers for all Expenditures, & a Bal. reported in the Tres.'s hands on that date of \$37.05 for the Watson Fund, & \$81.48 of the Sibley Cottage fund" – All of which is apparently correct.

Respectively submitted

Sam^l. Copp.

Aud. Com.

I have examined the Reports of the Collegiate years 1887-8 and 1888-9, submitted by Rev. Robt. Irwin Pres. of L. F. C. [second initial is presumably an "F." but looks more like a "C." or "G."] Showing receipts and disbursments [sic] for said years as follows –

The receipts for Tuition & other sources	
as reported for year 1887-8	(23.227.39
The disbursements as shown by vouchers were	<u>28.019.24</u>
Showing an excess of dis. over recd for year	<u>\$4.791.85</u>
The receipts for all sources for 1888-9 were	25.215.31
The Disb. Evidenced by Vouchers submitted	<u>22.937.46</u>
Showing an excess of reds. over disburs ^t	\$ 2.277.85

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By the above it will be seen that after deducting the excess of receipts for past year (2.277.85) from excess of disbursements for previous years (\$4.791.85) a deficiency is found of \$2.514.00, which is tided over into the current delineated [? Word was a later insertion and is hard to read] year of 1889-90. This amt. is carried along by the extension of the payment of certain vouchers due by the college for last year's supplies, amounting to \$2.709.98 as represented in a list submitted by Pres. Irwin.

The above reports, with vouchers accompanying, [sic] after examination, appear on their face to be correct.

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Respectfully submitted

Samuel Copp. [Signature looks unmistakably like "Cobb," but it seems impossible that the Auditing Com. should have both a Samuel Cobb and Samuel Copp at the same time.]
Auditing Com.

Reports were adopted.

Dr Nicolls, as President of the Board, was authorized to present the Annual report of the Board to Synod to convene in Houlden [?"Holden"?] the 15th inst.

It was Resolved that in the judgement [sic] of the Board it will be wise to have a uniform (cap & gown) for graduation & that the President of the College be directed to report as to style &c.

Messrs Irwin, Stumberg & Alderson were authorized to look after the Coates property, & not to exceed \$2000 in its purchase.

Ajourned. [sic]

R. Irwin
Secy.

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June 2th 1890. Pres. Rooms. St. L.

Board met and was opened with prayer by the President – Dr Nicolls. There were present Revs. Dr Nicolls, Irwin, Messrs Copp, Lionberger, & Noel.

The following young ladies, having been recommended by the Faculty for graduation were awarded the Diploma of the College.

Miss Jennie A. Chrysap
Ida Cresap
May Greenleaf
Mamie T. Hunt
Alice Kellogg
Alice Linnemann
Anna E. McCullough
Nancy P. Montague
Sophia M. Roth
Marie A. Stumberg
Eve W. Thurman

And the following in the Music Dept.

Miss May Greenleaf

Nellie [Millie? First letter unclear] Miles

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Nannie V. Fletcher

The following were granted aid from the Watson Fund.
Miss Bode – Misses Vincent – Fisner, Fletcher, Werning, Richards, Ellers,

Board adjourned
R. Irwin
Secy.

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Presbyterian Rooms
Jany 14 ^t 1891

Board of Trustees met at 3. P.N. [sic] according to call of President, and was opened, with prayer by Dr Niccolls,

Members present ____ [word is only a letter or two and was possibly struck through] Dr Niccolls, Messrs, Drake, Copp, Alderson, Noel, Stumberg, Greeley, Lionberger, & Warner.

Rev J. R. Warner was appointed Secy. pro tem. A report of the Condition of the College from Dr Irwin, was accepted & referred [sic] to the Auditing Com.

The Treasurer's [spelled "Tresurer"] report was read & accepted and referred to same Com.

A paper from Dr Irwin, presenting his resignation to take effect at the close of present school year was read. The reasons for the said resignation as presented by Dr Irwin were very carefully considered, after which it was resolved that no action on the matter be taken at this time, farther than the appointment of a Com. to visit Dr Irwin at their earliest Convenience to Confer with him concerning the proposed step. The Com., on Motion of Mr Greeley Consists of Dr Niccolls, Messrs Noel, Drake, & Lionberger.

On motion of Mr Greeley that the President be requested to pay over to Mr Alderson Tres. the sum of \$555. on hand, Collected for the debt., and also, a further sum of four Hundred and forty five, (\$445.00) out of the current fund, provided that amt. can be spared without detriment to the financial

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interest of the College.

The Tresurer [sic] was directed to pay such amt. as he may receive on the mortgage held by Mrs Jacobs. ["by" is an insertion]

The Executive Com. was directed to invest the \$800.⁰⁰ of the Watson Legacy fund in the hands of the Treasurer, Mr B. A. Alderson, Tres.

Board adjourned .

Jno. R. Warner
Secy. pro tem.

Presbyterian Rooms

June 8th 1891

Board met & was opened with prayer by Dr Niccolls.

Members present Dr Niccolls, Rev. Jno. R. Warner, R. Irwin & Messrs Copp, Drake, Alderson, Noel

The President presented the following names of young ladies, who had completed the prescribed course of study.

Helen Chrysup,	Barry Ill.
Alberta Converse	Oskaloosa Ia.
Anna Haensler	St. Louis
Ellen Mallincrodt	St. Charles
Lucinda P. McDearmon	St. Charles
Maud E. Nolan	Macin City
Mabel K. Peters	Muophsbon Ills
Margarita Petidier	Ganu; Ill
Katharine S. Van Comb	Natchz Mass.

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It was ordered that the Diplomas of the College be granted these young

[Begin page "183." On the page below, the sentence "The Pres. was unanimously remitted to withdraw his resignation" is added in blue ink, except for the word "Permitted" which was added in either pencil or another shade of ink as a secondary insertion upon the original insertion. The words "with interest" are also an insertion made in blue ink.]

ladies.

The President was authorized to borrow from the Treasurer the sum of \$800. of Watson Fund, for College purposes to be repaid with interest in Sept next. After the Opening of the school. The Pres. was unanimously Permitted to withdraw his resignation.

Board adjourned

R. Irwin Secy.

Presbyterian Rooms

Feby 29th '92

The Board was called to order by Dr Niccolls & opened with prayer.

There were present Rev. Dr Niccolls, President, Rev. Dr Warner, John R. Lionberger, Geo. S. Drake. Sam'l Copp, Dr Stumberg Rev. Geo. E. Martin, & R. Irwin

After some discussion it was thought best that for this year there be no change in the plan, heretofore followed, of having the Seniors read their graduating Essays.

R. Irwin Pres. read a paper reviewing the financial standing of the College during the eleven years of his management & then presented his reports for the years 1889 – 90 & 1890 – 91 . The reports having been examined & found in order by the Auditing Com. were adapted & placed on file.

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It was Resolved,

That Dr Irwin be authorized to receive all the papers, books, & money belonging to the College from Mr. B. A. Alderson the Treasurer, owing to his sickness, & to act as Treasurer until next meeting.

Board resolved to meet at the College in April.

Adjourned

R. Irwin

Secy.

May 27th 1892

Board met in the Rooms 110 7 Olive St. St. Louis [Repeated word is not an error: Olive Street in Saint Louis is meant] at 3 P.M. & was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr Nicolls.
Present Revs. Dr Nicolls, Warner & Palmer Martin & Irwin, Messrs Copp, Lionberger, Noel, & Greeley.

The Faculty of the College recommended the following young ladies, who had finished the prescribed Course of studies, for graduation: –

(S) Miss Mayme E. Bruce, St. Louis

(C) “ Jennie Glenn Fredonia Kans.

(S) “ Alma Krauthoff Kansas City

(S) “ Alma W. Stumberg St. Charles

(L) “ Jessie La Rue Ward Minneapolis In

(S) “ Luna M. Welty [Welly? Welby?] Moberly.

The Diploma of the College was awarded to them

Dr Irwin reported that he had, in

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accordance with the instructions of the Board, the [? It looks rather as though “the” was written and “t” subsequently struck out, but this is not clear] had received from Mr Alderson Tres. the papers & funds belonging to the Board & had receipted for the same. The Reports of the Watson & Sibley Fund, were submitted to the Auditing Committee for Examination.

On Motion R. Irwin Pres. was authorized to use for College purposes the \$ 800. now in Bank of the Watson Fund & to replace it with interest at the opening of the next school year.

Revs Warner & Martin were appointed a Committee to prepare suitable resolutions Concerning the death of Rev. J. H. Nixon D. D. former President at the College and of Mr Stephen Ridgeley a member of the Board. The Committee to report at Commencement.

Adjourned.

R. Irwin
Secy.

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June 7th 1892.

The Board met in the College

Library and was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr Nicolls.
There were present Rev. Drs Nicolls, Warner and Martin, Messrs. Copp, Lionberger, Stumberg, Alderson, Noel and Drake.

Rev. Dr Warner submitted the following paper on the death of Rev. J. Howard Nixon. D. D.

"It is highly fitting that on this day a tribute of regard, for the memory of our brother, the late Rev. Dr Nixon, should be paid by this Board. The mention of his name amid the memories and prospects mingling here to-day Calls to mind the trying Circumstances under which, in compliance with the earnest and unanimous invitation of this Board, he assumed Charge of this institution.

How well he performed the duties to which he was called is well attested by the College records – showing as they do, the Condition when he left as compared with that in which he found it.

Calling to mind his high scholarship, rare qualities as a teacher, his untiring industry, his uncomplaining patience, all irradiated, & Strengthened by the beautiful Christian Character, which to all around him voiced itself so constantly

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and so impressively, & which as a moral constructive force is now being exhibited in the lives of noble women, who under his tutelage have gone out from these halls in the years of the past – all passing before us in the vision of memory inspire a deep sense of thankfulness to Him, whose guiding hand, seen in all the history of the College, in that He gave J. Howard Nixon to Lindenwood for the period of his service here.

While fully conscious of our own loss, we extend our sympathies to the Church to which he gave the service of his best last years, and especially to the bereaved family who were to him even as his own life."

It was ordered that this paper be spread upon our records, read at Commencement Exercises this morning, & furnished the press.

The Rev. Geo. E. Martin submitted the following paper upon the death of Mr Stephen Ridgley:

In view of the recent death of Mr Stephen Ridgley, for many years a staunch friend of this College, and a member of its Board of Trustees, the Committee Appointed by the Board to prepare a minute on his decease, submit the following:

Whereas, God in His wise and gentle Providence has seen fit to remove from our midst and our counsels,

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Mr Stephen Ridgley, therefore, be it

Resolved : 1. That as a governing Board of Lindenwood College, we deplore his loss, while we cherish the memory of his wise counsel.

2. That we are grateful for the substantial aid he rendered to this institution in his life, and especially for the thoughtful provision in his will which we trust may prove to be the beginning of that permanent endowment this college so much needs.

3. That we commend to those blessed with means, & interested in Christian Education, an emulation of the example of Mr Ridgley in their lives and in provisional thoughtfulness in their death, to secure such instruction for young women.

4 That a copy of these resolutions be placed upon our record read at the Commencement exercises this morning & furnished the press.

Mr B. A. Alderson presented his resignation, owing to ill health & old age. The resignation was accepted, and the thanks of the Board Extended to Mr Alderson for his long and faithful service.

Rev. R. Irwin was appointed Treasurer pro tem.

Board adjourned

R. Irwin

Secy.

[Page "189" is blank save for a pamphlet listing the Boar of Trustees. This pamphlet has been amended in ink, presumably to reflect the changes to the Board that took place as a result of the last recorded meeting. Since this is evidently intended to be part of the Board's records, the pamphlet, together with its emendations, is copied below. Italicized type represents the typed text, while regular type represents handwritten emendations. (Striking out of typewritten text is also done by hand.)]

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Elected by the Synod of Missouri.

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*TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER, 18995* [It is not clear what the struck-through digit is, but it appears to be either an "8" or a "9"]

*SAMUEL COPP, - - - - - St. Louis*

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| GEORGE S. DRAKE,        | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | St. Louis |
| CARLOS G. GREELEY,      | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | St. Louis |
| GEORGE E. MARTIN, D.D., | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | St. Louis |
| HENRY P. WYMAN,         | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | St. Louis |

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TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER, 1893.

S. J. NICCOLLS, D.D.,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	St. Louis
J. A. STUMBERG, M. D.,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	St. Charles
*STEPHEN RIDGLEY,	C. W. Wilson Esq.	-	-	-	-	-	-	St. Louis Charles
H. M. NOEL,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	St. Louis
JOHN R. WARNER, D.D.,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Kirkwood

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TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER, 1894.

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| REV. S. C. PALMER,      | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | St. Louis   |
| JOHN R. LIONBERGER,     | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | St. Louis   |
| ROBERT IRWIN, D.D.,     | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | St. Charles |
| B. A. ALDERSON,         | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | St Charles  |
| THOMAS MARSHALL, D. D., | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | St. Louis   |

OFFICERS

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| S. J. NICCOLLS, D.D.,      | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | PRESIDENT            |
| JOHN R. LIONBERGER,        | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | VICE-PRESIDENT       |
| ROBERT IRWIN, D. D.,       | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | SECRETARY            |
| <del>B. A. ALDERSON,</del> | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | <del>TREASURER</del> |
| S. J. NICCOLLS, D. D., }   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |                      |
| ROBERT IRWIN, D. D., }     | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  |
| J. A. STUMBERG, M. D., }   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |                      |
| SAMUEL COPP, }             |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |                      |
| }                          | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | AUDITING COMMITTEE   |
| <u>H. M. NOEL,</u> }       |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |                      |

\*Died May 26th, 1892.

[The reverse side of this pamphlet contains a list of teachers, but as this is not amended in any way and does not directly relate to the content of the previous entry, it is assumed that the other side was the part intended to be included in the minutes of the Board.]

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St. Louis April 13<sup>th</sup> 1893

1107 Olive St.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 3 PM this date.

Present: {Mess Nicolls, Copp, Martin, Noel, Strumberg, Warner, Wilson & Wyman. (8)

Absent: {Mess Drake, Greeley, Palmer, Lionberger, Irwin, Alderson, & Marshall. (7)

Dr. Nicolls in the Chair, and Mr Wyman as secretary pro-tem.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Dr. Nicolls. A communication was received from Dr. Irwin enclosing a list of students recommended for graduation, which was read, and the following resolution offered by Mr Wyman seconded by Mr Noel was unanimously adopted.

“Resolved that upon completion of the prescribed courses of study, Diplomas be awarded and “presented to to [sic] the following named students of the Seminary, as recommended by the “President in his communication of this date

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|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| “ <u>Alice Freeman</u> – St. Charles               | <u>Laura Bruere</u> , St. Charles          |
| “ <u>Susan Cummings</u> – Canton                   | <u>Blanche Griswold</u> , Carthage         |
| “ <u>Martha MaClay</u> – Tipton,                   | <u>Bertha Goebel</u> , St. Charles         |
| “ <u>Genevieve Jarvis</u> – Troy Ill               | <u>Lily Lohmeyer</u> , St. Louis           |
| “ <u>Irene Bode</u> – St. Charles                  | <u>Katherine Docking</u> , Clay Centre Ks. |
| “ <u>Alda McConnell</u> – St. Charles              | <u>Margaret McDearmon</u> , St. Charles    |
| “ <u>Jennie Mason</u> – Ft. Madison Ia             | <u>Marion Powell</u> , St. Charles         |
| “ <u>Amelia Sonna</u> [Scriva?] – Boise City Idaho | <u>Clara Warner</u> – St. Louis            |

A communication from Dr Irwin relative to the “Watson Farm” was received and read and it appearing from report of Dr. Stumberg that the present tenant would be satisfied with repairs costing not over \$200 ~, the following resolution was offered by Mr Noel, seconded by Mr Wilson, and adopted unanimously

“ Resolved that Dr. Stumberg and Mr Wilson be a Committee to cause the repair of the house  
“ on “Watson Farm” at a cost not to exceed two hundred dollars – and payable from the income  
“ from the farm”.

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Dr. Stumberg reported repairs needed on the “Sibley” house – now renting for \$10. per month, and the following resolution was offered by Mr Noel, seconded by Mr Wyman and adopted unanimously

“Resolved that Dr. Stumberg and Mr Wilson be a Committee to cause the repair of the Sibley “house at a cost not to exceed Fifty Dollars – and payable from the income from the property.

It appearing that the office of Treasurer of the Board of Trustees is vacant – the following resolution was offered by Dr. Stumberg, seconded by Mr Martin and adopted unanimously. “Resolved that inasmuch “as the illness of Mr. Alderson has compelled him to resign the office of Treasurer of this Board, “and that the duties of the position have been borne by Dr. Irwin as Treasurer pro’ tem’, – it is “the sense [? – word seems clear enough but odd in context] of the Board that we fill the vacancy at the present time.

Dr. Stumberg nominated Mr Charles W. Wilson for the office of Treasurer of the Board, – which was seconded by Mr Wyman, and there being no other nominations, the question was put and Mr Wilson unanimously elected, and declared Treasurer. \_\_\_\_\_

Mr.s Copp and Noel, to whom was referred Dr. Irwin's statement of "receipts and expenditures for the last 12 years" – presented Dr Irwin's summary of the present financial condition of the Seminary's affairs and showing a deficit of \$4.767<sup>40</sup> the same being read, received, and filed for further consideration. \_\_\_\_\_

A communication was received from Rev Robt Irwin – President of the College as follows:

" St. Charles Mo Apl 5<sup>th</sup> 1893.

" To the Board of Trustees of Lindenwood College

" Rev Dr S. J. Niccolls Prest.

" Dear Brother:

" You are aware of the condition of my health which renders it absolutely  
" necessary that I be relieved wholly or in part of the duties of the Presidency of this College. I  
" herewith submit two

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"propositions for your consideration and action:

" 1<sup>st</sup> – That I tender an unconditional resignation to take effect at the end of the present fiscal year

" – July 1. 1893

" – or 2<sup>d</sup> – That in order to secure me the personal and efficient help which the state of my health

" demands, you elect as Vice President, my son-in-law, the Rev Wm. T. [J?] Jones, now pastor of our

" Church at Alma Mich – with the distinct proviso that there shall be no increase of salaries, and

" no additional burden to the Board in any way

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Respectively submitted

(signed) Robert Irwin

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President

The reading of this communication called out many expressions of sympathy for Dr. Irwin from all present, and deeply infused the Board with the gravity of the situation they were called on to face and contend with, and after a full discussion of the matter in all its bearings the following resolution was offered by Mr Martin, seconded by Dr. Stumberg, and adopted unanimously:

"Resolved that we deem it inexpedient to make the arrangement for temporary employment of

"Rev Mr. Jones as suggested by Dr. Irwin in his letter of Apl 5<sup>th</sup>

The following resolution was offered by Mr Wyman, seconded by Mr Noel, and unanimously adopted:

"Resolved that the Board hereby tenders to Rev Dr. Irwin its sincere sympathy in view of his

"severe and continued sickness by reason of which he feels compelled to tender his resignation

"as President of the College, and that before acting upon his resignation now before us, a

"Committee of three – viz Dr Niccolls, Mr Martin and Dr Stumberg be appointed and instructed

"to confer with Dr. Irwin personally, to see if some temporary arrangements cannot be made to

"relieve him entirely from his official duties, in the hope that a complete rest may lead to his

"recovery"

The following resolution was offered by Mr Noel, seconded by Mr Wilson and adopted unanimously —

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entries. George Martin, serving as secretary pro. tem. beginning on this page, tends to write "Mrss" in place of ""Messrs" – i.e., when forming the plural of "Mr." Clearly, this can be easily confused with "Mrs.," yet since the individuals referenced are generally obviously men, it is hoped that this note will clarify matters.]

"Resolved that adjournment be had subject to meeting at the Call of the President of the Board"  
Adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secty – pro-tem

St. Louis April 21<sup>st</sup> 1893.

1107 Olive St.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this date –

Present, – Mrss Niccolls, Martin, Warner, Copp and Noel. (5)

Mr Martin was appointed secty pro tem.

On motion Mrss Niccolls and Wyman were appointed ~~to~~ a Committee to prepare suitable resolutions on the death of Dr. Irwin.

On motion, the informal action taken by the Board on the day of the funeral of Dr. Irwin – in appointing Mrs. McMillan Acting President for the remainder of the school year – was duly approved.

On motion a Committee of three was appointed to take immediate steps towards selecting and securing a successor to Dr. Irwin – the Committee being Mrss Niccolls, Martin, & Wyman

Mr Wyman was elected to fill the office of Secretary of the Board –

Adjourned.

(sd) Geo E. Martin  
Secty. protem.

[Begin page "195." Only the first two underlinings on this page are in red ink. The rest occur within a box of sort made of double lines on all four sides of the Board's statement on Dr. Irwin's death. The top and bottom lines are roughly reproduced in this document, but the marginal lines could not be reproduced.]

St. Louis April 27<sup>th</sup> 1893

{ 1107 Olive St.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day

Present, Mrss Niccolls, Palmer, Martin, Warner, Greeley, Noel, and Copp. (7)

The Committee appointed at the last meeting to prepare suitable resolutions on the death of Dr. Irwin – made its report as follows – which was read, received, unanimously adopted, and ordered to be spread upon the minutes.

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God, in his allwise [sic] providence to remove from this life –  
Rev Robert Irwin, President of Lindenwood College; therefore be it  
Resolved by the Board of Trustees

1<sup>st</sup> – It is with sincere sorrow and a profound sense of loss that the Board records the death of Rev Robert Irwin D. D. which sad event occurred April 16th 1893. Since 1880 he has been until the day of his death, the honored and beloved President of the College.

We gladly bear witness to the faithfulness, the unselfishness and efficiency with which he administered the trust committed to him by the Board: – Under his administration the College has steadily grown in favor, in usefulness and in public esteem, and to him personally is due in the largest measure the honor of this advancement.

2<sup>d</sup> We desire also to record our high appreciation of him as a man: – the strict integrity of his character, his high standard of duty, and his genial and unselfish disposition, readily won both the esteem and the affection of all who knew him: – his qualities of heart, as well as his intellectual attainments gave him rare fitness for his high position, and made him powerful in moulding [sic] the Characters of his pupils.

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3<sup>d</sup> Especially do we desire to record our appreciation of his worth as a Christian educator; he believed and acted upon the truth that the best school of instruction is one under Christian influences, and where the word of God is the supreme authority: We record it to his praise that few of his pupils left the College without becoming professed Christians.

4<sup>th</sup> Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, with the assurance of our deep sympathy with them in their bereavement.

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On motion the President was authorized to make a loan for 45 days for \$1500.

On motion Mrss Nicolls, Noel, Palmer, and Martin were appointed a Committee to raise \$3000. to cancel the floating debts.

Adjourned.

(sd) Geo. E. Martin  
Secty pro tem

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St. Charles – June 6<sup>th</sup> 1893

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the College at 12<sup>30</sup> PM this day –

Present – Mrss Nicolls, Martin, Marshall, Warner, Palmer, Stumberg, Wilson, Copp & Wyman. (9)  
After prayer by the President, the Committee charged with the duty of nominating a successor to Dr.

Irwin presented their report – in substance as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

“While quite a number of applications for the position have been received, the committee,  
“seriously considered but two names – those of Rev W. S. Knight D. D. of Carthage Mo and Rev  
“Jos T. Gibson D. D. of Pittsburgh Pa.

“ A careful examination of all the circumstances connected with these two individuals has led  
“the Committee to recommend the election of Rev Dr. Knight to the vacant Presidency, at a  
“salary of \$1400. per annum, with home and subsistence for himself and family” \_\_\_\_\_

A full discussion of the matter was had, and the following resolution offered by Mr Warner, seconded by Mr Copp, was unanimously adopted.

“Resolved – that we approve the report of the Committee and elect Rev. W. S. Knight D. D. of  
“Carthage Mo to the Presidency of Lindenwood College

The following resolution was offered by Mr Warner, seconded by Mr Martin and unanimously adopted.

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“Resolved, that our offer of compensation for the President be fixed at \$1400. per annum,  
“together with home and subsistence for himself and family. \_\_\_\_\_

The following resolution was offered by Mr Wyman, seconded by Mr Martin and unanimously adopted:

\_\_\_\_\_ “Resolved that the Executive Committee be authorized and directed to take charge of and fix  
“the limitation of apartments for the President’s use, as well as to extend such financial aid as  
“may be desirable in moving the new President from his present home to Lindenwood” –

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

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{ Mr Copp’s office

{ 4<sup>th</sup> & Olive

St. Louis June 13<sup>th</sup> 1893.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 4 P.M. \_\_\_\_\_

Present: Mrss Niccolls, Martin, Palmer, Warner, Copp, Stumberg & Wyman. \_\_\_\_\_

After prayer by the Prest, the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. \_\_\_\_\_

A letter from Dr. Knight was then read, accepting the Presidency of the College on the terms offered.

It was the sense of the meeting that Dr. Knight’s salary should commence when his salary ceased in his present pastorate.

The following resolution was offered by Dr Palmer, seconded by Mr Martin and unanimously adopted.

“Resolved, that the President and Secretary of the Board be authorized and instructed to cause  
“the issue of a circular suitably announcing the election of the new President, and the favorable  
“circumstances now appealing for the patronage of the public” \_\_\_\_\_

The Executive Committee, thro’ Dr Niccolls, reported having visited the college in company with Dr.

Knight, satisfactorily adjusting the assignment of quarters for the President’s family.

The Chairman reported a successful effort in raising funds to meet the present financial needs of the Board in settling the claims of teachers &c, – Mr Martin having negotiated a loan with Miss

McKee for the sum of \$2000. on terms explained: whereupon the following resolution was offered by Mr Wyman, seconded by Mr Palmer, and unanimously adopted: —

“Resolved that the Board highly appreciates the offer of financial help made by Miss McKee, and “hereby authorizes and instructs the Prest and Secty of this Board to execute to Miss McKee a “demand note for \$2000.<sup>00</sup> dated June 1<sup>st</sup> 1893 at 6% int, with a stipulation that \$1000. of “the same shall be paid on or before Oct 10<sup>th</sup> 1893, from the first receipts from tuition fees – the “balance to stand payable when demanded.” \_\_\_\_\_

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Dr. Knight – the newly elected President of the College now appeared, was introduced to the Board and pledged himself to devotion to the duties of the office and the interests of the College.

In appearing that immediate action was desirable in the case of Mrs E. A. Freeman – Matron, – and as a result of full consideration of the same, the following resolution was offered by Mr Palmer, seconded by Mr Martin and unanimously adopted. \_\_\_\_\_

“Resolved that the Board re-engages the services of Mrs Freeman as Matron, – at a Salary of “\$500. per annum, with home and subsistence for herself and daughter, – the latter to enjoy “gratis such tuition in ordinary branches as may be desirable.

Dr. Stumberg presented a statement of the liabilities and resources of the Treasury as follows:

|                                          |          |
|------------------------------------------|----------|
| Amounts still due to Teachers for Salary | \$       |
| “ “ “ tradespeople for supplies &c       | \$ _____ |
| Total                                    | \$       |
| Tuition Bills due & not collected        | – – – \$ |

Of the latter item it was believed that at least one half can be recovered. \_\_\_\_\_

It being apparent that a lax method of Keeping accounts had been in use by the late President, and that some of the supply bills for the College had been allowed to run an entire year without settlement, the following resolution was offered by Dr Palmer, seconded by Mr Martin and unanimously adopted:

“Resolved that from and after the beginning of service by the new President, he be requested to “Keep accurate account of the receipts and disbursements of the funds of the College, and make “Classified reports of same to this Board quarterly.

The following resolution was offered by Mr Martin, seconded by Dr Palmer and unanimously adopted :

“Resolved that the Executive Committee secure an accurate invoice of the property of the “College at time of commencement of Dr. Knight’s services as President.”

Adjourned

Henry P. Wyman.

Secretary.

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St. Louis July 14<sup>th</sup> 1893. {1107 Olive St.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 3 PM. \_\_\_\_\_

Present: Mrss Nicolls, Marshall, Palmer, Warner, Copp, Noel, & Stumberg (7)

Meeting opened with prayer by Mr Marshall.

The following resolution was offered by Mr Noel and unanimously adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

"Resolved that Chas W. Wilson Treasurer of the Board be and is hereby authorized and directed to loan \$800 – from the permanent fund, for the term of 2 years at 6% interest to S. J. Nicolls Prest of the Board, for the current expenses of the College past due: said note to be endorsed by at least four members of the Board: and the Board hereby obligates itself to return the amount of this note – principal and interest, – from the current income of the College, at or before maturity. \_\_\_\_\_

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved by the Board of Directors of Lindenwood Female College" – that Charles W. Wilson "the official Treasurer of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to call upon the First "National Bank of St. Charles Mo, and receive therefrom [sic] and receipt for any funds in the "hands of said bank to the credit of the late Robert Irwin Treasurer

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved that in consideration of the extra services rendered by Mrs McMillan prior to and "since the death of Dr Irwin, the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.) be given her: the Board "unanimously expressing regret at being unable to donate a larger amount."

There being no further business the Board adjourned

(sd) John R. Warner  
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St. Louis Oct 3<sup>d</sup> 1893. { # 1107 Olive St.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 4 P.m. \_\_\_\_\_

Present: Mrss Copp, Greeley, Knight, Nicolls, Noel, Palmer, Warner, & Wyman (8).

The meeting was opened by prayer from Mr Warner, after which the minutes of the two previous meetings were read and approved. \_\_\_\_\_

The Prest stated the object of the meeting to be a consideration of a proposition from the Executors of the Will of Stephen Ridgeley – for paying over to this Board at the present time – the legacy of \$10000. given to the College by said Ridgeley : — the proposition was explained to the Board by the Prest and the Secty and after a full discussion by all present, the following resolution was offered by Mr Noel, seconded by Dr. Palmer, and unanimously adopted.

"Resolved, – that this Board agrees to the proposition made by the Executors of the Will of the "late Stephen Ridgeley – viz. that we accept in payment of Mr Ridgeley's legacy of \$10.000. to "Lindenwood College, – a certain promissory note of Theodore Salorgne [Salargne?] Jr dated "Nov 17<sup>th</sup> 1884 payable six years after date – for the sum of \$10.000.<sup>00</sup> – the same having been "extended for an additional five years – thus becoming due Nov 17<sup>th</sup> 1895 – together with "interest notes becoming due between the present time and the maturity of the principal note "sufficient to insure the payment of 6% int on said \$10000. — all of said notes being secured by

"first deed of trust as property at S.E. corner of St. Charles and 8<sup>th</sup> streets in the City of St. Louis  
"– and \_\_\_\_\_

"Resolved – further, that the President, Secretary, and Treasurer of this Board be and hereby are  
"authorized and instructed to execute such bond, [word looks like "bind"] receipt, or other  
documents by them found to "be useful in obtaining possession of the securities above named –  
– provided however, that the "proposed settlement covers

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"any interest money which may be payable with the legacy under the provisions of the will.

Dr Knight presented a statement of the present financial situation of the College, giving an estimate of  
probable expenditures and receipts and showing account of funds on hand: he reported the enrollment  
of 59 Boarding pupils, and about 6 day scholars, with a prospect of a few additions. \_\_\_\_\_

The matter of the Board's obligation to pay \$1000. to Miss McKee on the 10<sup>th</sup> inst (on the  
\$2000. note by her held) was discussed, and altho' funds in hand are meagre [sic] it was the sense of the  
meeting that proffer of the \$1000. should be made, leaving the payee to decide whether or not she  
would take it — and it was so ordered. \*

There being no further business – the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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so ordered." The asterisk, as well as the below, corresponding asterisked note, is added in pencil.]

\* Miss McKee – Kindly waives payment of ten [?] \$1000 until Jan'y 10/94

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St. Louis Nov 23<sup>d</sup> [?] 1893

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than "th"]

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 3 P.M this day at 325 Olive St.

Present: Mrss Copp, Drake, Greeley, Nicolls, Palmer, Stumberg, and Warner (7).

In the absence of Mr Wyman, Mr Copp was chosen to act as Secretary pro tem.

On motion of Mr Greeley, duly seconded and carried unanimously, the President was authorized to  
execute notes of "Lindenwood Female College" as follows:

To Mary C. Keblury – dated Oct 1<sup>st</sup> – 1893 – payable 9 months after date with 6% interest – for  
\$1,000.<sup>00</sup> – same being for balance due for provisions & furnished the College during the collegiate year  
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Also to Henry B. Denker & Son for the sum of \$304<sup>45</sup> payable Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 1894 with 6% interest for balance due for Groceries furnished said College during the year 1892-3.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned. Saml. Copp Sect. P. tem

St. Louis April 26<sup>th</sup> 1894.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 3pm this day at 325. Olive St. St. Louis.

Present. Mrss. Copp, Drake, Greeley, Knight, Niccolls, Noel, Palmer, & Wyman (8).

The President opened the meeting with prayer and stated the object of the meeting to be the hearing of reports &c from the Presi of the College – Dr. Knight.

Dr. Knight reported a membership of 51 Boarding Pupils and 12 Day Scholars at the present time, and as supplemental to the regular Financial Exhibit made Feb'y 1<sup>st</sup> – stated that in his opinion the College would be able to meet all obligations to the end of the academic year in June next. \_\_\_\_\_

The following resolution was offered by Mr Drake seconded by Dr Palmer and unanimously adopted.

"Resolved that there be paid to beneficiaries of "the Watson Fund" as follows.

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|---------------------------------------------|--|
| " To – Miss Mattie Hillis the sum of 150.00 |  |
| " " " Mary Robe " " " 75.00                 |  |
| " " " Julia Robe " " " 50.00                |  |
| " " " Gillespie " " " 75.00                 |  |

[It is unclear why the place for Miss Gillespie's first name is left blank. Presumably, if this was done to indicate that her first name was also "Julia," a quotation mark would have been used. Besides, the last name "Robe" was spelled out both times that it was used in the list, so it makes little sense not to spell out a first name. It is possible that Mr. Wyman did not know Miss Gillespie's first name and intended to look it up and add it later, forgetting to do so. The 1894 Lindenwood Annual Register lists a "Bertha Gillespie" as enrolled "in special courses."]

" and that any balance available from said fund, be apportioned amongst the first three named, at the "discretion of the President." \_\_\_\_\_

The President made report of names of pupils of the graduating class of the current year, and offered following [sic] resolution, seconded by Mr Greeley and unanimously adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

" Resolved that on the recommendation of the Prest

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of the College – diplomas be granted on next Commencement Day to the following:

|              |                             |             |        |
|--------------|-----------------------------|-------------|--------|
| (Literary)   | Miss <u>Clara V. Biddle</u> | Emporia     | Kansas |
| (Scientific) | " <u>Lola N. Dunham</u>     | Waynesville | Ills   |

|              |   |                                 |             |      |
|--------------|---|---------------------------------|-------------|------|
| (Classical)  | " | <u>Leila C. Hawes</u>           | Tipton      | Mo   |
| (Scientific) | " | <u>Kate S. Lemon</u>            | St. Charles | Mo   |
| (Classical)  | " | <u>Laura M. Maclay</u>          | Tipton      | Mo   |
| (Scientific) | " | <u>Elsie E. McGuigan</u>        | Moberly     | Mo   |
| "            | " | <u>Edith M. Morriss</u> [sic ?] | Lebanon     | Ills |
| (Classical)  | " | <u>Annette L. Valier</u>        | Greenville  | Ills |

The following resolution was offered by Dr Knight seconded by Dr. Palmer and unanimously adopted.

"Resolved that leave of absence for one year be granted to Miss Chrysop – Music Assistant, and that Miss Ellen L. Clayton of Chicago be engaged as her substitute for "that period at the same compensation." \_\_\_\_\_

It being the sense of the Board that a change be made in the conduct of the Art Department, the following resolution was offered by Mr Wyman, seconded by Mr Copp and unanimously adopted:

"Resolved that the Board engages the services of Miss Augusta H. Knight as Instructor "for the Art Dept next year, her compensation to be the receipts from tuition fees in "that branch up to a maximum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.) – and that the Board "wld [word looks like "wrd" – presumably an abbreviation for "would" is intended as no other meaning comes to mind that makes sense] "award to Miss Knight the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.) in recognition of her "valued volunteer service the past year." \_\_\_\_\_

An informal discussion was had as to desirability of increasing the Salaries of one or two teachers whose services had been specially valuable the past year, but it being apparent that the judgment of the Board was opposed to increase of pay in any direction at the present time no action was taken in the matter

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Upon the recommendation of President Knight, the following named were re engaged for the next scholastic year viz: \_\_\_\_\_

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|---------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mrs. McMillan | as Lady Principal         | @ \$800.                                                                     |
| Mrs McDearmon | – Instructor – Literature | – 700.                                                                       |
| Miss Graves   | – " – Languages           | – 450.                                                                       |
| " Bruce       | – " – Nat'l Science       | – 500.                                                                       |
| " Petidier    | – " – Mathematics         | – 400. [According to the 1894 Annual Register, this should be "Petitdidier"] |
| " Stumberg    | – " – French & German     | 400.                                                                         |
| " Connelly    | – " – Physical Culture    | – 400.                                                                       |
| " McLagan     | – " – Music               | – 800.                                                                       |
| Mrs Beach     | – " – Vocal Culture       | – 500.                                                                       |
| Miss Gray     | – " – Violin, Guitar &c   | Fees.                                                                        |

The President reported the prospective absence from the College of the daughter of the Matron, who, under the contract of the present year has been entitled to home, tuition &c as part of the

compensation paid her mother: — After discussion the following resolution was offered by Mr Wyman, seconded by Dr. Palmer and unanimously adopted

“Resolved that the Board offer Mrs Freeman the sum of \$500. as compensation for her services “as Matron during the year 1894-5.” —

The President suggested the advisability of offering a Free Scholarship in the Musical Dept, as a stimulous [sic] to exertion in that branch, which was favorably considered by the Board, as attested by the following resolution offered by Mr Wyman, seconded by Dr Palmer and unanimously adopted:

“Resolved that as an incentive to faithfulness and excellence in the “Department of Music,” the “Board now offers a “Free Musical Scholarship” for the scholastic year 1895-6, to the student “adjudged to have made the greatest improvement in that branch during the year 1894-5.” —

The President stated his desire to some what modify the Curriculum of Studies now in use, and on motion of Mr Drake seconded by Dr Palmer, the following resolution was unanimously adopted: —

“Resolved that a Committee composed of the

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“President of the College (Dr. Knight) the President of the Board of Trustees (Dr Niccolls) and the “Lady Principal (Miss McMillan) – be empowered to make such changes in the Curriculum of “Course Studies as may seem to them desirable.” —

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer, seconded by Mr Greeley and unanimously adopted:

“Resolved that the President of the College and the Secretary of this Board be authorized to “prepare and issue the Catalogue for 1894-5, and to control such advertising as may be “desirable.

The following resolution was offered by Mr Copp, seconded by Mr Noel and unanimously adopted: —

“Resolved that the President and Secty of this Board be instructed to make the necessary and “suitable arrangements for the installation of the President Elect – Dr. Knight – in connection “with the exercises of Commencement Day – June 6<sup>th</sup> prox.

The following resolution was offered by Mr Noel, seconded by Dr Palmer, and unanimously adopted:

“Resolved that the Treasurer of this Board be requested to present a full statement of his “receipts and disbursements at the next regular meeting of the Board” —

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer, seconded by Mr Greeley and unanimously adopted:

“Resolved that the President of this Board be requested to prepare a suitable memorial or “resolution expressive of the sense of loss felt by this Board in the decease of our dearly beloved “Brother, – Rev Jno’ R. Warner D. D. — the same to be presented at the next meeting.” —

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

[Begin page “207.” About two thirds of the way down this page and extending onto the next, the resolutions pertaining to the deaths of persons connected with the Board are mostly boxed in on three sides by straight double lines. The top and bottom lines are represented and the left margin line is

represented by single vertical lines: “ | ” as these are all that could be added using this software. Also note that all underlines within this “boxed” text appear in black ink, not red.]

St Charles Mo June 6<sup>th</sup> 1894

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 10<sup>30</sup> a.m. in the College Building.

Present – Mrss Copp, Greeley, Knight, Marshall, Niccolls, Palmer, Stumberg, Wilson & Wyman.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Dr. Palmer after which the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. \_\_\_\_\_

President Knight presented an incomplete statement of estimated receipts and disbursements, from which he drew the belief that the College could pay all obligations due at close of the year, and have a small balance in the treasury. \_\_\_\_\_

The Board were informed that Miss Graves – teacher of Languages & History, having had an offer of salary beyond the sum tendered by this Board, was contemplating leaving for another field of service, but no action was taken – pending her decision. \_\_\_\_\_

The following resolutions having been prepared by Dr Niccolls, as requested at the last meeting of the Board, – were read by the Secretary, and on motion of Mr Greeley seconded by Dr Stumberg – were unanimously adopted. \_\_\_\_\_

| “ Whereas it has pleased Almighty God, to remove from our midst by death, Rev John R.

| Warner D.D., a member of this Board: – therefore be it

- I. | Resolved – We place on record our deep sense of loss in view of his removal. For many years  
| he was a faithful member of this Board, wise in counsel, clear in judgment, and devoted to the  
| interests of this College. We also record our high appreciation of him as a man: his  
| genial spirit and his pure and noble character endeared him to us in a special degree. We  
| gladly bear testimony to his Christian faith, so fully confirmed by a consistent life. By his  
| death, which occurred Feb'y 20<sup>th</sup> 1894, the Board has lost a loved and valued member, and the  
| College a

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| devoted friend.

- II. | Resolved that these resolutions be read on “Commencement Day,” and that the Secretary be  
| instructed to send a copy to his bereaved family, with the assurance of our deepest sympathy  
| with them in their bereavement.
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The death of Mr John R. Lionberger on the 20<sup>th</sup> of May 1894 – being suggested – the following resolutions were offered by Mr Greeley, seconded by Mr Copp and unanimously adopted.

| Whereas it has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove by death from our midst – John R.

| Lionberger, a member of this Board, – therefore be it

- I. | Resolved – that this Board records with sincere sorrow the death of John R. Lionberger.  
| We feel that by his removal we have lost one of our most valuable and efficient members: he  
| was a liberal contributor to the funds of the College, and deeply interested in its welfare.  
| We remember with gratitude not only his help in times of financial distress in the College, but  
| also his readiness to promote still larger measures of relief.

- | Through his death, the College has lost a valued and powerful friend, and the community in  
| which he lived one of its foremost citizens.  
| We are glad also to record our high esteem and appreciation of his character.
- II. | Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family with the assurance of our  
| sympathy with them in their sore bereavement.
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The Treasurer of the Board next presented his report of receipts and disbursements, which was referred to Mrss Knight & Stumberg as a Committee

[Begin page "209." As the boxed resolutions (described in note for page 207) are ended, all underlines on this page and henceforth until further notice are done in red ink, except for underlining of digits and curved "squiggly" underlines.]

to examine and audit same. \_\_\_\_\_

After conferring upon the Executive Committee the necessary authority for supplying any vacancies (occurring during vacation) – in the staff of instructors, the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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St. Louis July 2<sup>d</sup> 1894

A meeting of the Board was called for this date at 3<sup>30</sup> p.m. Present Mrss Copp, Niccolls, Palmer, & Wyman (4).

There being no quorum, no business could be transacted.

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St Louis December 3<sup>d</sup> – 1894

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at Presbyterian Rooms this day at 3p.m.

Present Mrss Drake, Martin, Niccolls, Palmer, Stumberg, Williams & Wyman (7).

After prayer by Mr Martin, the minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

Rev Mr Knight – Prest of the College presented his Cash ["last" is also possible, though unlikely] report of receipts & expenditures to Oct. 2<sup>d</sup> and a supplemental memorandum of same to Dec 1st.

These showed quite a healthy condition of finances, inasmuch as the obligations of the term to date were all met, and in addition thereto, about \$1400. indebtedness of the Irwin administration had been paid off. Dr. Knight expressed a sanguine belief in the sufficiency of income for the last half of year [sic] to meet the current obligations of that period.

Dr. Knights exhibit and statements drew out a general expression of commendation from the members present.

A question being raised as to the average income derived from the Watson Farm, and it

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appearing that it rarely exceeded an average of \$400. or \$450. per annum, – (out of which from time to time the Board were compelled to expend more or less for repairs &c.) — and it further appearing that the farm may possibly be ~~sum~~ sold for an amount equaling \$10.000. – or thereabouts, and that said money could readily be invested to yield more revenue than is now derived by rental — the matter was fully discussed and the following resolution offered by Mr Wyman and seconded by Mr Martin was passed unanimously \_\_\_\_\_

“ Resolved – that Dr. Stumberg be and hereby is appointed a Committee of one” – to ascertain “what price can be obtained for the Watson Farm and to make report thereof to the Board” \_\_\_\_\_

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Dr. Knight made an earnest plea for the painting of the buildings and for introduction of gas or electricity: — the matter was fully discussed as a result of which the following resolution was offered by Dr Palmer, seconded by Mr Drake and unanimously adopted. \_\_\_\_\_

“ Resolved that the Board recognizes the need of painting the buildings of the Institution and of “introducing new method of lighting, and hereby authorizes Prest. Knight in conjunction with “the Executive Committee, to undertake the raising of the funds necessary to defray the “expense, and when such funds are in hand they are authorized to make the most desirable “contracts for the doing of the work” \_\_\_\_\_

[This is a dash reproduced from the text. It was not added by me to represent missing or illegible text.]

It having been brought to the notice of the Board that the tenant occupying the “Sibley” house is and has for some time past been in arrears for rent, the following resolution was offered by Mr Wyman, seconded by Mr Martin and unanimously adopted

“Resolved that the Treasurer of the Board be directed

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“to at once give the present tenant of the Sibley house – due notice of ejectment, [sic] and if necessary “to take legal measures to gain possession of the property .

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

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St. Louis May 14<sup>th</sup> 1895

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 4 P.m. at No 1516. Locust St.

Present: Mrss Davis, Greeley, Nicolls, Palmer, Stumberg, Williams, Wyman & Miss McLean (8)

After prayer by Dr. Nicolls the minutes of the last meeting were read and duly approved.

The Executive Committee reported that having taken competitive bids for the painting of exterior [sic] of the College buildings, and having consulted a number of the members of the Board, they

had concluded a contract with Henry Broeker of St Charles to do the work for the sum of \$584 and the work was now about completed: further, that in the prosecution of the job it was found very desirable to add curtain ["certain"? Word looks more like "certain" but "curtain makes more sense in context] blinds to windows on the north side of main building, the cost of which with added charge for painting, and some petty plumbing work would make a total expenditure of very nearly \$700. necessary: ~

The report of the Committee was received and on motion their action as regards the repairs approved.

The following resolution was offered by Mr Wyman seconded by Dr. Palmer and adopted unanimously

" Resolved – that to meet the expense of painting, blinds &c, recently incurred, the proper officers of the Board be and are hereby authorized and instructed to make their promissory notes

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"for the several sums of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.<sup>00</sup>) and Three Hundred Dollars (\$300<sup>00</sup>) – or "an aggregate of Seven Hundred Dollars (\$700<sup>00</sup>) payable Oct 1st 1895 with interest from date "at 7% for disposal by the Executive Committee in settling the expense referred to. ———

Dr Stumberg – as Committee on Sale of the Watson Farm reported having received an offer of \$10,500.<sup>00</sup> for the property from the present tenant – but that same had been temporarily withdrawn: further that the farm was worth the sum named, and could readily be sold at that figure, but recommended postponement of the sale.

A general discussion followed – the general opinion of the Trustees being that the money realized from sale would yield about fifty per cent more revenue (if properly invested) than does the farm at the present time. or under the most favorable circumstances while in possession of the Board: the matter however was by general consent laid over for future consideration.

Dr. Knight reported the finances of the school in good shape with prospective receipts sufficient to meet prospective \_\_\_\_\_ [? Word looks like "classics" but this makes no sense in context] to the close of the scholastic year: – further, that in the preparation of the new Catalogue, he desired to introduce a few half-tone cuts or illustrations of the School and premises, and to slightly increase the terms so that the price of Board & Tuition be raise from \$285. to \$290. — and the price of Music lessons to such pupils as elect to receive instruction from the Director of the Dept rather than from the Asst, was raised from \$70 to \$75.

The Board commended Dr Knight's management and duly assented to and approved the suggestions made relative to catalogues and change of terms.

The President of the Board adverted to the fact that certain members of the family of the late President

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Irwin seemed to be under the impression that there was an unsettled account between Dr. Irwin and this Board, with a balance in favor of the former – in view of which it might be well to have the question officially settled.

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Dr. Stumberg reported that he in conjunction with Mrs. McDearmon (the latter being the daughter of Dr. Irwin and his book-keeper) had made an examination of the books of account kept by Dr. Irwin, and that both said parties had found that the Board were not indebted to Dr. Irwin.

In view of this fact the Board – after full consideration and discussion, were of the opinion that Dr. Stumberg had better address the Board in a communication stating the facts of the examination and finding as by him verbally reported, after which the proper officer of the Board could officially correspond with the claimants in the case.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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St Charles Mo June 4<sup>th</sup> 1895

The Board met at Lindenwood College Tuesday June 4th pursuant to the call of the President, and was opened with prayer by Dr. Martin.

The following members were present:

President Niccolls, Dr. Palmer, Dr. Marshall, Dr. Martin, Dr Williams, Dr. Stumberg and C. S. Greeley

The following recommendation was received from the Faculty. \_\_\_\_\_

“The Faculty of Lindenwood College recommends to the Trustees, that as the following named young women have satisfactorily completed the prescribed course of study, they be granted Diplomas

|                                                 |                                                      |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| <u>Mary Pearl Aiken</u> – <u>Literary</u>       | <u>Adelaide Nidelet Grayson</u> – <u>Lit</u>         |
| <u>Mary Lisle Alderson</u> – “                  | <u>Martha Niccolls Hillis</u> – “                    |
| <u>Mabel Louise Bailey</u> “                    | <u>Florence Heuston</u> [Huston?] – <u>Classical</u> |
| <u>Margaret Irene Belden</u> – <u>Classical</u> | <u>Ella Bartlett Knight</u> – “                      |
| <u>Bertha Hughes Brown</u> – <u>Literary</u>    | <u>Alpha Eunice McVean</u> – Lit.                    |
| <u>Emmie Cornelia Bruere</u> – “                | <u>Annie Grace Merrill</u> – “                       |
| <u>Jennie Farrar</u> – “                        | <u>Juliet Sara Warner</u> – “                        |

It was unanimously ordered that the Diplomas be presented.

The completion of the Faculty for the coming year was by unanimous vote left to the Executive Committee.

The Board adjourned to meet at the call of the President. \_\_\_\_\_

(signed) S. C. Palmer

Clerk pro tem

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St Louis June 27<sup>th</sup> 1895.

The Board of Trustees met at #1516 Locust Street at 4 pm this day – opening exercises with prayer by Dr Niccolls. \_\_\_\_\_

Present – Mrss Niccolls, Martin, Palmer, Williams and Greeley – and Miss McLean.

Rev. W. S. Knight, President of the College presented his report of the work of the year, with a summarized statement of income and expenses of the College. The reports were received and the statement ordered to be placed in the hands of the Auditing Com. Mr Jno D Davis was appointed on the Auditing Com in place of the same Copp deceased. \_\_\_\_\_

The Executive Com was authorized to take the necessary steps to having gas put in the College building. Miss Bertha Fisbee of Springfield Ills, was appointed to fill the position of Assistant in the Musical Dept made vacant by the retirement of Miss Clayton. \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Lilian Brandt of Willesley College was elected to the "Dept of Greek, Latin & History" at Salary of \$400. — the other members of the Faculty were re-elected.

It was recommended that the President make an investigation as to the advisability of arranging for a Primary Department in the College, and report to the Board.

Dr. Stumberg and the President were instructed to watch for the earliest opportunity of purchasing the property adjoining the entrance to the College, and secure same at any reasonable price. \_\_\_\_\_

The Salary of the teacher of Art was fixed at \$400. per Annum. Miss Dr McLean presented the matter of securing a fund of \$200<sup>00</sup> to enlarge the Laboratory, and the suggestion was unanimously approved, and Miss McLean was appointed to take the matter in charge.

The Board adjourned to meet at the call of the Prest.

(sd) W. S. Knight

Clerk pro tem

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St Charles October 8<sup>th</sup> – 1895

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 2 PM in the College building.

Present Mrss Martin, Palmer, Stumberg, Williams and Wyman. (5.)

In the absence of the President (Dr. Niccolls) Dr. Williams was called to the Chair, and the meeting was opened by prayer with Dr. Martin.

The Secretary read the minutes of the meetings of May 4<sup>th</sup>, June 4<sup>th</sup>, and June 27<sup>th</sup> which were duly approved. \_\_\_\_\_

Dr. Knight – Prest of the College presented his Quarterly Statement of Receipts & Expenditures – to Sept 30<sup>th</sup> – and verbally reported the financial situation to date: the painting repairs &c authorized at meetings of Dec and May last, have been completed, and the money needed to defray the expense has

been raised on the Board's note for \$700.<sup>00</sup> held by Mrs Watson – now due, but payment indefinitely extended: in addition to these repairs &c, other improvements have been made as follows;

Illuminating Gas has been introduced into the building at a cost of about \$260.<sup>00</sup> (authorized at meeting of June 4/95) Sundry inside painting and papering of halls and apartments has been done at cost of about \$240.<sup>00</sup>, and these two items of \$260.<sup>00</sup> & \$240.<sup>00</sup>, with \$60 yet due for Advertising and \$196.<sup>50</sup> due for interest paid in June represents the Board's obligations now are [?] provided for – say an aggregate of \$756.<sup>00</sup>, against which there will be collectible on Nov 17<sup>th</sup> the sum of \$600. interest money due from the "Ridgeley 'Fund'".

The Board was also informed that the larger part of the Insurance on its property would very soon expire (prior to Dec 1895) and that the Cost of renewals would reach a large sum, – perhaps \$700. more.

It appearing that the aggregate valuation covered by the Insurance policies was \$42.750.<sup>00</sup>, the sense of the meeting was expressed as being that a reduced valuation might properly be established, and that in the renewal

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of risks it would be well to obtain competitive offers from underwriters ~ After full discussion the ~~th~~ following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer, seconded by Dr. Stumberg and adopted unanimously:

" Resolved that the Secretary be & is empowered to reinsure the property of the Board after consulting with competent underwriters both as regards Companies and rates – likewise aggregate valuation"

The matter of the Sale of the "Watson Farm" was next taken up and very fully discussed in all its bearings, it being the sentiment of all present that a sale at a price not less than \$10500.<sup>00</sup> would be to the best interests of the College and in Consonance with the wish and purpose of the donor of the property. – Judge Watson: the following preamble and resolution was offered by Dr. Martin, seconded by Dr. Palmer, and adopted unanimously: -

"Whereas the present and prospective needs of 'Lindenwood College' require a larger revenue from the Watson Farm than has been or is now derived from its rental, – and

"Whereas it appears that this can be accomplished by a sale of the property and the investment of the proceeds to yield not less than 6% net: – therefore

"Resolved: That the proper officers of the Board of Trustees be and hereby are authorized, empowered and instructed to effect a sale of the property known as the "Watson Farm" for a sum not less than \$10.500. – on terms of \$4000. Cash, \$3250. in 2 years, and \$3250. in 3 years – the deferred payments to bear 6% interest and be secured by mortgage on the property.

"Resolved: That the proceeds of such sale be set aside and known as the "Watson Legacy Trust Fund" – the income only from which, (when safely invested) shall be available for the benefit of the Institution as provided in the will of the donor.

[The word "only" was an insertion, but made by the same hand & pen.]

"Resolved: That in conjunction with this action the Board expresses the wish that Mrs Watson be fully apprized [sic – clearly "apprised" was intended] in relation thereto, — of its desirability, and

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"as being in full consonance with the expressed wish of her husband."

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The following resolution was offered by Dr. Martin, seconded by Dr Palmer and adopted unanimously

" Resolved: That Prof Jas. M Dixon - of Washington University be and hereby is appointed  
" "Special Lecturer on English Literature" for the current year

Dr. Knight reported receipt of donation of \$100. from Rev Thos Marshall generously made for the purpose of defraying the expense of this appointment – whereupon the following resolution was offered by Dr. Martin, seconded by Dr. Stumberg and unanimously adopted.

" "Resolved that the sincere thanks of the Board are due and hereby tendered to Rev Thomas Marshall for his generous donation of \$100. towards defraying the expense of Lectures on  
"English Literature during the current year"

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Dr. Martin called attention to the need of nominations being made for the Synodical appointment of Trustees in this Board – the terms of the following named, expiring ~~next~~ this month viz – Mrss Copp – (deceased) Martin, Drake, Greeley, & Wyman, — after which the following resolution was unanimously adopted

"Resolved that this Board nominates as its choice for Trustees – for appointment by Synod  
"Mr Robert Rankin [Ranken?] of Lafayette Park Church, Mrss Drake & Greeley of Second Church,  
"and Mrss Martin & Wyman of First Church. — the same to stand elected for term of three  
"years.

Dr. Stumberg explained the absence of Mr. C.has' W. Wilson – Treasurer of the Board as due to his wish to resign from the Board and be relieved of the duties of Treasurer — a wish that had been expressed today and at several prior times: – in view of which statement the following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer, seconded by Dr. Martin and adopted unanimously:

"Resolved, that in view of the fact that Mr. C. W.

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" Wilson has today and heretofore requested that his resignation as Trustee and Treasurer be  
" accepted, — this Board now and hereby accepts such resignation, and nominates to Synod  
" for appointment as Trustee to fill the vacancy caused thereby in the Class of 1896 – Dr. D. W.  
" Ferguson of St Charles Mo. \_\_\_\_\_

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer, seconded by Dr. Martin, and adopted unanimously

"Resolved that Henry P. Wyman be and he is hereby elected and appointed to fill the office of  
" Treasurer of this Board – made vacant by the resignation of Mr Wilson, – and that the late  
"Treasurer be requested to make proper transfer of Cash, Books, and other records of Account"

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer, seconded by Mr Wyman and adopted unanimously:

" Whereas the early refurnishing of some of the dormitories of the College is greatly needed,  
" and there is a lack of funds required for the purpose, therefore  
" Resolved that the Board recommends that the President of the Board be authorized and  
" requested to present these needs to the various Young Ladies' Missionary Societies, & other  
" similar organizations as well as individual friends of the College in the Churches of the Synod,  
" with a view to enlisting their aid in providing funds for this purpose"

[In the above paragraph, the dash beneath the ampersand, like those under digits, is in regular black ink, not red]

It appearing that the payment of the note representing the "Ridgeley Fund" (10.000.) is due and collectible in November 1895, the Board on motion instructed the Secretary & Treasurer to make suitable and safe re-investment of the money at 6% on undoubted real-estate security. \_\_\_\_\_

There being no other business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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St. Louis Feby 20<sup>th</sup> 1896

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 2 P.M. at 1516 Locust Street.

Present: Mrss Davis, Drake, Greeley, Martin, Niccolls Rankin, Williams & Wyman (8).

Dr. Niccolls – President was in the Chair & called the meeting to order, and on request the Secretary stated the object of the meeting to be, to pass a resolution authorizing the sale of the Watson Farm, as our Atty Mr Wilson had requested it to be done.

Whereupon the following preamble and resolutions were offered by Rev Mr Martin:

"Whereas by resolution unanimously adopted by this Board (at its meeting of Oct 8<sup>th</sup> 1895) the "officers of the Board of Trustees were authorized and instructed to sell the Watson Farm at a "price not less than \$10.500.00 and,

"Whereas since Oct 5<sup>th</sup> – 1875, Dr. J H Stumberg as Agent for said officers and Board of Trustees "and acting by and under the instructions of the President and Secretary of the Board, has made "a sale of the said farm for the sum of \$12.000.00, now therefore be it

- I. "Resolved: That Sam'l J. Niccolls the President, and Henry P. Wyman the Secretary, of the Board "of Trustees of Lindenwood Female College, be and hereby are authorized, empowered, and "instructed for and in the name of the said Board, to make execute and deliver to W. H. Meyer "of St Charles County Missouri – a full and Warrantee [sic] deed for the real estate and "appurtenances thereto belonging now owned [word not entirely certain] and held by said "Board of Trustees, and Known as the "Watson Farm" – a piece of ground containing 92 98/100 "Acres acquired by the Trustees of Lindenwood "Female College under the will of Samuel S. "Watson as recorded in Will Book N. 4. for St Charles "County Missouri – page 124 and "following:

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"said Warrantee [sic] Deed to be delivered to said W. F. [?] Meyer as his compliance with the "terms of sale of said realty viz: the payment of \$4000.<sup>00</sup> Cash, and the execution of two notes of "\$4000.<sup>00</sup> each – payable respectively in one and two years, with interest at 6% from date "payable semiannually – the deferred payments to be secured by mortgage on the said realty.

- II. " Resolved that Dr. Stumberg be and hereby is authorized to close the sale, deliver the deed, "and place the Treasurer of this Board in possession of the proceeds.

- III. " Resolved that the Treasurer of the Board be directed to make suitable and safe investment of "the "Watson Legacy Funds" at 6% on undoubted real estate security.

On motion it was determined to take up the resolutions separately, and the first as above recorded, being offered by Mr Martin, was seconded by Mr Greeley and adopted unanimously.

The Second resolution as above recorded, was offered by Mr Martin, seconded by Mr Ranken and adopted unanimously.

The Third resolution as above recorded, was offered by Mr Martin, seconded by Mr Greeley and after considerable discussion as to the advisability of investing the Watson Fund in notes or other other [sic] indebtedness of the Board — was adopted unanimously. \_\_\_\_\_

The following resolution was offered by Mr Davis, seconded by Mr Martin and adopted unanimously.

“Resolved – that the Treasurer (at such time as he may deem best), endeavor to obtain the “consent of Mrs Jacobs to a reduction of interest – from 7% to 6% upon the note of the Board “(for \$5.500.<sup>00</sup>) by her now held – – failing in which, he the Treasurer, be

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“authorized to negotiate elsewhere for a like sum (\$5500.<sup>00</sup>) on which the Board will be Charged “not over 6% interest, – and take up the note due Mrs Jacobs.

There being no further business the Board adjourned. \_\_\_\_\_

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

St. Louis April 14<sup>th</sup> 1896

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 1516. Locust Street:

Present: Mrss Drake, Martin, Dr McLean, Niccolls, Palmer, Ranken, Stumberg, Williams & Wyman

The meeting was opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls and the minutes of Oct 8 1895, and Feby 20<sup>th</sup> 1896 were read by the Secretary and were duly approved. \_\_\_\_\_

The Treasurer of the Board (Mr Wyman) presented a report of his receipts & disbursements from Dec 2/95 to Apl 14’ 1896, showing in his hands at present time

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| To Credit of Watson Fund Cash. | { | 35.37          |
| “ “ Bills Ruble [?]            | { | 800.00         |
| “ “ “ “                        |   | <u>8000.00</u> |
|                                |   | <u>8835.37</u> |

The Treasurer also reported having invested the “Ridgeley Fund” \$10.000., – and \$4000. – of the “Watson Fund” in real estate Mortgages in S Louis – for 3 years. @ 6% - on property amply sufficient for security as authorized by the Board, whereupon the following resolution was offered by Mr Drake, seconded by Dr. Martin and adopted unanimously – viz

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“ Resolved that the Treasurer’s Report this day submitted be received and filed, and that his “investments of the “Ridgeley Fund” and “Watson Fund” – respectively for the sums of \$10000. “and \$4000. be and are hereby approved.

It being suggested that the Treasurer should have the benefit of a joint responsibility on [“in”?] the part of other members of the Board, in the investing of the Trust Funds, the following resolution was offered by Mr Drake, seconded by Dr Martin, and unanimously adopted:

“Resolved that a “Committee on Finance” be appointed by the President, – to consist of three “members, (of whom the Treasurer shall be one) – who shall have charge of the investment of the Trust Funds in care of this Board. \_\_\_\_\_

The Chairman appointed as the Finance Committee” Mrss Wyman, Raken & Drake.

Dr. Knight President of the College presented his Quarterly Statement of Receipts & Expenditures which was read by the Secretary, and stated the need of attention to the publication of the Annual Catalogue and to the slight rearrangement of the Curriculum of studies which he deemed advisable. \_\_\_\_\_

On motion of Dr Palmer seconded by Mr Wyman the matter of Catalogue & Curriculum was referred to the Executive Committee for settlement. \_\_\_\_\_

The Board was informed that a vacancy is to occur in the Professorship of French & German Languages – by the resignation of Miss Stumberg and that the services of Prof. W. G. Crosby could probably be secured ~~gratis~~ for the coming year his salary being provided for thro’ the kind offices of Dr. Martin. [“Gratis” was struck through twice with a red pen. The phrase “his salary being provided for” was an emendation added in black pen.]

High endorsals [sic] of Prof Crosby’s attainments and ability as a linguist and educator were presented to the Board, and the election of Prof Crosby to the Chair of Instructor in French & German for the coming

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year, followed on the motion of Mr Drake second by Dr Stumberg. \_\_\_\_\_

Dr. Knight announced prospective Changes in several teacherships [sic] – such as Elocution, Vocal Music, Asst Music Teacher &c and in the Housekeeper & Matronship, [sic] — and while feeling amply able to arrange for the filling of such vacancies as might occur, requested that a “Committee on Curriculum & Teachers” be appointed to aid him in such matters: — whereupon the following resolution was offered by Dr Martin, seconded by Mr Drake and unanimously adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

“Resolved that a “Committee on Curriculum & Teachers to consist of three members – be “appointed by the President – to whom shall be entrusted the employment of teachers and “employēs” [Clearly “employees” is intended, yet there is only one “e” in the word with a line above it as is here reproduced.]

The President appointed Dr. Knight, Dr. Martin and Dr. McLean as the Committee under this resolution. \_\_\_\_\_

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President Knight reported the school in a fairly flourishing condition, but was not entirely sure that the year would close without a deficit.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

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St Louis – June 5<sup>th</sup> 1896

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 4 P.m. at 1516 Locust Street.

Present: Mrss Greeley, Martin, Niccolls, Williams, Wyman & Dr. McLean. 6.

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

President Knight attended the meeting and presented a list of the graduating Class, with the Faculty's recommendation that the Diploma of the College be awarded as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

|                       |              |         |                                                |
|-----------------------|--------------|---------|------------------------------------------------|
| Lida Louise Bergen    | – Topeka     | – Kans. | – Classical                                    |
| Julia Virginia Berry  | – Jeffi City | Mo      | – Literary                                     |
| Favola Avis Bratton   | – Macomb     | Ills.   | – “                                            |
| Mary Elizabeth Foster | – Ottumwa    | Iowa    | – “                                            |
| Ella Helen Garetson   | – St Louis   | Mo      | – Classical                                    |
| Nellie Ingram         | – Beloit     | Kans    | – Literary                                     |
| Huldah Helen Linneman | – St Charles | Mo      | – “ [Last name should probably be “Linnemann”] |
| Anna Blanche Miller   | – St Louis   | “       | – “                                            |
| Alice Phillips        | – Alton      | Ills    | – Classical                                    |
| Huddie Stookey        | – Belleville | Ills    | – “                                            |
| Emma Lyall Stuart     | – St Louis   | Mo      | – “                                            |

On motion Diplomas to the foregoing list were unanimously awarded. \_\_\_\_\_

Prest Knight reported that the Faculty had withheld a diploma from Miss Katherine Hamilton McLaughlin (– a member of the Senior Class,) but recommended that the Board award it, conditioned that during the ensuing year she completes the prescribed studies satisfactorily to the Faculty : \_\_\_\_\_

On motion, it was unanimously so ordered.

Prest Knight reported resignations as follows:

Mrs Catherine Beach – Vocal Music

Miss Julia W. Connelly – Physical Culture

Miss Bertha Fisher – Asst Piano Teacher

Mrs Emily A. Freeman – Matron

Which on motion were duly accepted.

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On recommendation of the Committee the following appointments were made and confirmed

Miss Fannie S. Mairs – Physical Culture & Elocution

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vice Miss Connelly – resigned.

Miss Alice Ropes – Asst Piano Teacher

vice Miss Fisher – resigned

Mrs. Louise A. Corley – Vocal Culture –

vice Miss Beach – resigned

Mrs W.S. Knight as Matron }

Miss Mary F. Gold “ Housekeeper }

vice Mrs Freeman resigned

the two latter, to evenly divide the Salary heretofore paid Mrs. Freeman.

There being no further business the Board Adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secty

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St Louis July 1<sup>st</sup> 1896.

A called meeting of the Board was held this day at 4 P.M at 1516 Locust St.

Present – Mrss Davis, Greeley, Niccolls, Ranken & Wyman (5)

Opened by prayer from Dr. Niccolls.

The Secretary read the minutes of last meeting which were approved

The Treasurer presented his Annual report of receipts & Disbursements, which was read, examined by the Board and on motion was received and filed.

Dr. Knight – Prest of the College presented and read his Annual Report detailing the work of the past year in all its branches and forecasting [sic] the future of the Institution: a most satisfactory report and evidencing an able and economical

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administration of the College affairs.

On motion the report was received and filed.

Dr. Knight next presented his Quarterly and Annual summary of Finances — exhibiting the details of receipts & expenditures — which was received and ordered on file — subject to the examination of the auditing committee.

Dr. Knight enumerated a list of items of repair, renovation & supply which he deemed absolutely necessary to provide for – the cost aggregating in the neighborhood of \$350. and as it was understood the payment for same could be made from the revenues of next year Dr. K was authorized to incur the expense.

On motion duly seconded – Dr Knight was authorized to rent the “Sibley Cottage” to a tenant at \$7. per month – payable in advance to Dr. K. – to begin Augt/96.

There being no further business the Board Adjourned

Henry P. Wyman

Secty

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[An 1896 Commencement Program is enclosed as a looseleaf between pages 226 and 227, but not reproduced here.]

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St Louis Oct 16<sup>th</sup> 1896.

A called meeting of the Board was held at 1516 Locust St this day at 4 P.M.

Present: Mrss Greeley, Martin, Niccolls, Palmer, Ranken, Williams & Wyman (7)

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary and duly approved.

Rev Dr. Knight – Prest of the College reported that the "Sibley" Cottage still remained empty, as the prospective tenant demanded a larger outlay for repairs than was thought advisable – he also reported that repairs to College building had been made during the summer to the extent of above \$200. – half of which has been paid, as has also the cost of new furniture & fixtures — the latter being contributions of friends of the institution.

On motion of Mr Palmer the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

" Resolved that the thanks of the Board of Trustees are due and hereby tendered to the friends who have contributed funds during the past summer, towards defraying the Cost of new furniture & fixtures "for the College buildings," and that the Secretary be re requested to make due acknowledgment to

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| \$ 16.  | Mrs Mary Hoebling            | St Charles | Mo   |
| \$ 8.   | Stonetraker Furniture Com. – | St Charles | Mo   |
| \$ 15.  | Mr D. E. Mack                | Carthage   | Ills |
| \$ 50.  | Mrs Mary Watson              | St Charles | Mo   |
| \$ 200. | Mrs Mary Parker              | "          | "    |

It appearing that the term of office as Trustee of Mrss Davis, Niccolls, Noel, Ferguson, and Stumberg expires the present month, the matter of appointments for the vacancies was taken up and fully discussed – after which the following resolution was offered by Mr Wyman, seconded by Dr. Martin and adopted

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unanimously : \_\_\_\_\_

" Resolved that the Board of Trustees of Lindenwood College recommend to the Synod of Missouri – the appointment of the following named persons as Trustees to fill the vacancies occurring this month

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| " viz – Rev. Sam'l J. Niccolls D.D. | St Louis   |
| " H. M. Noel [spelled "Noell"] Esq  | "          |
| " Dr. Edwin M. Nelson               | "          |
| " Dr. J. H. Stumberg                | St Charles |

“ Mrs. Mary Parker “  
“ or Mrs Susan Brookes Spencer of S Louis as alternate for Mrs Parker.

Dr. Knight detailed the present situation as regards the patronage of the College and adverted to the causes for the unfavorable prospect for the Current year i e, the hard times, unsettled condition of the finances of the Country, and the Competition of other institutions offering Cheaper service, — he expressed hopes of improvement however and an intention to faithfully prosecute the work with the means that may be available.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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St Louis March 18<sup>th</sup> 1897

A called meeting of the Board was held at 4 P.m. this date at #1516 Locust Street:

Present — Mrss Drake, Martin, Marshall, Nelson, Noel, Dr. McLean, Niccolls, Ranken, Palmer, Williams and Wyman. (11)

Absent — Mrss Greeley, Stumberg, Holmes & Mrs Spencer (4)

The meeting was opened by prayer from Dr. Niccolls, and the Secretary then read the minutes of the last meeting which were duly approved.

Dr. Knight President of the College presented his financial Statement for the quarter ending Dec 31/96 which was read by the Secretary and ordered on file.

Dr. Knight next presented a written report of the present condition of the Institution, reviewing his administration of four years and explaining the present somewhat adverse condition of the College, the attendance at present time being 39 Boarders and 24 Day Pupils — a total of 63.

The report discloses to the Board that a vacancy exists in the “Lady Principal-ship,” — (which position Dr. Knight thinks must be filled), — that there is need for a reorganization of the Music Dept — also a seeming need for a partial readjustment and apportionment of the duties of the teaching force and curtailment of expenditure in that direction, — and also the fact that at the end of the current scholastic year (June next) there will be a deficit of between two thousand and three thousand dollars in the current earning [?] of the institution.

Dr. Knight’s report was most carefully considered and a full and general exchange of opinion followed, whereupon the following resolution w as offered by Dr. Martin, seconded by Dr Palmer and unanimously adopted:

“ Resolved, that the report of Prest Knight as made this date — be received and adopted, —  
“ and that in consonance with his suggestions, a Committee of Five (5) be appointed by the  
“ Chair — to include the President and Secretary of the Board — who are to

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“consider and act upon all the questions involved in said report, — and report their action to a  
“future meeting of the Board “ .

The Chair appointed this Committee as follows Mrss Niccolls, Noel, Martin, Wyman & Dr.McLean.

Mention was made of several candidates for the “Vacancy” above referred to, but their applications were all referred to the Committee just appointed, and there being no further business the Board adjourned

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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St Louis May 17<sup>th</sup> 1897

A called meeting of the Board was held this day at 1 P.M. — at No 1516 Locust St.

Present: Mrss Martin, Dr. McLane, Lean [“Dr. McLean” is clearly intended; “Lean,” an emendation, was apparently added as a correction once the secretary realized that he had been misspelling the name.]

Nelson, Niccolls, Palmer, Stumberg, Ranken, Mrs Spencer, Williams & Wyman. 10.

Absent: Mrss Marshall, Holmes, Greeley, Drake, Noel.

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Williams.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The Chair stated that the formal written resignation of Mrs McMillan — as Lady Principal would be duly sent, but that the Board could consider it as tendered — whereupon on motion of Mr Wyman seconded by Dr Martin, — her resignation was duly accepted. \_\_\_\_\_

On motion of Mr Ranken, the Chair appointed the following Committee to draft a minute expressing the sense of the Board in parting with Mrs McMillan — Mrss Wyman, McLean [spelled “McLane” — see note near beginning of this page], & Ranken.

The Committee appointed at last meeting of the Board now presented its report which was read as follows:

“Your Committee respectfully report that two meetings have been held, at the first of which it “was unanimously decided to recommend to the Board, the employment of Miss Thomas as “Lady Principal — vice Mrs McMillan (resigned) — at a compensation of \$800 — per Annum.

“At the second meeting — the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

““Resolved, that by reason of the present financial condition of the College Treasury, and the “outlook for the coming year, the following named Changes in the working force of the “Institution are deemed imperative, and are recommended for the consideration of the Board “viz: —

1<sup>st</sup> — The abolition of the Salary of \$400. heretofore paid to Miss McKnight in Charge of the Art Dept

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"she to have such Class or Classes as may be established in that Dept next year at a  
"compensation of the extra fees paid by such Class or Classes.

2<sup>d</sup>— The reduction of the Compensation for the services of the Housekeeper or Matron from  
"\$500. to \$400. per Annum.

3<sup>d</sup>— The reduction, if possible, of the number of domestic servants. "

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| Sam'l J. Niccolls | } |               |
| Henry P. Wyman    | } |               |
| Geo. E. Martin    | } | <u>Com'</u> . |
| Mary McLean       | } |               |
| H. W. Noel        | } |               |

On motion of Dr. Martin the report was received and ordered taken up for consideration item by item.

The several members of the Committee detailed their views as to Miss Thomas and her fitness for the Lady Principalship [sic] — all of which was commendatory — and Dr. Knight (who was present) expressing satisfaction with the selection of the Committee, the motion was made by Mr Ranken — duly seconded — that Miss Thomas be appointed as recommended by the Committee — which motion was unanimously adopted.

The other recommendations of the Committee's report were fully discussed by the open Board and each in turn unanimously adopted, as was the Committee's Report — as a whole.

Mrs Spencer announced an intention of offering a "Bible Prize" — of \$25 — or Medal of equal value — to be Known [word looks like "know"] ~~as~~ as the "James H. Brookes" Bible Prize — open to the whole school — for the best essay on the Bible: the offer to be made for next year — with probable repetition there after. [sic]

The Board expressed its thanks for the offer and promised to make suitable announcement of same at "Commencement" in June next.

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Dr. Stumberg announced an offer of \$75. made him for the old "Sibley Cottage" — the building to be removed bodily from the premises.

The question as to desirability of parting with same was debated, and the matter left in Charge of Mrss Stumberg & Dr. Knight to report to the Board thereon at a future meeting

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

St. Louis June 3<sup>d</sup> 1897.

A called meeting of the Board was held this day at 12<sup>30</sup> P.M. – at # 1516. Locust St.

Present: Mrss Greeley, Nelson, Niccolls, Palmer, Ranken, Williams, Wyman and Mrs Spencer — (8.)

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls, after which the minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Faculty dated June 3<sup>d</sup> was received, recommending the award of Diplomas to

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| Miss <u>Mary Helen Burnett</u>     | Richmond Va   |
| “ <u>Clara Jaspering</u>           | S Louis Mo    |
| “ <u>Maud Luscombe</u>             | Carthage “    |
| “ <u>Frances Mahon</u>             | Mt Carmel Ill |
| “ <u>Emma Ardelle Nixon</u>        | Columbia “    |
| “ <u>Ernestine Elizabeth Rauch</u> | St Charles Mo |
| “ <u>Viola Sears</u>               | La Plata “    |
| “ <u>Maud Lorin Taylor</u>         | Unionville “  |

On motion of Mr Wyman, seconded by Dr Nelson an award of Diplomas (as recommended by the Faculty) was duly made.

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Dr. Knight – who was present – announced the receipt of a letter from Miss Thomas accepting the appointment of the Board as “Lady Principal”

The Treasurer (Mr Wyman) presented his second Annual Report of Receipts and Expenditures, which was read, and on motion referred to the Auditing Com.

Dr. Knight made verbal report of his financial condition by which it appeared that at the Close of the present year there would be due to Teachers, about \$1.010.<sup>00</sup> and for notes in Bank at St Charles 1.500. likewise a few hundred dollars for unpaid bills for supplies. Available for these debits, he thought that about \$800. was in sight from tuition fees &c – but not Collectible entire until August.

There being no funds on hand, the Board had need to Consider ways and means for meeting the emergency above indicated. and the following resolution was offered by Mr Greeley seconded by Mr Wyman and unanimously adopted:

“Resolved that the Executive officers of the Board be and they are hereby authorized  
“empowered and instructed to execute for and in the name of this Board, a promissory note for  
“the sum of Twenty Five Hundred Dollars (\$2500.) payable four or six months after date to the  
“order of Rev W. S. Knight – for meeting the expenses and charges due and payable by the  
“institution at the end of the present scholastic year.

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer, seconded by Dr Nelson, and unanimously adopted.

“Resolved that the Board re-employs for the Current [? word not very clear] scholastic year:

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| Mrs. Mary Irwin McDearmon | @ | \$700. | Per An |
| Miss Lilian Brandt        | @ | 400    | “ “    |
| Miss Emily H. Bruce       | @ | 500    | “ “    |

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| Miss Margarita Petitdidier | @ | \$400 | pr an |
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Miss Ida B. McLagan @ 800<sup>00</sup> “ “  
Miss Ropes @ 500 “ “

The latter for maximum employment of 43 – ½ hours per week, or a proportionately less sum for less service.

Mrs. Corley @ 500. Pr An

Miss Agnes Gray — All fees earned.

Miss Augusta H. Knight — “ “ “

Prof Crosby – Salary provided outside.

On motion of Mr Greeley the determination of the proper advertising of the institution was left to the Executive Com.

On motion the Board Adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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St Louis Oct 8<sup>th</sup> 1897

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 3 P.M this date at 1516 Locust St –  
Present Mrss – Nelson, Niccolls, Noel, Marshall, Ranken, Wyman, Dr McLean [spelled “McLane”] & Mrs. Spencer.

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Dr. Knight – Prest of the College was present, and read his quarterly report of receipts & expenditures and gave general statement of the condition of the College : Attendance this date is 36 Boarders and 17 day pupils. The report caused much disappointment to the Board, and induced a general discussion of the situation, which appears to be that in addition to the arrearages of the past the present year promises further deficit of between two and three thousand dollars.

A meeting of the Committee appointed in March (18)

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last, was held during the summer to make good the vacancy caused by resignation of Miss Bruce, and with the concurrence of Dr. Knight employed Miss Hellen [sic, but possibly an error] Thomas [actually reads “Thonas” but this is probably an error] at a compensation of \$500. per Annum.

The Committee reported this action verbally, and on motion their action was approved by the Board.

On Motion of Dr. Marshall, seconded by Mr Noel it was “Resolved that the President and “Secretary be authorized to suggest names for the two vacancies in the Class of Trustees whose term “expires at this time, (viz Mrss Holmes & Williams) and that the others in the Class be reappointed “ – the suggestions to be made to the Synod.

On statement of Dr Knight it appeared desirable to procure a first Class. Piano for the College several proposals being presented involving an expenditure of about \$500 in cash and the exchange of three old instruments: it was fully discussed and the sense of the meeting appeared to be that the money needed ought to be raised by outside subscriptions. \_\_\_\_\_

A desultory debate upon the condition of the Institution was had, at the Close of which on motion of Dr. McLane Lean ["Lean" has been added in a superscript above "Lane," evidently as a correction since "Dr. McLean" is intended] – it was ordered that the Chair appoint a Committee of Five – on Ways and Means to sense the best course to pursue in the present emergency: –

The Chair appointed as such Committee Mrss Wyman, Ranken, Drake, Nicolls and Dr. McLean. On motion of Mr Noel – Dr. Knight was requested to make report to the Synod as to the work done by the College. On motion the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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St Louis Nov 9<sup>th</sup> 1897

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 1516 Locust St this day at noon.

Present Mrss Holmes, Martin, Nicolls, Nelson, Ranken, Wyman, Dr McLean & Mrs Spencer (8)  
Meeting was opened with prayer by Dr. Nicolls.  
Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The Chairman announced that the Committee on nominations of Trustees appointed at last meeting had recommended to Synod the re-election of the gentlemen whose terms are now expiring, and that they were duly re-elected – viz Mrss Palmer, Marshall, Williams, Holmes & Dr. McLean. – for a new term of three years. \_\_\_\_\_

Dr. Knight President of the College was present and gave a brief synoptical [sic] statement of finances and matters connected with the management, concluding same with a tender of his resignation of the office of President.

After Dr Knight had retired, the Secretary read his resignation dated Oct 19<sup>th</sup> 1897, and a full and free conversation and discussion ensued relative thereto, the consensus [sic] of opinion being, that while Dr. Knight had labored diligently, faithfully and conscientiously for the best interests of the College his administration had not been a success, ~~due in part to his lack of experience, in part to adverse circumstances in the subordinate departments of the Institution and other causes~~ largely due to the financial condition of the times and [the phrase "largely due to the financial condition of the times and" was an insertion, made to replace the phrase that was struck through in red] warranting the Board in seeking a Change of administration.

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Martin, seconded by Mr Ranken and adopted unanimously.

" Resolved that the resignation of Rev W. S. Knight as President of the College be now accepted – his salary to be continued until Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 1897 – and that a Committee of Five be appointed by the Chair " (of which the President and Secretary of this Board shall be ex officio members) – to

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"Consider the present condition of affairs at the Institution, investigate matters there, and "report their recommendations to the Board at an early date \_\_\_\_\_

Under this resolution the Chair appointed as the Committee – Mrss Martin, Ranken, Dr McLean,

Dr. Niccolls and Mr Wyman

On motion of Mr Wyman, seconded by Mr Ranken it was ordered that a minute be prepared expressive of the Board's appreciation of the faithful and conscientious labors of Dr. Knight while holding the office of President.

On motion the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

St Louis January 31<sup>st</sup> 1898

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 1516 Locust St, this day at 2<sup>15</sup> P.M.

Present Mrss Holmes, Niccolls, Palmer, Nelson, Ranken, Stumberg, Wyman & Dr. McLean (8)

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls

Minutes of last meeting were read and after the amendment noted on opposite page [This doubtless refers to the striking out in red of the phrase "due in part to his lack of experience, in part to adverse circumstances in the subordinate departments of the Institution and other causes" in the previous meeting's entry] – were approved.

The President of the Board stated at length the object of the meeting and detailed the particulars of an unfortunate state of affairs at the College by which it appeared that a conflict existed between the larger part of the Faculty on one side, and Miss Thomas the Principal on the other, in which a considerable number of the pupils had taken part – and as a result of which the disruption and dissolution of the school was threatened.

The President stated that Miss Thomas had placed

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her resignation in his hands, and that while he felt the deepest sympathy for her in the unfortunate position she occupied, he had felt it his duty to advise her to resign.

The whole matter was thoroughly discussed by those present, a decided difference of view being expressed as to the wisest course to pursue, the concensus [sic] of opinion being however, that inasmuch as Miss Thomas had tendered her resignation – the Board had best accept it.

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Mr Ranken, and Seconded by Dr. Palmer

"Whereas the President of the Board presents at this meeting the resignation of Miss Thomas in

"the following form,

"In view of the present condition of the College, I feel compelled to offer my resignation

"as Principal"

"therefore

"Resolved that said resignation be accepted.

The question was put and carried by the following vote.

Ayes: { Mrss Nelson, Palmer, Ranken, Stumberg and Dr. McLean. 5.

Noes: Mrss Holmes and Wyman 2.

Not voting – Dr. Niccolls.

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The following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer, seconded by Mr Ranken and adopted unanimously.

“Resolved that the Board deeply regrets the necessity that compels the resignation of Miss Thomas: It expresses its high appreciation of her ability as a teacher and it recognizes her great “executive ability and the services she has rendered the College. As an expression of our “appreciation of her services, the Board hereby Continues her Salary (cash portion thereof) until “the end of this scholastic year.

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On motion of Mr Wyman, seconded by Dr. McLean, the President was authorized to make appointment of a temporary Principal – such as in his judgment is wise and feasible.

On motion the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

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St. Louis March 4<sup>th</sup> 1898

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 1 P.M. – at 1516 Locust Street.

Present – Mrss. Nelson, Niccolls, Palmer, Ranken, Wyman, Dr. McLean, and Mrs Spencer. (7).

After prayer offered by Dr. Niccolls, the minutes of the last meeting were read and duly approved.

The President announced his appointment of Miss Brandt as Temporary Principal at the College and that matters there as found by him & Mr Ranken on a recent visit [the phrase “as found by him & Mr Ranken on a recent visit” are an insertion made in black ink] were now in a quiescent state and moving smoothly : he presented an estimate prepared by Miss Brandt, showing the probable receipts and expenditures of the last half of the present school year (ending June 1898), and making it plain that the current obligations of the year will show a deficit of about \$1100. or \$1200: this sum, together with the outstanding notes of the Board for the several sums of \$5500.<sup>00</sup>, \$2500.<sup>00</sup> and \$700.<sup>00</sup> making an aggregate indebtedness of about \$10,000.<sup>00</sup> — Further consideration of the debt was postponed and Consideration given the question of a President or Principal for the Institution.

A communication from Dr. M. H. Reaser of Oswego Kansas was read suggesting a form of contract under which he would take the Institution and run it as a private enterprise, yet under the supervision of the Board: he to [sic] take all financial

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risks &c on a basis of 3 years with option of 2 more. Dr. Reaser’s plan commended itself to most of the members present, and great interest was shown in endeavor to learn of his abilities, character &c &c.

A formal application for the vacancy was read – from Miss Jane Sherzer of Jacksonville Ill, accompanied by many high Class testimonies and as several of the Board expressed a preference for a

Lady Principal to head the school, the following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer seconded by Dr McLean and unanimously adopted:

“Resolved that the Secretary of the Board be directed to write to Miss Sherzer and ascertain if she would be willing to consider a contract practically on the same lines as laid down by Dr. Reaser in his communication read to the Board this day.

On motion of Dr McLean, seconded by Mr Ranken the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

“Resolved, that the President be requested to address Dr. Reaser on this subject, inviting him to visit the Board — if in his (Dr. N’s) judgment such step should be deemed desirable.

Dr. Nelson informed the Board that Dr Bullard was in the city, and having a personal knowledge of Dr. Reaser and his work at Brookfield, could be conveniently consulted about him, — and he promised so to do and make report.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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St. Louis March 15<sup>t</sup>-1898

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The old records — so far as made upon the old covers, have been saved and transferred to corresponding places in this book.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary.

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Graduates since  
Reorganization

1872 Irene McElhinney St Louis Co.

1873 Lucy Stella Honey - Jefferson Haun [?] Co Mo  
“ Louisa H Keith Kirwood.

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St Louis March 29<sup>th</sup> 1898.

A called meeting of the Board was held this day at 11 a.m. at 1516 Locust St.

Present – Mrss Drake, Nelson, Niccolls, Noel, Palmer, Ranken, Wyman & Mrs Spencer.

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Palmer.

The Secretary read the minutes of last meeting and they were duly approved.

The President stated the object of the meeting to be a consideration of the office of President of the College, and arrangement for continuing the work of the institution.

The Secretary reported having written Miss Sherzer of Jacksonville Ill as directed by the Board, and her replies were read, duly considered and deemed conclusive as negating [sic] any further thought of entertaining her application for the position.

One or two other applications were presented, but not of an attractive Character.

Dr. Nelson reported relative to investigations of Prof Reaser's character and ability, as did also Dr. Niccolls – the latter reading several letters from well-known people — all the testimony bearing favorably upon Mr Reaser's Candidacy.

At this point Mr Reaser appeared and was introduced to the members of the Board: he was invited to state his views in connection with the matter in hand, and proceeded to read these from a prepared manuscript, which he filed with the Secretary. It is fair to record that Mr Reaser (personally) and especially in his communication, produced a most favorable impression upon every member of the Board present, and after the propounding of many questions by different members – (all of which were satisfactorily answered) – Mr Reaser was allowed to withdraw, after his expression of

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his willingness to enter into a contract with the Board practically upon the lines laid down in his letter of Jan'y 8<sup>th</sup> 1898 (addressed to his father) – which letter has heretofore been submitted to the Board.

A very full discussion of the situation was then had and it was quite apparent the Board strongly favored an arrangement with Mr Reaser.

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer seconded by Dr. Nelson and adopted unanimously:

"Resolved; that in the judgment of this Board Prof M. H. Reaser (now [?] of Oswego Ks) appears "to be a desirable party to entrust with the conduct of Lindenwood College, and that the "President and the Secretary of the Board with Mr Ranken, be and hereby are constituted a "Committee of three, with full power to represent the Board in executing a contract with Prof' "Reaser for a term of three years with privilege of two additional years – practically upon the "lines as laid down by Prof Reaser in his communication of January 8<sup>th</sup> 1898 heretofore "submitted to the Board: — and that when such contract has been duly executed Prof Reaser "shall be deemed elected as President of the College. \_\_\_\_\_

There being no further business before the meeting [word slightly uncertain] the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

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St Louis April 8<sup>th</sup> 1898

A called meeting of the Board was held this day at 1<sup>30</sup> P.M. at 1516 Locust St –  
Present Mrss Nelson, Niccolls, Noel, Palmer, Ranken, Stumberg and Wyman (7).

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The Committee appointed to prepare a form of contract with Prof Reaser, made report –  
submitting a draft of contract which after a few minor alterations was satisfactory to the Board, and the  
following resolution was offered by Mr Noel, seconded by Dr. Palmer, and adopted unanimously ———

“ Resolved that the officers of the Board be and hereby are authorized to execute the contract  
“ which has been considered and approved at this meeting”

The President called attention to the urgent need of a settlement of the Board’s obligations as covered  
by the notes of the Board due in a few days, for the sums of \$2500.<sup>00</sup> and \$700. Various plans  
were suggested, and but one seemed feasible – viz that of executing new paper, the discounting of  
which would provide means for paying some of the old.

The following resolutions were offered by Mr Noel, seconded by Dr. Nelson, and unanimously  
adopted.

“Resolved, that the President and Secretary of the Board be, and they are hereby authorized  
“and instructed, for and in the name of the Board of Trustees, to execute promissory notes for  
“the sum of (\$3000–) Three thousand dollars payable not later than two (2) years after date, for  
“the purpose of paying off present indebtedness of the Board now due.

“Resolved that the income from the “Ridgeley Fund” be and hereby is pledged to pay the  
“interest upon said note of \$3000.<sup>00</sup>”

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There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary.

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St Louis June 3<sup>d</sup> 1898.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 1<sup>30</sup> P.M at 1516 Locust St.

Present Mrss Nelson, Niccolls, Palmer, Ranken and Wyman (5).

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Palmer.

Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

A communication from Miss Brandt Acty Principal of the College was read, recommending in the name of the Faculty the issue of Diplomas to the following named members of the Senior Class to graduate this month: viz.

Miss Anna Marr Egger – Appleton City Mo.  
“ Daisy Ivey – Talladega Ala.  
“ Lucy Jacobs – Greenfield Mo.  
“ Theo' McDearmon – St Charles Mo  
“ Hannah Jeanette Wannall – St Louis Mo  
“ Marie Mitchell Zimmerman – Nortonville Ks.

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On motion duly made and seconded, Diplomas were voted to the young ladies above named.

The Board considered the financial situation of the College, and after the Prest (Dr Niccolls) had reported the execution of the contract with Dr. Reaser, he stated that under the authority of resolution passed at the last meeting of the Board, he had borrowed \$2,500.<sup>00</sup> from the parties whose names are here stated, giving in exchange the notes of the Board executed by the Prest & Secty – the money being used for

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the payment of the current expenses of the Institution.

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| Note – Apl 18/98 – | to Geo S. Drake –  | On demand for       | \$500.00        |
| “                  | “                  | “ John A. Holmes –  | “ “ 500.00      |
| “                  | “                  | “ Robert Ranken –   | “ “ 200.00      |
| “                  | “                  | “ Sam’l J. Niccolls | “ “ 150.00      |
| “                  | “                  | “ H. M. Noel –      | 90 D/D “ 150.00 |
|                    |                    |                     | \$ 1,500.00     |
| “ – June 1/981     | “ Ellen J. McKee – | 2 yrs D.            | 1,000.00        |
|                    |                    |                     | \$ 2,500.00     |

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On Motion of Mr Palmer, seconded by Dr. Nelson, the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

“Resolved that the action of the President in issuing the notes of the Board as by him reported,  
“is hereby approved.

The President presented an estimate prepared by the acting Principal – Miss Brandt – showing the anticipated assets and liabilities of the school at the close of this year by which it appeared that it would

be necessary to provide for about \$350. additional ready cash, and the following resolution was therefore offered by Mr Ranken, seconded by Dr. Nelson, and adopted unanimously: \_\_\_\_\_

“Resolved that the officers of the Board be and are hereby authorized and instructed to issue “notes of the Board for sum or sums not to exceed in the aggregate (\$350.<sup>00</sup>) Three hundred and “fifty dollars additional to the \$3000<sup>00</sup>) Three Thousand dollars authorized at the last meeting of “the Board – to be used in defraying the current expenses of the College for the past year”

A communication from Dr. Reaser – President elect was received, submitting his carefully prepared curriculum of studies proposed for future use of the Institution, and the same having received the examination and approval of the President of the Board, and appearing on cursory examination of the

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Trustees to be of a satisfactory nature, the following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer, seconded by Dr Nelson and adopted unanimously

“ Resolved that the “Curriculum of studies” proposed for future use in the College as submitted “this day by Dr Reaser, be and the same is hereby approved by the Board of Trustees”.

There being no further business the Board adjourned

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

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St Louis Dec 8<sup>th</sup> – 1898

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 1<sup>30</sup> P.M at 1516 Locust Street.

Present Mrss Nelson, Niccolls, Wyman,

Mrs Spencer and Dr McLain [sic – “Dr. McLean” is clearly intended] 5.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Niccolls.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The President gave as the object of the meeting, his wish to submit his report of the disposal of the funds realized on the notes executed by the officers of the Board as set forth in the minutes of last meeting, which report the Secretary read as follows:

Receipts.

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| Discounted Note in favor of | <u>J. A. Holmes</u>   | <sup>4</sup> / <sub>18</sub> – Done [“sum”?] and – for | 500.00         |
| “ “                         | <u>Geo. S. Drake</u>  | “ “                                                    | 500.00         |
| “ “                         | <u>Robt Ranken</u>    | “ “                                                    | 200.00         |
| “ “                         | <u>S. J. Niccolls</u> | “ “                                                    | 150.00         |
| “ “                         | <u>H. M. Noel</u>     | “ 90/Days “                                            | 150.00         |
| “ “                         | <u>Ellen McKee</u>    | <sup>6</sup> / <sub>1</sub> – Done and                 | <u>1000.00</u> |
|                             | Forward               |                                                        | 2500.00        |

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| <u>Receipts</u> bro't forward         | 2.500.00          |
| Collected donation from Daniel Catlin | 100.00            |
| S. H. Niccolls – advanced Cash        | <u>344.60</u>     |
| Total Receipts                        | <u>\$2.944.60</u> |

Disbursements.

|                                                              |                   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Paid Miss Brandt – Late Acty Principal for                   |                   |
| current expenses of College 6/3 }                            | 1000.00           |
| “ On board's Note held by Union Savings                      |                   |
| Back at St Charles – Note of 6/7/97 }                        | 1318.00           |
| “ Interest on above to Dec 16/98                             | 58.00             |
|                                                              |                   |
|                                                              | 4/20. 100 } 44460 |
|                                                              | 6/3- 300. }       |
| “ Miss J. E. Thomas – late Principal – balance. 6/7 4 of 60} |                   |
| “ on Board's Note held by Mrs. M. A. Watson                  | 100.00            |
| “ Interest on above to May 17/98.                            | 21.00             |
| “ Discount on first 5 notes in report                        | <u>300</u>        |
| Total Disbursed.                                             | <u>\$2.94460</u>  |

The above report was accompanied by proper vouchers.

|                                          |                  |
|------------------------------------------|------------------|
| The Treasurer reported Cash on hand – as |                  |
| to Credit of Current Fund                | 327.94           |
| “ “ “ Watson Fund                        | <u>186.32</u>    |
| Total                                    | <u>\$514.26.</u> |

Whereupon the following resolution was offered by Mr Wyman seconded by Dr. McLain [sic – “Dr. McLean” is clearly intended] and unanimously adopted

“Resolved that from current funds on hand the Treasurer pay to the Union Savings Bank St Charles the sum of \$200.<sup>00</sup> applicable to the note held by that bank, and pay to S. J. Niccolls the sum of \$100. on his open account, the balance of S. J. Niccolls account to be paid from next available funds in the Treasury.

Prof Reaser – the Prest of the College appeared before the Board and gave a summary statement of the Conditions now existing at the institution – attendance, finances, and general prospects: this was on the whole satisfactory for the first half-year of his effort: he stated several needs of the institution in the way of improved lighting, laundry, and

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water appliances whereby great saving of expense and improved service would be had, and confidently predicted a material increase of pupils next term and next year.

President Niccolls reported that after consultation with the Executive Committee he had decided to ask the Assembly's Board of Aid for Schools College.” for a donation of \$1000. for the benefit of the College and had already made formal request for that sum.

He also announced the election by Synod of Mrss. Wm E. Gray and Rev F. M. Sneed as members of this Board.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secty

St Louis June 2<sup>d</sup> 1899

A called meeting of the Board was held this day at 1<sup>30</sup> P.M at 1516 Locust St

Present: Messrs Niccolls, Ranken, Palmer, Stumberg, Wyman and Dr. McLean (6.)

Likewise President M. H. Reaser from the College.

Meeting was opened with prayer by Dr. Palmer, and the minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

President Reaser presented a synoptical report of his management of the College during the year to June 1<sup>st</sup>, with statements of the condition of the institution in its educational, religious, and financial senses, premising that the financial statement or balance sheet would be drawn off at the Close of the academic year, and then be

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presented to the Board for Audit.

The number of pupils now enrolled is 37 in the boarding dep't and 13 day scholars – total 50, with good prospects for a material increase next year.

The Board were pleased with Mr Reaser's report and expressed their commendation of his management.

President Reaser expressed a strong desire to attempt the extinguishment of the debts of the Board, stating his belief that he could accomplish it by personal effort in the near future, if aided by the approval and official backing of the Trustees: – whereupon the following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer, seconded by Mr Ranken, and adopted unanimously: –

"Resolved by the Board of Trustees that the present seems an opportune time for making an effort to extinguish the debts of Lindenwood College, and hereby requests the Executive Committee to frame an appeal to the Presbyterians of Missouri, to be used by Pres't Reaser in "a personal canvass for for [sic] contributions for said purpose" \_\_\_\_\_

The Faculty of the College (thro' Prest Reaser) presented the following list of names as members of the Graduating Class of 1899 who have earned and deserve the Diploma of the College: viz

|                        |                      |                                                    |
|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| <u>Corinne Aymond</u>  | <u>St Charles</u>    | <u>Mo</u>                                          |
| <u>Harriet Baldwin</u> | <u>Decatur</u>       | <u>Ills.</u>                                       |
| <u>Maude Bennett</u>   | <u>Brookfield</u>    | <u>Mo</u>                                          |
| <u>Mary Brame</u>      | <u>Hellena [sic]</u> | <u>Ark.</u> ["Helena Ark." is presumably intended] |
| <u>Olga Daudt</u>      | <u>St Charles</u>    | <u>Mo</u>                                          |
| <u>Alice Ellis</u>     | <u>Parsons</u>       | <u>Ks</u>                                          |

Mollie Marshall

Marble Hill

Mo

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Edna Schaeffer

Belleville

Ills

Elsie Schoeneich

St Charles

Mo

Laura Sikkema

Belleville

Ill

Adele Wobus

St Charles

Mo

On motion of Mr Wyman, seconded by Mr Ranken the Board awarded Diplomas to the above named young ladies, and directed their delivery on Commencement day – of the inst.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary.

[Notes: A) The dashed vertical lines below represent solid red lines that appear within the original manuscript (as I do not know how to add solid vertical lines to a Word document. The first and third lines from the left should be double lines.)]

Addenda to the above minutes.

Mr Wyman – as Treasurer presented his annual report which was ordered spread upon the record: as follows.

Treasurer's Report June 2<sup>d</sup> 1899

|                        | <u>Dr.</u>            | <u>Cr.</u> [looks like "Cer"] |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Bills Receivable       | 800 00                |                               |
| Interest A/c           | 570   10              |                               |
| Current Expense        | 10.329   34           |                               |
| Loan A/c               | 22.000   00           |                               |
| Cash                   | 88   28               |                               |
| Watson Endowment Fund  |                       | 12.800   00                   |
| Ridgeley do do         |                       | 10.000   00                   |
| Bills Payable          |                       | 9.550   00                    |
| Income & Donation A/c  |                       | 1.432   23                    |
| Watson Fund Income A/c |                       | 5   49                        |
|                        | <u>\$ 33.787   72</u> | <u>\$33.787   72</u>          |

Henry P. Wyman

Treasurer.

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St Charles Mo. June 6<sup>th</sup> 1900.

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 10<sup>30</sup> A.M in the office of the College at St Charles, immediately preceding the "commencement day" exercises of the Institution

Present: Mrss Marshall, Niccolls, Palmer, Stumberg & Wyman

The meeting was opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls. President Reaser made a brief statement of the scholastic work of the year, and on behalf of the entire Faculty presented the following names as deserving the Diploma of the College, for graduation in the Regular Course. [This last word looks like "Cause" but "Course" makes more sense in context. The 1905 Annual Register lists Esther Anderson as "Ester" and "Frani" as "Francis."]

|                                    |                   |            |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|
| <u>Esther Anderson</u> [Auderson?] | <u>Brookfield</u> | <u>Mo</u>  |
| <u>Sarah Brachmann</u>             | <u>Cincinnati</u> | <u>O.</u>  |
| <u>Naomi Foristell</u>             | <u>Foristell</u>  | <u>Mo.</u> |
| <u>Veronica Holhn</u>              | <u>St Charles</u> | <u>Mo.</u> |
| <u>Mary Jacobs</u>                 | <u>Lamar</u>      | <u>Mo.</u> |
| <u>Mabel Noggle</u>                | <u>Unionville</u> | <u>Mo.</u> |
| <u>Helene Stumberg</u>             | <u>St Charles</u> | <u>Mo.</u> |
| <u>Frani (?) Wight</u>             | <u>Nevada</u>     | <u>Mo.</u> |
| <u>Florence Woolfolk</u>           | <u>St Charles</u> | <u>Mo.</u> |

On motion of Mr Wyman seconded by Dr. Palmer the Board unanimously awarded the Diplomas as recommended by the Faculty.

In addition to the foregoing, the Faculty presented the names of

Miss Maud Bennett – Brookfield Mo.

and Miss Elva Huffaker – Brookfield Mo.

as Post-Graduates of the College, who having successfully pursued the prescribed course of studies, were entitled to the degree of Bachelor of Arts – and requested the bestowal of the honor accordingly.

This incident, marking as it did the first occasion upon which the Board had been called upon for this duty – created much interest, and Pres't Reaser having satisfactorily answered the inquiries

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of the Trustees touching the studies and proficiency of the Candidates, – on motion of Dr. Palmer, seconded by Mr Wyman, the Board of Trustees unanimously conferred the degree of Bachelor of Arts upon the two young ladies already mentioned. ———

There being no further business to consider, the Board adjourned to enjoy the public exercises of "Commencement Day" in the hall of the College.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary.

St Louis June 18<sup>th</sup> – 1900

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at noon this day at #1516 Locust St.

Present – Mrss Nelson, Niccolls, Palmer, Sneed, Stumberg, Williams & Wyman 7.

Absent: Mrss Drake, Guy, Holmes, Noel, Ranken Marshall, – Mrs Spencer & Dr McLean 8.

Dr. Niccolls opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes of the two previous meetings of date June 2 – 1899 and June 6 – 1900 were read and approved.

President Reaser was present and read a brief but comprehensive report upon the work of the College during the year just closed – the same being on the whole quite satisfactory.

Accompanying his report, was his financial account of receipts & disbursements, which was ordered received and filed.

Dr. Reaser's report containing an intimation of his intention to decline a continuation of the arrangement under which he now conducts the institution – beyond the limit of his contract (one more year) – it was the sense of the Board that the matter be laid over until the opening of

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the next fall term.

The Treasurer presented his Annual report which was read, and ordered received & filed: a copy of same is as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

1899      Treasurer's Current A/c "

|                                |  |           |           |
|--------------------------------|--|-----------|-----------|
| June 1 [?] To Cash on hand     |  | 82 79     |           |
| " Interest on "Ridgeley" Fund  |  | 600 00    |           |
| " Collection Old Tuition A/c's |  | 160 90    |           |
| <u>Cr.</u>                     |  |           |           |
| By Bills Payable reduced       |  |           | 700 00    |
| " Old accounts – settled       |  |           | 81 63     |
| " Interest                     |  |           | 35 30     |
| " Expense                      |  |           | 3 52      |
| <u>1900</u>                    |  |           |           |
| June 6 " Cash on hand          |  |           | 23 24     |
|                                |  | \$ 843 69 | \$ 843 69 |

Treasurer in A/c with "Watson Fund Income"

|                            |  |        |        |
|----------------------------|--|--------|--------|
| <u>1899</u>                |  |        |        |
| June 2 [?] To Cash on hand |  | 5 49   |        |
| ' Interest on Watson Fund  |  | 840 00 |        |
| <u>Cr.</u>                 |  |        |        |
| By Warrants # 300 – 318    |  |        | 725 00 |

|             |   |                   |  |           |  |           |
|-------------|---|-------------------|--|-----------|--|-----------|
|             | " | Interest advanced |  |           |  | 54 66     |
| <u>1900</u> |   |                   |  |           |  |           |
| June 6      | " | Cash on hand      |  |           |  | 65 83     |
|             |   |                   |  | \$ 845 49 |  | \$ 845 49 |

Treasurer's Trial Balance June 6 – 1900.

|                       |  |             |  |             |
|-----------------------|--|-------------|--|-------------|
| Watson Endowment      |  |             |  | 12.800 00   |
| Ridgeley Do           |  |             |  | 10.000 00   |
| Bills Payable         |  |             |  | 8.850 00    |
| Income & Donation A/c |  |             |  | 2.193 13    |
| Loan A/c              |  | 22.000 00   |  |             |
| Current Expense       |  | 10.414 49   |  |             |
| Bills Receivable      |  | 800 00      |  |             |
| Interest A/c          |  | 605 40      |  |             |
| Cash on hand.         |  | 89 07       |  |             |
| Watson Fund Income    |  |             |  | 65 83       |
|                       |  | \$33.908 96 |  | \$33.908 96 |

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There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

St Louis Dec 21<sup>st</sup> [number not entirely clear] 1900

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this date at 1516 Locust St.

Present Mess Nicolls, Nelson, Palmer, Marshall, Ranken, Stumberg and Williams (7).

In the absence of Secty Wyman, Dr. Palmer was appointed Secty pro tem. – Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Palmer

The President reported a demand as being made by Atty [sic – presumably stands for "Attorney"] Lackland – for immediate payment of the Board's note due to Mrs Watson's estate, and by unanimous vote the President was authorized to negotiate a loan to pay this note (\$700 – more or less) and interest from the securities of the Board were pledged to this end.

The following resolution was adopted unanimously.

" "Resolved that the Board believes the time has come to raise the balance of the debt on ""Lindenwood College" – now amounting to \$8600., and that this should be included in the 20<sup>th</sup> "Century movement. To this end the Board hereby authorizes the President of said College the "Rev. M. H. Reaser, to make an appeal to Presbyterians throughout the Synod, in such way as "may seem to him wisest, for the necessary money with which the entire debt of the College "may be paid.

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President Reaser notified the Board that Mr Wm [?] McMillan of this city had personally pledged to him the sum of \$2500. for some needed repairs in the College buildings – Among such repairs the Board authorized the rooms in the old building, second and third floors, to be enlarged, and that wardrobes be put in

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President Reaser also requested that the Board hold an early meeting to consider a new contract between himself and this Board.

After further consideration of the interests of the College and without further action, the Board adjourned.

S. C. Palmer  
Secty pro tem.

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St Louis March 8<sup>th</sup> – 1901.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this date at 1516 Locust Street.

President – Mess Niccolls, Palmer, Nelson and Wyman

also Dr M. H. Reaser of the College.

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Palmer.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The President reported payment of the Watson note as authorized at last meeting, and stated his belief that the debt of the Board could probably be paid by effort made to secure from the Churches in the Synod contributions for Board of Aid for Schools & Colleges with stipulation that the money should be applied to Lindenwood College.

Dr Reaser presented a tentative written report of the condition of the Institution financially & otherwise which was received and filed.

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer seconded by Mr Wyman and adopted unanimously.

“Resolved, that as part payment of the contribution of Lafayette Park Church – lately made in behalf of Lindenwood College – the Treasurer of the Board be authorized to accept the Board’s “note of \$200. in favor of Robert Ranken – a member of said Church and principal contributor.

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Dr. Reaser stated his disinclination to continue his relations with the Board beyond the term of present contract unless terms more favorable to himself could be made, and read a communication addressed to the Trustees outlining terms on which he would be willing to keep the school for a period of five years longer.

The members present demurred to some of the propositions or premises mentioned in this document but found it impossible to fully digest it in the limited time of the meeting. After a short discussion the following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer, seconded by Dr Nelson and adopted.

“Resolved that the President and Secretary of the Board be and are hereby authorized to  
“contract with Dr. Reaser for a continuation of his connection with Lindenwood College – along  
“the lines of his communication of this date, – conditioned that in no way shall the indebtedness  
“of the Board be increased thereby”

There being no further business the Board adjourned

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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St Louis June 3<sup>d</sup> 1901

A called meeting of the Board was held at 1516 Locust St at 12<sup>30</sup> P.M this day

Present – Mess Drake, Niccolls, Nelson, Palmer, Sneed, Williams & Wyman

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved. The President Dr Niccolls reported substantial progress towards payment of the Board’s indebtedness by reason of the assent of sundry creditors to surrender

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and cancel the notes of the Board by them held as also sundry promises of liberal sums in addition provided the debt is wiped out

The Faculty of the College presented the following names of the graduating Class of 1901 as worthy of and entitled to the Diploma of the Institution –

Regular Course

|                           |                     |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| <u>Florence Allen</u>     | <u>St Louis Mo</u>  |
| <u>Bertha Bertsch</u>     | <u>Parsons Ks</u>   |
| <u>Elinor Klenn</u>       | <u>De Soto Mo</u>   |
| <u>Eva Lemmon</u>         | <u>St Charles “</u> |
| <u>Stella Lund</u>        | <u>“ “</u>          |
| <u>Harriet Picher</u>     | <u>Joplin “</u>     |
| <u>Leola Anna Polson</u>  | <u>Macon “</u>      |
| <u>Emily Kantz Russel</u> | <u>Woodson Ills</u> |

Elocution Course

|                   |                    |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| <u>Mary Lewis</u> | <u>Quincy Ills</u> |
|-------------------|--------------------|

Piano Course

|                      |                    |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| <u>Camille Emory</u> | <u>O’Fallon Mo</u> |
|----------------------|--------------------|

On motion of Dr. Palmer, seconded by Dr. Nelson the Board authorized the issuance of Diplomas to the young ladies above named.

The President called attention to the fact that the office of Vice President of the Board has been vacant since the death of Mr Lionberger in 1894, and urged the desirability of electing such officer, –

whereupon Rev. W. J. McKittrick was nominated by Dr. Sneed, seconded by Dr. Williams and unanimously elected Vice President.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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St Louis May 29<sup>th</sup> 1902

A called meeting of the Board was held this day to consider the recommendation of the Faculty of the College as to awarding of Diplomas to the graduating Class.

After due consideration the Board directed the issue of Diplomas to the followed named.

|                                       |                            |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <u>Mantie Lucile Elles</u>            | <u>Carterville Ills</u>    |
| <u>Florence Mary Harvey</u>           | <u>Griggsville "</u>       |
| <u>Nellie Irene Loda</u>              | <u>Poplar Bluff Mo</u>     |
| <u>Stella May Nester</u>              | <u>East St Louis Ills.</u> |
| <u>Mary Faye Pratt</u>                | <u>Griggsville "</u>       |
| <u>Cora [Cara?] Pauline Pritelard</u> | <u>Springdale Arks</u>     |
| <u>Alice Jeanette Schoeneich</u>      | <u>St Charles Mo</u>       |
| <u>Benola [?] Margaret Van Meter</u>  | <u>Parsons Ks.</u>         |
| <u>Jessie Edna Voght</u>              | <u>Pana Ills</u>           |
| <u>Mary Littlepage Williams</u>       | <u>Boonville Mo</u>        |

There being no further business the Board adjourned

Henry P. Wyman  
Secty

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St Louis Nov 14<sup>th</sup> 1902.

A called meeting of the Board was held at 11<sup>30</sup> A.M. at 1516 Locust St.

Present Mess Drake, Niccolls, Palmer, Skilling, Stumberg, Ranken, Williams & Wyman.  
Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls.

Reading of minutes of previous meetings was dispensed with.

The President stated the object of the meeting to be a consideration of the resolutions of the Synod of Missouri at its meeting in Joplin Oct 29<sup>th</sup> 1902. which were as follows.

"Synod re-affirms the resolutions of last year with reference to Lindenwood College,  
"emphasizing again the great importance of securing ample endowment for the same at the  
"earliest possible date.

"Synod earnestly requests the Sessions of all Churches within our bounds to give the President  
"M.H. Reaser Ph. D. or a representative of the College, an opportunity to present the Claims of  
"the institution to their respective congregations: and directs the Trustees of the College to  
"arrange details for an itinerary of the churches for such presentation as speedily as possible.

"Synod further commends the Claims of Lindenwood College for Young Ladies to all individuals  
"seeking an avenue for their Christian beneficence, as being in our judgment among the  
"worthiest to which their attention could be directed.

President Reaser being present, was asked to give a statement of the present Condition of the College, and made an encouraging report showing that 68 pupils were now in attendance – being within (2) two of the capacity of the institution: he set forth the need of greater income to more adequately meet the requirements of the College and urged immediate effort to secure the proposed endowment fund.

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After a discussion of the situation the following resolutions were in turn offered by Dr. Palmer seconded by Mr Ranken, and unanimously adopted.

1. Resolved – that this Board with a realizing sense of the present emergency, earnestly seconds the recommendation of the Synod of Missouri at its late meeting — that the time is opportune for raising an endowment fund of \$50.000<sup>00</sup> for the benefit of Lindenwood College, and pledges is [sic – presumably "its" was intended, as replacing the word "is" with either "its" or "are the" would make the sentence grammatically correct and the former seems the more likely error] best endeavor to secure it.
2. Resolved that the President and Secretary of the Board, be and are hereby appointed a Committee to formulate an appeal to the Churches of the Synod and other friends of the institution, and to arrange at once for an itinerary for a practical visitation of same by an accredited representative of the Board.
3. Resolved that the expenses of this effort be borne from the funds thus collected.

There being no further business the Board adjourned

Henry P. Wyman

Secty

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St Louis May 20<sup>th</sup> – 1903

A called meeting of the Board was held at 2 P.M this day at 1516. Locust St.

Present: Mess Drake, Gregg, Niccolls, Ranken, Stumberg & Wyman (6)

Absent: Mess Carter, McKittrick, Nelson, Palmer, Skilling, Marshall & Williams. (7)

President Reaser was also present.

The meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Gregg and the minutes of the meetings of June 3<sup>d</sup> 1901, May 29<sup>th</sup> 1902, and Nov 14<sup>th</sup> 1902 were read by the Secretary and duly approved.

President Reaser made a verbal report on the present conditions at the College – representing them as in the main satisfactory and prosperous: he presented an incomplete written statement of receipts and disbursements to date, and concluded his report with the announcement that he had been elected to the Presidency of Wilson College, that he desired to accept the position and therefore asked the Board to release him from his present charge at the Close of the present scholastic year in June next.

The Chair presented the official list of students who are to graduate at the coming Commencement – the same being endorsed by the Faculty as warranting the Diplomas of the College – Whereupon it was ordered that diplomas be awarded to the following named young ladies. ———

|                                    |          |                |                           |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------------|---------------------------|
| <u>Bechtold, Leona Adele</u>       | – Ills – | Regular Course |                           |
| <u>Becker, Vivian Lena</u>         | – Mo –   | "              |                           |
| <u>DeWold, Leeta</u>               | – Ills – | "              | [see note below on Leeta] |
| <u>Dickinson, Katherine Miller</u> | – " –    | "              |                           |
| <u>Donnan, Pauline</u>             | – Mo –   | Elocution      |                           |
| <u>Guy . Mary Louise</u>           | – Ills – | Regular Course |                           |

[Begin page "266." A) Note that the 1903 commencement program lists Leeta DeWolf, yet the "d" in this document is unmistakable. B) The word "English" below appears to have been added in either a different hand or a different writing medium.]

|                                 |          |                        |  |
|---------------------------------|----------|------------------------|--|
| <u>Hall, Alpha May</u>          | – Mo –   | Music & Regular Course |  |
| <u>Hopkins, Mary Morton</u>     | – Ills – | Elocution & " "        |  |
| <u>Jordan, Maude Lenore</u>     | – Ind –  | Elocution              |  |
| <u>Lindley, Clara Belle</u>     | – Mo –   | Regular Course         |  |
| <u>Lund -, Maye Dequitah</u>    | – " –    | " "                    |  |
| <u>Mitchell, Virginia Beebe</u> | – " –    | " "                    |  |
| <u>Smith, Nelle Ardis</u>       | – " –    | " "                    |  |
| <u>Steed, Mabel</u>             | – " –    | " "                    |  |
| <u>Terry, Harriet Adele</u>     | – Ills – | English "              |  |

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The Board discussed Pres't Reaser's report as rendered, making many inquiries relative to the condition of the school, and to the financial transactions of the year – particularly relative to the canvassing for funds intended for the endowment fund of the College.

The Board then considered the resignation of Dr. Reaser, and the following resolution was offered by Mr Wyman, seconded by Dr. Stumberg: ~~and~~

"Whereas President Reaser has expressed his desire to accept the Presidency of Wilson College  
"to which he has been elected, and has tendered his resignation to take effect at the end of the  
"present scholastic year, – therefore  
"Resolved that his resignation be accepted

The Chair suggested an amendment to the foregoing so that it might embrace an expression of satisfaction with the administration of Dr. Reaser, – which being agreed to – the following resolution was offered and seconded, and adopted unanimously

"Resolved that this Board hereby expresses its high appreciation of the services rendered  
"Lindenwood College by President Reaser during his term of office: we recognize the fidelity and  
"zeal with which he has labored for the welfare of the College, and while we consent to his

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"resignation on the ground of his promotion to a larger sphere of usefulness, we do so with a  
"sense of loss for ourselves, through the removal of one whose administration promised so  
"much for the future of the College. Our best wishes and prayers follow him to his new field  
"of service" \_\_\_\_\_

Dr Reaser called attention to the desirability of engaging the present faculty for the coming year – representing them as worthy and acceptable teachers, whereupon the following resolution was offered by Dr. Gregg seconded by Mr Wyman and adopted unanimously

"Resolved that Dr. Reaser be and hereby is authorized and requested to engage for the Board –  
"the services of the present faculty of the College for the coming year (excepting only the head  
"of the Physical Science Dept) – at salaries the same as heretofore paid.

Dr. Reaser explained a contract held by him for the purchase of the grand piano now at the College – offering to turn the instrument over to the Board if the Board would assume payment of the installments yet to be met under his Contract, — and it was ordered that the instrument be purchased as proposed. \_\_\_\_\_

The Chair presented an application for the Presidency of the College made by Dr. Jno M. Gillette of Jacksonville Ills – reading sundry testimonials as to his ability, scholarship and general fitness for the position.

The Board were favorably impressed by these and the Executive Committee were authorized to invite Dr. Gillette to visit Lindenwood accompanied by his wife to view the premises and conditions that would need his examination. There being no further business – the Board adjourned

Henry P. Wyman

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Secty

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St Louis June 25 1903

A called meeting of the Board was held this day at 2 p.m at office of the Secty 103 Chamber Commerce –  
Present: Mess Niccolls, McKittrick, Skilling, Stumberg, Williams and Wyman

Absent: Mess Carter, Drake, Gregg, Marshall, Nelson and Palmer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Chair detailed efforts made in [here a letter or two has been struck through, evidently a false start that was corrected before the word was fully written. It is therefore unreadable.] securing a

successor to Dr. Reaser in the Presidency of the College it appearing that great diligence had been had in correspondence and interviews with and concerning a number of Candidates for the position.

This labor concerned Mess Gillette, Shoemaker, Owen and Ayers of Ill, Pursell of N. J., Mark of Penns, [presumably an abbreviation for "Pennsylvania"?] Devreis and Rumer, and their availability had been thoroughly looked into by the Executive Com.'

It was explained that favorable action as regards Dr. Gillette could not be advanced by reason of his disinclination to meet the views of the Committee in the business arrangement they proposed, and his name was therefore dropped. \_\_\_\_\_

The Committee had personal interviews with Mess Gillette, Owens and Rev Geo' F. Ayres.

The last named – (Rev Geo. F. Ayres of Chester Ill) on invitation visited St Louis & conferred with the officers of the Board, and after a full and thorough discussion and conference it appeared to the Com' that Mr Ayres would be a desirable man for the place

The Chair stated all particulars of the interview with Mr Ayres, and gave all information as gathered by correspondence concerning him, and detailed the proposition made to him as follows:

"The Board to furnish the Buildings Grounds and Equipment free of Charge – and to furnish the income

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from the "Watson Fund" as aid to beneficiary students. The Board also to care for the interest on its floating debt as now existing.

The President to have all income from tuition & board of pupils – and to bear all expenses of the institution such as Salaries of teachers, wages of employees – supplies of all kinds, fuel, light, water & including repairs and renovations to buildings and insurance. His maximum income to be \$2000 and the Board to guarantee him \$900.<sup>00</sup>

After a full discussion, the following resolution was offered by Dr. Williams, seconded by Dr. McKittrick and adopted unanimously.

"Resolved that Rev. George F. Ayres of Chester Ill be and hereby is elected President of the College to take effect July 8<sup>th</sup> 1903 – Upon the terms as proposed by the executive committee, "and the Committee is hereby authorized and instructed to enter into Contract with the Prest "accordingly.

On motion Dr. Stumberg was authorized to rent the "Sibley Cottage" to suitable tenant at \$12 per month for the benefit of the Board \_\_\_\_\_

On motion Dr. Stumberg was authorized to sell an old horse now on the premises. \_\_\_\_\_

On motion the Board adjourned. \_\_\_\_\_

Henry P. Wyman  
Secty

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St Louis Feby 12<sup>th</sup> 1904

A called meeting of the Board Trustees was held at 1516 Locust St this day at 2 P.M.

Present Mess Niccolls, Palmer, Ranken, Skilling, Williams and Wyman 7.

Absent Mess Drake, McKittrick, Gregg, Nelson, Carter 6.

President Ayres also attended the session.

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, and the Secretary reported that the Contract with Dr. Ayres had been duly executed and filed.

The death of Dr. J. H. Stumberg – Trustee being noted, on motion of Dr. Palmer, the President and Secty were appointed to draft suitable resolutions in regard thereto and present them at next meeting of the Board.

The President reported a protest from Mrs Annie W. Jacobs – (holder of the principal obligation of the Board) – against the partial payments as made on the Board's note in her hands, and the matter was fully discussed – it being apparent that to save excessive payment of interest charges, effort to lift the whole debt (\$4500.) should be made at once.

The President stated there was some hope of being able to do this at early [sic – there should be an "an" before the word "early," but this is not present in the manuscript] date, giving his reasons therefore "in extenso". [sic: Latin phrase meaning "in full" or "at length"]

President Ayres presented a written report showing the Institution in good Condition from an educational and financial point of view, but narrated a list of needed repairs to the buildings the aggregate Cost of which was a large sum & beyond the present ability of the Board to furnish. The item needing most immediate

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attention seeming to be the repair of the guttering and spouting of the larger buildings, — on motion Pres't Ayres was authorized to secure estimate or bids from competent mechanics, for the needed work and present them for consideration of the Board.

On motion of Dr. Palmer, the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

"Resolved that the President of the College Rev Dr. Ayres, be and hereby is authorized to visit at "his convenience, the Churches of this Synod, with a view to enlisting the aid of the Churches in "extinguishing the present debt of the Institution: the expense of such visitation to be paid from "proceeds of his effort.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

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St Louis May 20<sup>th</sup> 1904.

The Board met at 3 pm at 1516 Locust St and was opened with prayer by the President Rev S. J. Niccolls.

The following members were present.

Rev Drs Niccolls; Williams, Gregg, Palmer & Skilling.

In the absence of the Secretary, Dr. Skilling was appointed Secty pro' tem'.

Dr. Ayres, President of the College was present and reported verbally concerning the encouraging work of the year in the College.

Upon recommendation of the Faculty, the Board granted Diplomas to the following students.

In the department of Elocution

Miss Hettie May Wangelin.

In the Department of Elocution and Literature

Miss Henrietta McMillan

Miss Robena Ming.

In the Regular Seminary Course

Miss Ida Bellah ["Isla Bellah" in 1905 Annual Register]

" Flora Carr.

" Tillie Freudenburg ["Freudenberg" in 1905 Annual Register"]

" Lucile Greason

" Indra Geyer

" Kathren Linnemann. [Sic – in 1904 commencement program, the name is spelled "Kathryn Linneman," which is doubtless the correct spelling.]

" Maude Logsdon.

" Juanita Ormiston.

" Irene Pareira.

" Nydia Pringle.

" Dica Seburn.

" Myrtle Winston.

The case of Miss Winston who, through the Pres't of the College asked the Board to grant her the degree of Bachelor of Literature, was considered, and the Board having heard all the facts in the case, directed Prest Ayres to report to her that if she returns to the College for another year and

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fulfills the requirements of the Board for that degree, it will then be granted.

The Board approved the action of the Executive Committee in renting the College Buildings for three months during the Summer.

On motion the Board adjourned.

David M Skilling.  
Secty pro tem.

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St Louis Feby 7<sup>th</sup> 1905

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 1516 Locust St at 12 M.

Present: Mess Gregg, Williams, Palmer, Skilling, Ranken, Palmer and Wyman.

In the absence of Pres't Nicolls, Dr. Palmer was made Chairman, and the meeting was opened with prayer by Dr. Gregg. The reading of the two preceding meetings was dispensed with.

Mr Wyman reported the payment in full of the long-standing "Jacobs" note – due to Mrs Annie L. Jacobs the sum due being \$5000. – in the following manner. Dr. Nicolls collected in cash from contributions from the Second Church \$2400. and Dr. McKittrick \$1250. from the First Church, which with \$500. from the treasury of the Board aggregated \$4150. leaving \$850 unpaid, which latter sum was raised on the personal note of Mess Nicolls and Wyman at the Bank of Commerce, thus enabling the Treasurer to pay off the mortgage debt, which was done and all necessary papers received by the Treas'r.

It appeared that the mortgage had never been recorded and no lien therefore exist upon the College property.

To reimburse Mess Nicolls & Wyman for their personal obligation above referred to, the following resolution

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was offered by Dr. Gregg seconded by Mr Ranken, and adopted unanimously:

"Resolved that the President and Secretary of the Board be and hereby are authorized and instructed to execute for and in the name of the Board of Trustees of Lindenwood College – a promissory note payable on demand and dated Feby 1<sup>st</sup> 1905 in favor of the National Bank of Commerce in St Louis – for the sum of Eight hundred and fifty (\$850) dollars.

President Ayres of the College was present and introduced Mr W. Wills of St Charles representing property adjacent to the College premises, who presented plans and specifications for the opening and improving of Watson Ave in which he desired the Board to cooperate.

These were fully discussed and it appearing that the contemplated work involved expenditures beyond the present resources of the Board, and that some of the conditions proposed were questionable – the following resolution was offered by Dr. Gregg seconded by Mr Ranken and adopted unanimously

"Resolved that the matter of Contract or agreement presented by Mr Wills involving the improvement of Watson Street be referred to the Executive Com' of the Board with power to act".

President Ayres reported the heating apparatus in the College in an unsafe and worn out condition, and declared his unwillingness to use same another winter: he made it clear to the Board that extensive repair or a new outfit would be a necessity before another winter.

President Ayres made a strong appeal for additional dormitory accommodations – claiming that until this need is met there can be no margin of profit in conducting the institution.

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Williams seconded by Dr. Skilling and unanimously adopted – viz:

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“Resolved that the matter of new heating apparatus and additional dormitories be referred to  
“the Executive Committee of the Board, with request for consideration and report with  
“recommendations”

Pres’t Ayres submitted tentative financial reports for the half - year ending Feby 1905 – which were received and filed, and there being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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St Louis May 29<sup>th</sup> 1905

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 2 P.m this date at 1516 Locust St.

Present – Mess Niccolls, Williams, McKittrick, Palmer, Skilling, & Stumberg – 6  
also President Ayres.

Meeting was opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls.

In the absence of Mr Wyman, Dr. Palmer was made Secty pro tem.

The President presented letter of May 24/05 from Mr W. Wills – proposing the purchase of the half-block bounded east by Houston St, west by Lindenwood Ave and facing Watson St, – which being duly considered by the Board, Mess Niccolls Ranken & Stumberg were appointed a Committee to negotiate for the sale of said ground, the Board expressing its opinion that \$3000. at least should be realized for same.

On recommendation of the Faculty of the College, diplomas were awarded to the following named members of the graduating Class of the Institution \_\_\_\_\_

[Begin page “278.” As always when copying names of unknown persons, there is a possibility of error or misspelling in these transcriptions. “Inez Gordon” appears in 1905 Annual Register as “Inez Gorden”; “Martha Lemon” as “Martha Lemmon”; “Irene Udstad” as “Irene Udstead.” I have copied what is in the Minutes and cannot know which spellings are accurate.]

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|-------------------|---------------------|
| Ella Barr         | "                   |
| Marion Blackwell  | "                   |
| Florence Bloebaum | " & Elocution       |
| Lillian Gable     | Seminary Course A.  |
| Lucile Glover     | "                   |
| Inez Gordon       | "                   |
| Edith Handley     | "                   |
| Hazel Kirk        | B.L. College Course |
| Martha Lemon      | Elocution           |
| Martha Miller     | Seminary Course A   |
| Coila Myers       | "                   |
| Erma Nisbet       | "                   |
| Beulah Reese      | Piano.              |
| Bess Roter        | Seminary Course A   |
| Florence Russey   | Elocution           |
| May Talbot        | Seminary Course A   |
| Myrtle Teichman   | "                   |
| Fanny Vidler      | "                   |
| Irene Udstad      | "                   |
| Rebecca Wilhelm   | Piano.              |
| May Vidler        | Seminary Course A.  |

By unanimous vote Dr. Stumberg was made a member of the Executive Committee

It appeared that the heating apparatus of the College is in great need of extensive repair and the proposal of the "Haynes-Langenberg Manf Co" ["Manf" seems to be an abbreviation for "Manufacturing," with "Haynes-Langenberg Manufacturing Company" apparently being the intended meaning] was presented, showing an expenditure necessary approximating \$1250.

The matter was thoroughly discussed and the following resolution offered by Dr. Palmer was unanimously adopted:

" Whereas it is necessary to repair the heating apparatus, and very desirable to construct at the same time a new wash house and boiler room,

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"Resolved, that the Executive Committee be authorized to receive bids and make contracts for the same, not to exceed \$2700. in Cost.

On motion of Dr. Skilling unanimously adopted it was

" Resolved, that the Executive Committee is hereby authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding \$2500, or so much thereof as may be necessary to complete this contemplated repair work,  
 " and that the President and Secty of the Board are hereby authorized to execute the notes of  
 " the Board for the same.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

S. C. Palmer  
Secty pro tem

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St Louis Feby 9<sup>th</sup> 1906. —

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 2 p.m. at 1516. Locust St.

Present – Mess McKittrick, Niccolls, Ranken, Williams & Wyman 5.

Also – Dr. Ayres – Presdt.

The meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The general financial condition of the Board was discussed, and it appearing that special tax bills against the property of the Institution are due – aggregating \$569<sup>05</sup> – and that the Treasurer has funds to pay same, on motion of Mr Ranken the Treasurer was instructed to settle said bills at once.

President Ayres presented a Semi Annual report of his financial Condition – approximately correct to date, by which it appeared that the Board might reasonably look for revenue from the Institution at close of present fiscal year.

The report was received, and on motion was referred to a Committee of two for consideration and report with recommendations to next meeting.

The Chair appointed Mess Ranken & Wyman as said Committee.

On motion of Dr. McKittrick, seconded by Mr Ranken, the Board expressed its satisfaction with the administration of Dr. Ayres, and its desire that suitable negotiations be had with him for an extension [sic; clearly "extension" is intended] of his contract for management.

There being no further business the Board adjourned

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

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St Louis May 28<sup>th</sup> 1906. —

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this date at 12 M. at 1516 Locust Street.

Present – Mess Niccolls, Palmer, Ranken, Roemer, Skilling Williams and Wyman. (7)

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

President Ayres personally presented the recommendations of the faculty for the granting of diplomas at the coming commencement – which were as follows:

To Miss M Pearl Aiken – A. B.

Miss Aiken had done much of the work for this degree when graduating from Lindenwood as a Seminary pupil: later she took all (and more) of the required studies at Barnard College N.Y, and on application for

the A. B. degree from Lindenwood – filed the necessary fee and furnished an acceptable thesis – and by order of the Board of Trustees is granted the diploma.

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| To | <u>Esther J Hite</u>      | – Degree of <u>B. L.</u> |
| "  | <u>Pauline Sellers</u>    | – " "                    |
| "  | <u>Clarissa Briggs</u>    | – <u>Senior</u>          |
| "  | <u>Mabel Blattner</u>     | "                        |
| "  | <u>Elsie DeWolf</u>       | "                        |
| "  | <u>Pearl Finger</u>       | "                        |
| "  | <u>Bessie Hedges</u>      | "                        |
| "  | <u>Bessie Hendry</u>      | "                        |
| "  | <u>Leola Mittlebach</u>   | "                        |
| "  | <u>Lenore Mittlebach</u>  | "                        |
| "  | <u>Jessie Shaffer</u>     | "                        |
| "  | <u>Olive K. Burns</u>     | <u>Voice Senior</u>      |
| "  | <u>Lenore Hockensmith</u> | "                        |
| "  | <u>Dorothy Robinson</u>   | <u>Elocution Senior</u>  |
| "  | <u>Lenore Mittlebach</u>  | "                        |

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Mittlebach has been confirmed.

On motion Pres't Ayres' report was received and its recommendations approved.

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Pres't Nicolls reported the exention [sic – it is not clear whether "execution" or "extension" was intended, though the former seems more likely] of note in Bank by himself and Mr Wyman enabling the Treasurer to pay for repairs, taxes &c as authorized by the Board.

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Pres't Nicolls recounted efforts made to inaugurate a movement for the enlargement of the work of the College and the provision for an added building: – whereupon the following preamble and resolution was offered by Dr. Skilling, seconded by Mr Ranken, and unanimously adopted.

" Whereas it was the desire and purpose of the founders of Lindenwood, as expressed in their private journals and legal transfers of property to Lindenwood, to make the school a College in the highest sense of the word, and Whereas, owing to the exigencies by which the school has always been surrounded the character of its work has not been able to keep pace with the advance in College courses and ideals of the recent past and the present: but has to limit itself to that which is commonly designated as Seminary work: – and,

" Whereas in the judgment of the Board of Trustees the opportunity [looks like "oppertunity"] for entering upon this enlarged work was never more inviting than now, owing to the increase in population and wealth of the middle west, the territory which this college serves: and the manifest tendency of an increasing number of parents to have their daughters educated in schools maintained exclusively for women: – and

" Whereas an increasing amount of regular college work has been done at Lindenwood for several years past

" Resolved that the Board puts upon record its purpose to enlarge its equipment, increase its teaching force, and extend its courses of study until they are equal to those of any women's college in the United States: This does not however involve the present abandonment of the

“ preparatory

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“ and Seminary work being done by the College until such time as the College department has  
“ grown sufficiently large to sustain itself without the assistance of these other departments.

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Williams, seconded by Dr. Skilling and unanimously adopted.

“ Resolved that in furtherance of the work of advancement to which this Board is now pledged,  
“ the first absolute need is a building increasing the accommodations of the College, and that it  
“ is the sense of this Board that its efforts should now be directed to the securing of not less  
“ than \$40.000. to provide for said building.

The President read a communication from Rev. H H. Gregg D.D. tendering his resignation as a member of the Board – same being dated May 28<sup>th</sup> – 1906.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secty

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St Louis Jany 11<sup>th</sup> 1907.

A called meeting of the Board was held this day at 2 P.M. at 1516 Locust St.

Present Mess Nicolls, McKittrick, Ranken, Roemer & Wyman (5)

also Dr. Ayres President of the College.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Nicolls;

The minutes of the meeting of May 28<sup>th</sup> 1906. were read and approved.

President Nicolls suggested the death of our valued fellow-Trustee Rev Meade C. Williams and on motion of Mr Ranken duly seconded the President and Secretary of the Board were appointed a committee to prepare a suitable memorial of Dr. Williams for presentation at the next meeting.

President Ayres presented a memorandum of the receipts and disbursements of the College from the summer of 1906 to Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 1906 – which was read and placed on file.

President Nicolls presented a report or certificate of Appraisement of the Real and Personal property of the College, which was read, and ordered engrossed upon the minutes of the Board: it follows hereunder. [sic]

“Inventory of Lindenwood College”

Taken November 9<sup>th</sup> 1906.

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|                  |  |           |  |
| <u>Grounds</u>   |  | 32.620 00 |  |
| <u>Buildings</u> |  | 56.000 00 |  |

Total      \$ 110.53600

We the undersigned, after a careful inventory, certify the above figures as the present value of the property of Lindenwood College

Signed { Robert W. Ely  
              { Theo' O. Stumberg  
              { Jno.' B. Martin

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For the information of the Board the President presented a copy of letter by him received from Mr Andrew Carnegie, promising (on certain conditions) a donation of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000<sup>00</sup>) for the Building Fund:— said letter is copied hereunder [sic]

" #2 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street  
" New York April 24<sup>th</sup> 1906.

"Sam'l J. Niccolls Esq

“ Pres’ B’d Lindenwood Female College

“ St Charles Mo

“ Dear Sir:

“ Responding to your communications on behalf of Lindenwood Female College —, Mr  
“ Carnegie desires me to say that he will be glad to pay the last Ten Thousand Dollars of the  
“ Forty Thousand Dollars required for the erection of new building when the balance has been  
“ collected and expended for the purpose, and provided his subscription, when paid, shall leave  
“ no debt on the building.

Respectfully yours,  
Jas Bertrand  
P. Secretary

The Board were informed of an intended sale in the near future of the Prosser property adjoining the entrance to the college grounds, which raised for serious consideration a question as to whether or not the Board should endeavor to acquire the property: — the matter was fully discussed and on “ motion of Mr Wyman duly seconded, a committee consisting of Col J. G. Butler, Rev S. J. Niccolls and “ Dr. B. K. Stumberg was appointed to investigate the desirability and practicability of purchasing the “ Prosser property, and to report thereon to the Board.

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There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary.

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St Louis Apl 15<sup>th</sup> 1907.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 3 P.M at #1516. Locust Street.

Present Mess Hill, Niccolls, Palmer, Skilling, Stumberg, Ranken & Wyman (7)  
also President Ayres & Architect Labeaume. [Name is spelled "Lebeaume," but presumably "Louis LaBeaume," well-known St. Louis architect, is intended]

Prayer was offered by Dr. Palmer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, whereupon attention was called to an omission to record the action of the Board authorizing and directing an increase of insurance on the College buildings and contents [there exists a very slight doubt as to the accuracy of this word] to an amount covering their appraised value: with this being noted the minutes were approved.

The Executive Committee reported having effected the additional insurance in compliance with the Board's directions.

The Committee appointed to investigate and report upon the Prosser property, made report through Dr. Niccolls, – that after thorough consideration the committee were unanimous in the view that it is inexpedient to acquire the Prosser premises at this time, – the effort to build a new Dormitory Bldg being of paramount importance, and all that should now be attempted. This report was concurred in by the Board.

President Niccolls stated the chief object of the meeting to be a consideration of the question of erecting the new building: he reported officially that Col. James. G. Butler had

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subscribed \$10.000<sup>00</sup> to the building fund and that Mr John A. Holmes had subscribed \$5.000<sup>00</sup>: also that Dr. McKittrick had informed him that Mrs Wm McMillan had promised a subscription of \$10.000<sup>00</sup>.

President Ayres reported that he had secured subscriptions (mostly in St Charles) aggregating \$3200<sup>00</sup> to the fund, and it thus appeared that the Board has "in sight" the sum of \$39.200<sup>00</sup> made up as follows:  
viz

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|----------------------|---------------------|
| From Andrew Carnegie | \$10.000.00         |
| " Col. J. G. Butler  | 10.000.00           |
| " Mrs Wm McMillan    | 10.000.00           |
| " Rev M. C. Williams | 1.000.00            |
| " Jno' A. Holmes     | 5.000.00            |
| " Dr. Ayres list     | <u>3.200.00</u>     |
|                      | <u>\$ 39.200.00</u> |

showing a lack of but \$800<sup>00</sup> from the estimated cost of the new Dormitory.

The Secretary was instructed to convey the thanks of the Board to Col Butler, and Mr Holmes for their generous donations, and likewise to Mrs McMillan after Dr. McKittrick officially reports her donation.

President Niccolls reported his tentative negotiation with architect L. E. Labeaume [spelled "Lebeaume"] for plans for the new building, and Mr Labeaume [spelled "Lebeaume"] presented and explained the preliminary plans and drawings: these were critically examined and discussed by the Board.

The following resolution was offered by Mr Ranken seconded by Dr. Palmer and adopted unanimously: —

“ Resolved that in view of the subscriptions already made and promised, and the comparatively small sum needed to

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“ complete the \$40.000<sup>00</sup> Building Fund — the Board deems it expedient to proceed with the erection of a new Dormitory, the cost of which shall be limited to \$40.000<sup>00</sup>

On motion duly recorded, the Chair was requested to appoint a Building Committee of five, to have supervision of the new building, and the following were duly appointed: viz

Mess Butler, Niccolls, Ranken, Wyman and Stumberg.

There being no further business the Board adjourned subject to the Call of the President.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

St Charles Mo June 4<sup>th</sup> 1907

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the college this date at 10. A.m.

Present – Mess Butler, Hill, Niccolls, Palmer, Ranken, Skilling, Stumberg & Wyman (8)

Prayer was offered by Prest Niccolls.

The minutes of the previous meeting were dispensed with

President Ayres presented the list of graduates for whom the Faculty recommended the issue of diplomas or certificates, and on motion duly seconded the Board unanimously approved same as follows:

|    |                                   |                    |
|----|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| To | <u>Harriet Pansy Bailey</u>       | – <u>Piano</u>     |
|    | <u>Carrie Belle Baird</u>         | – <u>Seminary</u>  |
|    | <u>May Helen Barr</u>             | – “                |
|    | <u>Archibald Averill Campbell</u> | – <u>Elocution</u> |
|    | <u>Tonia Plack Carr</u>           | – <u>Seminary</u>  |
|    | <u>Thea Noble Dodson</u>          | – <u>Voice</u>     |

[Begin page “291.” Note that as always when transcribing names that appear once in a single source, there is a high probability of some degree of error regarding the names on this page and the previous names, especially but not limited to surnames. Note also that underlinings of blank spaces on this page are reproduced from the original document and are not added by me to represent missing or illegible text.]

|                                |                                           |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| <u>Mildred Katherine Finch</u> | – <u>Piano</u>                            |
| <u>Zoe Guthrie</u>             | – <u>Seminary</u> [name looks like “Zou”] |

Georgia Groves Howard – “  
Mary Ferrell [?] Rollins – “  
Valerie Jeanette Skinner – Piano  
Minnie Elizabeth Sweeny – Seminary [listed in 1905 Annual Register as “Sweeney”]  
Amy Jane Nirden – Elocution  
Leon Rose Wahlert – Seminary [probably “Leona” is intended]  
Orpha M Breckenridge Baldwin – B. L.  
Agnes Victoria Kirk – B. L.  
Mrs Louise J. [T.?] Crandall – B. L.

President Ayres reported the year would close without debt – his detailed report to be made in Sept next.

The Treasurer submitted his report as follows.

|                    | <u>Dr.</u>  | <u>Cr.</u>  |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Watson Endowment   |             | 12.800 00   |
| Ridgeley Endowment |             | 10.000 00   |
| Watson Fund Income |             | 445 50      |
| Bills Payable      |             | 2.285 00    |
| New Building Fund  |             | 51 00       |
| Loan A/c           | 22000 00    |             |
| Bills Receivable   | 800 00      |             |
| Geo. F. Ayres      | 285 05      |             |
| Profit & Loss      | 2035 43     |             |
| Cash on hand       | 461 02      |             |
|                    | \$25.581 50 | \$25.581 50 |
|                    |             |             |

The Treasurer reported that the sum of \$40.300<sup>00</sup> has been subscribed for the new dormitory and that contracts have been let for the erection of the building. There being no further business the Board adjourned to participate in the exercises of “Commencement Day.”

Henry P. Wyman

Secty

[Between pages “290” and “291,” a printed graduation program is inserted for the year 1907. On the back of this program, a groundbreaking ceremony for the new building is briefly described, indicating that groundbreaking occurred on Commencement Day, June 4 1907. Being already in typed form, this commencement program has not been reproduced here. Begin page “292.”]

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St Louis Nov 19<sup>th</sup> 1907

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 11. a.m. at No 312 Laclede Building – Present Mess Bornig, [Barnig?] Butler, Hill, Niccolls, Ranken, Roemer, Stumberg & Wyman (8)

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls

The Secretary read the minutes of the meetings of Apl 15<sup>th</sup> and June 4<sup>th</sup> 1907 which were approved.

The Treasurer reported the receipts and expenditures of the "New Building Fund" and the present obligations of that fund. \_\_\_\_\_

The President stated the object of the meeting as being principally, to provide for a new heating-plant and building, now imperatively necessary the cost of which would approximate the sum of a little over five thousand dollars (\$5000.) , as shown by bids which the Architect has obtained.

After a full consideration of the matter, the following resolution was offered by Mr Butler, seconded by Mr Wyman and adopted unanimously.

"Whereas there is immediate need for the erection of a new Heating Plant and Building for  
" same (to replace the old one, now nearly unserviceable) and to take up the Board's  
" promissory note for \$2285.<sup>00</sup> held by the National Bank of Commerce, therefore  
" "Resolved that the President and Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Lindenwood Female  
" College be and they are hereby authorized and directed to obtain a loan of not exceeding  
" Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000<sup>00</sup>) at a rate not exceeding Six per Cent (6%) per annum, for a  
" time not exceeding three (3) years, and to secure said loan by a Deed of Trust upon the  
" property of this corporation of [?] St Charles Mo, exclusive of the new Dormitory now in  
" course of erection "and to execute in behalf of the

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"corporation such instruments as may be necessary to carry out this instruction"

The President reported correspondence with Mr Andrew Carnegie resulting in a promise to pay the subscription of the latter at an early date — and also that in the near future the last installment of Mrs McMillan's subscription will be available.

The matter of the vacation of the street running thro' the Board's property was discussed but no action taken, it being decided to postpone consideration of it to a future time.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

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St Louis May 18<sup>th</sup> – 1908

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 2 P.M in the Presbyterian Rooms, Equitable Bldg

Present: Mess Niccolls, Ranken, Roemer, Skilling and Wyman

Also President Geo. F. Ayres of the College

Prayer was offered by Dr. Niccolls.

The minutes of the meeting of Nov 19<sup>th</sup> 1907 were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported the receipts and disbursements of the “New Building Fund”, showing that to this date the receipts from donations are \$36.323<sup>00</sup> and the disbursements \$34.214<sup>20</sup>; the further sum of \$5000. will be available from the McMillan donation in June next.

Dr. Nicolls explained conditions as affecting the cost of the new Boiler-house, and the favorable prospect of securing funds to pay for it.

The Treasurer reported his action in securing insurance on the property of the Board and it appearing that he had covered the risk on the new building for its cost \$40.000. – the Board deemed the risk excessive and directed that the risk be reduced to \$10.000. [The “1” is somewhat uncertain]

On motion of Mr Roemer, seconded by Mr Ranken, the officers of the Board were elected to serve for another term.

President Ayres presented a financial report covering a period from Sept 1907 to Apl 1<sup>st</sup> 1908 – which was read and placed on file: Dr. Ayres was requested to present a complete report to cover period [sic – “the” is omitted in the original document] ending with the scholastic year in June.

On the recommendation of the Faculty of the College, the Board approved and ordered the award of Degrees and Diplomas for the

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graduating class as follows.

|                                    |                      |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Amie Marie Louise Becker           | Bachelor of Letters  |
| Isabell [“Isabelle”?] Thompson Ely | “ “                  |
| Laura Nell Green                   | “ “                  |
| Edna Alice Hanna                   | “ “ & Piano          |
| Jessie Hanon                       | “ “ & Violin         |
| Mary Eleanore [sic] Barton         | Seminary             |
| Gilda Cecilia Bringhurst           | “                    |
| Norma May Buchner                  | “                    |
| Louise Douglass Ferguson           | “                    |
| Irene Greason                      | “                    |
| Hazel Frances Graham               | “ & Domestic Science |
| Helenne [sic] Hammar               | Domestic Science     |
| Lilian E. Hendricks                | Seminary             |
| Marguerite Linville                | “                    |
| Josephine Nicks                    | “                    |
| Ada Jeanette Reese                 | Piano                |
| Elizabeth Frances Richards         | Seminary             |
| Ethel A. Spencer                   | “                    |
| Jeanette Steele                    | Elocution            |
| Lilian Bader Urban                 | Seminary             |
| Mary Elizabeth Vance               | “                    |
| Romayne [sic] Esther Whitley       | “                    |
| Edna May Dunn                      | “                    |
| Jane Skipwith Foute [?]            | “                    |

**Commented [a30]:** Check names if possible. Though the handwriting is very clear for almost all of these, so if records can’t be found, just delete this comment and don’t worry about it.

Names have been checked, only minimal discrepancies (i.e. “Lilian” for “Lillian.” Can probably delete this comment.

Mary Elizabeth Statler “

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary.

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St Louis Nov 13<sup>th</sup> 1908

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at the Presbyterian Rooms Equitable Bldg —  
Present Mess Hill, Niccolls, Ranken, Stumberg and Wyman. (5) – also Dr. Ayres.

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls.

The minutes of the last meeting (May 18/08) were read and approved.

Prest Niccolls explained the object of the meeting was to consider the present indebtedness of  
the Board and provide for meeting it.

The Treasurer reported as follows.

Total receipts for the Building Fund 45.423.00

Total disbursed from “ “ “ 44.979.00

Balance to credit of “ “ 444.00

The approximate indebtedness of the Board is as

|                                          |                   |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| follows. <u>Note in Bank of Commerce</u> | 2285.00           |
| Gray Construction Co balance             | 711.48            |
| A. S. Fox “                              | 337.00            |
| Mariner & LaBeaume “                     | 223.00            |
| Lammert Furniture Co                     | 645.25            |
| Kennard Carpet Co                        | 453.50            |
| St Charles Electric Lt & P. Co           | 252.75            |
| Haynes – Langenberg Co                   | 3675.00           |
| C. F. Strathmann                         | 89.25             |
| Huning D. G. Co [see note below]         | 80.00             |
| Theo’ Pundmann                           | 60.25             |
| St Charles Electric Lt & P. Co           | <u>12.25</u>      |
|                                          | <u>\$ 8824.73</u> |

In addition is a bill for \$ 5 from the Gray Construction Co – some of the items of which are in  
dispute.

[Notes: A) Just as is represented above, the signs for “\$ 5” are followed in the original document by a  
wider space than usually follows a word. It seems possible that Wyman left the space blank, intending to  
fill it in later with the exact numerical figure, yet never accomplished this. His statement that items on  
the bill are in dispute seems to support this theory – a \$5 bill would be hardly large enough to contain  
many items worth disputing over. B) In the listing above for “Huning D. G. Co,” the “G” looks very much

like a “Y,” as the bottom half of the letter is not fully formed. However, the “D. G.” presumably stands for “Dry Goods,” and so in context, “D. G.” is the only reading that makes sense.]

After a full survey of the situation the following resolution was offered by Mr Ranken seconded by Dr. Hill and adopted unanimously

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“Resolved that the President and Secretary be and hereby are authorized and empowered to “borrow in bank and execute the Board’s note for same, — a sum not exceeding Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000<sup>00</sup>) to defray the present indebtedness of the Board, exclusive of the “existing note for \$2285<sup>00</sup> now held by the Bank of Commerce.

The President appointed as an Auditing Committee to examine and report upon the Treasurer’s accounts connected with the new building

Mess Roemer, Skilling & Ranken.

On motion of Dr. Stumberg, seconded by Mr Ranken the Treasurer was instructed to secure fire insurance on the Furniture & Fixtures in the new Dormitory, and for \$500. on the new Boiler House

On motion the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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St Louis May 31<sup>st</sup> 1909.

A called meeting of the Board was held at noon this day, in the Presbyterian Rooms –Equitable Bldg.

Present – Mess Butler, McKittrick, Niccolls, Ranken, Stumberg and Wyman (6)

also – Pres’t Ayres of the College

Prayer was offered by Dr. Niccolls.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Pres’t Niccolls suggested an election of officers for the ensuing year – whereupon on motion of Mr Ranken, seconded by Dr. McKittrick officers were unanimously elected as follows.

President Rev’ Sam’l J. Niccolls D.D.

Vice President Col James G. Butler

Secty & Treasry [sic] Henry P. Wyman

Pres't Ayres – of the College presented a tentative report [word also looks like “repose” but “report” makes most sense in context] of the financial condition of the Institution, showing receipts and disbursements to date — the accurate and detailed report to follow at the end of June prox. The average number of boarding pupils last year has been 87 and the engagements already made for next year exceed 40 – an unusually large number and presaging a full attendance.

Prest Niccolls stated conditions under which the Board can acquire ownership of the Prosser property viz; – Col Butler has most generously offered to buy and donate it to the College, provided the present indebtedness of the Board be wiped out.

Prest Niccolls gave assurances that pledges of money are already made, with which, it is assured that this much desired property will ere long become the property of Lindenwood.

Pres't Ayres – representing the Faculty recommended that the graduating Class of 1909 be awarded Diplomas as follows.

[Begin page “299.” All lines and lengthy dashes below appear in red ink in the original document; they are divisors or connectors original to the text and are not added by me to indicate missing or illegible text. This list corresponds almost exactly to the 1909 commencement program, the only differences being “Winifred” for “Winnifred” and “Norah” for “Nora.”]

|    |                                         |     |                  |
|----|-----------------------------------------|-----|------------------|
| To | Ethel Maurine Allen                     | — — | Seminary         |
|    | Helen Vaughan Babcock                   | —   | “                |
|    | Virginia Louise Betts                   | —   | “                |
|    | Mary Adelaide Clay                      | —   | Elocution        |
|    | Caroline Elizabeth Collins              | —   | Seminary & Piano |
|    | Lois Dale                               | —   | Seminary         |
|    | Clara Louise Davis                      | —   | “                |
|    | Nell Quinlan Donnelly                   | —   | “                |
|    | Arlie Ruth Fleming                      | —   | “                |
|    | Elizabeth Louise Keene                  | —   | “                |
|    | Marie Wanda Krebs                       | —   | “                |
|    | Leola Katheryn Mittlebach               | —   | B. L.            |
|    | Orpha Rhea Moore                        | —   | Piano            |
|    | Winniford [sic] Marritta [sic] Olmstead | —   | Seminary         |
|    | Mary Redfield Rice                      | —   | B. L.            |
|    | Alice Nora Ripley                       | —   | Seminary         |
|    | Margaret Anna Schiltz                   | —   | “                |
|    | Winnifred [sic] Warren                  | —   | “                |

On motion of Mr Wyman seconded by Dr. McKittrick Diplomas were ordered issued and bestowed as recommended.

The Treasurer gave a summary statement of the financial Condition of the Board and showing the receipts and disbursents [sic – clearly “disbursements” was intended] of the New Building fund.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

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St Louis June 3<sup>d</sup> 1910

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 3 P.M today at rooms of the Minister's Assoc'n [clearly an abbreviation for "Association"] N. E. Corner Broadway and Locust St.

Present – Mess Butler, Niccolls, Skilling, Wyman –

President Ayres was also present.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Niccolls.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer presented his report of the financial standing of the Board as follows

|                    | <u>  Dr.</u>         | <u>  </u> | <u>Cr.</u>           | <u>  </u> |
|--------------------|----------------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|
| Watson Endowment   |                      |           | 12800 00             |           |
| Ridgeley Endowment |                      |           | 10000 00             |           |
| Loan A/c           | 22000 00             |           |                      |           |
| Bills Payable      |                      |           | 1000 00              |           |
| Bills Receivable   | 800 00               |           |                      |           |
| Watson Fund Income |                      |           | 203 42               |           |
| Geo. F. Ayres      | 122 00               |           |                      |           |
| Profit & Loss      | 603 30               |           |                      |           |
| Cash               | 478 12               |           |                      |           |
|                    | <u>   24.003 42 </u> | <u>  </u> | <u>   24.003 42 </u> | <u>  </u> |

The Treasurer also presented and read his report of the receipts and expenditures on account of the "New Building Fund" as related to the building and furnishing of the new Jubilee Building.

President Ayres presented a tentative report of the receipts and disbursements of the College, to be followed by a settlement account at the end of June.

Representing the Faculty of the College Pres't Ayres presented the names of the graduates of this year, with recommendation that diplomas

[Begin page "301." Note – for unknown reasons, both "Sadie Bell" and "Marguerite Strangways" appear twice on the list below, as it appears in the original document.]

be awarded them by the Board.

On motion of Col Butler – seconded by Mr Wyman – Diplomas were awarded as follows.

Sadie Bell                      Bachelor of Letters  
Helen Howard                      "

|                       |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Helen Richards        | "                        |
| Ethel Robinson        | "                        |
| Florence Withington   | "                        |
| Irene Amos            | <u>Seminary</u>          |
| Ruth Sayre Barr       | "                        |
| Marjorie Burnham      | "                        |
| Nydia Cecanko.        | "                        |
| Marita Hodgman        | "                        |
| Evelyn Hornback       | "                        |
| Eleanor Keller        | "                        |
| Florence Keller       | "                        |
| Mary McCluer          | "                        |
| Grace Miller          | "                        |
| Clara Schwerdtman     | "                        |
| Marguerite Strangways | "                        |
| Ethel Alexander       | <u>Piano.</u>            |
| May Parsons           | <u>Bachelor of Music</u> |
| Sadie Bell            | <u>Elocution</u>         |
| Eula Edwards          | "                        |
| Helen Richards        | "                        |
| Marguerite Strangways | "                        |

President Nicolls announced the munificent gift of Col J. G. Butler, in purchasing and deeding to the College the handsome Mansion and grounds Known as the Prosser property – contiguous to the College premises and signally adding to the beauty and facilities of the institution: the formal acknowledgment of this donation was postponed until the next meeting of the Board.

President Ayres reported that Col Butler

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Butler had some time since handed him a check for \$1,000.<sup>00</sup> to be expended for necessary [looks like "neccessary"] furnishings – which had been done

On motion the Board adjourned to meet at the College in St Charles at 10 A.M. Tuesday June 7<sup>th</sup> "Commencement Day."

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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St Charles Mo – June 7<sup>th</sup> 1910

Pursuant to adjournment the Board held meeting in the new "Jubilee Building" at 10. A.m just prior to the "Commencement Exercises" of the College.

Present – Mess Butler, Nicolls, McKittrick, Ranken, Roemer, & Wyman

Prayer was offered by Pres't Nicolls.

The President requested the authority of the Board to sign a petition to the City Council of St Charles for the vacation of College Ave, and to sign an agreement with Mr Bruere for an easement as to his private grounds adjacent to the College property.

On motion of Col Butler seconded by Mr Roemer the Executive Committee of the Board were duly authorized to act in both matters.

President Niccolls announced to the Board Col James G. Butler's munificent gift to the College, in the purchase of the Mansion and grounds known as the Prosser property – and deeding same unincumbered [sic] to Lindenwood: – likewise of the generous gift from Mrs Butler of the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1.000<sup>00</sup>) for the necessary furnishing of the mansion for College use: ——— Whereupon the following resolution was offered by Dr. McKittrick – seconded by Mr Roemer

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and adopted unanimously.

“The Board of Trustees of Lindenwood [actually says “Lindenwrrd” for unknown reasons]  
“College desire to have recorded their sincere and grateful appreciation of the large-hearted  
“beneficence of Col' James G. Butler in his bestowment of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8.000<sup>00</sup>) for  
“the purchase of the building on the corner of College Ave and Kingshighway, — and Also their  
“gratitude to his wife, Mrs Margaret Butler, for her gift of One Thousand Dollars (\$1.000.)  
“toward the furnishing of the building.  
“ In recognition of their generosity the Board decreed that this building be hereafter always  
“Known as “Margaret Hall”.  
“Resolved also, that a copy of this action of the Board be sent to Col' and Mrs Butler in  
“recognition of our hearty appreciation of their generous gifts, and their beautifully expressed  
“interest in the welfare of the College.

Col Butler happily acknowledged the resolutions, and also expressed his intention of defraying the expense of a handsome driveway and footwalk (– much needed –) through the grounds of the institution, connecting the street with the College buildings.

On motion of Col Butler seconded by Mr Roemer the action of the Board at its last meeting, awarding diplomas to the graduating Class of 1910 was approved.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

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St Louis June 27<sup>th</sup> 1910.

A called meeting of the Board was held at 11 am this date at Presbyterian Rooms 5<sup>th</sup> & Locust Sts.

Present – Mess Niccolls, Ranken, Skilling & Wyman

The minutes of the meetings of June 3<sup>d</sup> and June 7 were read and approved.

The President stated the object of the meeting was to consider the financial report of Pres't Ayres but as this report was not present, the matter was necessarily postponed.

The President reported an application as made to him for signature to petition to City Council of St Charles – approving proposed route for street – railway, and on an explanation of the proposed route the Pres't was authorized to sign the petition

It appeared that the City Council of St Charles declined to vacate College Ave (as desired by the Board) offering instead to "lease" the premises for a period of twenty years &c – but this proposition was not favorably entertained by the Board, and meantime Col Butler declines to foot the cost of the contemplated improvement of College Ave until the matter is satisfactorily adjusted.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

[Begin page "305." At the beginning of this page, underlining is still done in black. With the commencement of the list of graduates, the practice of underlining and added divisors in red ink is resumed and continues throughout the remainder of the document until further notice.]

St Louis May 25 1911.

A called meeting of the Board was held at 3. pm this date in the Presbyterian Rooms – Oddfellow's Bldg  
Present – Mess Niccolls, Ranken, & Wyman

Also Rev Dr. Ayres – Prest &c

Dr Ayres as representing the Faculty of the College presented the following names of the graduating Class, with recommendation that Degrees and Diplomas as indicated, [sic] be awarded by the Board of Trustees.

|                                             |                                          |
|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| <u>Mary Helen Barr</u>                      | <u>Bachelor of Letters</u>               |
| <u>Bessie Marie Cussins</u>                 | "                                        |
| <u>Ruth Rooker Parr</u>                     | "                                        |
| <u>Hazel Dean</u>                           | "                                        |
| <u>Gladys Robertson</u>                     | "                                        |
| <u>Erma Webb</u>                            | "                                        |
| <u>Ruth Dulty Crandall</u>                  | <u>Bachelor of Letters and Elocution</u> |
| <u>Minnie Lee Betts</u>                     | <u>Seminary</u>                          |
| <u>Nina Kathryne Blount</u>                 | "                                        |
| <u>Oma Lee Douglass</u>                     | "                                        |
| <u>Dorothy Louise Evans</u>                 | "                                        |
| <u>Golda Mae Hewitt</u>                     | "                                        |
| <u>Dorothy Elaine Holtkamp</u>              | "                                        |
| <u>Katherine Kennedy</u>                    | "                                        |
| <u>Faye Kurre</u>                           | "                                        |
| <u>Bonnie Lee Lemly</u>                     | "                                        |
| <u>Frances Margaret Maffett</u> [Moffett"?] | "                                        |
| <u>Mary Rhea Richardson</u>                 | "                                        |
| <u>Jean Russell</u>                         | "                                        |
| <u>Eleanore Wencker</u>                     | "                                        |
| <u>Ruth Jeannette Keene</u>                 | <u>Seminary and Elocution</u>            |

|                                   |                            |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <u>Sibyl Elizabeth Neff</u>       | <u>Seminary and Piano.</u> |
| <u>Genevieve M. James</u>         | <u>Domestic Science</u>    |
| <u>Mabel Eleanor Nix</u>          | <u>Piano.</u>              |
| <u>Gladys Marguerite McDonald</u> | <u>Elocution.</u>          |
| <u>Loudine Nyberg</u>             | <u>"</u>                   |

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On motion it was ordered that the Degrees and Diplomas be granted as recommended subject to approval at next meeting of the Board with quorum present. \_\_\_\_\_

President Niccolls submitted a paper intended to effect an easement for road, from College – to Alph Aymond – over what is now College Avenue where said College Ave shall be vacated by the City of St Charles. \_\_\_\_\_

On motion duly seconded, the President was authorized to sign said Easement on behalf of the College, whenever consent should be given by a majority of the Board of Trustees \_\_\_\_\_

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

Treasurer's Report      June 6' – 1911.

|                        |  | Dr.        |  | Cr         |  |
|------------------------|--|------------|--|------------|--|
| Watson Endowment Fund  |  |            |  | 12800 00   |  |
| Ridgeley      "      " |  |            |  | 10000 00   |  |
| Watson Fund Income     |  |            |  | 263 52     |  |
| Profit & Loss          |  |            |  | 94 53      |  |
| Loan A/c               |  | 22000 00   |  |            |  |
| Bills Receivable       |  | 800 00     |  |            |  |
| Geo' F. Ayres          |  | 122 00     |  |            |  |
| Cash on hand           |  | 236 05     |  |            |  |
|                        |  | \$23158 05 |  | \$23158 05 |  |
|                        |  |            |  |            |  |

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St Louis December 1<sup>st</sup> 1911.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 1 [2?] P.m in the Presbyterian rooms Oddfellows Bld'g.

Present – Mess Butler, Fullerton, Niccolls, McKittrick, Ranken, Roemer, Stumberg and Wyman. (8)  
The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, and on motion, the action taken at that meeting (held without a quorum) was duly approved.

Pres't Niccolls stated his action as taken in August last in making a contract with Knabe & Co. of New York for the exchange of the old pianos of the College for new instruments, and called for a reading of the Contract: – the Secty read the Contract and on motion of Mr Ranken seconded by Dr. Stumberg the action of the President was approved and the Treasurer was directed to make the first payment due under the Contract.

Dr Niccolls called attention to recent gifts to the College as made by Col. J. G. Butler for painting the main building – for equipment for the laboratory, and for the construction of the new roadway and sidewalk, and suggested a suitable acknowledgment from the Board, — these gifts representing Cash disbursements of

\$600.<sup>00</sup> for Painting of Sibley Hall

\$362 <sup>00</sup> “ Equipment for Laboratory

\$2000 <sup>00</sup> “ New Roadway & Walk (approximately).

The following resolution was offered by Mr Wyman, seconded by Mr Ranken and adopted.

“ This Board places on record its heartfelt appreciation of the continued generosity of Col  
“ James G. Butler to the College, especially as recently manifested in his gifts for the painting of  
“ Sibley Hall, – for the Laboratory, and for the construction of the Roadway and sidewalk for the  
“ use of the College

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“ We gratefully recognize the fact that it is through his interest and enlarged liberality in the  
“ cause of Christian education, that Lindenwood College has attained its present measure of  
“ success and enlarged hope for the future. The Board hereby directs that the new  
“ approach to the College – formerly Known as College Avenue, shall hereafter be Known as  
“ “Butler Way”, in recognition of his benefactions: also that the Secretary be directed to send  
“ Col Butler a copy of this minute and to express to him and to his wife the hearty thanks of the  
“ Board for their generous gifts.”

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The Secretary then read the Report of President Ayres made at the end of the school year of 1910–1911 — June 1911.

Dr. Niccolls was excused to Keep an appointment and Dr. McKittrick took the Chair.

Dr. Ayres was asked for information as to the present Conditions and prospects for the current year, and amongst other items, gave the present enrolment [sic] as 82 boarders and 9 day pupils – a total of 91.

He estimated the income at \$27,800. – with expenses for Faculty \$9000. — house and servants \$8400. general expenses \$8500. — total \$25,900. – without any allowance for Salary of the President.

Dr. McKittrick withdrew and Dr. Roemer took the Chair.

It being apparent that the Board were facing a deficit at close of the current year, considerable discussion was had touching the cost of maintenance of the College – at the close of which the following resolution was offered by Dr. Fullerton

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duly seconded and adopted \_\_\_\_\_

“Resolved that a Committee composed of Mess Nicolls, Wyman, Stumberg, Ranken, and  
“ Roemer be instructed to confer with Pres’t Ayres looking to the present and future  
“ management of the College at the close of the school year in June next.

The Secretary reported that no insurance on the Boilers of the College was in effect, and was instructed to secure same and also meet the insurance stipulation of the Piano contract lately made with the Knabe Co of New York.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary.

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St Louis Mch 7<sup>th</sup> 1912 [“Mch” clearly means “March”]

A called meeting of the Board was held at the Presbyterian Rooms at 2 P.m.

Present – Mess Butler, Nicolls, Ranken & Wyman

No quorum – Also Pres’t Ayres.

For the information of those present the minutes of the last meeting were read.

Pres’t Ayres presented an “estimate” of the receipts and disbursements for the current scholastic year, each showing an amount of \$31.786 <sup>10</sup>/<sub>100</sub>, and evidencing his conclusion that no surplus can be counted on for the Treasury of the Board.

The Secty read the “Piano Contract” — (with Wm Knabe & Co) requiring four annual payments, to meet the first of which (by reason of the nearly empty treasury) Pres’t Nicolls reported that he with the Secty had executed the Board’s demand note for \$1.000.<sup>00</sup> – endorsed by

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Sam’l J. Nicolls and Henry P. Wyman and secured the money from the Nat’l Bank of Commerce.

On motion of Mr Ranken, seconded by Col’ Butler this transaction was duly approved.

There being no existing contract between the Board and President Ayres, — the Secretary was directed to read the expired contract, — after which Pres’t Ayres signified his disinclination to renew it without modifications: whereupon after discussion, it was understood that Pres’t Ayres would address a letter to Pres’t Nicolls stating, his views and wishes as to a future contract or agreement, which when received should be considered and acted upon by the Committee appointed at the meeting of Dec’r 1<sup>st</sup> 1911.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

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St Louis May 30<sup>th</sup> – 1912

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 2 P.m this date at Presbyterian Rooms –

Present: Mess Butler, Fullerton, McKittrick  
Niccolls, Ranken, & Skilling.

also President Ayres.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Niccolls.

Secretary Wyman, being out of the city, the chair appointed Dr. Skilling Secty pro tem.

President Ayres – representing the Faculty of the College, presented the following names with recommendation that on their graduation next Commencement day – degrees be conferred.

|                                 |                                   |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <u>Agnes Julia Adams</u>        | <u>Sem.</u>                       |
| <u>Eleanor Adelia Asdale</u>    | <u>B. L. &amp; D. S.</u>          |
| <u>Elizabeth Gaston Christy</u> | <u>Sem.</u>                       |
| <u>Adred Lewis Crosby</u>       | <u>Art.</u>                       |
| <u>Leora [Leona?] Davis</u>     | <u>B. L.</u>                      |
| <u>Florence Margaret Finger</u> | <u>Sem &amp; D.S.</u>             |
| <u>Rebecca Hoult</u>            | <u>B. L.</u>                      |
| <u>Donna Rosamond Nash</u>      | <u>B. L. &amp; D. S.</u>          |
| <u>Sibyl Elizabeth Neff</u>     | <u>Piano &amp; Voice</u>          |
| <u>Ruth Rooker Parr</u>         | <u>Music B.</u>                   |
| <u>Frances M. Prill</u>         | <u>Sem &amp; Voice</u>            |
| <u>Bertha Elizabeth Smith</u>   | <u>B. L.</u>                      |
| <u>Minnie Helen West.</u>       | <u>Sem; Elocution &amp; D. S.</u> |

On motion the recommendation of the Pres't & Faculty was approved and the degrees ordered.

There being no further business the Board Adjourned —

David M. Skilling

Secty pro tem

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St Louis Nov 27<sup>th</sup> – 1912

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 3 P.m this day – in the Presbyterian rooms – Oddfellows Building:

Present – Mess Fullerton, Niccolls, Butler,  
Roemer, Stumberg & Wyman (6)  
also Pres't Ayres.

Prayer was offered by Pres't Niccolls.

The Secretary read the minutes of the meetings of March 7<sup>th</sup> 1912 and May 30<sup>th</sup> 1912 and they were duly approved.

The President directed the reading of Pres't Ayres' Financial Report for the Scholastic year ending June 30<sup>th</sup> 1912.

The Secretary read the entire report stating it had been rendered October 10<sup>th</sup> last.

On motion of Dr. Fullerton, seconded by Dr. Roemer the report was ordered audited by a Committee to be appointed by Pres't Niccolls, and the latter appointed as such Committee Mess Ranken Wyman and Stumberg.

Prest Ayres gave a brief verbal statement of conditions at the College — saying the enrolment [sic] of pupils was 107 — of whom 98 are boarders. He claimed to have paid part of last years [sic] expenses out of his own funds, but said prospect [sic] was good for a profit at end of this year.

The Treasurer stated the Treasury was overdrawn to the amount of \$11<sup>68</sup>, but that he had made a payment of \$500. on the Board's note in bank, leaving \$500. still payable – and called attention to our obligations to the Knabe Piano Co.

Pres't Niccolls gave satisfactory explanation why no action has been taken to carry out the purpose intended by appointment of the Committee to confer with Pres't Ayres as to the present and future

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management of the College – (said Committee having been appointed at meeting of Dec 1<sup>st</sup> 1911 ).

Following this a desultory discussion ensued ["ensued" is an insertion] of the fact that no contract now exists between the Board and Dr. Ayres, during which Dr. Ayres produced and read his views on the subject – but no action was taken, leaving the matter still in the hands of the Committee mentioned.

Pres't Niccolls resigned the Chair to Keep an engagement, — Dr. Roemer taking his place.

It being apparent that no further business could be concluded – the Board adjourned

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

St Louis Febry 25<sup>th</sup> 1913.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 3 P.M this day in the Presbyt'y [?] Rooms — Oddfellows & fall [?]

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Present: Mess Niccolls, McKittrick, Palmer  
Ranken, Wyman — 5.

Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Niccolls

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Pres't Niccolls stated the business to be the consideration of a report from the Committee appointed Dec 1<sup>st</sup> – 1911 – to consider the business relations between the Board and the present President of the College.

The report of the Committee was then read and provided as follows:

1<sup>st</sup>: That the existing arrangement with Dr Ayres cease June 30<sup>th</sup> 1913.

2<sup>d</sup>: That Dr. Ayres be responsible for all bills against the College up to June 30<sup>th</sup> 1913 excepting the account of the Knabe Piano Co

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3<sup>rd</sup>: That the Board discontinue leasing the College property to any one, and itself assume the conduct of the institution

4<sup>th</sup>: That the Board elect a President, who shall under the Board's direction administer the educational and (for the present) the financial affairs of the College (excepting the endowment funds) – but have no financial interest in the institution beyond his salary as determined by the Board.

5<sup>th</sup>: That a bond be required of the President for his faithful services and management of the funds of the institution : that he be advised and directed in all financial matters by the Board or the Board's Committee : that he make no Contracts or expenditures without approval of the Committee : that he Keep accurate Accounts of receipts and expenditures and render to the Committee quarterly statements thereof: – and that he prepare and submit to the Board for their consideration and action a "budget" of expenses for each year

6<sup>th</sup>: That the President have the right to nominate to the Board, the Teachers and Employes [sic – "employees" is an older variant of "employees"] for the Institution — these to be elected by the Board unless valid objection should be found.

7<sup>th</sup>: That the compensation of the President be fixed as follows:

If the number of boarding pupils for the Collegiate year is less than 80, the salary to be \$1200. with board for himself and family.

If the number of such pupils exceeds 80 and is less than 90 — the salary to be \$1500. and board.

If the number of such pupils exceeds 90 and is less than 100. – the salary to be \$2000. & board –

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and if the number of such pupils reaches 105 or over the salary to be \$2500. and board.  
On motion of Dr. Palmer seconded by Dr. McKittrick – the report of the Committee was received approved and adopted unanimously.

The Treasurer reported having paid the Board's note in bank, and that all the endowment funds were invested properly.

He also reported having but \$2<sup>86</sup> in the treasury and was without funds to meet the obligation to the Knabe Piano Co of New York.

On motion of Dr. Palmer, — the Committee whose report was made to this meeting, was Continued and directed to prepare a Code of Rules for the Government of the College and its Finances &c — to be submitted [sic – a slight space after the first four letters almost seems to suggest that Wyman began to write the word “subscribed” and was interrupted or changed his mind and finished with the word “submitted” without realizing that he had already gone too far in “subscribed” to change it.] to the Board and used in negotiating with the Pres't of the College.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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St Louis May 21<sup>st</sup> 1913.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 4 P.m – in Odd Fellows' Bldg —  
Present – Mess Butler, Niccolls, Palmer, Ranken and Wyman (5.)

also Pres't Geo. F. Ayres.

Prayer was offered by Pres't Niccolls

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The President reported that in order to meet the obligations of the Board, he in company with Treasurer Wyman had made

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the Board's note for \$1150.<sup>00</sup> in March last and discounted it at the Bank of Commerce – Whereupon the following resolution was offered by Mr Ranken, seconded by Col Butler and adopted unanimously: —

“Resolved that the action of the President and Secretary of the Board of Trustees in executing  
“the Board's note for Eleven Hundred and Fifty (\$1150.) Dollars under date of March 21st 1913,  
“to meet the obligations of the Board at that date be approved.”

The Committee to Audit the Financial Report of President Ayres for the year 1911–12, – (appointed at meeting of Nov 27<sup>th</sup> last –) presented their report which was read by the Secretary and on motion was ordered received and filed.

The following resolution was offered by Mr Wyman seconded by Mr Ranken and adopted unanimously: —

“Resolved that from and after this date, all sums of money donated to Lindenwood College,  
“whether from Churches or individuals, shall be promptly turned over to the Treasurer of the  
“Board who shall duly acknowledge same.”

The Committee appointed Dec 1<sup>st</sup> 1911, – to formulate regulations for conducting the business of the College, reported thro’ Chairman Niccolls – who presented and read a draft of By Laws, and Rules and Regulations for the governing of the educational employees [sic – “employees” is an older variant of “employees”] of the College and the officers of the Board of Trustees.

In the main these were acceptable to the Board, but adoption of them was deferred until

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the next meeting.

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer seconded by Mr Wyman and adopted unanimously: \_\_\_\_\_

“Resolved that the President of the College be and hereby is authorized and directed to issue  
“the customary diplomas and certificates to such members of the graduating Class of 1913 as  
“have passed the regular examinations, and are recommended by the Faculty of the College.”

The Treasurer reported that all of the Endowment Funds of the College are safely invested, and filed his financial statement as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

St Louis May 21<sup>st</sup> – 1913.

|                      | <u>Dr.</u>  | <u>Cr.</u>  |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Watson Endowment     |             | 12.800 00   |
| Ridgeley “           |             | 10.000 00   |
| Bills Payable        |             | 1.150 00    |
| Watson Fund Income   |             | 431 29      |
| Knabe Piano Co       |             | 1.214 50    |
| George F. Ayres      | 22 00       |             |
| Piano Contract       | 2429 00     |             |
| Piano Transportation | 209 08      |             |
| Loans A/c            | 22000 00    |             |
| Bills Receivable     | 800 00      |             |
| Cash                 | 41 96       |             |
| Profit & Loss        | 93 75       |             |
|                      | \$25.595 79 | \$25.595 79 |
|                      |             |             |

On motion the Board adjourned to Wednesday May 28<sup>th</sup> at 3. P.m.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary .

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St Louis May 28<sup>th</sup> 1913.

Pursuant to adjournment from last meeting, the Board of Trustees held meeting [sic] this day at 3 P.M. in Odd Fellows Hall –

Present: Mess Butler, Fullerton, Niccolls,  
Palmer, Ranken and Wyman (6)  
also Pres't Ayres.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Niccolls.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

President Niccolls (as Chairman of the Committee appointed Dec 1st 1911 ) presented and read a series of "By Laws and Regulations" for the guidance of the officers of the Board and the Management of the College (largely based upon those in use at Westminster College) which were read by the Secretary and after slight amendments were adopted – as follows: —

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The following rules and by-laws are hereby adopted by the Board of Trustees of Lindenwood Female College.

BY- LAWS.

1. Powers. According to the charter, Lindenwood Female College and all its interest [sic] are "under the care and control of the synod of Missouri, U.S.A." and the "management of the affairs of said college" is vested in the board of trustees, *of the prescribed number of Fifteen (15.)*

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*directors*

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2. Officers. The officers of the board of trustees shall be a president, vice-president, a secretary and a treasurer.

3. Committees. There shall be standing committees as follows, and such other committees as from time to time may seem wise, each committee to consist of three or more members:

Executive,  
Endowment and Needs,  
Building and Grounds,  
Auditing,  
Faculty and Curriculum

4. Meetings. Two regular meetings of the board of trustees shall be held in every year, one at Saint Charles, to be known as the June meeting, and the other during October, to be known as the October meeting.

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The place and the day and hour for both meetings shall be designated by the president of the board in his notice of such meetings.

5. Special meetings. Such meetings shall be held when called by the president on his own motion, or at the request of the faculty, or of any three members of the board. Two days [sic] notice shall be given, stating the business to be considered, and only that business shall be before the Board

6. Quorum. ~~Seven~~ Five members shall constitute a quorum.

7. Voting. All voting shall be viva voce. If requested by any trustee on any question, the ayes and noes shall be recorded. The protest of any trustee, if stated succinctly [sic] and respectfully, shall be recorded.

8. Elections. The officers shall be elected annually at the June meeting and shall enter upon their duties at the beginning of the fiscal year.

9. Term of Office. Each officer and committeeman shall continue to discharge the duties of his office until his resignation has been accepted or requested, or until his successor is elected and has accepted.

10. Fiscal year. The fiscal year shall begin on July 1st.

#### DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

11. The President. He shall preside over the deliberations of the board and be its chief executive officer.

12. He shall represent the board in voting its stock in joint-stock companies.

13. He shall sign deeds and all corporate papers in the name of the board and only on the order of the board or the finance committee.

14. He shall submit to the executive committee for their suggestion and approval at their October meeting the annual report to the synods.

15. He shall at the October meeting each year submit to the board for their approval the nominations of all committees, including the members for the executive committee, the term of each committeeman to be

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for one year from his appointment.

16. He shall be a member, ex-officio, of all committees.

17. He may appoint special committees on his own motion or by instruction of the board or executive committee.

18. He shall make appointments to fill vacancies which may occur in offices or committees between the meetings of the board and report the same for approval.

19. The Vice-President. He shall perform the duties of the President in the event of his death, disability or absence.

20. The Secretary. He shall carefully keep and record the actions of the board; he shall be custodian of such documents as should be preserved; he shall have the custody of the college seal, and shall affix the same on order of the board or finance committee; and shall perform such other duties as usually devolve upon a secretary.

21. The Treasurer. He shall give and keep in force during his term of office a bond for such sum as the board may determine for the faithful discharge of his duties, with such security as the executive committee may approve.

22. He shall be the custodian of all bonds, stocks, notes, deeds, mortgages, policies, contracts and financial documents of every kind.

23. He shall be the custodian of all permanent funds and moneys of all kinds and shall be responsible for the safe keeping and proper disbursement of the same.

24. He shall issue checks only on vouchers or warrants authorized by the executive committee, and approved by the signature of the president or the vice-president of the board.

25. He shall at each regular meeting make a statement showing the cash receipts, together with the [sic] sources of the same, and the disbursement by vouchers, and shall present the vouchers together with a certified statement from the places of deposit, showing that their balances agree with his report.

26. The executive Committee. This committee shall consist of

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the president and vice-president of the board, the president of the college, and three other members of the board.

27. This committee, in the intervals between the meetings of the board, shall be charged with the responsibility and authority for carrying out the plans and policies of the board of trustees, and shall audit the books and all current accounts.

28. They shall prepare the annual budget which as adopted by the board at its June meeting shall express to them and all officers the board's financial plan for the following fiscal year.

29. The budget shall show the expenses for each of the departments, and the probable income, naming its sources, and estimating the probable deficit under the title, "amount to be raised".

30. They shall through the president of the college, approve the vouchers for all the expenditures provided for in the budget.

31. They shall have power to authorize emergency expenditures and to approve the vouchers therefor, provided the total of such expenditures does not exceed one thousand dollars in any fiscal year.

32. This committee shall not authorize or permit any expenditure not above provided for without the special action of the board thereon.

33. This committee shall hold a meeting in June each year, and other meetings as requested by the president of the board or the president of the college.

34. They shall keep careful record of their proceedings and shall submit the same as their report at the regular meetings of the board.

35. Three members shall constitute a quorum of this committee.

36. Buildings and Grounds. This committee shall have general oversight of the campus and college buildings. They shall have the duty of making inspections from time to time and reporting in writing on existing conditions with recommendations for new buildings, repairs, improvements, and developments, and shall devise ways and means and direct the carrying out of the same. They shall be the building committee to carry out the will of the board in the construction of new buildings.

37. Auditing. This committee shall be appointed by the

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president. They shall arrange to have the accounts of the finance committee audited, and the securities in the custody of the treasurer examined and the result certified to the president of the board before the June meeting, together with any [sic] recommendation which they may deem it wise to make.

38. Faculty and Curriculum. This committee shall have general oversight of all matters relating to instruction. They shall secure through the president of the college in May of each year reports from the members of the faculty regarding the work of the various departments, and a report from the president, and shall make to the board at its meetings such comments and recommendations in writing as they deem best, including changes in the curricula and faculty, and salaries to be paid.

#### THE COLLEGE.

39. The officers. The officers of the college appointed by the board shall be a president, a vice-president ~~and a~~ or dean.

40. The President. The college president shall be elected and his salary fixed by the board of trustees, ~~an affirmative vote of at least eight being necessary for a choice.~~

41. He shall preside over the faculty and students, and under the regulations of the board shall have direct oversight of all the educational affairs of the institution, and acting for the committee on buildings and grounds shall have direct authority over the property of the college plant.

42. He shall employ, subject to the approval of the executive committee, teachers, janitors, engineers, matrons and all employes [sic – “employees” is an older variant of “employees”] and shall have direct authority over them.

43. He shall report in writing to the board at its regular meeting.

44. At the June meeting he shall suggest for the consideration of the board his plans and policies for the coming year; he shall analyze the financial and property needs of the college, the financial and student constituency, the attitude of the churches, the efficiency of the faculty and the helpful power of the alumni.

45. At the June meeting he shall give a resume of the year,

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and report on changes or advances in his plans, on student campaign, literature and outlook.

46. He shall have special oversight of the government and discipline of the college.

47. He shall supervise all publications and announcements issued in the name of the college or of the students.

48. He shall be charged with the duty of recommending from year to year to the board at its June meeting the salaries to be paid to all persons to receive remuneration for services, and shall recommend the fees to be charged students.

49. The Vice-President, or Dean. He shall assist the President wherever possible, and in the absence of the president shall perform his duties. His special province shall be in matters of student government and conduct.

50. The faculty. Shall consist of the president of the college and the several officers of instruction.

51. The faculty shall elect a secretary whose duty shall be to keep fair and accurate records of the proceedings of the faculty. He or she shall give notice to professors and students of all acts of the faculty affecting them, and shall report important actions of the faculty to the board at the regular meetings.

52. All officers of instruction are expected to be present for duty throughout the academic year. Requests for leave of absence of not more than one week shall be made to the president, of more than one week to the executive committee.

53. Subject to the approval of the committee on curriculum and the board, it shall be the duty of the faculty to determine entrance requirements, the courses of study to be pursued for each degree offered, to enact and enforce rules for the guidance and government of the students and to recommend to the board qualified candidates for degrees.

54. Each instructor shall give the courses in his or her department as laid down in the published announcements for the year, and no change in the subjects of the course or in the number of hours shall be made without the approval of the faculty.

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55. The faculty shall have power to censure, request the withdrawal of, dismiss, or expel a student for cause. In case the action of the faculty is not unanimous the board may entertain an appeal in behalf of the student from the ruling of the faculty, but in no other cases.

56. It shall be the privilege of the president to attend the sessions of the board except when personally concerned in any pending question, on which occasion he may be called in consultation by the board.

57. Two months [sic] previous notice to the board shall be required from the president or any professor before his proposed resignation is to take effect, and notice of removal shall be given by the board to professors or president, not later than ~~the June meeting~~ April 1st in any scholastic year. It is understood that no engagement of teacher or president is binding beyond any scholastic year.

58. Amendments. These by-laws may be changed at any regular meeting of the board by a vote of two-thirds of the trustees present.

59. The faculty shall *have* supervision of all matters pertaining to student life and conduct.

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*The following Resolutions were adopted unanimously.*

RESOLVED, That the President be placed in charge of the college, as the administrator of its financial affairs, as well as of its educational courses. He shall give bond to manage carefully and honestly all the financial affairs of the college, as they may come under his jurisdiction.

)a) He shall select and recommend to the Board for appointment, all teachers and shall have the power to discharge such as are inefficient or whose conduct may be prejudicial to the welfare of the school.

(b) He shall keep or cause to be kept a full account of all funds of every kind in a set of double entry books, making separate accounts for each and every fund and each item of the budget; also separate items of all receipts and expenditures in order to make a clear showing of the financial condition of the college.

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(c) He shall present every two months a tabulated statement of all receipts and expenditures, bills payable and receivable to the Executive Committee.

(d) He shall consult and advise with the executive committee concerning the provisions of the budget and the expenditure of all money for insurance, repairs and improvements and the expenses of the boarding department. He shall especially consult with this committee concerning the budget for each year.

(e) He shall receive and collect all student fees for tuition, boarding and income of any kind, save such as comes from the permanent funds of the college and keep a correct account of them. [The following plus sign (at least that is what it appears to be) was handwritten.] +

RESOLVED, That under present conditions the salary of the president shall be as follows:

If the number of boarding pupils is eighty or under that number, the compensation shall be \$1200. and board for himself and family.

If the number of boarding pupils is eighty-five, his salary shall be \$1500. per annum.

If the number is ninety, it shall be \$2000. and at one hundred it shall be \$2500.

It is understood that in all these conditions, the President is to receive in addition to the above named amounts, his board in the college.

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The President next submitted a Budget of Expenses for next year (prepared after conference with Col Butler and [looks like "Bulter"] and Pres't Ayres) the same being as follows.

|                            |              |                           |              |
|----------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Teachers                   | \$ 10.732 00 | Forward                   | \$ 25.410 04 |
| Outdoor Employees          | 482 34       | Furniture Repairs         | 43 75        |
| Transient "                | 99 94        | Piano Tuning              | 190 00       |
| Domestics                  | 1.318 20     | Vehicle & Harness Repair  | 60 70        |
| Table Supplies             | 7.654 88     | Sundry Expenses & Repairs | 546 54       |
| Laundry & Supplies         | 1.519 17     | Summer Stenographer       | 69 00        |
| Fuel, Light & Water        | 2.439 99     | Barn Supplies             | 90 55        |
| Building & Grounds Repairs | 1.163 52     | Rugs & Cleaning           | 152 26       |
| Forward                    | \$ 25.410 04 | Forward                   | \$ 26.562 84 |

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| Amount Forward                 | 26.562. 84    | Am't Forward                 | 27.494. 32    |
| Dishes & Plated Ware           | 55 35         | Canvassing: Wages and }      |               |
| Petty Items                    | 66 35         | Expenses – for entire year } | 1.653 23      |
| Library, Diplomas &c           | 35 97         | Horse – balance due          | 100 00        |
| Telephone & Telegrams          | 196 24        | Advertising.                 | 1.075 70      |
| Stationery, Printing & Postage | 577 57        | [see note above]             |               |
| Forward                        | \$  27.494 32 | — Total —                    | \$  30.323 25 |

To some of the Board, a few of the items in the Budget seemed excessive, in view of the large number of pupils now leaving the College in Graduating Class (nearly one fourth of the total enrollment) e.g., Teachers Table-board, Canvassing, Advertising & printing, whereupon after some discussion the following resolution was adopted unanimously.

"Resolved that the "Per Capita" expenses of next year be limited to the "Per Capita" expense "ascertained upon the number of enrolled pupils in the year ending June 1913."

President Ayres next submitted the list of names of the "Graduating Class for the Year 1912-1913" –

|                       |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| <u>Freda Amburg</u>   | Seminary & Piano |
| <u>Margaret Baetz</u> | College          |

|                           |                           |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| <u>Helen Baity</u>        | Seminary                  |
| <u>Marie K. Betzler</u>   | Seminary & Home Economics |
| <u>Lucile Dugan</u>       | Seminary                  |
| <u>Eloise Eyssell</u>     | Seminary                  |
| <u>Frances Fales</u>      | Piano                     |
| <u>Ida B. Goss</u>        | College                   |
| <u>Eva Hain</u>           | College: Expression       |
| <u>Olive Deane Hormel</u> | College                   |
| <u>Helen Hudson</u>       | College                   |
| <u>Agnes Latham</u>       | Seminary                  |
| <u>Lucille Markham</u>    | Seminary                  |
| <u>Enid Patterson</u>     | College                   |
| <u>Mabel O'Neal</u>       | Seminary                  |
| <u>Mary Blanche Payne</u> | Seminary: Expression      |
| <u>Lora Pearce</u>        | College                   |

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| <u>Mildred Scroggin</u>  | College                   |
| <u>Adelaide Stewart</u>  | Seminary & Home Economics |
| <u>Frances Strathman</u> | Seminary                  |
| <u>Johanna Stupp</u>     | Seminary                  |
| <u>Magdalen Stupp</u>    | Seminary                  |
| <u>Eleanor Thackwray</u> | College                   |
| <u>Mercedes Weber</u>    | Art, Seminary, Expression |
| <u>Helen M. West</u>     | College : Expression      |
| <u>Geraldine Whyte</u>   | Home Economics            |
| <u>Carrie Winters</u>    | Seminary                  |
| <u>Elizabeth Ziegler</u> | Piano : Seminary          |

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The Board next proceeded to elect a President of the College for next year.

Dr. Palmer nominated Rev George F. Ayres

Dr. Fullerton seconded the nomination, and there being no other nominations, on motion Dr. Ayres was declared elected President for next year.

On motion of Dr. Fullerton seconded by Dr. Palmer the Board adopted a resolution Commendatory of the administration of Dr Ayres.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary .

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St Louis Oct 24<sup>th</sup> 1913

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 12 M. this date in the Oddfellows Bld'g

Present Mess Butler, Niccolls, McKittrick, Palmer  
Roemer, Ranken and Skilling.

The meeting was called to order by Pres't Niccolls who offered prayer.

In the absence of the Secretary, Dr. Skilling was appointed Secty pro tem.

The President announced the death of Dr. Geo. F Ayres

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the President of the College, and a Committee consisting of the President of the Board, Dr. Niccolls, and Dr's Skilling and Palmer were appointed to prepare a suitable minute upon his death, a copy to be spread on our records and a copy to be sent to Mrs Ayres.

Col Butler [looks like "Bulter"] was appointed to purchase a floral offering to be sent to the funeral in the name of the Board, each member to contribute \$1<sup>50</sup> toward the payment for it.

The President of the Board was on motion, empowered to invite Rev J. F. Hendy D.D. of Jefferson City to act as President of the College temporarily; and the Pres't of the Board was requested to direct the administration of the affairs of the College until a President can be secured.

After completing arrangements for attending the funeral services of Dr. Ayres, on Saturday Oct 25<sup>th</sup> at 2<sup>30</sup> P.m at the College in St Charles, the Board adjourned.

David M. Skilling.

Secretary Protem

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St Louis Nov 10<sup>th</sup> 1913.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 3 p.m. in Oddfellows Bldg.

Present Mess Hendy, Fullerton, Niccolls, McKittrick, Ranken and Wyman

Prayer was offered by Dr. Niccolls

Dr Hendy – Pres't of the College – pro tem, made a favorable report of existing conditions at the college supplementing this by a brief statement of the financial situation as revealed to him: it appeared that at the present time there is about \$5000. to the credit of the College in two St Charles banks, with

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all bills paid to Oct 1st: – it also appeared that during the summer Dr. Ayres had executed certain notes aggregating \$1200. , which notes have since been paid by funds of the College.

The Board considered and discussed several applications for the vacant Presidency of the College and authorized Prest Niccolls to correspond direct with Rev Wm Carter of New York, and to write [word looks like "wirte," presumably an accidental misordering of letters] Rev Tho's F Marshall of Oswego Ks to visit the Board in St Louis.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

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St Louis Dec 1st 1913

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 2 P.m this date in Oddfellows Hall.

Present – Mess McKittrick, Hendy, Niccolls, Palmer,  
Ranken, Skilling and Wyman.

Prayer was offered by Pres't Niccolls

The minutes of the last meeting were read & approved.

Pres't Niccolls stated the object of the meeting was to further consider the selection of a President of the College, and detailed much of the correspondence received and answered on the subject.

It appearing possible that Rev Jno' L. Roemer would consider the vacancy, and that the entire Board favorably look upon his selection, on motion of Mr Wyman seconded by Dr. Palmer Dr Niccolls, Col Butler and Dr. Skilling were appointed a Committee to sound Dr. Roemer and report their finding to a future meeting of the Board.

The Board authorized Dr. Hendy Prest Pro Tem, to

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to [sic] have the China Kiln in the Art Dept repaired at a cost not to exceed \$30<sup>00</sup>.

A request from Mrs Ayres that the Board acquire her Grand Piano and assume the balance due on it, was unfavorably considered, it being pointed out that a better arrangement could be made by conference with the St Louis Agent of the Manufacturers.

The financial report for year ending June 30/13 having been rendered to the President, and also a financial report for the period since June 30<sup>th</sup> to Nov 30<sup>th</sup> – having been similarly rendered — both reports were transferred to Act'g [clearly stands for "Acting," as in "Acting President"] Pres't Hendy, with request for thorough examination and a report as to present financial states of the College funds.

There being no further business the Board adjourned

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary.

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St Louis Feby 20<sup>th</sup> 1914

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 3 P.m. in Oddfellows Hall

Present: Mess Butler, Fullerton, Hendy, Niccolls,  
Palmer, Ranken, Skilling & Wyman

As Pres't Niccolls was tardy, Ranken was made Chairman pro tem, and the meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Fullerton.

The Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting and they were duly approved.

Dr. Hendy reported the repair of the China Kiln and its satisfactory condition.

President Niccolls appeared and assumed the chair

Dr. Hendy (Prest pro tem\ reported conditions as to services rendered by the heating plant since its recent repair stating it satisfactory when ["where" is also a possible reading but does not make sense in context] boilers are skilfully [sic] fired.

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Mr Fox – expert mechanic – of St Charles – explained the difficulty in operating the plant and claimed it would never be satisfactory until another large boiler was installed. Col Butler's [looks like "Bulter's"] generosity in defraying the expense of the changes in the plant (understood to be approximately a thousand dollars) was acknowledged.

Prest Nicolls reported having given permission to one of the College Fraternities to erect a frame building of small size on ground west of the College buildings – at cost of the Fraternity, and that an application for similar privilege was under consideration, as made by another Fraternity.

On motion of Col Butler, seconded by Dr. Skilling the Prest's action was approved.

The Secretary called attention to the possible interference with our [seems the most logical reading, yet personal pronouns are rarely used in these minutes] insurance rates by the erection of these small buildings, and he was directed to look into the matter.

Dr Nicolls – Chairman of Committee to nominate a new President of the College, reported in full his interviews with Rev Jno' L. Roemer D.D and indicating that Dr Roemer would probably accept the position, and it appearing that the entire Board favored such a result, the following resolution was offered by Dr. Fullerton, seconded by Dr. Palmer and unanimously adopted.

" Resolved that the Vacancy Committee be continued, and authorized to extend to Dr. Roemer

" the Board's offer of the Presidency, and to satisfactorily negotiate with him as to his

" compensation

It was understood that Dr. Roemer was to be installed at the end of the present scholastic year.

Dr. Hendy reported the attendance in College as 90. also gave his estimate of the qualifications of sundry members of the present Faculty, particularly commending Miss Linneman [spelling – two "dots" suggest two "i"s, i.e. "Linniman," but otherwise the name resembles "Linneman."] now acting as Lady Principal, and suggesting an increased [sic] of her salary from \$75 to \$90 per month.

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On motion the Board authorized the increased compensation of Miss Linneman to cover period from Jan'y 1st 1914 to close of school year

Dr. Hendy filed financial statements for periods from June 30<sup>th</sup> to Dec 1st 1913 and from Dec 1st 1913 to Feb'y 1st 1914 — and expressed the belief that he would be able to meet all expenses at close of school year.

Prest Nicolls read a communication from Dean F. L. Horn – praying for an increase of salary, and for the privilege of one music lesson per week for his second daughter. After consideration the Prest was directed to authorize the additional music lesson, but to inform Mr Horn the question of increased salary must (under the present situation as regards the Head of the College) be deferred.

It was ordered that Dr. Hendy send to the Treasurer of the Board – a check for \$500. with which to pay the Board's note for that sum now due at the Mercantile Trust Co. Dr. Hendy was authorized to expend \$50. for articles of furniture curtains &c – needed in the quarters assigned him in the College. [This last sentence, explaining Dr. Hendy's purchases, was evidently inserted after the rest of the entry was completed, as it is written in half size, two lines to one line of paper space, in order to fit it into the

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There being no further business the Board adjourned

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

St Louis April 21<sup>st</sup> 1914

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 3 P.m at Oddfellows Hall.

Present: Mess Butler, [looks like "Bulter"] Fullerton, Niccolls, Ranken  
Roemer, Skilling and Wyman (7.)

Prayer was offered by President Niccolls.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary and on motion approved.

The Committee appointed at meeting of Oct 24/13 to prepare a memorial to the late President  
Rev Geo' F. Ayres – presented the following – through its Chairman Rev

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Sam'l J. Niccolls D. D.

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|  | <u>"In Memoriam"</u>                                                                       |  |
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|  | <u>Rev' George Frederick Ayres</u> was born May 17 <sup>th</sup> A.D. 1865 in Hannibal Mo. |  |
|  | He was graduated from Westminster College in 1887. After his graduation he                 |  |
|  | entered McCormick Theological Seminary to continue his studies in preparation for the      |  |
|  | Gospel Ministry. From this institution he was graduated with high honors in the year       |  |
|  | 1891. Having won a scholarship from that institution, he went to Europe and                |  |
|  | attended the universities of [see note above] and Leipsig [sic – presumably                |  |
|  | "Leipzig" is intended] to engage in special studies related to his chosen vocation. Part   |  |

|| of his time abroad was also spent in research work in the British Museum. On his return ||  
 || to America he was ordained to the Gospel Ministry, and spent a number of years in the ||  
 || pastorate. ||  
 || In the year 1902 he was called to the Presidency of Lindenwood College, which position ||  
 || he occupied with great efficiency and success until the day of his death Oct 23<sup>d</sup> 1913. ||  
 || Such, in brief is the outline of the life of a man who quietly, unostentatiously and ||  
 || with unfaltering fidelity to high ideals of truth and righteousness served his generation ||  
 || and has now gone to his eternal reward. ||  
 || He was more of a diligent student than a man of affairs: – profoundly interested in the ||  
 || cause of education, he sought to promote it according to the best approved methods ||  
 || and students of modern times. ||  
 || His steadfast purpose was to advance the ||  
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|| institution over which he presided, to such a degree of thoroughness in scholarship and ||  
 || efficiency, that it would stand second to none among the Junior Colleges of the Central ||  
 || West. ||  
 || He disliked sham and pretense in educational work: – his manifest sincerity in laboring ||  
 || for the intellectual advance of the pupils under his care, won their hearty attachment ||  
 || and confidence : – he had also rare tact and wisdom in the guidance of college life. ||  
 || Under his administration Lindenwood reached the highest degree of prosperity in the ||  
 || long history of over half a century : Scores and hundreds who have gone out from the ||  
 || College to occupy positions of honor and usefulness in society, remember him with ||  
 || affectionate regard, and with gratitude for his faithful instruction and guidance. ||  
 || A clear thinker, and possessing a well-trained mind, he was admirably qualified to be ||  
 || a teacher of others in the ways of Knowledge: – more than this, he possessed a character ||  
 || which invited confidence, affection and respect. He was without selfish ambition, gentle, ||  
 || patient, unassuming and steadfast in his convictions of right. ||  
 || Best of all he was a man of unfaltering faith in God : The last two years of his life ||  
 || abounded in physical suffering which he bore uncomplainingly and heroically : he died ||  
 || as he lived, trusting in Jesus Christ as his Lord and Redeemer. ||  
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On motion the Board of Trustees adopted the

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foregoing as its appreciation of the character of Dr. Ayres and in honor of his memory, and ordered a copy of same to be sent to his widow.

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Dr. Nicolls as Chairman of the committee to confer with Rev Jno L. Roemer relative to vacancy in the Presidency of the College, reported that a satisfactory understanding with Dr. Roemer had been had, and that Dr R. would accept the position with a Salary of \$2500. per Annum and board for his family.

This announcement called out the heartiest expressions of the entire Board, and Dr. Roemer as President elect, felicitously expressed his satisfaction with the attitude of the Board and the prospects ["prospect"? It is not clear whether there is an "s" or not] of the College welfare.

The following resolutions were offered by Dr. Fullerton, seconded by Mr Ranken and adopted unanimously.

- " Resolved, that this Board has heard with profound gratitude that the Rev or John L. Roemer
- " whom we have elected to the position of President, has been led to accept our invitation.
- " Resolved – second, that we pledge to Dr. Roemer in his administration our heartiest and most
- " constant support.
- " Resolved – third – that we extend to the Tyler Place Presbyterian Church a vote of thanks for
- " releasing their Pastor that he may accept this call which we have made on him

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The President of the Board reported that from an examination of the finances of the College and of the needs of the coming summer it was apparent that we are facing a deficit of several thousand dollars and after a full discussion of the situation the following resolution was offered by Dr. Fullerton

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and being seconded, was adopted unanimously

- " Resolved that the Executive Committee of the Board be and hereby are authorized and
- " instructed to borrow a sum not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.) to be expended for
- " the needs of the College."

It appearing that the small building occupied by the Colored Help and the "Art Room" had become so dilapidated as to make a new one necessary, on Motion of Dr. Skilling duly seconded, the matter was referred to the Executive Com with power to act and erect a new building to cost not over \$500.

Col Butler next electrified the Board in an earnest address, pleading for a greater endeavor to make Lindenwood a larger factor in the educational area of this part of the country, and believing that end can be signally promoted by doubling the facilities of the College, he expressed his intention of defraying the expense of erecting a large new additional Dormitory fully equipped with every convenience for occupancy by the pupils, including a gymnasium, natatorium &c. he also offered 35 Scholarships to the College and offered each of the pupils now in the institution the sum of \$25. for every new pupil they would bring to us next year.

All present expressed their delight at Col Butler's munificent offer, and the following resolution was offered by Dr. Fullerton, seconded by Dr. Skilling and adopted unanimously.

- " Resolved, That the generous offer of Col James G. Butler to erect at his own expense a new
- " Dormitory, including a Gymnasium and Natatorium for the benefit and advancement of
- " Lindenwood College be accepted, and that the location of the building on the grounds of

“ the College, and the planning of the building be

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“ left to his judgment in connection with the Executive Committee.  
“ Resolved – The Board hereby extends its hearty and profound thanks to Col Butler  
“ [due to hasty writing, name looks like “Bulter”] for his munificent gift: we see in it not  
“ only an evidence of a wise and unselfish philanthropy which seeks to promote the  
“ welfare of society through the higher Christian education of womanhood, but also  
“ a door of opportunity for wider service for Lindenwood College in the future.  
“ It is a gift which, added to the existing buildings places the College in a superior place  
“ among like institutions in the Central West so far as physical conditions are concerned  
“ We rejoice in the constant and liberal aid which Col Butler [looks like “Bulter”] has  
“ given to the College in past years, but in this last and richest gift we have reason for  
“ special thanksgiving and rejoicing, and we gladly acknowledge our increasing  
“ obligations to him for his service and benefactions to this Institution”

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On motion of Dr. Fullerton the Board requested the Executive Committee to plan for a suitable induction of the new President at next Commencement. It was suggested that the Committee prepare and send invitations to other College Officers to attend these exercises.

On motion Rev Dr Skilling was appointed a member of the Executive Committee.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman

Secretary

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St Louis June 5<sup>th</sup> 1914

The Board of Trustees met at 3 p.m this day at Odd Fellows Bld’g –

Present Messr Niccolls, Fullerton, Palmer,  
Skilling, Ranken, and the new  
President Roemer.

The meeting opened with prayer by the Pres’t of the Board Dr Niccolls.

The Board passed a motion giving consent to the Mayor and City Council of St Charles to lay an 8 inch Water main across the property from the Water Tower on the North side to Watson Street on the South side, also the right to establish a fire-alarm box on the premises.

The Board directed the President and Temporary Secretary to express its thanks to the Mayor and Council of St Charles for establishing the aforesaid water-main and fire-alarm box, and for their Kindly interest in the affairs of the College.

The Board, on the recommendation of Pres’t Roemer of the College voted to grant Diplomas to the following:

“Bachelor of Letters”:

Eunice Holman, Loraine Mueller  
Mary McIver, Laureena Oliver.

Pet Tucker.

"Seminary."

Lois Alexander, Lucile Allen  
Virginia Hornback, Katherine Albright Shepherd  
Lillian Stewart.

"Piano."

Mildred R. Crow, Helen Shannon.

"Voice".

Mildred Kergher.

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"Expression."

Lillian Georg, Eunice Holman, Lois Alexander.

"Home Economics"

Lucile Allen, Ida B. Gross

Mildred McElhanon, Cornelia Powell

President Roemer made an interesting statement regarding the existing conditions in the College

On motion, the Executive Committee was authorized to make such repairs on the buildings, including Margaret Hall and the Campus during the summer as may be necessary.

The minutes of the meeting held on April 21st 1914 were read and approved.

The Board on motion approved the application of the "S. I. X Sorority" to erect its building on the Campus with the understanding that it may be removed at any time the College may need the grounds for other purposes.

No other business appearing, the Board on motion, adjourned.

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David M. Skilling,  
Secretary Pro' Tem'

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St Louis Nov 12<sup>th</sup> 1914.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 4 P.m – at Oddfellows Hall –  
Present – Mess Butler, Niccolls, Palmer, Roemer,  
Stumberg and Wyman.

Prayer was offered by President Niccolls

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

President Roemer presented a numbre [sic – “numbre” is an obsolete spelling of “number”] of statements relative to the present conditions at the College, including sundry improvements to the buildings and grounds and the disbursements for same – it appearing that the funds for this purpose had been furnished most liberally by Col’ Butler: – these statements (or copy of them were filed with the Secretary.)

President Roemer explained the desirability and necessity of his opening a bank account in St Charles, and after discussing the matter, the following resolution was offered by Dr. Palmer seconded by Dr. Stumberg and adopted by the Board :

- “ Resolved, that the Board of Trustees, authorizes John L. Roemer as President of the College, to
- “ open a credit account with the Union Savings Bank of St Charles Mo for an amount not to
- “ exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5000.), and that the President and Secretary of the Board
- “ advise said Bank of this action, sending its President a certified copy of this resolution.

The Board next discussed the desirability of establishing at the College a “Chair of Biblical Literature” for the study of the Word of God” and a motion to so do [sic] was offered by Dr. Stumberg seconded by Dr. Roemer, and adopted by the Board.

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On motion of Dr. Roemer, the Board elected Rev’ Wm J. McKittrick D.D. to occupy the chair referred to in the foregoing resolution.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman.

Secretary.

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St. Louis Dec 17<sup>th</sup> 1914.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this day at 3<sup>30</sup> Pm at Odd Fellows Hall

Present Mess Butler, Niccolls, Palmer, Ranken,

Skilling, Roemer, and Wyman.

President Niccolls stated the object of the meeting to be the consideration of a Deed of Gift to Lindenwood, from the College Board of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. for the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.) as promised in letter from the Board addressed to Pres’t Roemer under date of Dec 11<sup>th</sup> 1914.

It appearing that the documents necessary to consummate the promised gift were in hand the following resolutions were offered by Mr Ranken, seconded by Mr Wyman and unanimously adopted.

- “ Resolved that the President of the Corporation be and he hereby is authorized, empowered
- “ and directed to accept from the College Board of the Presbyterian Church in the United States
- “ of America, the sum of One Thousand Dollars for and in behalf of the Corporation.
- “ Further Resolved – That the President and Secretary be, and they are hereby authorized,
- “ empowered and directed to execute and deliver for and in behalf of the Corporation, a

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“ Deed of Gift, from the said The College Board of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, to secure the repayment of the said sum of One Thousand Dollars, and to affix the corporate seal of the Corporation thereto.”

President Roemer gave the Board a statement of the general conditions existing at the College, which showed them to be satisfactory and most promising.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Henry P. Wyman  
Secretary

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Geo Blummings  
Secretary –

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McLean vs. McLane – find out whether they’re the same person?  
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