

History of Schools Up for Potential Name Changes

Documents Highlighting the 5 Sites Up for Potential Name Changes & Other Contextual Information

Overview of School Name History

- John T. Allan facility (former Allan Elementary), named for John T. Allan, an officer in the Confederate Army. Allan was born in Scotland and was a district attorney before he became Texas state treasurer. He was a board member at the Texas School for the Deaf.
- Fulmore Middle School, named for Zachary Taylor Fulmore, a private in the Confederate Army. Fulmore, a lawyer, was a Travis County judge. He also was a board member at the Texas School for the Blind. Along with his one-time law partner, Fulmore helped in the campaign for public schools in Austin and was a longtime school board member. He was a chairman of the board at the Texas Confederate Home.
- Lanier High School, named for Sidney Lanier, a noted poet and musician who fought for the Confederacy. Lanier, a Georgia native, practiced law with his father. He wrote an anti-war memoir about his service in the Confederate Army.
- Reagan High School, named for John H. Reagan, the Confederacy's postmaster general. Reagan was a Texas Democratic Party leader. In May 1865, Reagan was captured and placed in solitary confinement at Fort Warren in Boston harbor. He returned to Texas after his release.
- Eastside Memorial High School at the Johnston campus, named for Confederate Gen. Albert S. Johnston. He was killed in 1862 at the Battle of Shiloh. First buried in New Orleans, his remains were transferred for burial in the Texas State Cemetery in Austin.

Source: Austin American Statesman, Nov. 14, 2017

John T. Allan Facility

- The building was completed in 1900. It was used as Austin High School until 1925, when it became the John T. Allan Junior High School. The Junior High School was named in John T. Allan's honor by the school board in recognition of a \$5000 endowment to establish a school of industrial arts for boys. Classes were held there until 1956, when the school was destroyed by fire. A State of Texas Subject Marker was placed on the site in 1981 by the Texas Historical Commission.
- Allan was born in Edinburgh, Scotland in 1821. He came to the U.S. in 1821 and to Austin in 1850. He originally opened a furniture store in Austin but then, having studied law in Little Rock, decided to practice and later became a justice of the peace. He served as a confederate officer during the Civil War. Afterwards he served as state treasurer and later district attorney of the fourth judicial district of Texas. He died Jan. 22, 1888.

Sources:

Austin American Statesman, August 18, 1965, Jordan-Ellison Photo Company. [Old Red Campus building, John T. Allan Campus of Stephen F. Austin High School], photograph, 1929/1930; (texashistory.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metaph125089/: accessed December 6, 2017), University of North Texas Libraries, The Portal to Texas History, texashistory.unt.edu; crediting Austin History Center, Austin Public Library.

Zachary T. Fulmore Middle School:

- The school began as a one-room wooden schoolhouse a few blocks north of the present building. Austin was a growing city; the Colorado River had finally been tamed with a dam, and a new bridge was built, uniting north and south Austin. That original school was called the South Ward School. Miss Luetta Kinney, the first teacher, taught all six grades from her homemade desk. The 12 students drank water from a dipper that came from a barrel of water drawn from the Colorado River. The school was named Fulmore in honor of Judge Zachary Taylor Fulmore, a private in the Confederate Army and County Judge of Travis County, by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Newning who donated land and materials for the school. Judge Fulmore was a businessman, a judge, and a leader in educational reform in Austin and Travis County. He was ex officio superintendent of county schools at the time of the naming of the school.
- In 1892, when the school reached enrollment of about 75, the school became part of the Austin Public School System. Miss Mollie Dawson was made the first principal. Today Dawson Elementary School carries on her name. Student enrollment grew rapidly and the addition of a new building was proposed. Fulmore is the oldest secondary school building still in use in Austin.

Sources:

Austin American Statesman, September 11, 1971, Fulmore Middle School Website http://www.fulmoremiddleschool.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=238586&type=d&pREC_ID=551221

Sydney Lanier High School:

- Established in 1961 as the sixth high school in the Austin Independent School District, Sydney Lanier High School was originally located in the building which now houses Burnet Middle School. The school was named for Sidney Lanier, a noted poet and musician who fought for the Confederacy. Lanier, a Georgia native, practiced law with his father. He wrote an anti-war memoir about his service in the Confederate Army.
- The current facility, opened in the fall of 1966, is located on Payton Gin Road, north of Research Boulevard, between North Lamar Boulevard and Burnet Road. Lanier is the northernmost AISD high school. When originally opened, Lanier's student body was Caucasian. Over the years, however, the school's ethnic diversity has evolved to the point where Lanier more closely reflects an international population with over 53 countries represented, making it the most diverse high school in Austin.

Sources:

Austin American Statesman, Nov. 14 2017, Lanier High School School Website <http://www.laniervikings.org/?PageName=%27AboutTheSchool%27>

John H. Reagan High School

- The school was named for John H. Reagan, Texas statesman, political figure and strong supporter of public schools, who rose to prominence in the late 1800's. He served in the Texas legislature and in both houses of the national congress. He was post-master general of the Confederacy under appointment of Jefferson Davis. He was the first chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission which was organized in 1891. He served in this capacity four terms, three by appointment and one by election. He is credited with lending strong support to sections of the state constitution of 1866 and 1875 which contained provision for a vast public land domain to endow public schools.

Source:

Austin American Statesman, August 18, 1965.

Eastside Memorial High School at the Johnston Campus

- Eastside Memorial High School at the Johnston campus was named for Albert Sidney Johnston. Johnston was a U.S. and Texas military officer who served as a Confederate general during the Civil War. He was killed in 1862 at the Battle of Shiloh. He was the highest ranking fatality of the war on either side. First buried in New Orleans, his remains were transferred for burial in the Texas State Cemetery in Austin.
- A veteran of the Black Hawk War, Johnston resigned from the U.S. Army in 1834. He served in the Texas Army during the Texas Revolution and as a colonel of Texas volunteers during the Mexican-American War. He moved to Texas in 1836. He enlisted as a private in the Texian Army and rose up through the ranks; on December 22, 1838, Mirabeau B. Lamar, the second president of the Republic of Texas appointed Johnston as Secretary of War. He was reappointed to the U.S. Army in 1849 and led troops during the Utah War before joining the Confederacy at the start of the Civil War in 1861. Johnston was appointed a full general and served in the war's Western Theater as commander of all Confederate troops between Texas and the Appalachian Mountains.

Source:

The History Channel website <http://www.history.com/topics/american-civil-war/albert-sidney-johnston>

Board Docs & Newspaper Articles

Austin History Center

Allen (Allan) Obituary Jan. 24, 1888

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EX-STATE TREASURER ALLEN.

A Noble Bequest for a Boys' Industrial School.

Incidents in the Life of a Remarkable Man.

Hon. John T. Allen, who was state treasurer under the provisional government during Governor Hamilton's administration, died at his residence, in this city, Sunday, from which he was buried last evening—Rev. Dr. Wright, of the First Presbyterian church, officiating.

Deceased was a native of Edinburgh, Scotland, and about 62 years of age. He studied law under Judge Cross, of Arkansas, and moved to New Orleans, where he made the acquaintance of Mr. D. O. Osborne, who owned considerable lands in Texas, a half interest in which he deeded to Mr. Allen in consideration of the latter paying the taxes, which had been neglected for several years. In this way Mr. Allen became a partner with him in a large quantity of lands in Kaufman, Liberty and other counties in Texas, some of which are quite valuable.

Deceased came to Austin in 1849, and the law business at that time being rather limited, he dropped the practice and engaged with a Mr. Spence as partner in a furniture repairing shop on Pecan street, having learned the trade in Scotland. At the same time he kept up the study of law, and in 1852 opened a law office in a building on Congress avenue, over Dr. Litten's office. Subsequently he became a justice of the peace, when he astounded the attorneys by declaring that a decision of the supreme court brought to bear in a case was all wrong, and adhered to his own decision.

Mr. Allen was an old bachelor, having no relatives in this country, but a brother in England and a sister in Australia, both of whom are said to be very wealthy. He was very reticent as to his business affairs, and consequently the value of his estate is not definitely known, though it is supposed to be worth from \$50,000 to \$70,000. His residence property in this city is assessed at nearly \$10,000. He leaves a will, which has not yet been filed, but it is known by his friends that he leaves all of his fine estate (except a bequest of \$5,000 to Miss Osborne, of New Orleans,) to the city of Austin in trust, to found an industrial school for boys in this city. Miss Osborne is the daughter of his New Orleans friend. He was very fond of little children and generous to the poor. He was a republican, but generally took very little part in politics. His accounts as state treasurer were found correct. His death was caused by hemorrhage of the bladder. The mayor and city council attended his funeral in a body. The state treasury office was closed as a mark of respect.

The pall bearers at the funeral were Messrs. Bartholomew, Caldwell, Eggleston, Goldbeck, McCall and Weberg.

Mr. Allen's fine residence, in Austin, will probably be the site of the Allen school, but it will take some time to realize from the lands. The estate embraces, besides the land and city property, about \$15,000 in cash and secured loans.

by this lack of provision to a large number of county schools which are most conveniently attended during the months of July and August. Therefore, by virtue of the power delegated to the state superintendent by the law authorizing him "to issue instructions and regulations in cases that may arise, in which the law has made no provision," and where necessity requires some rule, in order that there may be no hardships to individuals and no delays and inconvenience in the management of school affairs, I rule—that, when unexpended balances remain on the first day of July to the credit of districts or communities, the trustees of such districts or communities may, with the consent of the county judge or county superintendent, use the same for the support of the schools during these months. This ruling allows the use of the balances unexpended on the first of July only, the apportionment of the public school fund for the year 1888-9 not being available until September 1, 1888.

The above ruling is of considerable interest to the country schools. G. W. Dieler, state agent of Menard county, forwards his classification of 803 sections school lands in Crockett county; all classed as dry grazing land, with scattering post oak, with dark soil and rank growth of mesquite grass.

W. E. McCulloch, state agent, reports four sections in Childress county dry agricultural and grazing; value, \$2 per acre.

Jno. Y. Rankin, another agent, from Coleman, forwards his classification of forty-six surveys in that county—nearly all dry grazing—\$2 per acre.

The agent from Angelina county reports seven sections in Tyler, dry agricultural and grazing, some timber, \$2 per acre.

The following applications to purchase and lease public school lands were received and filed yesterday.

One to purchase 320 acres in Brown county; one to purchase 160 acres in Hardeman county; one to purchase 320 acres in Stephens county; one to purchase 161 acres in Shackelford county; one to purchase 320 acres in Potter county; one to purchase 160 acres in Lipscomb county; one to purchase 320 acres in Presidio county; one to purchase 640 acres in Carson county; one to lease 2,560 acres in Presidio county.

Governor Ross has appointed Brigadier-general H. B. Stoddard, of Bryan, commandant of the "Sui Rosa camp," at the interstate drill.

Musical Union Announcement.

To all lovers of music, who have good voices and a fair ability to read simple music, this organization extends a hearty invitation to enroll their names as members thereof. Several music-lovers in our city have complained that they have never been "invited to join," and they, with others, possibly are waiting for a personal invitation. In consequence of some misunderstanding as to the welcome the union will extend to such as have the proper qualifications and are willing to co-operate with the union heartily, it has been decided to make this public announcement. This organization is formed for the purpose of mutual improvement and recreation in an art most universal and beloved; and energetic, unassuming and unassuming applicants will always be welcomed to its ranks. This is the time to join, as the union is now preparing for active and uninterrupted work in the future.

"The Lord is of the Savior's good land that is the Good Shepherd His own, to the still waters. Metcalf, given to fancy, growing up never straying of unbelief, nor escape from the commandments. life, full of peace, long service in always cheerful work. Faithful services of the school, first as until her ma from Austin two years ago. she murmured no called upon to gi child at one time health and beat him without que she believed. already been gi could not but pe summons came with "The Lord her lips and true "I did not think she said.

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Will of John T. Allan

Apr. 5, 1889

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 procession of Monday
 on motion the meeting adjourned
 A.P. Mendenhall
 Secy

In re, Estate of John T. Allan,
 (A.) Austin Tex.
 5. April 1889.

Boards of Trustees for Public Schools
 of the city of Austin.

Gentlemen:-
 On the 27th January 1888, Mr
 John T. Allan of this city, died leaving a will of which
 the following is a copy:-
 "I know, all men, that I, John
 T. Allan of Austin in the County of Travis & State
 of Texas, being of sound mind, though in feeble health,
 considering the uncertainty of life, - do hereby make & publish
 this as my last will & testament, and repealing all and
 any former will or testament by me made.

First; I give and bequeath to Geraldine C. Osborn
 daughter of Daniel C. Osborn of New
 Orleans, La. Five thousand dollars.

Second;- I give all the rest of my property,
 real, personal & mixed, to the city of Austin in Travis
 County State of Texas, in trust for the following
 purposes; to wit, - to establish in the city of
 Austin aforesaid an industrial school, in
 which shall be taught the practical use of
 tools as well as scientific principles as
 applied to labor -

Third;- I hereby appoint

Allan Estate Donated Apr. 10, 1889

“Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Austin Public Schools, do hereby accept for the City of Austin the property and trust as devised and set forth in the will of the late John T. Allan...”

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The president announced that the suit against the City Treasurer and the City Tax Collector had been decided in favor of the Board, & on motion a vote of thanks was returned to Mr. J. G. Morris for valuable legal services rendered in these cases.

On motion the settlement of the amount of Atty fees to be paid Mess Robertson & Williams was postponed without action.

On motion, the matter of arranging time, place, and details of the commencement exercises at the close of the present session was left to the Supt, Principal, and teachers of the High School.

Reports & communications from the executors of the estate of the late J. T. Allan were read, and on motion the following resolution was adopted:-

Resolved, - that the Board of Trustees of the Austin Public Schools, do hereby accept for the City of Austin the property and trust as devised and set forth in the will of the late John T. Allan; and that the Treasurer of this Board be and is hereby authorized to receive from the executors of said estate all the money in their hands belonging to the estate, and to receipt to them for the same.

On motion Judge Frelmore and Dr. Litterer were appointed a committee to report to a future meeting of the Board a plan for best carrying out the wishes of Mr. Allan.

On motion a committee consisting of Judge Frelmore and Mr. Woodridge were appointed to see to the receiving of the base of the Temporary Capital Building.

The statement of Mr. Glenn Dunn was heard, and on motion his suspension was ordered to be continued for the remainder of the present scholastic session.

On motion the Supt was authorized to have a telephone placed in his office (over)

John T. Allan

Temp Cap

Establishment of the Allan Fund Apr. 10, 1889

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properly & the Trust as set forth in
said will. Such acceptance should
be by resolution, officially certified,
so that it may be filed with the records
in the County Court.

Very respectfully,
J. B. Richardson } Executor.
L. N. Goldbeck }

(B.) {Extract from minutes
of meeting of Apr 10/89}

Resolved; That the Board of Trustees of
the Austin Public Schools, do hereby
accept for the City of Austin, the
property & trust as devised & set forth
in the will of the late John T. Allan;
and that the Treasurer of said Board be &
is hereby authorized to receive from the
executors of the said will, the money
in their hands belonging to said estate,
and to receipt to them for the same.

(C)

Austin Tex,
Apr 17/89.

Miss
J. M. Little & J. J. Hulman,
Committee.

Propositions
of
Eggleston & G.
Gentlemen:-
In replying to your inquiry
in reference to our compensation for the
management of the Allan estate, we beg
to submit to you the following two propo-
sitions, - one of which is for a stipulated
annual fee and the other based upon
contingent commissions.

1st Proposition.
We will attend to the management of
the Allan estate, that is to say, assessing

Manual Training School Mentioned July 1889

“...who should appear before the Board for the purpose of discussing the probable cast of establishing and maintaining a Manual Training School.”

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7/11/89

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, held in the office of the Supt, the following members were present:-
A. P. Maalddidge J. J. Fullenore
J. M. Litten J. W. Graham
J. W. Maxwell Mr. Lips

The Treasurer's annual report was read, on motion, was referred to the Finance Committee.

A motion was made by Judge Fullenore to appropriate \$500⁰⁰, or as much ^{as} might be necessary, to defray the RR fare of an expert to & from Austin, who should appear before the Board for the purpose of discussing the probable cost of establishing and maintaining a Manual Training School. Motion was lost.

On motion a committee, consisting of Messrs Maalddidge & Fullenore, was appointed to confer with Supt Cooper & secure from him a ruling as to the legality of applying funds derived from local taxation to the maintenance of a manual training school.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the building committee was authorized to make such changes at N. Austin as it might seem fit.

On motion of Judge Fullenore, the Board accepted the offer of Mr. C. Powell to act as agent for the sub-letting & collecting of rents for the rooms on first floor of Temporary Capital for the campus of \$4.00 on rents collected.

On motion of Judge Fullenore the sum of \$100⁰⁰ was appropriated to reimburse the City Nat Bank for the amount paid to Mr. D. M. Doon as Attorney's fees in the suit of ejectment agst J. M. Dryden.

On motion of Judge Fullenore the Board adjourned for one week to meet

N. Austin
Temp Cap

Old Fulmore School Mentioned Nov. 4, 1892

“It was moved and carried that...in the 11th Ward be allowed the use of the Fulmore School...”

211 Superintendent's Office
Nov. 4th 1892.

At a regular meeting of the City School Board, which were present - the following members:
W. Smith, Chas. Garrison
J. C. W. Graham, S. G. Sneed
W. K. Mealy, Lewis Hancock.

The minutes of Oct. 7th were read and approved.

The secretary then read the minutes of Sept. 9th which after a correction of Judge Smith's error in reference to children under the age of eight being allowed to enter the schools, the minutes were approved.

The report of the superintendent was called for, but there being very little to report, the superintendent communicated verbally to the Board the complaint of the principal of the High School against Mr. Walden, in reference to several leakages from his floor into the High School rooms.

After some discussion, it was moved by Mr. Hancock and seconded by Mr. Graham that the plumbing of the Temporary Capitol be overhauled.

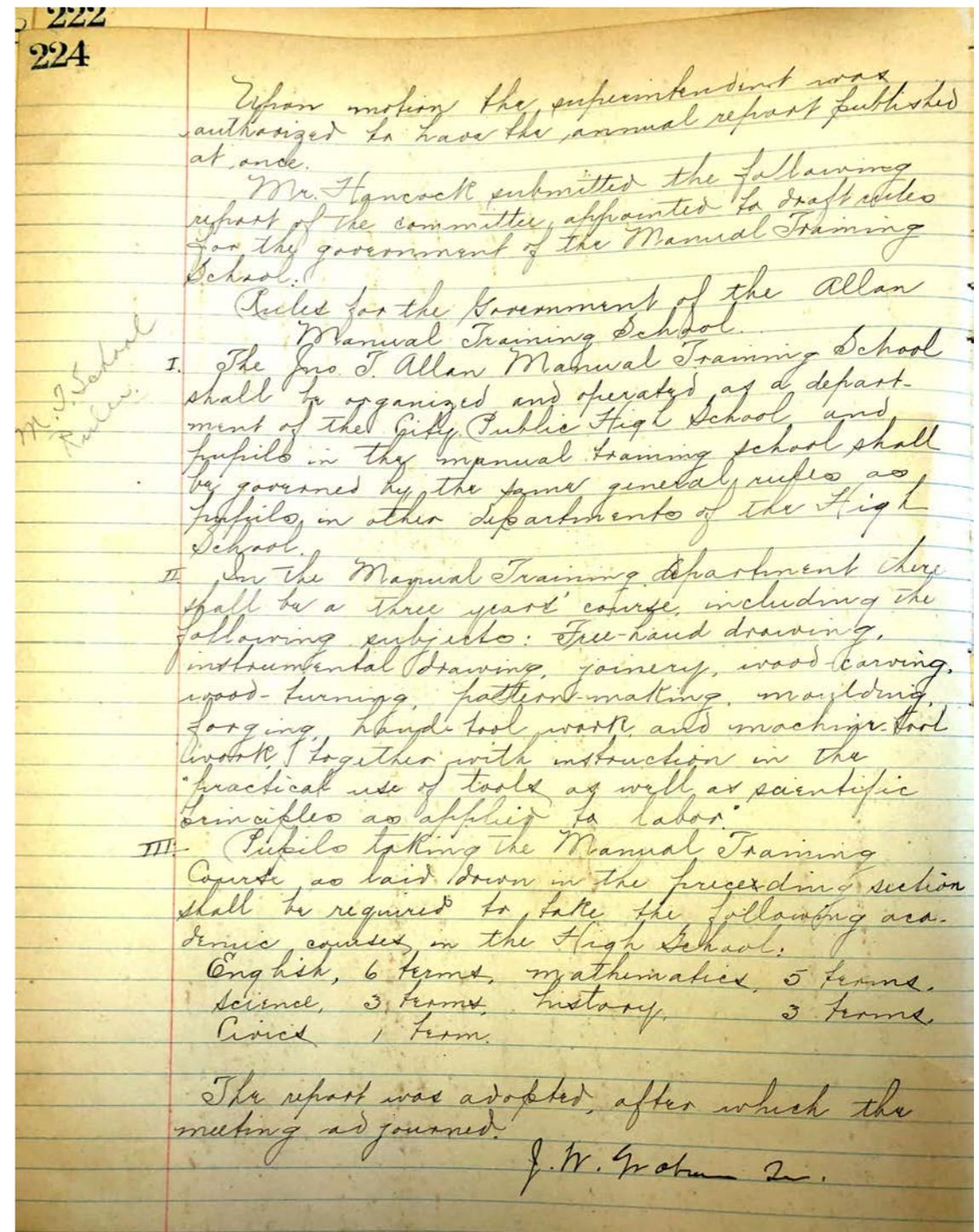
It was moved and carried that the parties in the 11th Ward be allowed the use of the Fulmore school house for election purposes from Monday, Nov. 7th 9 o'clock to Wednesday morning Nov. 9th 9 o'clock.

It was moved by Mr. Graham that the report of Mr. Hancock, the treasurer, be received and that in accordance with his request a special committee be appointed to examine and approve the treasurer's report. Mr. Garrison was appointed by the president in addition to the other members of the Finance

Fulmore Temp. Cap

Rules for Allan Manual Training School Sept. 19, 1896

“Rules for the
establishment of the
Allan Manual Training
School.”



Investigation of New High School Building Dec. 2, 1898

“The question of the possibility of having a High School building was discussed.”

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raise money for this purpose by taking up subscriptions among pupils in the schools or by having pupils solicit subscriptions or donations from their parents or other patrons of the schools.

The resolution was adopted.

Judge Tulmore stated that if had been impossible to get a meeting of the Judiciary Committee to consider the matter referred to this committee at the last meeting, but he recommended in the case of Mrs. Hill's niece that she be considered a resident, entitled to full school privileges. Mr. Johnson, as a member of the Judiciary Committee concurred in Judge Tulmore's decision, and the recommendation of the committee was adopted.

Judge Tulmore reported as not favoring Mr. Castleman's suggestion in regard to changing the number constituting a quorum, and the Board took no action in the matter.

The question of the possibility of having a High School building was discussed. The question arose as to whether the Board would have a right to use for this purpose, should it be deemed advisable, the vacant block belonging to the City on East 9th Street. Prior to laying this question before the Legislature, it was thought best for the Board to gain the permission of the people owning the adjoining property to use this block for a High School.

Mr. Johnson moved that a committee composed of Judge Tulmore, Mr. Castleman, and Mr. McCall be appointed to investigate this matter, interview the neighboring property holders and report back to the Board. The motion was adopted and the committee appointed.

A letter from Mrs. L. N. Ford was read and referred to the Allan Fund Committee.

Action in Mrs. Younger's case was deferred until the next meeting.

The meeting then adjourned.

J. H. Graham. Secy.

H.S. Bldg
Block - E. 9th St.
Policy
H.S. Bldg
Allan Fund

Called Bond for New High School May 9, 1899

“The original motion prevailed, the Board decided to issue \$50,000 in bonds for building a High School.”

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376 Superintendent's Office, 5/9/99.

At an adjourned meeting there were present:
J. B. Rogers, R. M. Castleman,
J. T. Fulmore, C. J. Johnson,
J. H. Graham.

The meeting was called to order by the President. The City Attorney, Mr. Brooks, read his opinion prepared at the request of the Board, on the question of the legality of issuing bonds for high school building purposes.

After some discussion, Mr. Johnson moved that a committee composed of Judge Fulmore and Mr. Castleman be appointed to confer with the State Board of Education to find out what would be the prospect of selling bonds to the State for the investment of the State School Fund. This motion was adopted and the committee appointed.

Mr. Johnson's motion made at the last meeting was renewed, that the Board agree to erect a \$50,000 building. Mr. Castleman renewed his amendment, fixing the amount at \$35,000. Judge Fulmore moved as a substitute that the Board erect a \$45,000 building, calling for a \$40,000 bond issue, the other \$5,000 to be paid out of the balance left over from this year. The original motion prevailed, the Board deciding to issue \$50,000 in bonds for building a High School.

The Board then adjourned until Thursday, the 11th, at 4 P. M.

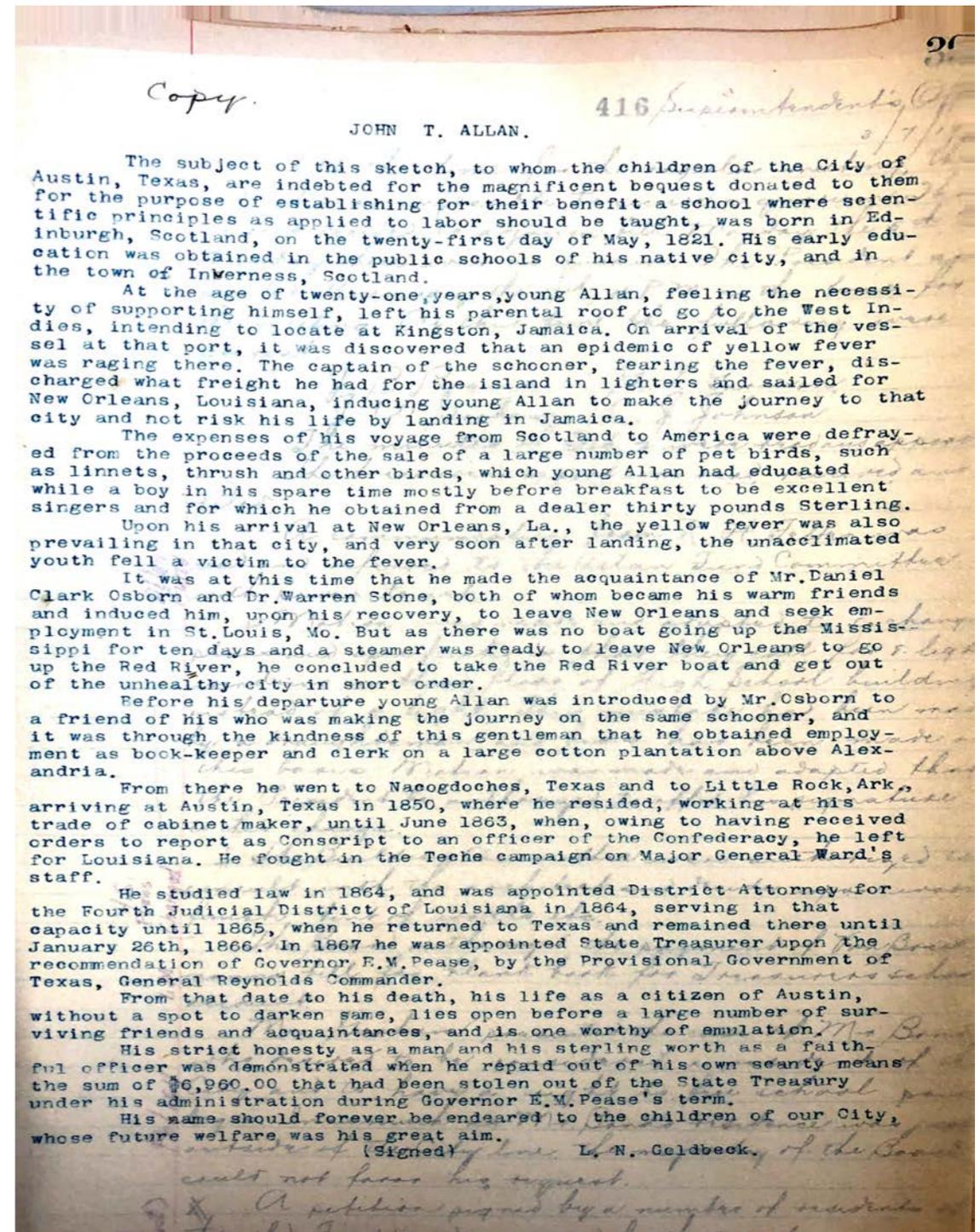
J. H. Graham
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Bonds for H.S.
Selling Bonds
H.S. Bldg Finance

Life of Allan Read

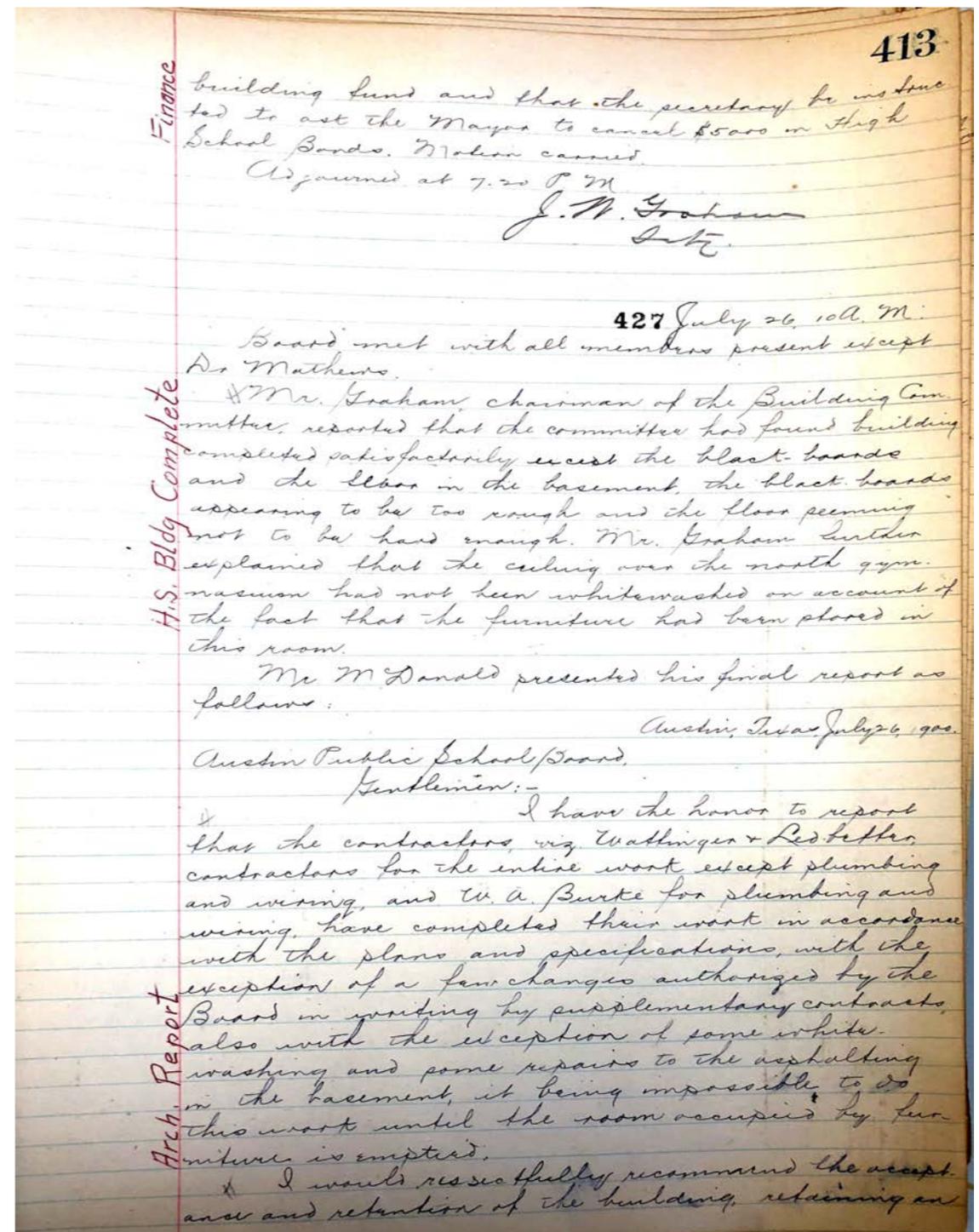
Feb. 2, 1900

“The superintendent stated that Mr. Golbeck had prepared a school account of the life of John T. Allan.”



New High School Complete July 26, 1900

“...he leaves all of his fine estate to the City of Austin in trust, to found an industrial school for boys in the city.”



Original Fulmore Name Aug. 1, 1902

“Your committee to name the different schools take pleasure reporting unanimously on all names for the schools except in one instance...For the South Austin School a majority of the committee only acted. We have learned that...gave the property upon which that school was built also gave part of the material for the building and gave the name Fulmore to the school by which name it was known for many years. We as a majority of the committee are anxious to perpetuate the name ‘Fulmore’ who is such an...supporter and...worker for the improvement and maintenance of the public schools. We therefore suggest the name ‘Fulmore’ for the South Austin School.”

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authority be given to the principals, Section 17 of report
was not adopted.

Mr. Bush presented the following report of the
Committee appointed to suggest names for the school
buildings:

To the Hon. President and
Members of the School Board:-

Gentlemen:-

Your committee to name the different
schools take pleasure in reporting unanimously
on all names for the schools except in one instance.
In this one only a majority of the committee, Mr.
J. A. Jackson and myself, acted, for reasons we will
give you later on.

We have selected the names as follows:

Sease School for West Austin School,
Woodbridge School for Sixth Ward School,
Baker School for Hyde Park School,
Bickler School for East Austin School,
Palm School for Tenth Ward School,
For the South Austin School a majority of the
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school was built, also gave part of the material
for the building, and gave the name Fulmore to the
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anxious to perpetuate the name "Fulmore" who is
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for the improvement and maintenance of the public
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for the South Austin school.

We, the committee as a whole, thought it ad-

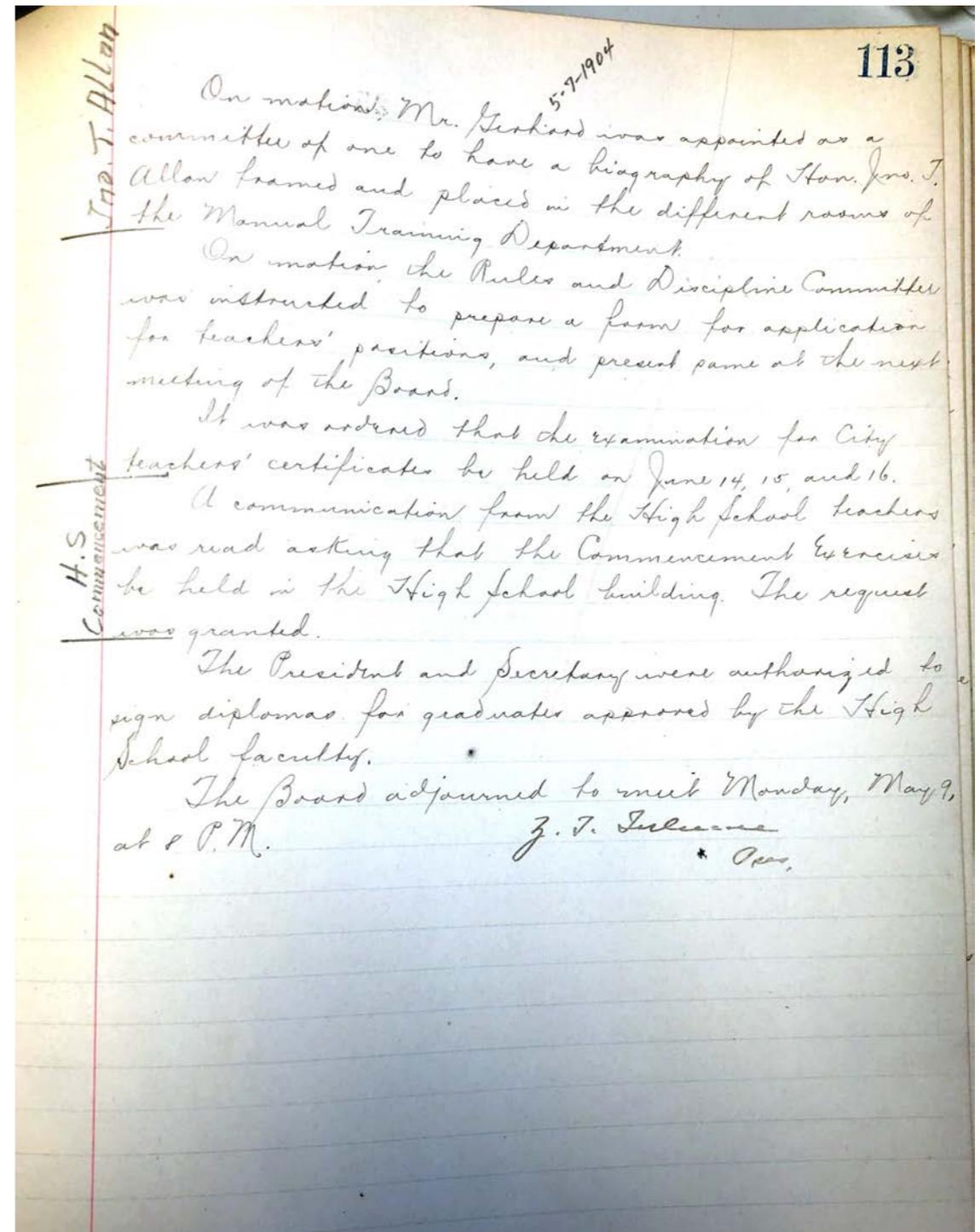
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Buildings Name

*Fulmore
Aug 1, 1902*

Allan Biography Displayed May 7, 1904

“...was appointed as a committee of one to have a biography of Hon. Judge Allan framed and placed in the different rooms of the Manual Training Department.”



New Fulmore School Need Feb. 2, 1906

“New buildings are badly needed in the Hyde Park and South Austin.”

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give relief before the beginning of the next scholastic year, September, 1906.

In 1903-4 there were seven unoccupied rooms in the ward schools. Now not one. At that time there were several vacant rooms in the High School building. ~~Now not one.~~ The building you have determined to erect near the Blind Institute will relieve the situation in East Austin and will also to some extent relieve that in West Austin.

If the scholastic population continues to increase as rapidly the next three years as in the past three years, additional rooms at the Pease and Woodbridge Schools will be a necessity, or you will be forced to deny to some children school privileges, simply on account of lack of seating capacity.

New buildings are badly needed in Hyde Park and South Austin. These buildings are old, ill-adapted to school purposes, do not represent the educational sentiment of the city, and the efficiency of these schools is seriously interfered with by this lack of rooms. With the growth of the High School and the expansion of the Manual Training Department, it will not be long before a Manual Training building will be a necessity to accommodate the increasing numbers asking to enter this department.

It has been for sometime, if I mistake not, the determination of the Board to remove the Robertson Hill High School for colored children. In my opinion it would be very unwise to attempt to remodel this old and dilapidated structure, and therefore, a new High School building for colored children will be needed when the location of this school is changed.

At least six additional teachers are needed in the schools today. During the session of 1903-4 there were 26 rooms with an enrollment of more than 50. During the session of 1904-5 there were 37 rooms with an enrollment more than 50. At the close of this school year, from present indications, the conditions will be worse. These things should not exist. It is poor economy and a very unwise policy to crowd from 50 to 60 children in a room and

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Fulmore

[Fulmore] [Robertson Hill]
S. Austin-Hyde Park
Hill
M.T. Bldg.
Robertson Hill

Purchase of Land for Allan Apr. 5, 1907

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Allan Bldg - 823 Cong. Ave

the different members of the Board individually, be ratified, and that the Board present check to Mayor Robinson for his donation of \$2,500.00 to the Allan Fund, this amount having been deducted by him individually from the original price, \$1,300.00.

It was decided by the Board that, inasmuch as the present occupant of this Avenue property, Mr. Davis, has the property leased until August 1st at the rate of \$90.00 per month, but wishes to move out May 1st, the sum of \$150.00 be accepted for the unexpired lease.

Supr. McCallum was granted leave of absence to be in San Marcos April 30th, and in Manor May 2nd.

The Board ordered the election of four School Trustees for May 4th, the same time, with the same judges, and at the same places as the election for additional school tax, already arranged for.

The meeting then adjourned.

J. T. Dulme
Pres.

612 Jno. B. Kinn School, April 9, 1907.

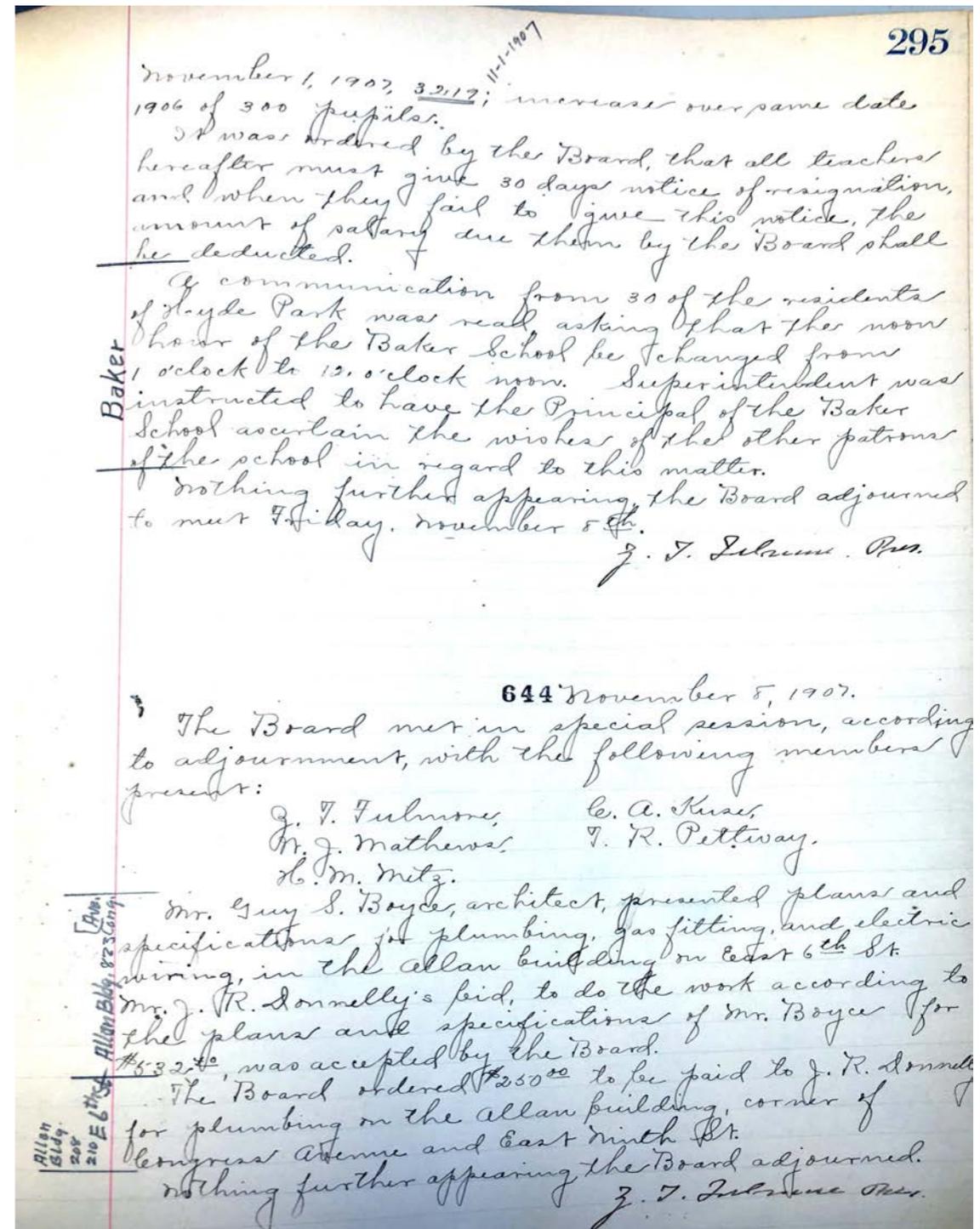
The Board met in special session, all the members being present.

The Superintendent stated that Mrs. Wilson, President U. S. G., Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter, requested the Board to give half day holiday in order that the school children might help in their celebration. On account of the shortness of time allowed the Board to make such arrangement, the request could not be granted.

The Board authorized the principals and teachers to take the school children to the San Jacinto Day parade on April 19th.

First Mention of New Allan Building Nov. 1, 1907

“...presented plans and specific actions for plumbing, gas fitting, and electric wiring in the Allan Building on East 6th Street.”



Need for More Fulmore Space June 4, 1908

“The superintendent was instructed to have built on the South Austin school grounds an additional room like the one last built.”

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The Superintendent was instructed to have built on the South Austin school grounds an additional room like the one last built. Superintendent and Dr. Pettway were appointed a committee to select place and arrange for the erection of this room at once. The Superintendent was instructed to advertise the Robertson Hill school grounds for sale.

The following Principals were elected for the next scholastic year:

Mr. J. E. Pearce,	# Principal	High School.
" J. L. Gaff,	"	Bickler "
" G. A. Brown,	"	Pease "
Miss Florence R. Brooke,	"	Palm "
" Mary E. Johnson,	"	Woodbridge "
" Margaret Reilly,	"	Winn "
Mrs. B. Delfrassich,	"	Fulmore "
Miss Mary Lowry,	"	Baker "

L. E. Anderson,	# Principal	Robertson Hill
G. H. Norman,	"	Gregory town,
H. H. Passon,	"	West Austin.
J. H. Pickard,	"	Wheatville,
Mrs. L. E. Morton,	"	Brackenridge.

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Superintendent stated that Mr. Zier complained that the sky-lights of the building occupied by him were in a bad condition and he was instructed to see Mr. Boyce, the architect, and have them fixed. Nothing further appearing, the Board adjourned.

J. R. Pettway Sec

New Fulmore Land Purchase May 3, 1909

The Board of School Trustees
to the rules of the Board
to be held on May 1st.

Present:
 H. M. Metz,
 Chas. A. Kuser,
 J. A. Jackson,
 Dr. J. Mathews,
 F. R. Pettway,
 B. S. Parker,
 Geo. W. Walling, Jr.

The following was declared the official ballot:
 "Official Ballot for School Trustees.
 Vote for Four.
 Dr. J. Bell,
 J. A. Jackson,
 Chas. A. Kuser,
 Dr. J. Mathews,
 H. M. Metz."

The Board decided to meet tomorrow at 7-30
 to receive plans and specifications from
 architects to erect a Manual Training build-
 ing. The Building Committee of the Board
 agreed to meet in the Superintendent's office
 at 7-30, in order to go over the plans and
 specifications before the meeting of the Board.
 The Board adjourned.

W. R. Pettway sec

7:19 P. M., May 3, 1909.

The Board met in special session at the
 call of the President with all members present.
 * Mr. Geo. T. Smith appeared before the Board and
 made a statement concerning the purchase by
 the Board of Lots 19, 20, and 21, in Block 1-B
 Smisher Addition, South Austin. Mr. Smith
 stated to the Board that Lot 19 had been
 previously sold by Messrs. Yarrington & Covert
 to some trustees for church purposes and
 that the deed had been made to these parties

* Fulmore

New Fulmore Land Purchase May 3, 1909

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and in as much as the negroes had failed to take Lots 20 and 21 according to their contract, these people thought they were justified in making the Board a deed to Lot 19. Mr. Geo. H. Pralling, Jr., was requested to see Mr. Gracy and ascertain if the deed to these three lots was in all respects satisfactory from a legal standpoint. It was further suggested by the Board, that the Board pay one-half the expense of an abstract and Messrs. Sparvington & Revert the other one-half, provided the title was satisfactory. Mr. Smith was requested to ascertain from Mr. C. D. Horton the price of the lots immediately east of the Brackenridge School and to report at the regular meeting of the Board to be held Thursday night.

On motion it was ordered to pay the managers and clerks of election for School Trustees held on May 1st, 25 cents an hour, and that the rent of Volz' store, corner 26th & Guadalupe, in which the election for north Austin was held, be paid the same amount as paid the South Austin Fire Hall.

The question of organization of the Board was postponed until the regular meeting Thursday night.

Nothing further appearing, the Board adjourned. A. A. Pettway Sec

Purchase of More Fulmore Land

May 6, 1909

“Mr. Smith and Mr. Yarrington appeared before the Board in regard to the sale of Lots 19, 20, and 21, Block 1-B Swisher addition.”

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720 Supt. Office, May 6, 1909.

The Board met in regular session at 5 P. M.

Present: Mr. J. Matthews. B. J. Parker,
J. R. Pittway. C. A. Kiser,
Geo. W. Walling, Jr.

The minutes of the regular meeting of April 12th and special meetings of April 19, 22, 25, and May 3rd were read and approved.

* Mr. Geo. V. Smith and Mr. A. H. Yarrington appeared before the Board in regard to the sale of Lots 19, 20, and 21, Block 1-B Swisher addition. Mr. Smith made a statement in regard to the title of Lot 19, and on motion Mr. Walling was requested to ascertain if the title of Lot 19 is in all respects valid and report at the next meeting of the Board. On motion it was ordered that the two lots owned by Mr. E. D. Morton, immediately east of the Brackentidge School, be purchased for \$125.00 each, the owner to furnish abstract to said lots brought down to date.

Inasmuch as June 3rd, the birthday of Jefferson Davis, was declared by the Thirtieth Legislature to be a legal holiday in Texas, it was ordered that hereafter this day be observed by the schools of this city.

The Superintendent made the following statistical report for the month ending Apr. 9, 1909: Enrollment in the white schools 3318; remaining 2776; enrollment in the colored schools, 1254; remaining, 1064; grand total enrollment, 4570, remaining, 3840.

The salary of Miss Ethel Bennett, absent one and one-half days on account of the death of an uncle, and Mrs. L. E. Morton, absent two days on account of the death of an aunt, was ordered paid.

The City Examinations for teachers were ordered to be held the 7, 10 and 11 of June.

Superintendent was instructed to see the Commissioners of the City and ask that the Geo. B. Winn, and Anderson High School be connected with electric wiring.

Winn
Anderson

More New Fulmore Land Purchased Jan. 6, 1910

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school fund for January 1, 1910, was read, showing total amount due the schools from all sources \$21,004.³²; amount received \$4,381.²⁶; balance still due the city schools \$2,673.⁰⁶.

Superintendent made his monthly statistical report for month ending Dec. 10, 1909, showing a total enrollment in the white schools of 32,77; colored schools, 1071; making a grand total enrollment of 4348.

The Teachers' Committee reported that Miss Annie Carman had been transferred from the supernumerary list to a place as regular teacher in the Pease School in place of Miss Alice Humphrey resigned. They further reported that Miss Olivia LeBewer (a senior in the University of Texas who last year did excellent work in the practice classes of the University) had been appointed in place of Miss Carman. This report was approved by the Board.

Mr. Pettway of the special committee appointed to investigate the purchase of additional property for the Fulmore School in South Austin, stated that he had seen the parties who own the property immediately adjoining the Fulmore School, and that the Pease property could be bought for \$2000 per lot; the Schiermann property for \$5000. On motion of Mr. Parker, Mr. Geo. W. Walling was added to this special committee to further investigate the purchase of property for the Fulmore School and to ascertain what the west half of block 32, on which is located the school, can be bought. Power was given this committee to close the deal for this property, with the understanding that the price to be paid for the different properties must not exceed the prices named, before the Board.

A communication from Miss Ada Blackburn asking an endorsement of the Board for position

Fulmore

More New Fulmore Land Purchased Jan. 12, 1910

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Election expenses ————
 Interest on overdrafts ————
 Contingent deposits, etc. ————
 Total disbursements \$106,077.00

73.00
 400.00
 2,000.00

Superintendent stated that the question of the Bond issue would come before the Council tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock and it was the sense of the Board that all members be present at this meeting of the Council, in order to urge the Council to call an election for the issuance of \$50,000.00 school bonds as early as practicable.

It was ordered by the Board that lots 9 & 10, 576, Block 32, Swiss Addition, be purchased from Miss Julia Pease for \$1100.00. Lots 11 & 12 in the same block, from Frank Heiermann for \$550.00. Lots 3 & 4 in the same block, from C. M. Bartholomew for \$700.00. Lots 1 & 2, in the same block, from W. M. Leover (Stacy Robbins Co. agents) for \$750.00.

It was the opinion of the Board that one-third be paid on these lots cash, and the other two-thirds to be paid next year, or as soon as possible, and that the Board arrange for carrying the notes. Parker voting no, on account of financial condition.

Superintendent reported that the corner stone of the Manual Training building would cost \$72.00 and the Superintendent was instructed to see Mr. Seaborn and ascertain if a suitable corner stone could be purchased for less money. Nothing further, the Board adjourned.

J. K. Pettway, Sec

Fulmore Bd. of Ed.
 Fulmore, Col.
 M. T. Bldg.

New Fulmore Land Investigated June 13, 1910

“...the Building Committee had investigated the South Austin property and that the block of Mr. Chester Thrasher’s, one block from the Avenue could be purchased for \$5,000.”

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satisfactory arrangements can be made with him, to supervise the buildings.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) C. B. Moreland,) Building
H. M. Metz,) Committee.
Geo. W. Walling, Jr.

Fulmore
Mr. Geo. W. Walling, Jr., reported that he and Mr. Moreland of the Building Committee had investigated the South Austin property and that the block of Mr. Chester Thrasher's, one block from the Avenue could be purchased for \$5000.00. On motion this Committee was empowered to close the deal for a site in South Austin on which to erect a public school building.

Nothing further appearing, the Board adjourned.

T. R. Pettway
Secretary.

779 June 21, 1910.

The Board met in special session with the following members present:

H. M. Metz, C. B. Moreland,
T. R. Pettway, C. A. Kuse.

Absent: W. J. Mathews, J. A. Jackson, Geo. W. Walling.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Metz.

The following report of the Building Committee was approved:

June 17, 1910.

Honorable Board of Trustees
Austin Public Schools.

Gentlemen:--

We your Building Committee recommend the employment of C. H. Page & Brother, as architects for the repairing, etc., of the old school buildings in the city.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) C. B. Moreland,) Building
Geo. W. Walling, Jr.,) Committee.
H. M. Metz,

New Fulmore Design Dec. 8, 1910

“Dr. Ellis made a detailed statement to the Board of the plans and specifications for the buildings to be erected in...South Austin.”

secretary.

801 December 8, 1910.

The Board met in special session at the call of the Building Committee. Present:

H. M. Metz,	C. B. Moreland,
T. R. Pettway,	J. A. Jackson,
C. A. Kuse,	Geo. W. Walling.

Absent: W. J. Mathews.

The Board was called to order by Vice-President H. M. Metz. Dr. A. C. Ellis, expert on heating and sanitation, and Geo. A. Endress, architect, were also present.

Superintendent stated that he had had an interview with Mayor Wooldridge and that \$35,000 of the bond issue money would be ready by January 1, 1911.

*^{Pease} On motion of Mr. Moreland, it was ordered that the cistern at the Pease School be filled and that a top for the trash burner be provided for. Mr. Thetreau was instructed to look after this work.

* Dr. Ellis made a detailed statement to the Board of the plans and specifications for the buildings to be erected in Hyde Park and South Austin. The Board entered into a thorough discussion of the plans and it was ordered that the plans and specifications prepared by Endress & Walsh and recommended by Dr. Ellis and the Superintendent be accepted. It was further ordered that bids be called for, for the erection of these school buildings, to be opened on January 10, 1911. It was further ordered that plans of both the combination heating system and direct radiation system be prepared by Endress & Walsh, and that bids on both plans be

Fulmore Plaque 1911



Fulmore Plaque 1911



New Fulmore Grounds Purchased Jan. 25, 1911

“The Board met according to agreement on the grounds on the grounds purchase for the new Fulmore School building in South Austin...”

It was ordered by the Board that the Johnson Thermostat System of Regulation be installed in the Baker and Fulmore schools.

Diplomas were ordered given to the following graduates of the Austin High School, on the recommendation of the Principal and teachers of the High School:

Barrow, John Vermillion,
Clements, Maude Eleanor
* Cordz, Mamie
Deen, Robert Reese
Dunn, James Lewis
Lawson, Cassie Lee
Lochrige, Corinne Elizabeth

Miller, Mildred Irene
Norman, Dorothea
* Pickrell, David Doom
Pryor, Florence
Shelton, Edgar Greer
Spears, Ruby Kenada
Thomas, Waldine Eleanor

Nothing further appearing, the Board adjourned.

J. R. Pettway
Secretary.

8 10 11 A. M. January 25, 1911.

*The Board met according to agreement on the grounds purchased for the new Fulmore School building in South Austin, and on motion Mr. J. A. Jackson was elected chairman. Present:

J. A. Jackson, T. R. Pettway,
C. A. Kuse, C. B. Moreland,
Geo. W. Walling, Jr.,

Absent: W. J. Mathews, H. M. Metz.

*Mr. Moreland moved to place the building on the original location selected by the Building Committee sometime ago, fifty feet from the rear street line, and one hundred feet from the south boundary of the north street line. It was ordered that the building face west.

*On motion the Building Committee was instructed to make the proper water connections with the city.

*On motion the Building Committee was instructed to have the City Engineer locate the street lines west and east of the grounds purchased for the new school building.

Nothing further appearing the Board adjourned.

J. R. Pettway
Secretary.

New Fulmore School Dedication Nov. 18, 1911

“The exercises were closed with the singing of ‘Dixie Land’ by the children.”

Austin History Center

AUSTIN MORNING, NOVEMBER 18, 1911

FULMORE SCHOOL IS FORMALLY DEDICATED

EXERCISES HELD AT NEW SOUTH
AUSTIN BUILDING.

EVENT IS WELL ATTENDED

Mayor, School Superintendent and
President of Board of Education
Among the Speakers.

School patrons of South Austin yesterday afternoon formally dedicated one of the best equipped, most modern and entirely satisfactory school buildings in the city—the Fulmore School. This building, an eight-room and basement affair, is a credit to the untiring energies and progressiveness of the residents of this section and would be a credit to any municipality. For years the South Austin inhabitants have been planning for just such a structure.

Gathered to participate in the dedication exercises yesterday afternoon were men who have been closely associated with things educational in this city for the last generation, and even farther back than that. Besides this, there were a larger portion of the 250 pupils of the school, with the proud teachers and the doting mothers.

The building was begun the first of this year. It cost approximately \$25,000. It was built for the future as much as for the present and so arranged that eight additional rooms may be built without marring the harmony and symmetry of the structure. It is modern in the last degree in all its appointments and equipment, and has won the source of many congratulations to the South Austin school patrons and the board of trustees.

SUPERINTENDENT'S ADDRESS

The ceremonies were opened yesterday by Rev. J. C. Mitchell of the South Austin Baptist church, who pronounced an invocation. A. N. McCallum, Superintendent, made a brief introductory address before beginning his duties as master of ceremonies.

“The children, because they are children, have a right to the best that any community can give them—in buildings, in equipment, in teaching ability,” said Superintendent McCallum.

And the child, because he is a child, has the right to make the most out of himself and to live the best possible life for him to live. This can only be done through the proper sort of education—the education that trains the body and the heart as well as the head. Any training of children or any education which leaves out one of the three is defective to that extent, is hampering the child and probably prohibiting him from making the most of himself as an all-round, upright, honest, conscientious citizen.”

Superintendent McCallum then spoke of the importance of the co-operation of teacher and parent—particularly the mother—in the proper training of the child. He dwelt upon the up-to-date and ever new methods being discovered for the training of children, and urged that some of the old methods be discarded as unworthy in this enlightened age. This was his message to the mothers and teachers.

H. M. Metz, president of the school board, was next presented to those present. He indulged in many reminiscences, telling of the times in Austin within his memory when the best schoolhouse boasted of was a log affair with puncheon floor and split log seats without any thought of desks. Then he recounted the developments down the line of years until the present time, pointing out the many advantages of the young of this age in obtaining an education.

Z. T. Fulmore, for whom the new school building has been named, told of the time when the first schoolhouse was built in South Austin about thirty years ago—a two-room wooden affair. He indulged in some happenings of those days, when Texas was wild and unsettled and education and educational methods were crude and in their infancy. He admonished the children before him to apply themselves and take advantage of conditions unheard of in their grandfather's time. He requested that they “do unto others what others have done unto you,” referring to the school buildings and equipment for the generations to come. At this juncture the children sang in chorus “America.”

THE MAYOR SPEAKS

Mayor Woodridge congratulated the people of South Austin on the possession of so fine a building. He was particularly struck with the environment of the building—sitting back on a hill with the untrammelled cedar brakes at the rear, looking out upon the Colorado river. “A sight enough to inspire the poetic in the most slumbering and sluggish soul,” said he.

“I have held several positions of honor,” said the Mayor, “in my time, but the one to which I point with greatest pride is that I was the first president of the first school board in Austin, more than thirty years ago. And this fact I expect to refer to, no matter how egotistical it may seem, the balance of my days, on occasions like this.”

He praised the practical methods of educators nowadays, and said he was a believer in practical courses such as domestic science and manual training, particularly for the boy or girl not financially or mentally able to go through college. Mayor Woodridge also paid a nice complimentary expression or two to Mr. Fulmore.

B. K. Benson, a resident of long standing in the South Austin community and an experienced patron of education, also spoke. “The reminiscences of Judge Fulmore were doubtless humorous to you, but they were stale to me, because I have heard them from his lips so often,” began Mr. Benson. “He and I have been connected as friends all these many years, and he was good to relate me his experiences.”

Mr. Benson dwelt upon three things—the greatest achievements in the mental world in his opinion: The alphabet, characterized as the greatest of man's inventions; the printing press, next greatest; and the creation of the modern educational systems in diffusing and teaching knowledge in all its branches, was third. He spoke of the unity of the race and the opportunity the children present had at education—particularly the abstract qualities—such as truth, honesty, integrity and uprightness.

The exercises were closed with the singing of “Dixie Land” by the children.

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ADDITIONAL

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University Should

In addition to the students of the university, the university should make the rallying point for the greater houses and represent how little used nearly five seven. V of our school that they has been could be mothers children see you benefit advantages youth. I is an idea and domestic classes. school v branches future.

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“This is of course in use Musical training arranged for the clubs for the people of any where I a free house.”

New Fulmore School Dedication Nov. 27, 1911

“Superintendent
reported that the
Fulmore School was
dedicated on November
17th...”

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due the city schools from all sources, of this amount \$1,119.61 has been paid, leaving a balance still due of \$109,180.69.

Superintendent made his regular monthly statistical report as follows: Net total enrollment in High School, 633; Pease 578; Bickler 469; Palm 435; Wooldridge 299; John B. Winn 281; Baker 357; Fulmore 264. Total enrollment in white schools, 3287. Anderson High School 208; Gregorytown 426; West Austin 174; Wheatville 69; Brackenridge 86. Total enrollment in colored schools 963. Grand total enrollment 4250.

Superintendent made a report as follows concerning the Night School: Total enrollment in the commercial and literary departments 57, dropped 8, present enrollment 49. Enrollment in the Manual Training department 36, dropped 9, present enrollment 27. Grand total enrollment in the Night School 93, present enrollment of 76. Superintendent reported that the interest was good on the part of those who attend.

An increase in the salary of H. Lindquist, assistant janitor at the High School, of \$4.00 per month, was ordered.

A petition from the pupils of the High School, asking for a holiday on Friday, December 1st, was read. No action was taken on this petition.

Blackshear
*Geo. W. Walling, of the Building Committee, reported that he had not made a definite deal with Mr. Caldwell in regard to the lots adjacent to the Gregorytown school.

On motion it was ordered that an option on the Zier building be granted to J. Gregg Hill for thirty days, provided Mr. Hill would pay \$100 for this option. It was further moved and seconded that this option be extended to any other real estate dealer in the city on the same terms, if not accepted by Mr. Hill. It was the opinion of the Board that \$25,000.00 would be a fair price for the building.

*Superintendent reported that the Fulmore School was dedicated on November 17th, and the Baker School on the 24th. Had good audiences and enthusiastic meetings were held.

Communication from Miss Annie S. Mallett, asking free tuition for her sister Callie, was read, and free tuition granted.

Nothing further appearing, the Board adjourned.

H. Jackson
Secretary

Howe
President

Old Fulmore Land Returned June 17, 1912

“Mr. Geo. P. Warner appeared before the Board and stated that in as much as the two lots of the old Fulmore school in South Austin had been donated by him, that in as much as the school was no longer conducted at this location, he asked the Board to return the lots to him.”

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to all the requirements of the Board and especially the matter of tardiness.

Mr. Geo. P. Warner appeared before the Board and stated that in as much as the two lots of the old Fulmore school in South Austin had been donated by him, that in as much as the school was no longer conducted at this location, he asked the Board to return the lots to him.

Mr. Warner further stated that this property had been given to Judge Fulmore and his successors in office as County Judge, that his claim while not legally binding on the School Board, in his judgment it was perfectly right and proper for the Board to return this property to him since it was no longer used as a school. On motion it was ordered that it was the sense of the School Board that the Board was powerless to accede to the request of Mr. Warner, that it would be equally as legitimate for the Board to transfer any other property belonging to the schools as to transfer this back to Mr. Warner.

The following report of the Teachers' Committee was adopted:

To the Honorable Board of Trustees

Austin City Schools.

Gentlemen:--

We your Committee on Teachers, recommend the election of the following principals and teachers for the year 1912-13:

J. E. Pearce, Principal	Austin High School.
T. A. Brown, "	Pease "
J. I. Tapp, "	Bickler "
	Palm "

Allan Junior High Named Apr. 10, 1916

“It was ordered by the Board that the new Junior High School be named the John T. Allan High School.”

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Superintendent called the attention of the Board to the fact that the Texas Trust Company, in accordance with an agreement with the City Council had not paid any interest for the school funds. This matter was discussed by the Board, but no definite action was taken.

Report of the High School Lunch Room for March, showed total receipts \$941.60, total disbursements \$921.88. The Board suggested that the margin of profit was too small.

Report of the School Nurse for the month of March, showed four cases of Diphtheria in the city and six cases of Scarlet Fever. 117 inspected in school; 10 referred to family physician or specialist; schools visited - Palm, Fulmore, Bickler, Wooldridge, etc.

Report for the Night School for the month showed total enrollment 289; net enrollment 289; average attendance 187. It was the general opinion of the Board that the average attendance was too small and the question of the advisability of charging next year an admission fee of \$1.00 to be returned at the close of the term, provided the pupil attended 75% of the nights, was discussed. The Board further discussed the advisability of closing down the Night School at the end of this week, on account of the low average attendance.

Metz
The Building Committee reported that Commissioner Powell had agreed to give all the soil necessary for raising the grade around the new school building in the Driving Park.

Allan-NAMED
It was ordered by the Board that the new Junior High School be named the JOHN T. ALLAN HIGH SCHOOL. That the East End ward school be named in honor of H. M. Metz, former President of the School Board, and the West End ward school be named in honor of Dr. W. J. Mathews, former President of the School Board.

Metz
Mr. J. R. W. Williams of the Building Committee reported that the northwest corner of the block on which the new school building in the Driving Park is being erected can be purchased for \$1050. The Building Committee was authorized to offer for these two lots \$900.00.

Mr. Joe Harrell was called to the chair, and Messrs. Cullen and Walling were appointed tellers of the Trustee Election held on April 8th. The tellers reported the following vote: Decherd 890; Harrell 88; Williams 916; Bell 837; Moore 833; Wendlandt 796.

The President declared Messrs. Decherd, Harrell and Williams elected members of the Board for the ensuing two years, and Mr. W. H. Cullen, City Public administered the oaths of office.

The acting President declared the old Board dissolved and Mr. Harrell was elected temporary chairman.

On motion, Mr. W. H. Cullen was elected permanent President of the Board, Mr. Joe Harrell Vice-President, and Dr. Geo. M. Decherd Secretary.

Mathews-Metz
The following bids were opened for the plumbing, fire protection, and electric wiring for the two new ward school buildings:

John L. Martin, plumbing \$2836; Byer's pipe \$21.00, water pipe per ft. 35 cents. Wiring \$483.00.

Donnelly & White, \$3200.00; Byer's pipe \$25.00; with contracts for both buildings \$3050.00.

A. E. Hancock Company, \$3200.00; Byer's pipe \$66.00; Electric wiring \$554.00.

Austin Elec. Supply & Plumbing Co., plumbing \$3391.00; Byer's pipe \$32.00; Electric wiring \$395.45.

It was ordered by the Board that the plumbing contract be awarded to John L. Martin for \$2836.00, plus \$21.00 for the use of Byer's pipe and the Austin Elec. Supply & Plumbing Co. for the electric wiring.

Allan Anniversary Observed May 22, 1932

“He became an officer
on the staff of Major
Gen. Ward during the
Civil War and served for
the duration of the war.”

Allan Anniversary Is Observed Here: Benefactor of Austin's Schools
The Austin American (1914-1973); May 22, 1932;
ProQuest Historical Newspapers: The Austin American Statesman
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Allan Anniversary Is Observed Here

Benefactor of Austin's Schools Born in 1821

Students of the John T. Allan high school Saturday observed the 111th anniversary of the birth of John T. Allan, benefactor of their school and founder of the John T. Allan endowment fund used to further manual training in the Austin schools.

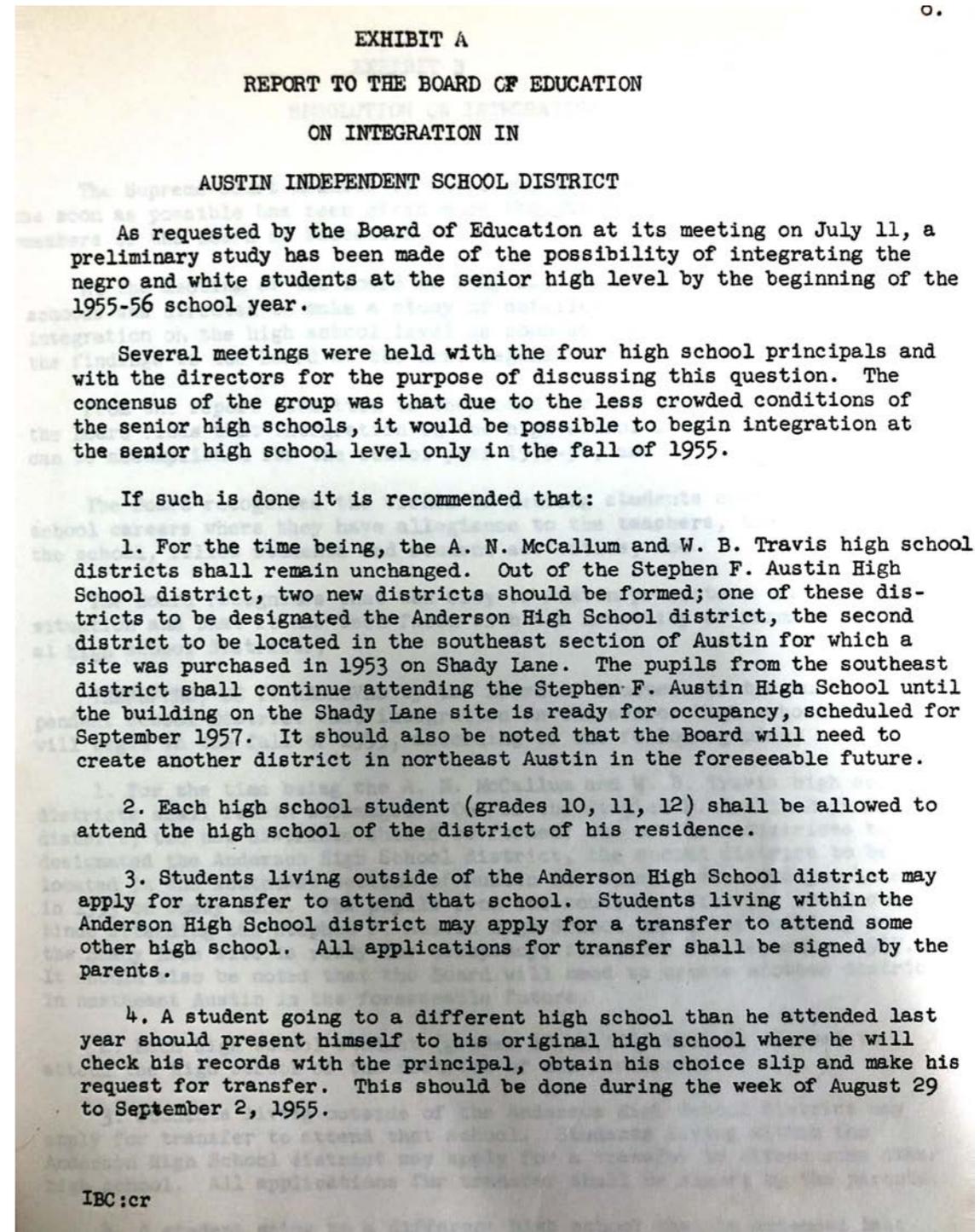
John T. Allan was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, May 21, 1821, and came to this country at the age of 21 landing at New Orleans after making a brief stop at Jamaica.

After spending a few years in Alexandria, La., and Little Rock, Ark., Mr. Allan came to Austin in 1850 and made his permanent home here. On his arrival here, he opened a furniture store in partnership with Joseph Spence, but the furniture business did not appeal to him. Having studied law in Little Rock, Mr. Allan in 1852 opened a law office in a building located on the site of the present Queen theatre building. He practiced law and served as justice of the peace in Austin until 1863. He became an officer on the staff of Major Gen. Ward during the Civil War and served for the duration of the war.

During the administration of Gov. E. M. Pease in 1867-69, Mr. Allan served as state treasurer and later was appointed district attorney of the fourth judicial district of Texas.

John T. Allan died Jan. 22, 1888, leaving an estate valued at between \$50,000 and \$100,000. All except \$5000 of this was willed to a Miss Osborne, a daughter of his old friend, D. C. Osborne of Nacogdoches. The \$5000 was bequeathed to the city of Austin for the establishment of a school of industrial arts for boys. The Junior high school was named in his honor by the school board in recognition of this endowment.

Report to the Board of Education on Integration in AISD Aug. 8, 1955



Current John T. Allan Junior High School East Section Plaque 1956



Johnston Chapter 105 of United Daughters of the Confederacy Honor Lanier Feb. 12, 1956

UDC Chapter To Hear Talk On Lanier
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UDC Chapter To Hear Talk On Lanier

Albert Sidney Johnson Chapter 105 of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet Thursday at 3 p.m. in the Texas Confederate Museum, Old Land Office Building, 11th and Brazos Streets.

A short business session will precede the historical program which has been arranged by Mrs. R. S. Lloyd, historian.

Miss Nellie Lea Brown will speak to the group on Sidney Lanier, reading a selection of his poems.

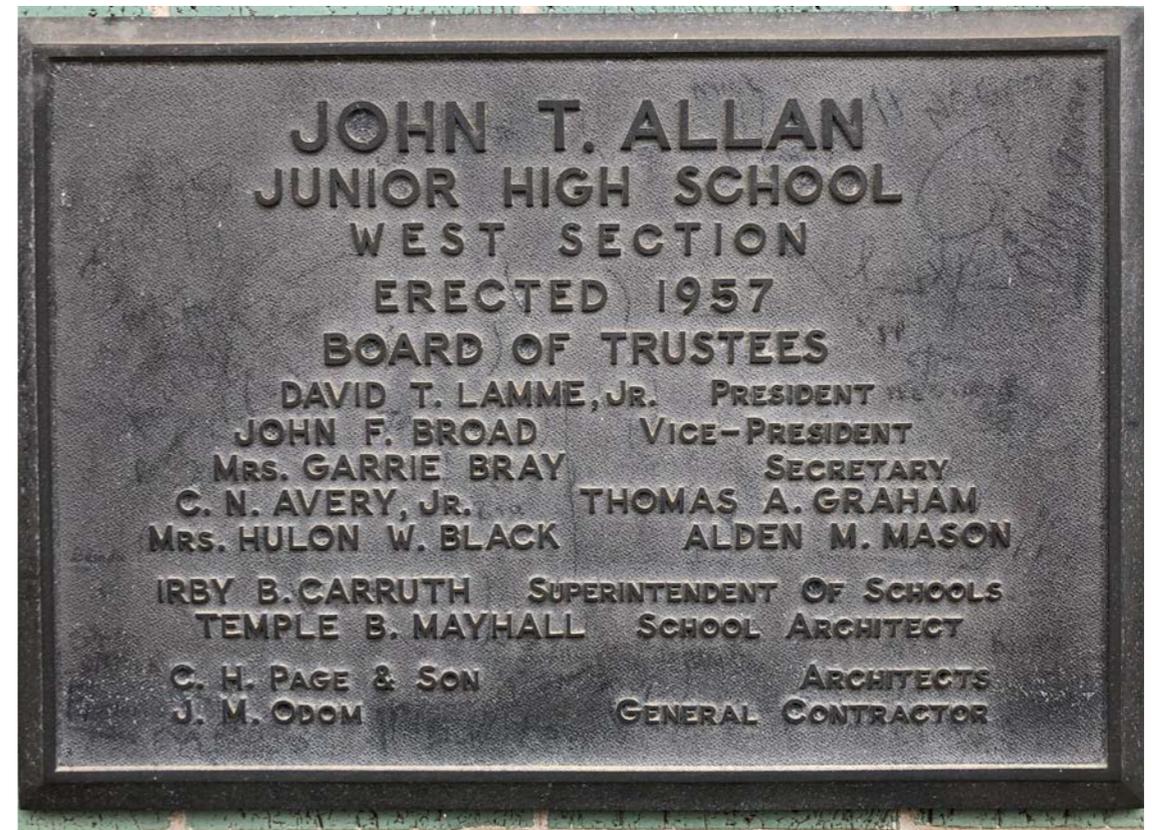
Through the efforts of the UDC, a bronze bust of Sidney Lanier has been placed in the Hall of Fame, New York University. The bronze bust was presented in a ceremony Oct. 3, 1946, by the then UDC president-general, Mrs. John M. Wilcox of Houston.

The program will include musical selections and will be concluded with group-singing of "Dixie."

An informal social hour will follow with Mrs. Maurice W. Plumb as chairman of the hostess committee.

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Current John T. Allan Junior High School West Section Plaque 1957



Johnston Chapter 105 of United Daughters of the Confederacy Meeting Feb. 17, 1957

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UDC Group To Convene

Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter 105, United Daughters of the Confederacy, will meet Thursday at 3 p.m. in the Texas Confederate Museum of the old Land Office Building, 11th and Brazos Streets.

Mrs. Chester C. Cameron and Mrs. J. F. Kramer, historian of the group, will be in charge of the meeting. The program will honor the Confederate poet, Sidney Lanier.

Hostesses will be Mesdames Maurice W. Plumb, Lon Scott, L. P. McGarity, R. S. Lloyd, Roger B. Tyler, Jessie Smith, Shelton Adrian, H. J. Thaxton, W. T. Jarmon, Dewey Thiele, R. E. Thiele, Charles Sauer, F. J. Ribbar and C. W. Hackett and Misses Myrtle Grace and Annie M. Smith.

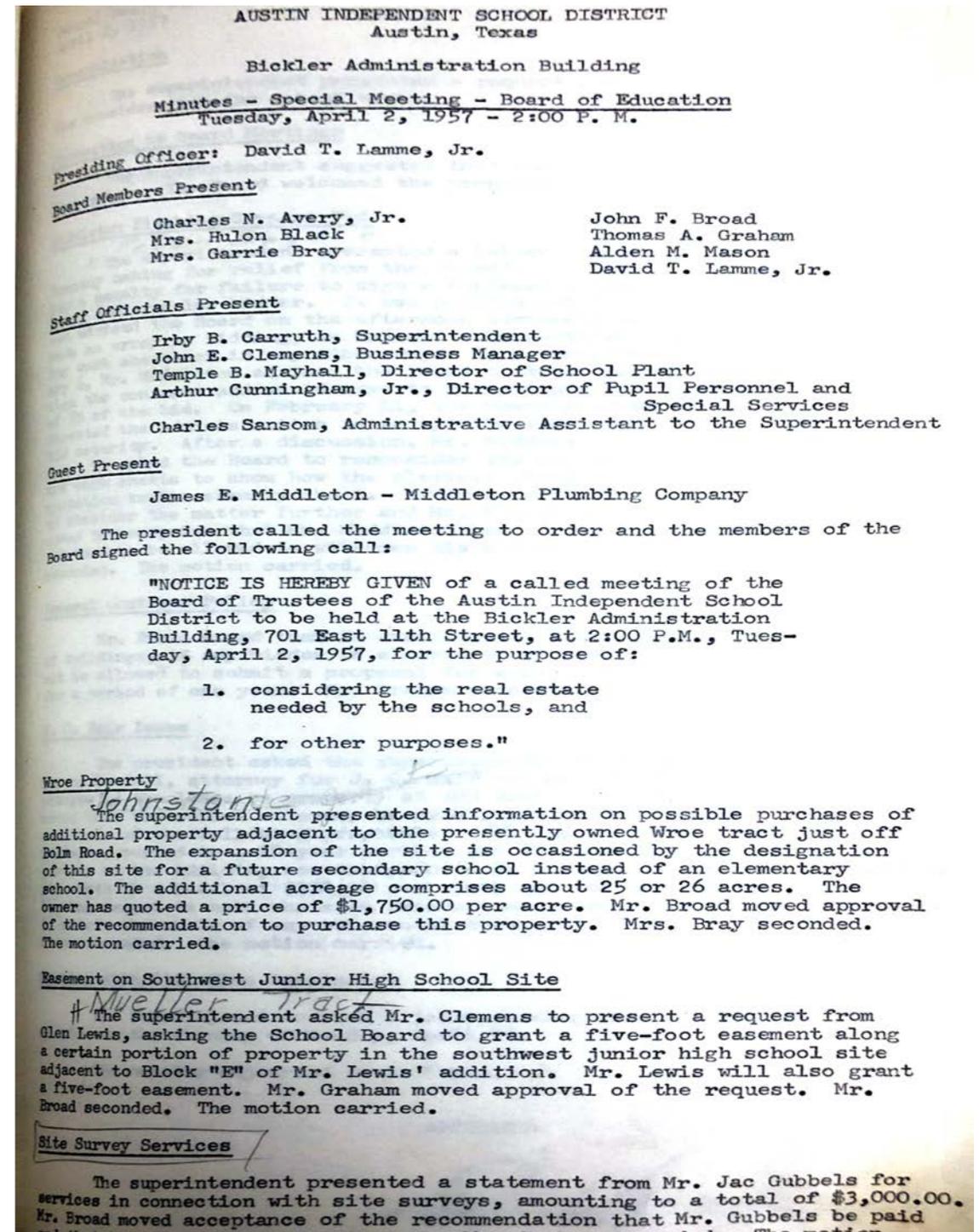
Review Scheduled

The Tuesday Book Review Club will meet in the home of Mrs. J. M. Alexander, 1608 Forrest Trail, Tuesday at 3 p. m. Mrs. Ross Bell will review "The Tribe That Lost Its Head."

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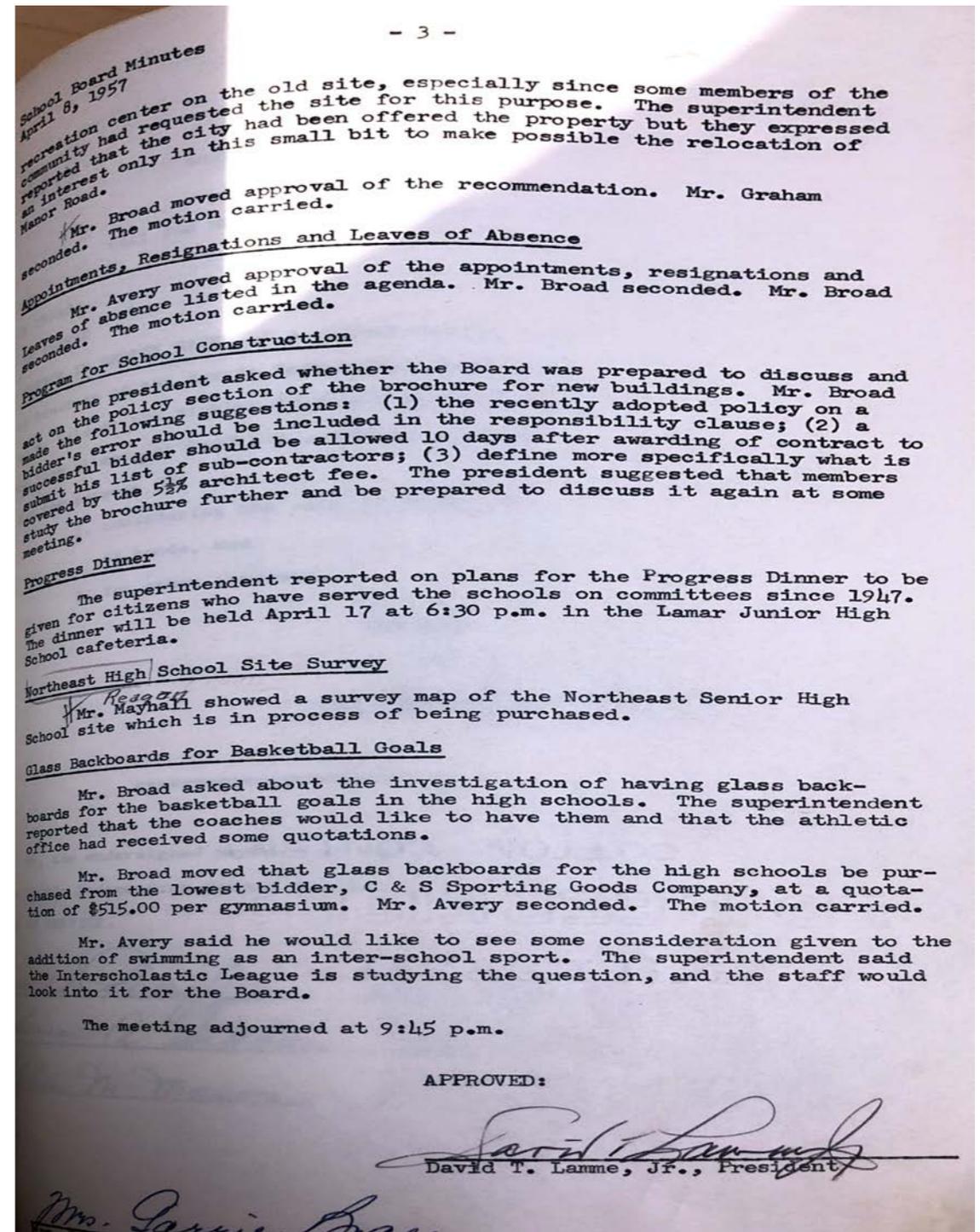
Johnston Land Purchase Apr. 2, 1957

“The superintendent presented information on the possible purchase of additional property adjacent to the presently owned Wroe tract just off Bolm Road.”



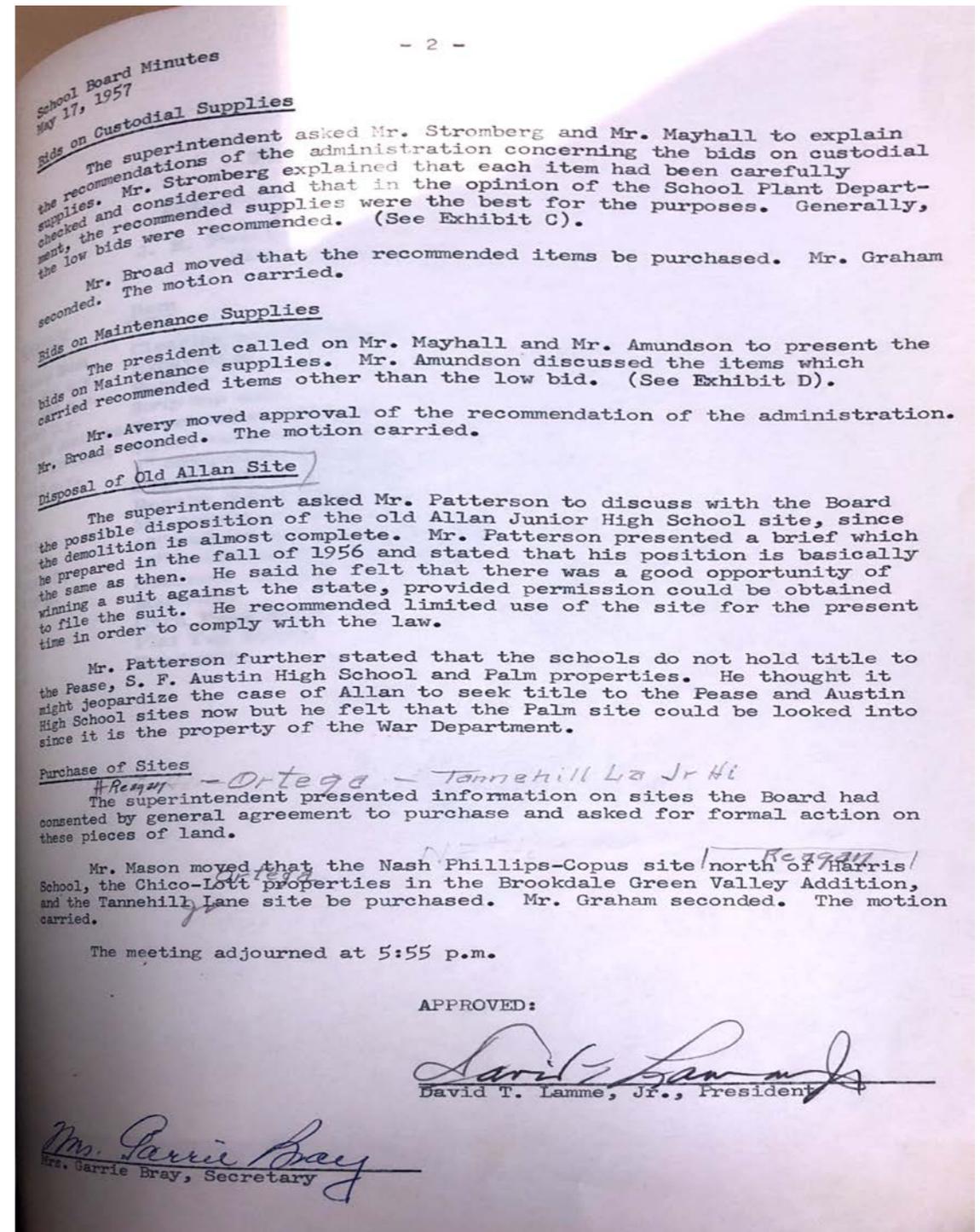
Reagan Site Surveyed Apr. 8, 1957

“Mr. Mayhall showed a survey map of the Northeast Senior High School site which is in the process of being purchased.”



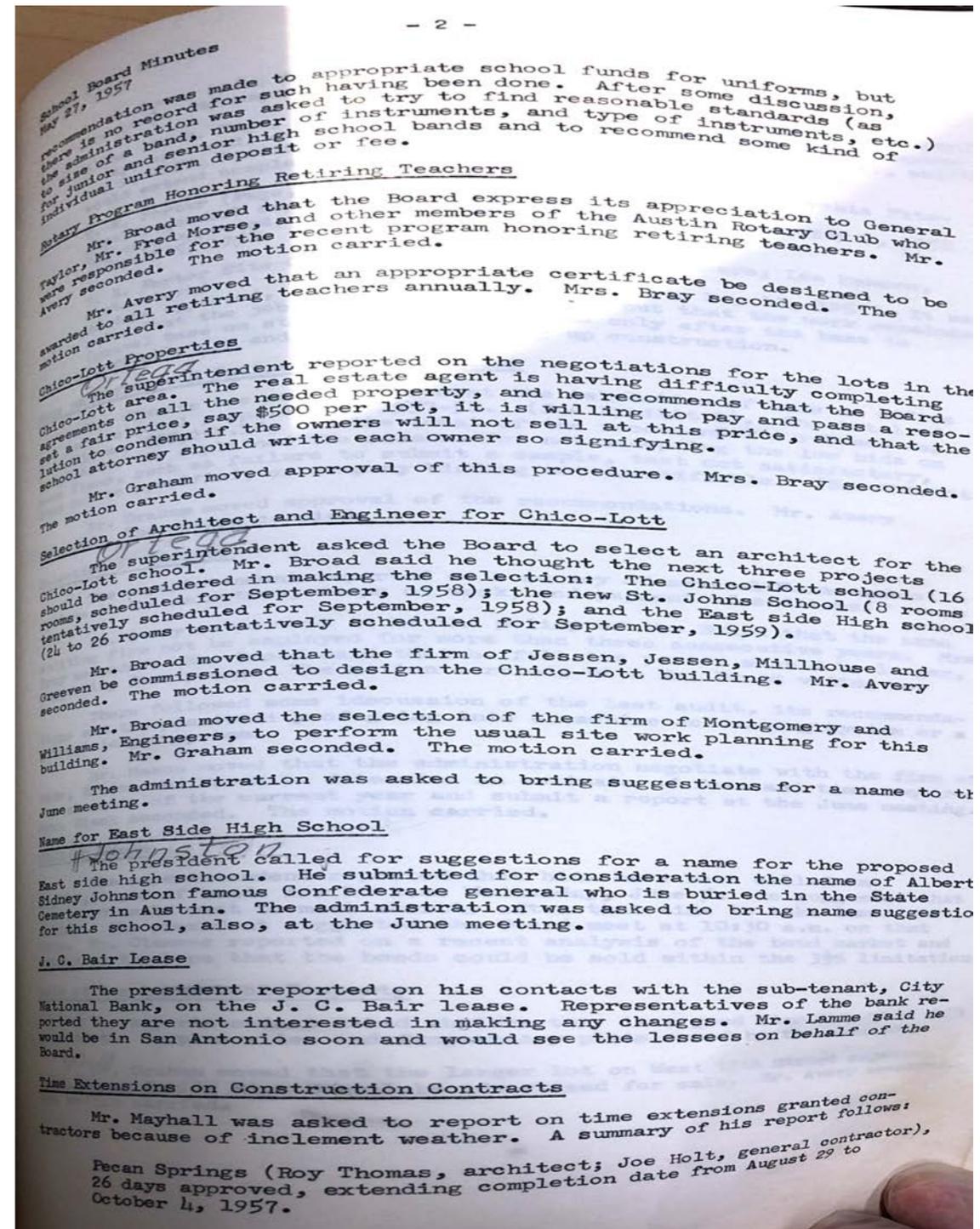
Reagan Site Purchased May 17, 1957

“Mr. Mason moved that the Nash Phillips-Copus site north of Harris School, the Chico-Lott properties in the Brookdale Green Valley Addition, and the Tannehill Lane site be purchased.”



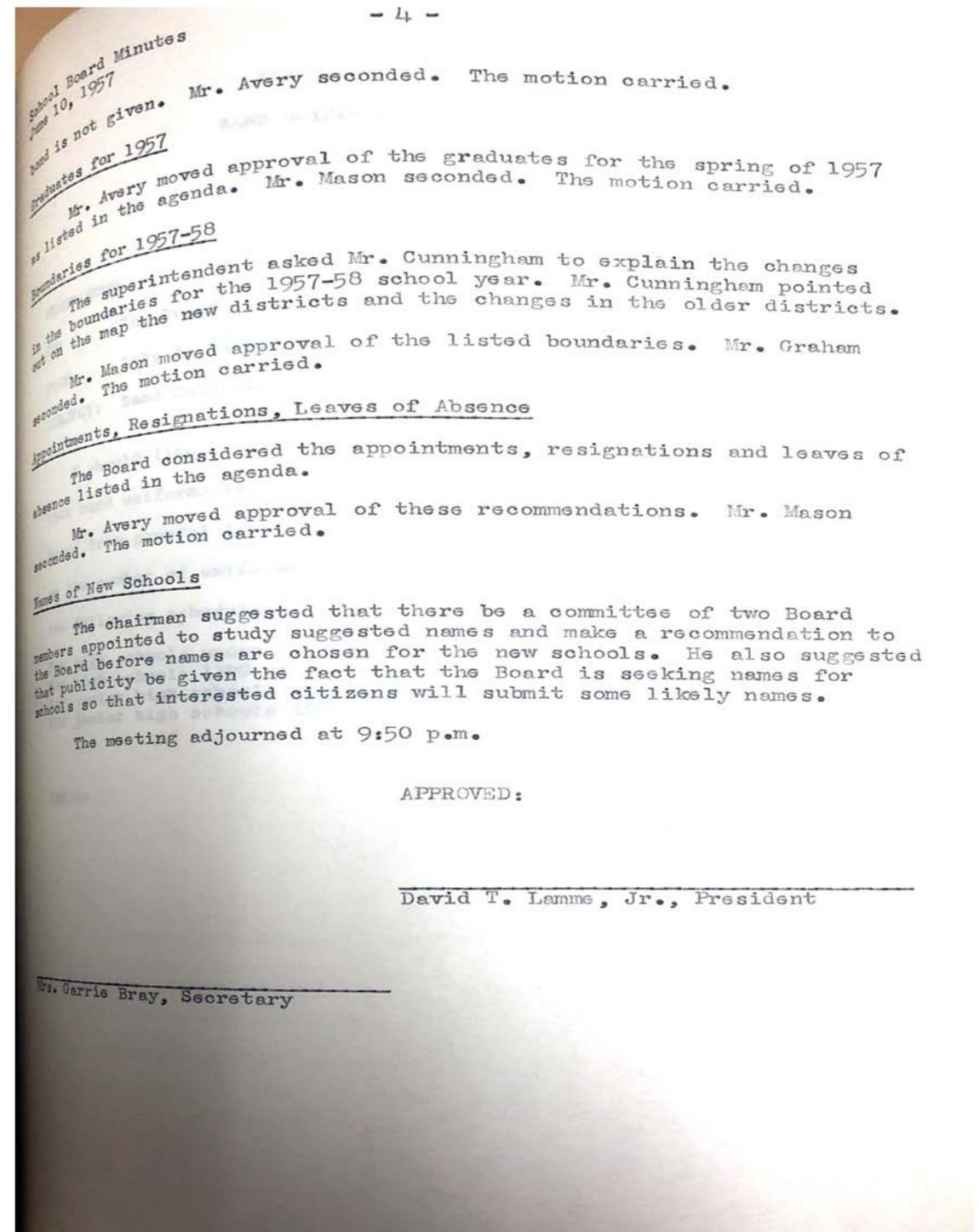
Board President Submitted Johnston as Name May 27, 1957

“The president called for suggestions for a name for the proposed east side high school. He submitted for consideration the name Albert Sidney Johnston famous Confederate general who is buried in the State Cemetery in Austin. The administration was asked to bring name suggestions for this school, also, at the June meeting.”



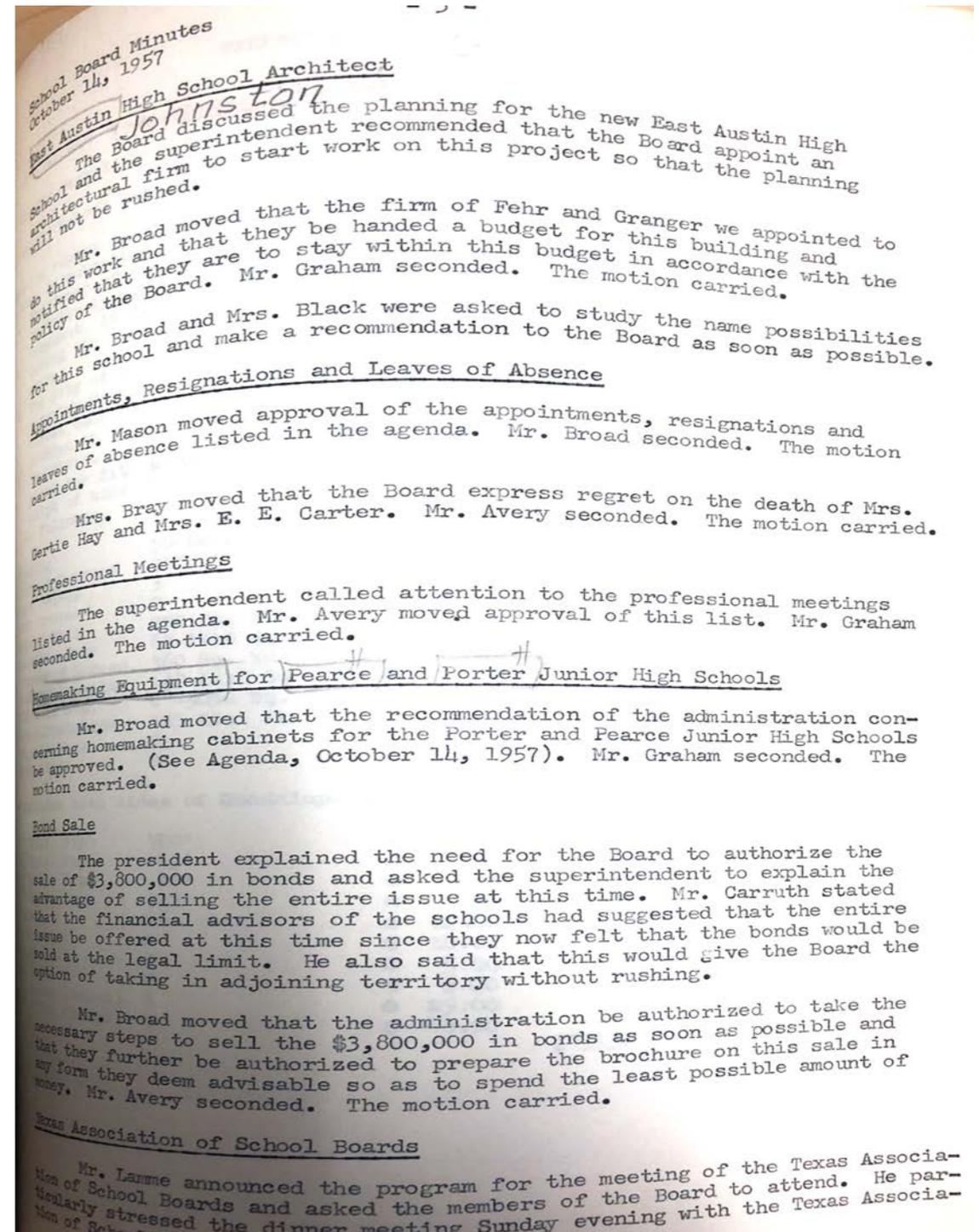
School Naming Committees June 10, 1957

“The chairman suggested that there be a committee of two Board members appointed to study suggested names and make a recommendation to the Board before names are chosen for the new schools. He also suggested that publicity be given the fact that the Board is seeking names for schools so that interested citizens will submit some likely names.”



Johnston School Name Requested Oct. 14, 1957

“Mr. Broad and Mrs. Black were asked to study the name possibilities for this school and make a recommendation to the Board as soon as possible.”



Johnston Named Riverside High School Nov. 11, 1957

“The superintendent asked the committee on names to report on the name for the high school to be built in east Austin. Mr. Broad stated that it was the recommendation of the committee to name the school the Riverside High School and he moved that the school be named. Mrs. Black seconded. The motion carried.”

School Board
November 11, 1957

Audit Report
The Board discussed the report of the auditors on the budgeted funds. Mr. Broad moved approval of this report. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried.

Reilly Site Work
After a discussion of the bids on the site work at the Reilly Elementary School, Mr. Broad moved that the low bid of Raymond Canion be approved subject to additions and reductions and that the sprinkler system not be awarded at this time. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried.

T. N. Porter Site Work, Phase 2
The Board discussed the bids on the site work at the T. N. Porter Junior High School. Mr. Broad moved approval of the low bid of Raymond Canion and that an effort be made to work out the elimination of certain items such as the grass seeding and any other reduction that could be made without affecting the effect of the work and that the bid of Ramsey's Austin Nursery for the sprinkler system be approved. Mr. Mason seconded. The motion carried.

Oak Springs Site
After discussing the site work to be done on the Oak Springs School and the amount of money to be spent, Mr. Broad moved that the low bid of Raymond Canion, with the deletion of items 2 and 11, be accepted and that the Board request the City Council to expedite the work on the drainage problem in the area surrounding the Oak Springs site and that the bid of Lawmister for the sprinkler system be accepted. Mr. Avery seconded. The motion carried.

The administration was instructed to inform Mr. Canion which site to begin with in order to have the sites ready as needed.

Appointments, Resignations and Leaves of Absence
Mr. Mason moved approval of the recommendation of the superintendent on appointments, resignations and leaves of absence. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried.

St. Johns Elementary School Bids
The Board discussed the bids on the St. Johns Elementary School (See Exhibit A). Mr. Broad moved acceptance of the low bids on the general contract, the mechanical contracts and the kitchen equipment. Mr. Mason seconded. The motion carried.

Oak Springs Elementary School Plans
Mr. Roy White of Kuelme, Brooks and Barr, architects, presented the final plans on the Oak Springs Elementary School. Mr. White stated that the plans on this fourteen room school are ready to put out for bids at an estimated cost of \$222,745.40 if the electrical heating system is used or \$215,026.50 if gas heating is used. This is approximately \$10.10 for electric heating and \$9.75 for gas heating. Mr. White stated that every effort had been made to cut cost but the soil condition made it necessary to use suspended slab construction and therefore the cost was more.

Mr. Mason moved acceptance of the plans and that they be put out for bids as soon as possible. Mr. Avery seconded. The motion carried.

A completion date of July 15 was suggested.

East Austin High School
The superintendent asked the committee on names to report on the name for the high school to be built in east Austin. Mr. Broad stated that it was the recommendation of the committee to name the school the Riverside High School and he moved that the school be named. Mrs. Black seconded. The motion carried.

Johnston Chapter 105 of United Daughters of the Confederacy Meeting Feb. 2, 1958

Meeting Slated By UDC Chapter
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Meeting Slated By UDC Chapter

Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, will meet Thursday at 3 p.m. with Mrs. J. F. Kramer, 612 East 43rd Street.

The program will honor Sidney Lanier who was born in February. Mrs. Nan Elkins will give the program.

Co-hostesses will be Mrs. Maurice Plumb, chairman, Mesdames Ben Sharpe, Woodie Sport, J. H. Tyler, Charles Foster, J. E. Howze, R. J. Razor, L. E. Purnell, A. P. Robinson, J. B. Nitschke and H. J. Thaxton, and Miss Opelia Gilmore and Miss Miriam Landrum.

Travel Talk Slated

Alpha Gamma Delta Mothers Club will meet Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the chapter house, 807 West 25th Street.

Hostesses will be Mrs. D. A. Schofield and Mrs. W. C. Hoebet. Guest speaker Mrs. George Hoffman will discuss her experiences in Europe last summer and will show colored slides.

Board To Convene

The board of directors of Altenheim will meet at the home on Wednesday at 10 a. m.

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Johnston as Riverside High School Feb. 10, 1958

“That a proposed
budget had been drawn
up for the Riverside High
School...”

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Reports of the Superintendent
The superintendent reported:
Johnston
That a project budget had been drawn up for the Riverside High School (See Exhibit A) and along with the proposed program was ready for acceptance by the Board of Education so that the architect could proceed with the planning. Mr. Mason moved approval of the program and budget for the Riverside High School. Mr. Avery seconded. The motion carried.
McCallum
On a study being made of the possibility of establishing an athletic field at the McCallum High School with spectator facilities. A cost estimate (See Exhibit B) was presented to the Board with the explanation that this is only one of several such studies.
O. Henry - Lamar
That offers had been made on the fragments of land at O. Henry and Lamar Junior High Schools. Mr. Carruth reported that Mr. Joe Grady Moore, Jr., has offered \$200 for the fragment of land at Lamar and Mr. Morgan L. Pearce has offered \$100 for the fragment at O. Henry. In view of the fact that these fragments are of no value to the school system and of little value to these adjacent property owners, Mr. Carruth recommended acceptance of these offers. Mr. Mason moved acceptance of these offers. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried.
That graduation dates for the spring had been set, with Austin High School and W. B. Travis graduating on June 5 and McCallum and Anderson on June 6.
Ortega
That bids had been received on the site work for the Ortega Elementary School. (See Exhibit C). Mr. Carruth stated that Mr. Charles Millhouse of Jessen, Jessen, Millhouse and Greeven had written the administration stating that the architects would not be responsible for work which was not under their direct contract and, therefore, the Board would have to assume the responsibility for this work. Mr. Graham moved approval of the low bid of Dean Skinner. Mrs. Bray seconded. The motion carried.
Curriculum Report
Dr. T. P. Baker was asked to report on the curriculum services of the Austin Schools. He presented a written report (See Exhibit D) explaining certain phases of the curriculum and answered the questions of the Board. It was requested that such reports on curriculum be given from time to time throughout the year.
Mid-Term Graduates
Mr. Broad called attention to the list of mid-term graduates in the agenda. Mr. Avery moved approval of these graduates. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried.
Car for Business Manager
The Board reviewed the memorandum stating the reasons it is necessary to purchase a car for the Business Manager. Mr. Avery moved approval of this purchase. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried.
Selection of an Auditor for 1957-58
Mr. Broad called attention to the fact that it is necessary to select an auditor so that the groundwork on the audit can be done early. After a discussion of the acceptability of the present auditors' work, Mr. Avery moved that the firm of Wade, Barton and Marsh be employed to do this audit for another year with details of the contract being worked out by the administration. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried.
Underage Enrollees
The Board considered the recommendation of the administration concerning the admittance of underage children to the public schools. Mr. Carruth explained that this proposed policy had been in practice for some time in some of the schools and that the principals had asked that it be adopted as a general policy for all schools.

Johnston Chapter 105 of United Daughters of the Confederacy Meeting Feb. 1, 1959

Mrs. Pettus To Entertain UDC Chapter
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Mrs. Pettus To Entertain UDC Chapter

Albert **Sidney** Johnson Chapter, No. 105, United Daughters of the Confederacy, will meet Thursday at 3 p.m. in the home of Mrs. J. J. Pettus, 1008 Meriden Lane.

Mrs. Chester C. Cameron, historian, will review "The Gallant Mrs. Stonewall." Mrs. Nan Cameron Elkins will read poems of **Sidney Lanier** in observance of his birthday which is in February. Group singing of "Dixie" will close the program.

Hostesses for the social hour will be Mesdames Pettus, chairman; Byrd Bowman Davis, Ben H. Sharpe, J. H. Tyler and Miss Ophelia Gilmore.

Allen Junior High School Confederate Party Apr. 26, 1959

“The Confederate Party of John T. Allen Junior High School will be honored by the Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter, No. 105, United Daughters of the Confederacy, Thursday at 1:50 p.m. in the school cafetorium.”

“Mrs. Chester C. Cameron, ex-president of Texas Division, UDC, will speak on “Ideals of our Confederacy.”

“Accepting the plate will be Arthur Gil and Monique Sosa, titular heads of the school’s Confederate Party.”

AJH Confederate Party To Be Given '56th' Plate
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AJH Confederate Party To Be Given '56th' Plate

The Confederate Party of John T. Allen Junior High School will be honored by the Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter, No. 105, United Daughters of the Confederacy, Thursday at 1:50 p. m. in the school cafetorium.

Ralph Johnson, chairman of the executive committee of the Confederate Party, will preside at the

The group will be presented a Golden Jubilee Anniversary Plate. The plate was designed by Mrs. Webb, chairman of the Jubilee Plate committee. The plate was distributed during 1956, 50th anniversary of the Texas Division. The plate is centered with an emblem of the Confederacy overlaid with a five-point star, a cotton hole and laurel wreath. Thirteen smaller stars are in the corner of each point of the large star. They represent the 11 seceding states and two border states. The flags

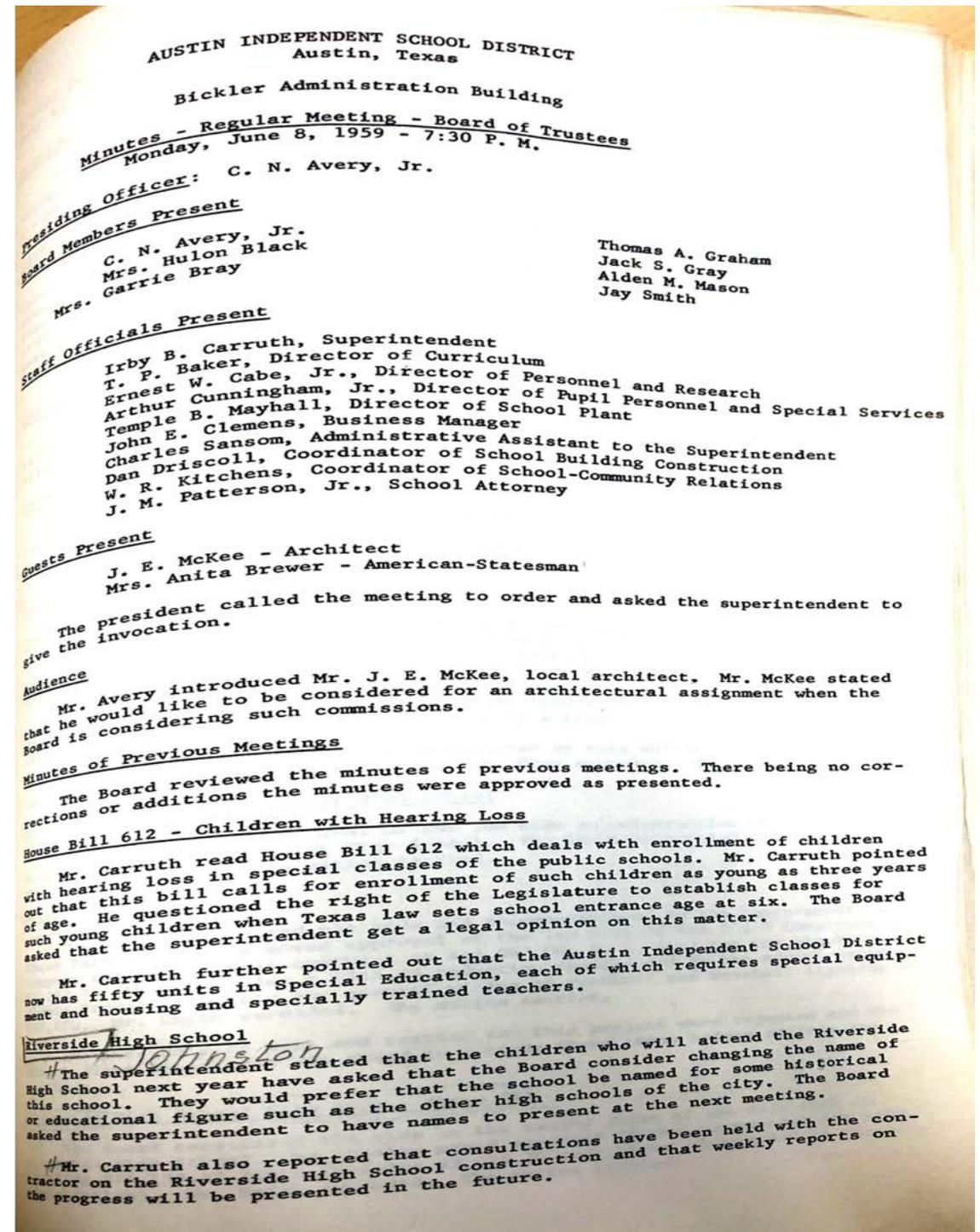
of the Confederacy and Texas, the Daughters of the Confederacy emblem and the dates of the anniversary, 1896-1946, decorate the rim of the plate. Most of the original plate order of 1235 plates has been sold with no more scheduled for making. The plate which will be presented to the Confederate Party is one of the few remaining plates. The presentation will be made by Mrs. J. F. Kramer, president of the chapter. Accepting the plate will be Arthur Gil and Monique

Sosa, titular heads of the school's Confederate Party. Dolores Butler will speak on "The History of the Confederate Party and Its Accomplishments."

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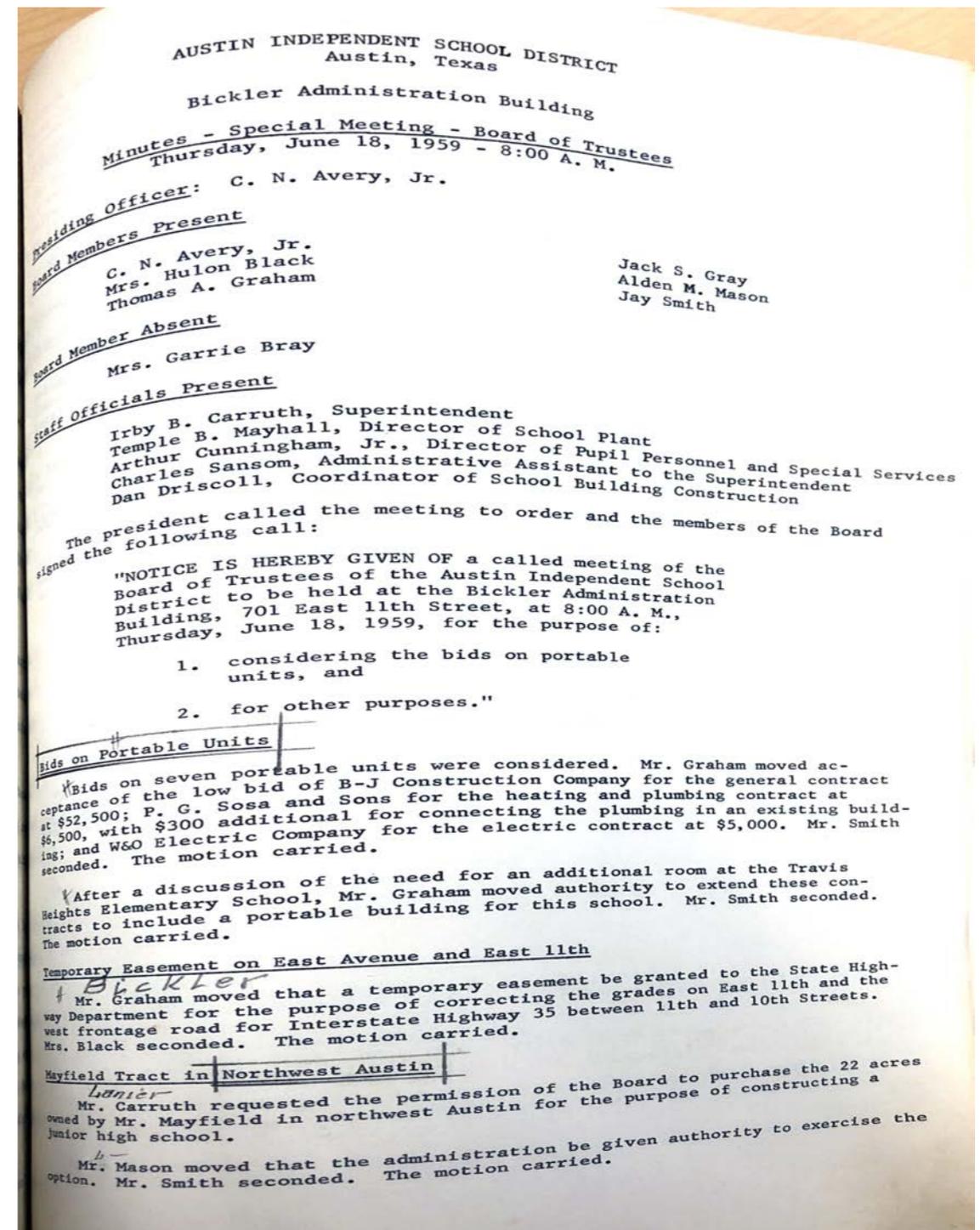
Reason for Riverside Renaming June 8, 1959

“The superintendent stated that the children who will attend the Riverside High School next year have asked that the Board consider changing the name of this school. They would prefer that the school be named for some historical or educational figure such as the other high schools of the city. The Board asked the superintendent to have names to present at the next meeting.”



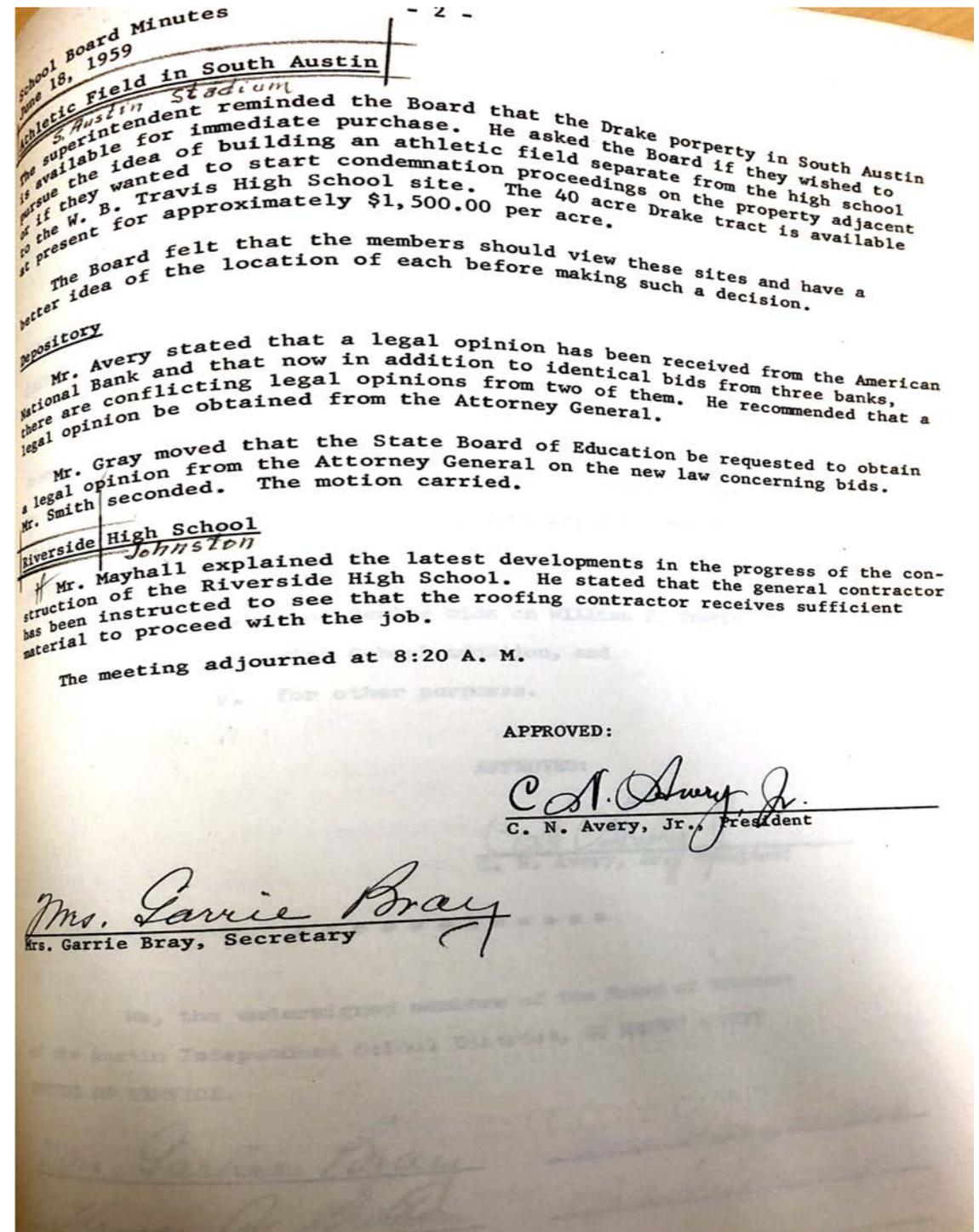
Lanier Land Purchased June 18, 1959

“Mr. Carruth requested the permission of the Board to purchase the 22 acres owned by Mr. Mayfield in northwest Austin for the purposes of constructing a junior high school...The motion carried.”



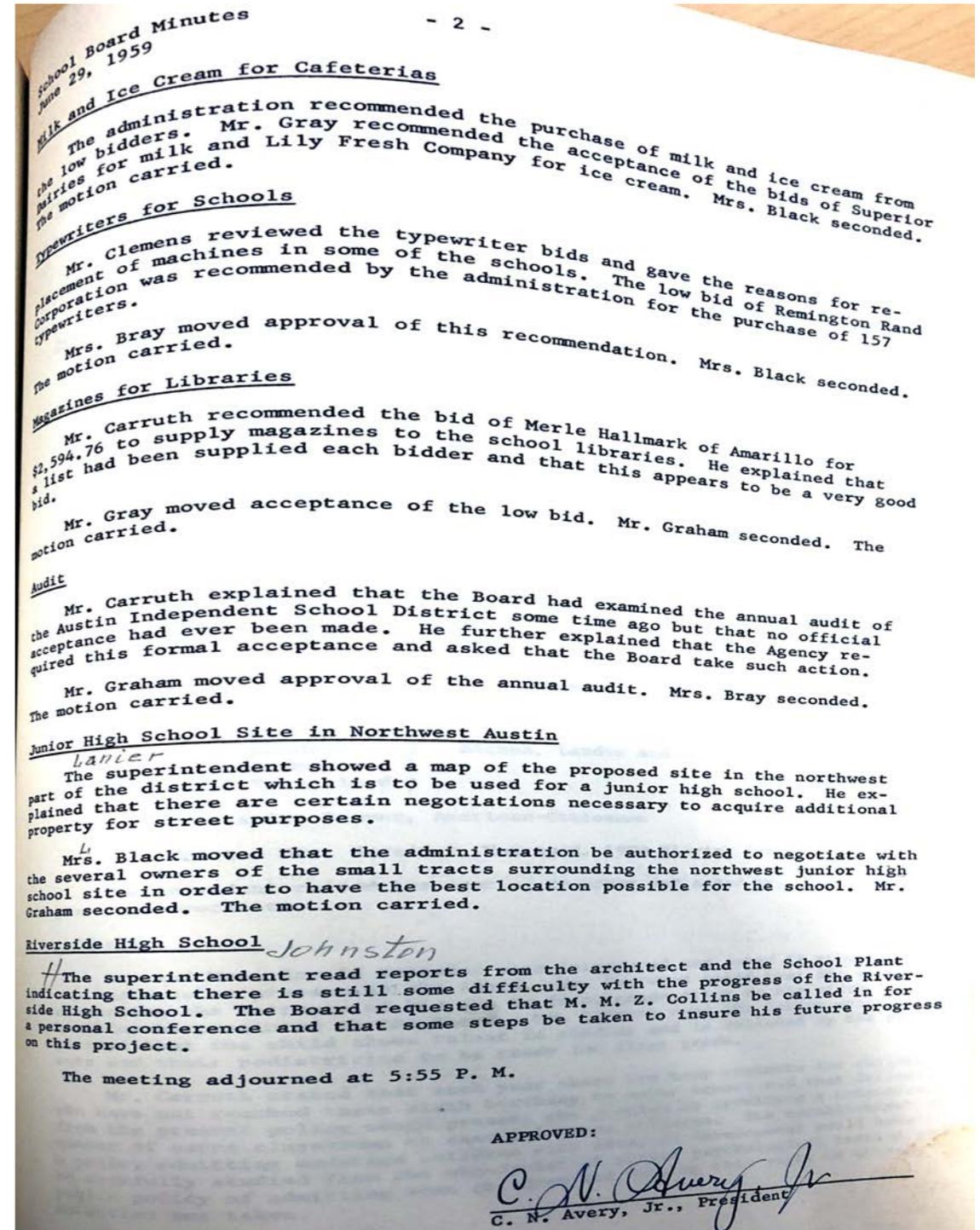
Riverside Still the Name June 18, 1959

“Mr. Mayhall explained the latest developments in the progress of the construction of the Riverside High School.”



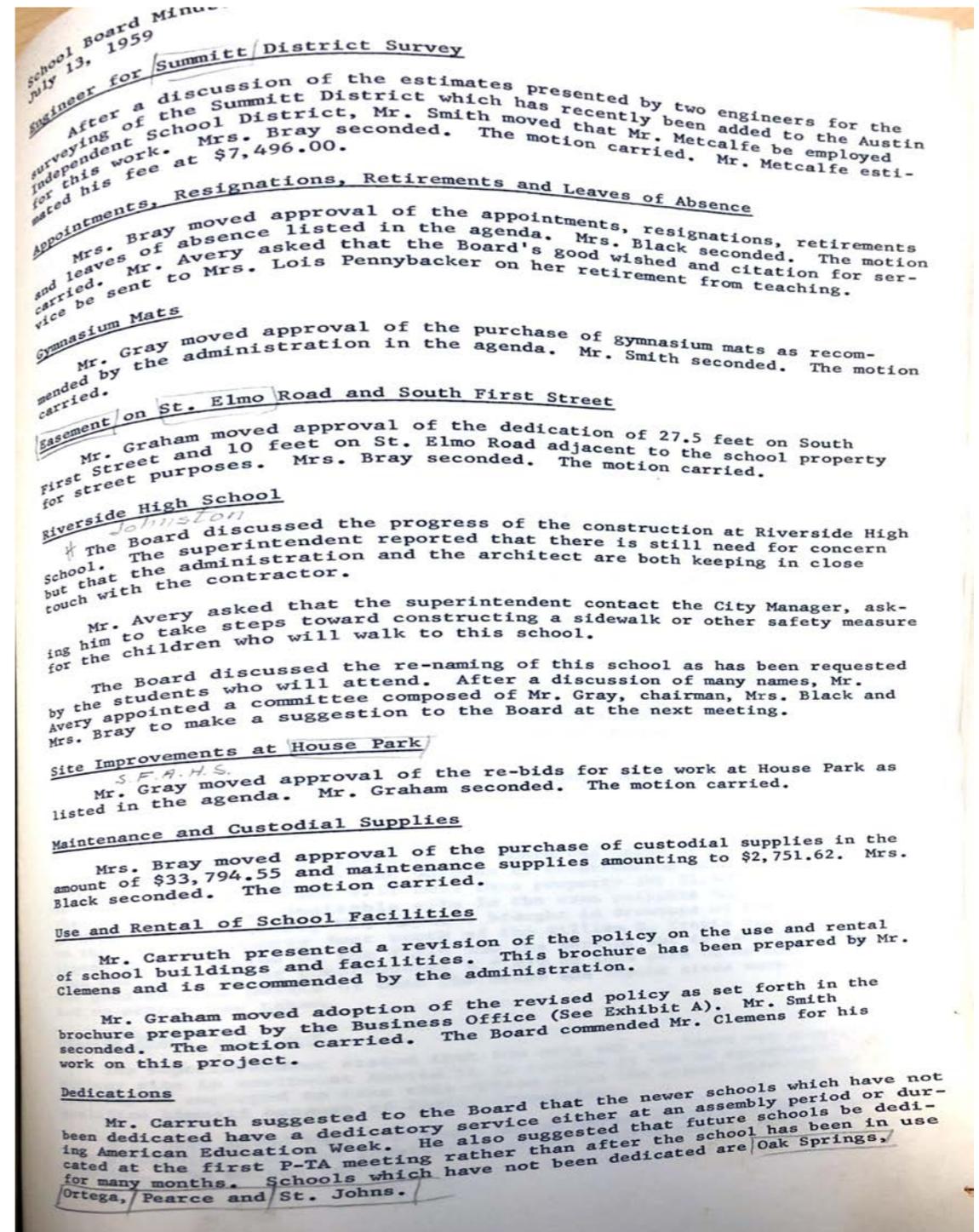
Lanier as Junior High School June 29, 1959

“The superintendent showed a map of the proposed site in the northwest part of the district which is to be used for a junior high school.”



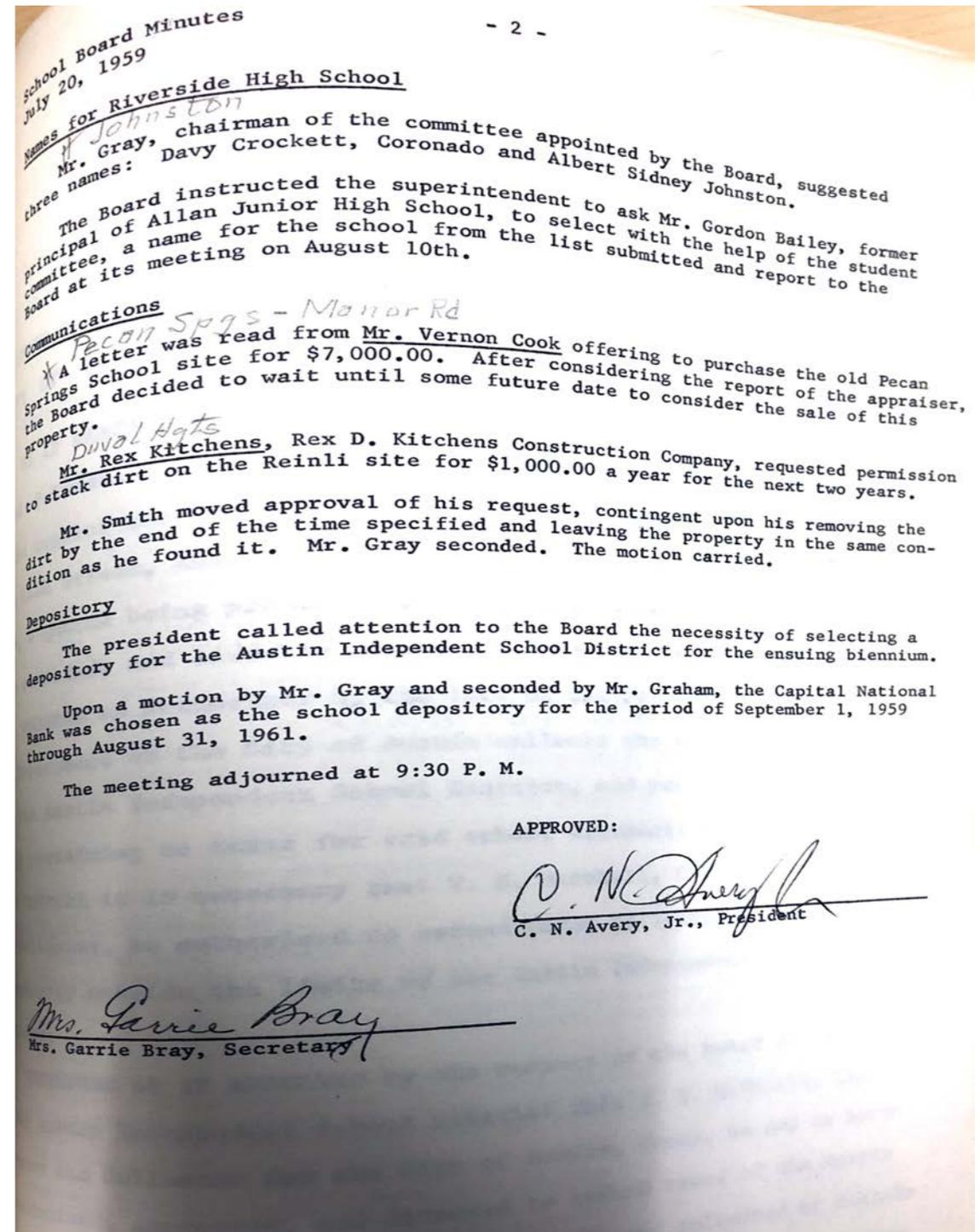
Reason for Riverside Renaming July 13, 1959

“The Board discussed the re-naming of this school as has been requested by the students who will attend. After a discussion of many names, Mr. Avery appointed a committee composed of Mr. Gray, chairman, Mrs. Black and Mrs. Bray to make a suggestion to the Board at the next meeting.”



Johnston Name Suggested July 20, 1959

“Mr. Gray, chairman of the committee appointed by the Board, suggested three names: Davy Crockett, Coronado and Albert Sidney Johnston. The Board instructed the superintendent to ask Mr. Gordon Bailey, former principal of Allan Junior High School, to select with the help of the student committee, a name for the school from the list submitted and report to the Board at its meeting on August 10th.”



School Names Considered July 21, 1959

“In a special board meeting Monday night, the members decided to name the former Riverside High one of the names - David Crockett, Coronado, or Albert Sidney Johnston.”

3 Names Considered For School

The Austin Statesman (1921-1973); Jul 21, 1959;
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3 Names Considered For School

The Austin Board of Education narrowed to three the prospective names of the new eastside high school now under construction on the north side of the Colorado River.

In a special board meeting Monday night, the members decided to name the former Riverside High one of the names—David Crockett, Coronado or Albert Sidney Johnston.

Future students of the school had asked that the new high school be named after a historical personage like the other high schools in the city.

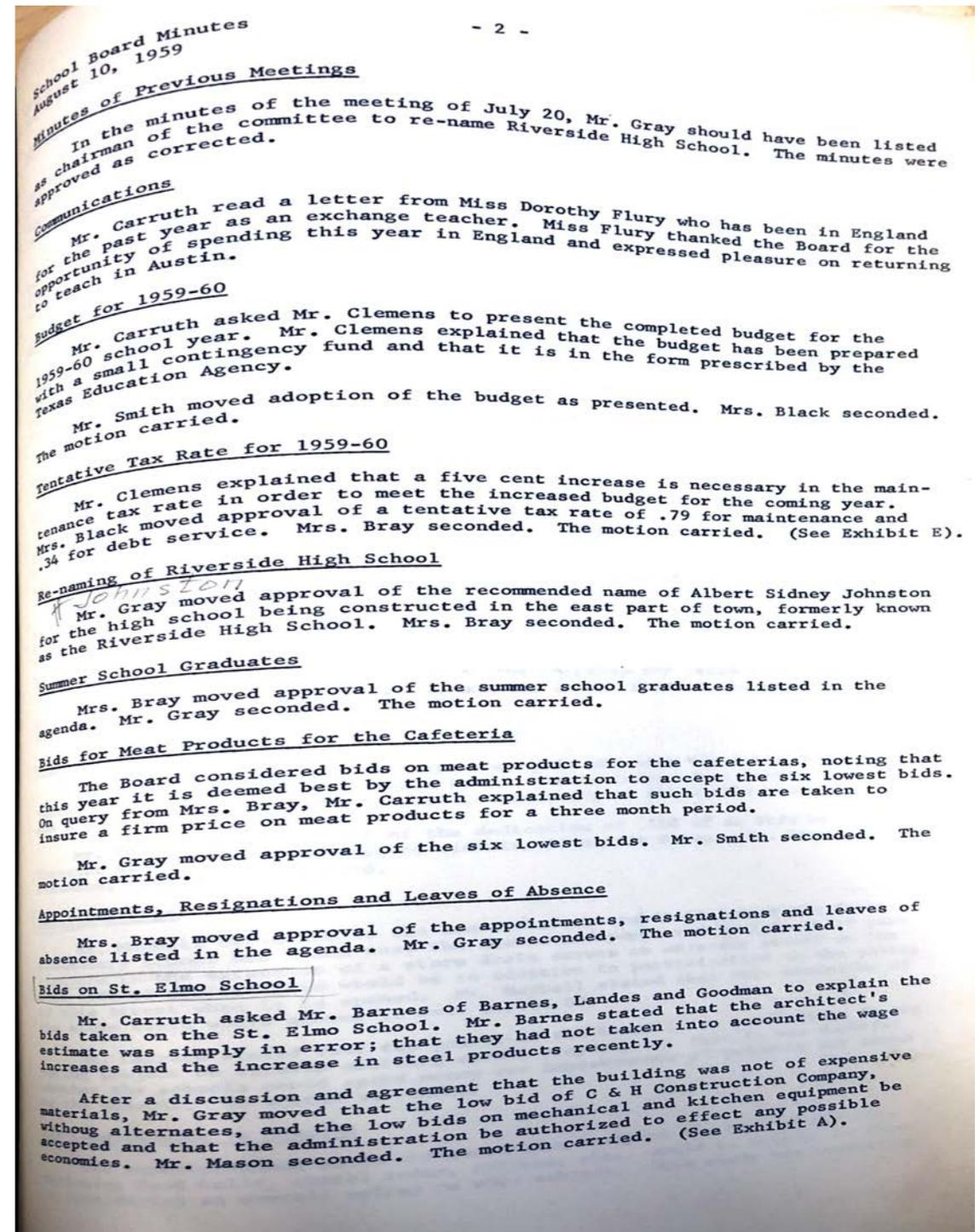
The board also authorized the purchase of three school sites in the north part of Austin. Final negotiations for the properties will be handled by the school attorney.

Also Monday night the board bought 21 sewing machines for home economics instruction for \$1,914. Also purchased was \$25,000 in furniture for new additions and portables.

The 1959-60 school budget will be considered at the next regular meeting of the board of education Aug. 10.

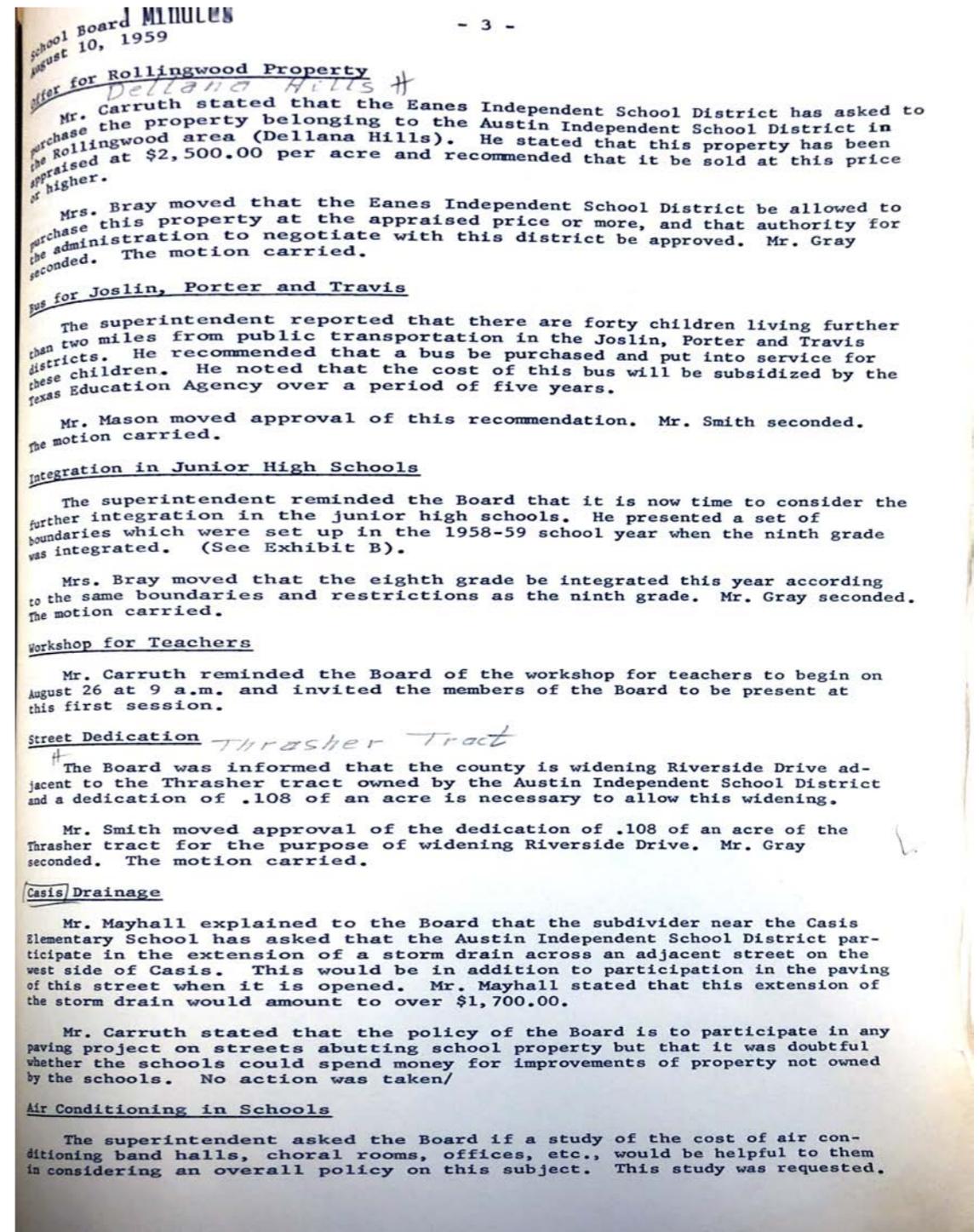
Renaming of Riverside High School Aug. 10, 1959

“Mr. Gray moved approval of the recommended name of Albert Sidney Johnston for the high school being constructed in the east part of town, formerly known as the Riverside High School. Mrs. Bray seconded. The motion carried.”



Integration in Junior High Schools Aug. 10, 1959

“The superintendent reminded the Board that it is now time to consider the further integration in the junior high schools.”



Johnston Ties To Texas Aug. 12, 1959

“Mrs. Rutland explained that Johnston, the Confederate general killed at Shiloh, was more Texan than anything else...”

“Now some Austinites are perplexed about this man Johnston. Why was he important enough for the Austin Board of Education and the future students of Austin’s new east side high school to scuttle a perfectly good name like ‘Riverside’ to name the school for Johnston?”

“Jefferson Davis appointed Johnston a general in the Confederate Army and placed him in command of the Western Department.”

“Johnston interest revived as School Board names new high school for famed Confederate.”

Yes Ma'm, He's Texan

Brewer, Anita

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Yes Ma'm, He's Texan

By ANITA BREWER
The woman from Mississippi was quite indignant. “Will you please tell me,” she demanded of Mrs. J. W. Rutland, curator of the Elizabet Ney Museum, “why Albert Sidney Johnston is buried in Austin and why you have a statue of him here?” Mrs. Rutland explained that Johnston, the Confederate general killed at Shiloh, was more Texan than anything else, that legends indicated his dying wish was for his body to be brought to Texas and that he was a Texas patriot of independence before he was a Confederate general. “Oh,” answered the woman from Mississippi, who had suspected Texas shenanigans when she first learned Johnston was

buried here in the State Cemetery. Now some Austinites are perplexed about this man Johnston. Just who was this fellow? Why was he important enough for the Austin Board of Education and the future students of Austin’s new eastside high school to scuttle a perfectly good name like “Riverside” to name the school for Johnston? The School Board voted unanimously Monday night to rename the new school the Albert Sidney Johnston High School. “Think what an impediment the school board has put on the cheerleaders,” suggested one way. “Can you imagine, Albert Sidney Johnston, Rah, Rah, Rah!” But on the other hand, historians are cheering the board’s decision as a fine one and a belated and overdue tribute to one of the greatest of the early Texans. Just who was this man Johnston, then?

According to the “Handbook of Texas,” he was born in Kentucky Feb. 2, 1803, was graduated from the US Military Academy at West Point in June, 1826, gave up his commission because of his wife’s last illness, then came to Texas in 1836 and enlisted as a private in the Texas Army.

He quickly rose in the Texas ranks, and in 1837 was appointed senior brigadier general in command of the Army to replace Felix Huston. Huston challenged Johnston to a duel, and Johnston was wounded. So he didn’t take command.

The following year he was appointed secretary of war for the Republic of Texas by President Mirabeau B. Lamar and fought some Indian battles.

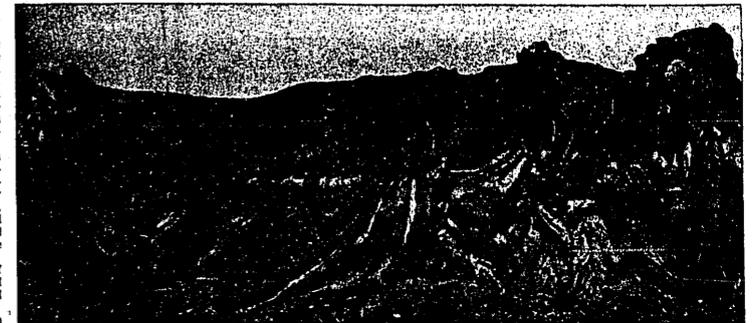
Johnston rejoined the US Army, was sent to the Pacific Department and stationed at San Francisco in 1860.

When the War Between the States broke out, he refused the Federal government’s offer of a command and returned to Texas. Jefferson Davis appointed Johnston a general in the Confederate Army and placed him in command of the Western Department.

On April 6, 1862, he led his men to victory at Shiloh, but was killed himself. He was buried temporarily at New Orleans. By special appropriation in January, 1867, the Texas Legislature had his remains brought to Austin and placed permanently in the State Cemetery.

A marble recumbent statue of Johnston was made by the famed sculptress, Elizabet Ney, and placed over his grave.

The plaster of paris model from which the marble was made is in the Elizabet Ney Museum here. It was painted to simulate bronze by Penelope Linga of Houston.



ELIZABET NEY DESIGNED THIS RECUMBENT STATUE OF ALBERT SIDNEY JOHNSTON. Johnston interest is revived as School Board names new high school for famed Confederate.

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Transfers to Johnston High School Feb. 3, 1960

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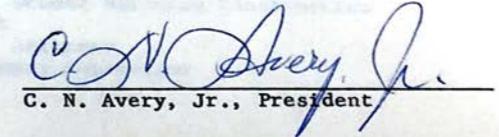
Transfers to A. S. Johnston High School

Mr. Carruth stated that some question has arisen concerning transfers into the newly opened Albert Sidney Johnston High School. He stated that it was the understanding of the administration that the existing transfer policy would hold in this district, as well as all others; i. e. that no transfer would be allowed except in cases of pupil adjustment, health, hardship and for the purpose of taking a subject not offered at another high school. Members of the Board expressed their opinions and understanding of the transfer policy and Mr. Cunningham discussed the conditions for transfer from one high school to another. He also defined the districts of the high schools. The Board discussed several possibilities for adding more students to Johnston: making it an open school; making a certain area optional for this school or Austin High School; or allowing transfers for this semester only. They also discussed the difficulties of staffing and scheduling classes for any appreciable increase in enrollment at this time, as well as the other problems involved in the free transfer system.

Mrs. Bray moved to abide by the present transfer policy. Mr. Mason seconded. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

APPROVED:


C. N. Avery, Jr., President


Mrs. Garrie Bray, Secretary

Lanier Naming Mar. 14, 1960

“Mr. Gray moved approval of the name of Sidney Lanier for the junior high school to be constructed at Doris and Hathaway Streets in northwest Austin. Mrs. Black seconded. The motion carried.”

School Board
March 14, 1960

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Mr. Charles Milhouse presented plans for the four room and physical education room addition to the Gullett Elementary School. Mr. Smith moved approval of these plans. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried.

Mr. Charles Granger presented plans for the four room addition to the Highland Park Elementary School. Mr. Graham moved approval of these plans. Mr. Mason seconded. The motion carried.

Mr. Charles Granger presented plans for the four room and physical education room addition to the Joslin Elementary School. Mr. Gray moved acceptance of these plans. Mrs. Bray seconded. The motion carried.

Mr. Louis Southerland presented plans for the fifteen room addition to the Porter Junior High School, showing two-story construction with double loaded corridors. Mr. Smith moved approval of these plans. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried.

Mr. Barton Riley presented plans for a ten room and physical education room addition to the Wooten Elementary School. Mr. Gray moved approval of these plans. Mr. Smith seconded. The motion carried.

The Board considered the preliminary plans for the Sims Elementary School addition. Mr. Southerland presented plans for this addition of twelve rooms and a physical education room. After a discussion of the feasibility of covering the walk to the new addition, Mr. Mason moved that the preliminary plans be accepted and that an alternate be taken on the covered walk. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried.

County School Trustee Election

The superintendent explained that it is necessary to sign an agreement with the County Commissioners Court on the county school trustee election to be held on April 2 in conjunction with the Austin Independent School District Trustee Election.

Mrs. Bray moved approval of this agreement (See Exhibit B). Mrs. Black seconded. The motion carried.

Name of New Junior High School

Mr. Gray moved approval of the name of Sidney Lanier for the junior high school to be constructed at Doris and Hathaway Streets in northwest Austin. Mrs. Black seconded. The motion carried.

Textbook Adoption

Mrs. Bray moved approval of the recommendation of the Textbook Committee and the superintendent to adopt the textbooks listed in the agenda. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried.

Destruction of Retired Bonds and Interest Coupons

Mr. Mason moved adoption of the resolution to destroy the cancelled bonds and interest coupons. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried. (See Exhibit C).

Appointments, Resignations and Leaves of Absence

Mrs. Bray moved approval of the appointments, resignations and leaves of absence listed in the agenda. Mr. Smith seconded. The motion carried.

Sanitary Sewer on the Reinli-Clayton Tract

Mr. Graham moved approval of the easement to the City of Austin for a sanitary sewer line across the Reinli-Clayton site. Mrs. Bray seconded. The motion carried.

Request of the Westlake Hills Optimists Club

Mr. Gray moved approval of the request of the Westlake Hills Optimists Club to use the Austin Independent School District site in Rollingwood Hills for a baseball field and for other youth activities. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried.

Daughters of the Confederacy Present Picture Apr. 29, 1960

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Austin History Center
Austin 5, Texas
April 29, 1960.

Mr. Parker:

Daughters of the Confederacy have been watching with interest the
dedication of the new Albert Sidney Johnston High School on Riverside
which is to be dedicated the latter part of May. At that time our
wishes to present a framed picture of General Johnston to the
school. We have secured Artist Juan R. Avila to make a sepia crayon
drawing of the General from a picture found in a history volume. The sketch
is good indeed and Mrs. Avila let us have it for \$15.00. Now, we need
it framed.

The picture is to be a gift to a public school, Mr. D. C. Bradford
requested to let us have the glass, frame and copper name-plate at cost.
A nice frame with a linen mat and non-glare glass will cost us
approximately \$34.00. (An oak frame with an ordinary glass will cost about
\$25.00 less). Would you like to have a part in this chapter project? If so,
please make your check payable to the: "Treasurer, Albert Sidney Johnston
Chapter, No. 105, U.D.C." and mail to Mrs. E. D. Gatlin, 806 West 29th Street,
Austin, Texas.

Best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. J. F. Kramer
Mrs. J. F. Kramer, President
Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter, No. 105, U.D.C.

Enclosure: Stamped, self-addressed envelope.

**Johnston
Dedicated
May 9, 1960**

“The superintendent asked the Board’s permission to hold the dedication of the Albert Sidney Johnston High School on May 29 at 2:30 p.m.”

Board of Trustees
May 9, 1960

Site Work for the Sidney Lanier Junior High School

Mr. Carruth asked Mr. Franzetti to review the plans of the Marvin Turner Engineers for the site work at the Sidney Lanier Junior High School.

Mrs. Bray moved approval of the plans. Mr. Smith seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Architect for McElroy Site

The Board preferred to select an architect for this site at the June meeting.

Eubank Acres Engineer

The superintendent recommended that the firm of Cottingham and Hale be employed to plan and supervise the site work at the Eubank Acres site.

Mr. Graham moved approval of this recommendation. Mr. Mason seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Signing of Personnel Records

Mr. Carruth stated that the Texas Education Agency has asked that all service records be signed individually for each year of service for every teacher. Mr. Cabe would like to have his secretary, Mrs. Virginia Ward, authorized to do this signing for him. This is acceptable to the Agency.

Mr. Gray moved that Mrs. Virginia Ward be authorized to sign service records for the Austin Independent School District. Mr. Smith seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Dedication of Johnston High School

The superintendent asked the Board's permission to hold the dedication of the Albert Sidney Johnston High School on May 29 at 2:30 p.m. The Board agreed that this is a good date and asked that all former Board members be invited to attend this dedication.

Additional Seating for Anderson High School Athletic Field

As requested by the Board, the superintendent reported that a negotiated price of \$11,300.00 for the steel seating at the Anderson High School Athletic Field had been reached with the Central Texas Iron Works.

Mr. Graham moved acceptance of this negotiated price. Mr. Mason seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Interscholastic League Meet

Mrs. Bray called the attention of the Board to the honors won by the Austin schools last week end during the Interscholastic League meet in Austin. The Board asked that the winners in this meet be extended the commendation of the Board and that a list be spread upon the minutes of the Board. (See Exhibit A).

Letter from Mr. James Collins

Mr. Graham moved that an answer be made to the registered letter from Mr. James Collins to the members of the Board and the superintendent on May 9. Mr. Mason seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Johnston Dedication Ceremony May 27, 1960

“Presentation of commemorative gifts for permanent display in the school by the members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy and Children of the Confederacy will be a feature of the program.”

“Gifts will be presented by Mrs. J. F. Kramer, president of the Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter 105, UDC; Mrs. W. O. Parrett, president of the Albert Sidney Johnston chapter, UDC, San Antonio; and Miss Sara Ann Redfield, president, Calvin Crozier chapter, Children of the Confederacy, Austin. This part of the program will be presided over by Mrs. Chester C. Cameron, historian of the Austin UDC chapter.”

City's Fifth High School To Be Dedicated Sunday
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City's Fifth High School To Be Dedicated Sunday

C. N. Avery Jr., president of the Austin School Board, will be the speaker at dedication exercises for the new Albert Sidney Johnston High School at 1112 Arthur Stiles Road Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

The welcome will be given by Hill Petri, co-president of the A. S. Johnston Parent-Teacher Association and Superintendent Irby Caruth will introduce special guests.

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Special music will be provided by the Johnston High School band, directed by Tom Jenkins, and by the school chorus, directed by Mrs. Lydia Smith.

This new high school, the fifth public high school in the Austin Independent School District, opened last February. It offers a comprehensive study program, including both academic and industrial or vocational courses.

The regular academic offerings include courses in language arts, science, mathematics, and social studies. The regular vocational and industrial courses are homemaking, distributive education, printing, drafting, electricity, general metalwork, crafts and woodwork. Additional courses available in this school are vocational auto-mechanics, vocational printing, institutional foods management and cosmetology. Plans are being developed for courses in practical nursing and vocational nursing, as well.

In addition, facilities are available for evening classes for apprentice training in the building trades in cooperation with local contracting and labor organizations. On May 19, the Austin Joint Committee of the plumbing and pipefitting industry held the formal opening of its joint apprenticeship training program in this building.

Physical facilities include the following number and types of classrooms: 16 academic, four science, three homemaking, four business and commercial, seven industrial shops, library, visual education, speech, reading clinic, special education, art, instrumental music, choral, cafeteria, gymnasium and administrative offices.

The school is built on a modified campus plan, with two fair-

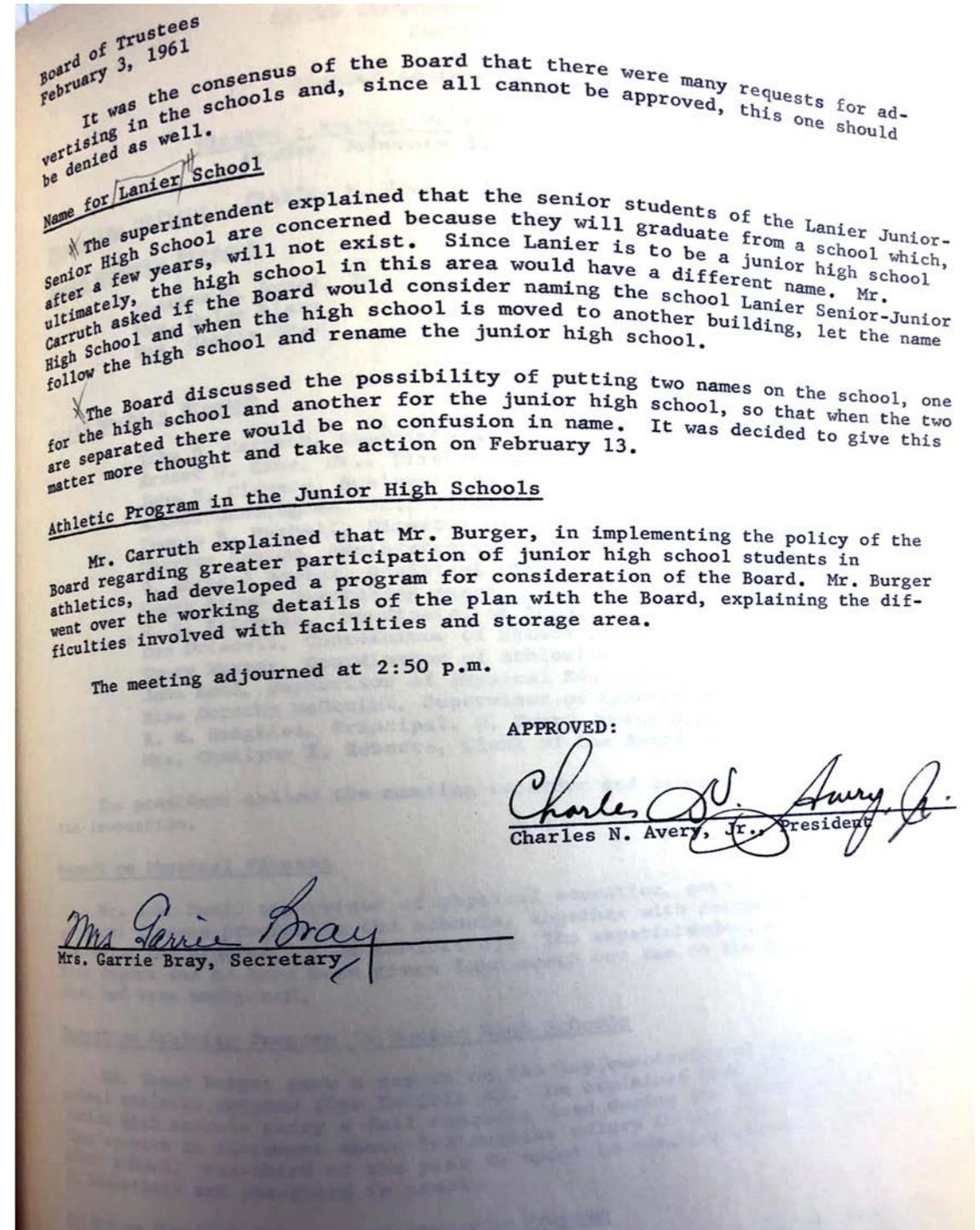
ly large buildings connected by covered walkways. The two connected buildings house the noisy and quiet areas separately, with academic classes, library and administrative offices in one, and the cafeteria, band hall, industrial shops and gymnasium in the other.

The Austin architectural firm of Fehr and Granger designed the building. Contractors were M. Z. Collins Construction Company, Way Engineering Company, C. G. Puryear Plumbing Company, O. H. Cummins Electric Company, Austin Restaurant Supply Company and Austin Kitchen Center.

Total construction cost of the building was \$1,394,793.87, giving a square-foot cost of \$10.28. Normal capacity of the building will be 1,250 students.

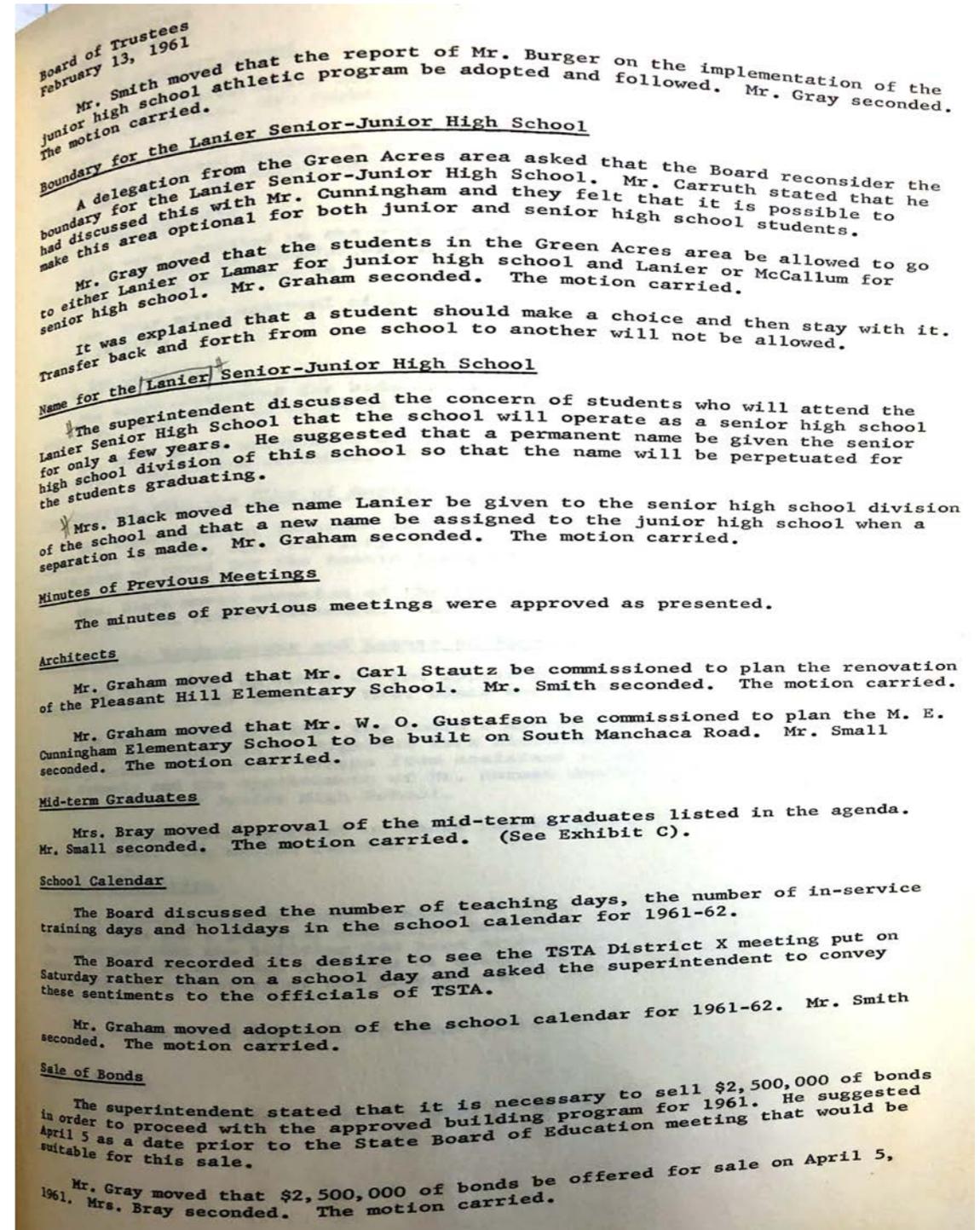
Lanier Name of Two Schools Feb. 3, 1961

“The superintendent explained that the senior students of the Lanier Junior-Senior High School are concerned because they will graduate from a school which, after a few years, will not exist.”



Lanier Name Concern Feb. 13, 1961

“The superintendent discussed the concern of students who will attend the Lanier Senior High School that the school will operate as a senior high school for only a few years.”



Integration of Sixth Grade July 10, 1961

“Mr. Cabe explained that according to the policy adopted in 1955, it is now time to extend integration to the sixth grade.”

Board of Trustees
July 10, 1961

Engineer for Cunningham Elementary School
Mr. Cabe explained to the Board that it is necessary to appoint an engineer for the site work at the Cunningham Elementary School. Mr. Small moved that Mr. W. C. Cotten, Jr., be employed to do the planning of this site work. Mr. Gray seconded. The motion carried.

Television Teaching - Station KLRN
The Board discussed the education television station KLRN with Dr. Robert Fox, program coordinator for KLRN, and Mr. Harvey Herbst, assistant general manager of the station. It was noted that one manufacturing firm had agreed to furnish sets for \$140.00 each and that the National Defense Education Act would pay for half of the cost of the sets. The administration estimated the cost for the first year to be approximately \$16,200 per capita charge by the station and \$20,000 for the cost of the sets, making a total of approximately \$40,000 for the first year.
Mr. Small moved that the Austin Independent School District enter into the agreement with the station and become a participating member of the Southwest Texas Educational Television Council. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried. The administration was instructed to place \$40,000 in the budget for 1961-62, this amount to be the total maximum expenditure for television teaching during the coming school year.

Integration of Sixth Grade
Mr. Cabe explained that according to the policy adopted in 1955, it is now time to extend integration to the sixth grade. Mr. Gray moved approval of the following:
"Following the policy of the Board of Trustees, established in August, 1955, that the Austin schools become integrated, it is recommended that the program be continued into the sixth grade of the elementary schools beginning in September, 1961. Each sixth grade student shall be allowed to attend the sixth grade in the elementary school of the district of his residence. A student going to a different elementary school building than he attended last year should present himself at his original school where he will check his records with the principal and make his request for transfer. This must be done during the week of August 21 through September 1, 1961."
Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried.

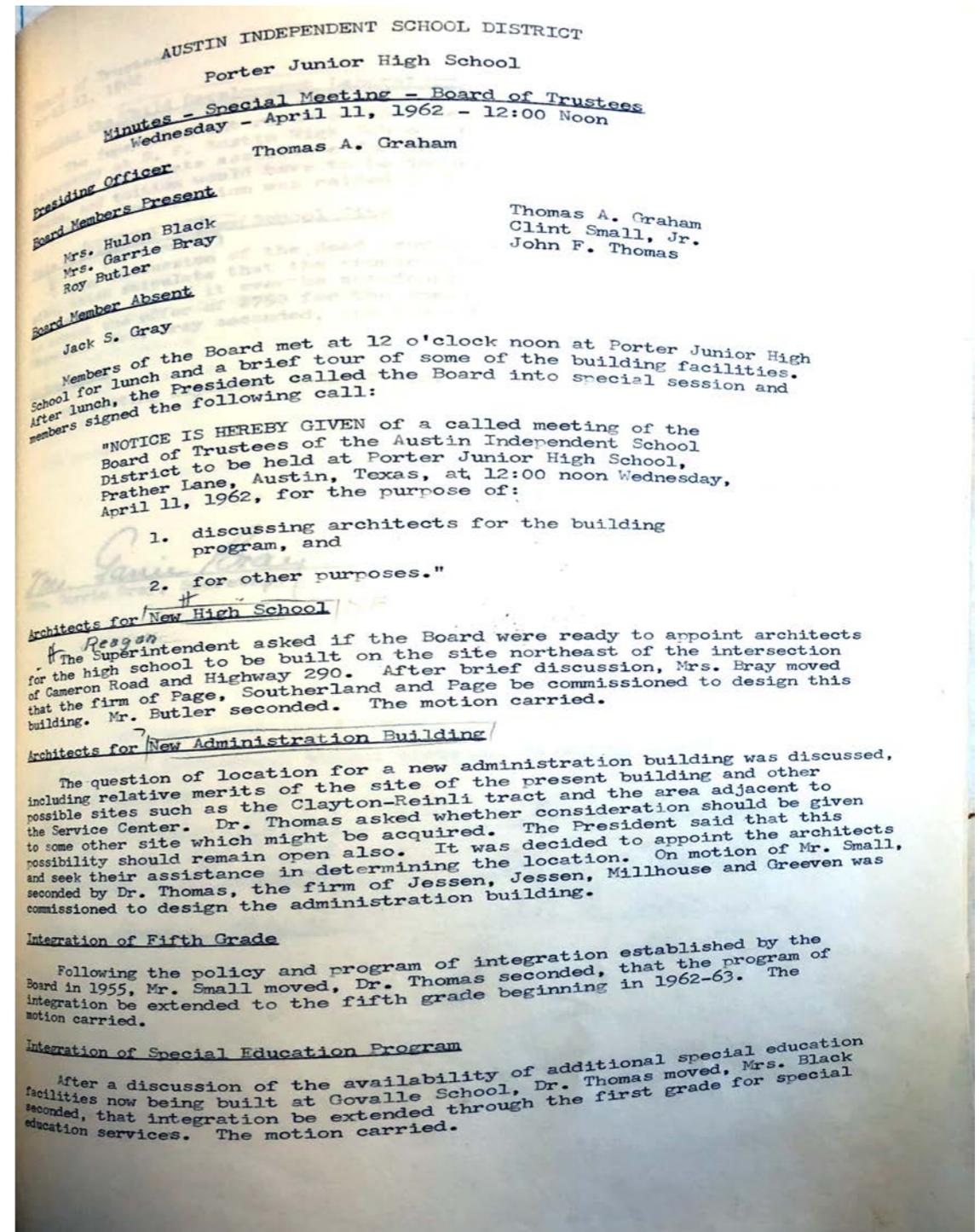
Appointments, Resignations and Leaves of Absence
Mrs. Bray moved approval of the appointments, resignations and leaves of absence listed in the agenda, as well as the appointment of Mr. Donald L. Schmidt as principal of the Zavala Elementary School. Mr. Smith seconded. The motion carried.

Student-Employee-Football Insurance
Mr. Clemens presented bids on student-employee-football insurance for the 1961-62 school year.
After agreeing that the school district should retain the privilege of approving any informational material sent to the students and employees concerning this insurance, Mr. Gray moved that the contract be awarded to the Texas Continental Life Insurance Company, through the H. Foreman Agency of San Antonio. The policy will cost \$2.50 for students, teachers, clerical and administrative employees; \$5.00 for custodians, cafeteria and maintenance workers; and \$14.00 for high school football players. Mrs. Bray seconded. The motion carried.

Bids
Maintenance Supplies. Mr. Smith moved approval of the recommended bids on maintenance supplies (Estimated cost \$11,921.40). Mr. Small seconded. The motion carried.

Reagan Architects Selected Apr. 11, 1962

“The superintendent asked if the Board were ready to appoint architects for the high school to be built on the site northeast of the intersection of Cameron Road and Highway 290.”



**Reagan
Named
Jan. 7, 1963**

“Mr. Brown moved, Dr. Thomas seconded that John H. Reagan High School be the name of the new high school in planning for the northeast site. The motion carried.”

Board of Trustees
January 7, 1963

The second tract considered is west of South First Street in south Austin. Negotiations were authorized with the owner of this property to determine price and size of site.

Air Conditioning for Additions

In discussing the desirability of air conditioning new additions, it was recognized that air conditioning small additions to existing non-air conditioned buildings poses a variety of problems. Mr. Butler moved that the architects on all additions be instructed to study air conditioning for the addition and to offer a recommendation as to its feasibility in each instance. Mrs. Black seconded and the motion carried.

Names for New Schools

The Board was asked to consider names for the new northeast high school and the two new elementary units authorized for the Barton Hills and Berkman tracts.

Mrs. Black moved that Barton Hills Elementary School be the name for the unit on that site. Mr. Brown seconded and the motion carried.

Mr. Small moved, Mrs. Black seconded that Annie Webb Blanton Elementary School be the name for the unit on the Berkman Tract. The motion carried.

Mr. Brown moved, Dr. Thomas seconded that John H. Reagan High School be the name of the new high school in planning for the northeast site. The motion carried.

Selection of Auditors

Mr. Brown moved, Mr. Small seconded that the firm of Albert W. Caster and Company be commissioned to audit school records for the 1962-63 school year. The motion carried.

Dismissal for Inaugural Ceremonies

Mr. Butler reported that the local inaugural committee had requested that the schools be dismissed for the inaugural ceremonies. He said he felt the schools should favor the request to give students an opportunity to observe this phase of local government procedures. Mr. Butler moved that all schools be dismissed at 11:45 a.m. on Tuesday, January 15, 1963, for the purpose stated. Mr. Small seconded. The Superintendent explained that should inclement weather or other emergency force the closing of schools to the extent that fewer than 175 instruction days were completed, it might be necessary for this half day to be made up. The motion carried by a vote of four to two.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 p.m.

APPROVED:

Thomas A. Graham
Thomas A. Graham, President

Mrs. Garrie Bray
Mrs. Garrie Bray, Secretary

Reagan Name Chosen Jan. 8, 1963

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High School's Name Chosen

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High School's Name Chosen

Austin's first air conditioned high school, now on the drawing boards for northeast Austin, will be named the John H. Reagan High School.

The name was selected by the Austin School Board.

John H. Reagan, famed early Texan, is becoming a familiar name around Austin with the naming of a state office building for him and now a school. A biography of Reagan, written by former Austinite Ben Procter, was recently published by The University of Texas Press.

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Reagan Boundary Set Dec. 15, 1964

“Boundary lines for the new Reagan High School to open next fall have been set, with most Stephen F. Austin High School to be the main source of students.”

Boundary Set For Reagan
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Boundary Set For Reagan

Boundary lines for the new Reagan High School to open next fall have been set, with Stephen F. Austin High School to be the main source of students.

Some 1,500 students will attend first classes at the new air conditioned high school, which will graduate its first class in the spring of 1966. The school will have four classes—12th, 11th, 10th and 9th.

The opening of Reagan will relieve Austin High of approximately 815 students, thus reducing Austin High to a student body of about 1,800.

Arthur Cunningham, director of pupil personnel for the Austin Public Schools, predicts that 74 students now in the McCallum District will go to Reagan, 20 now in Baker will be in the Reagan ninth grade, 249 now at Lanier will be at Reagan, 277 ninth graders from Pearce will be in Reagan, and approximately 20 St. John's students will attend the new school.

Students living in Eubank Acres will go to Reagan, and the remainder of the boundary line between Reagan and high schools to the west will follow Airport Boulevard, then Middle Fiskville Road.

The Ridgeway Elementary School District will be divided at the junior high and high school levels with those boys and girls living to the west of Airport Boulevard attending Baker and McCallum and those to the east attending Pearce and Reagan.

The Maplewood Elementary School District also will be divided at the junior high and high school levels with boys and girls living north and east of the railroad track in the Maplewood District attending Pearce and Reagan. This district will be juggled further with the building of a new University Junior High School.

Dr. Irby Carruth, superintendent of the Austin Public Schools said student meetings of the future Reagan student body will be held before school is out this year for the boys and girls to select school colors, a mascot and names for the various teams and service organization. He predicts that by the time school opens next fall a Reagan school spirit will have crystallized.

Besides setting the Reagan boundary lines, the Austin School Board Monday night approved plans to apply for a Neighborhood Youth Corps project under the "war on poverty" act.

The Austin schools will ask for financial aid to provide school-related jobs for 120 students aged 16 to 21. They will be paid an average of 80 cents an hour for two hours work a day in jobs around the schools.

Modeled on the school job program now at University Junior High School, the job corps

program is designed to encourage boys and girls from poverty-level families to stay in school. Federal funds will be available for a director of the corps, and the school counselors, teachers and principals will cooperate in the selection of students and the finding of jobs.

The board contracted to buy \$15,170.28 worth of electrical lamp and illumination supplies from Atkison Electric Company. Also, the board contracted for \$3,556 worth of machines for the Manpower Training Program, and decided to buy \$2,965.46 for athletic awards (jackets and blankets) from C&S Sporting Goods, the low bidder.

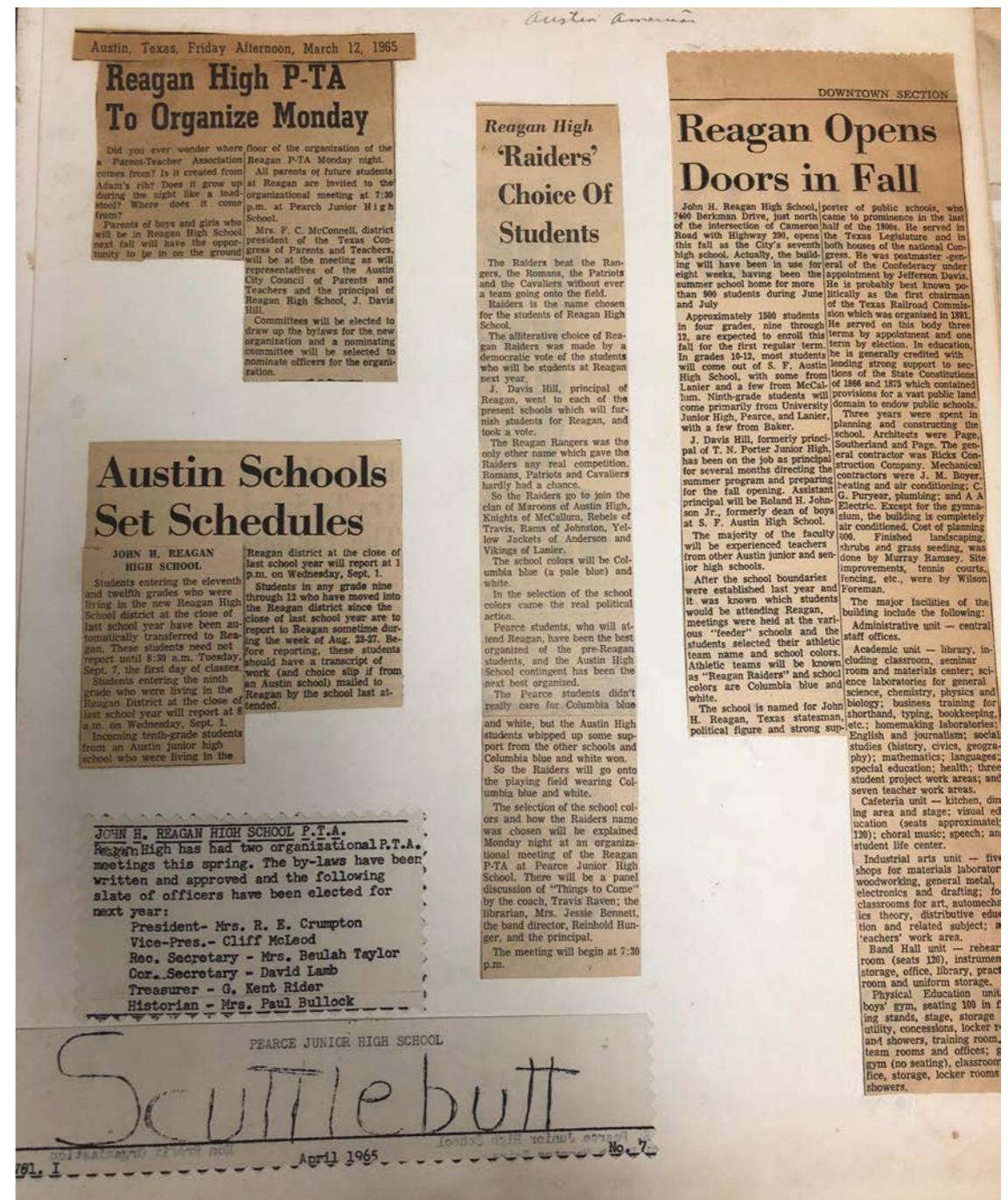
The board voted to buy five Ramblers from Charlie Partlow for \$7,794.45 — representing a low bid, as well as a Plymouth station wagon from Simmons Motor Company for \$2,026.04.

Contracts were awarded for the building of the Educational Services Building for a total of \$642,652. J. C. Peterson was awarded the general contract for \$430,300.

Other contracts went to: Walter E. Johnson, electric, \$68,200; Young and Pratt, heating, ventilating and air conditioning, \$98,740; Capitol Plumbing and Heating, plumbing, \$92,932; and Otis Elevator Company, elevator, \$15,690.

Regan High School Mascot Chosen Mar. 12, 1965

“Raiders is the name chosen for the students of Reagan High School...The Reagan Rangers was the only other name which gave the Raiders any real competition. Romans, Patriots and Cavaliers hardly had a chance.”



Reagan Opens Doors in Fall Aug. 18, 1965

“The school is named for John H. Reagan, Texas statesman, political figure and strong supporter of public schools, who came to prominence in the last half of the 1800’s. He served in the Texas Legislature and in both houses of the national Congress. He was postmaster-general of the Confederacy under appointment by Jefferson Davis.”

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Reagan Opens Doors in Fall

John H. Reagan High School, 7400 Berkman Drive, just north of the intersection of Cameron Road with Highway 290, opens this fall as the City's seventh high school. Actually, the building will have been in use for eight weeks, having been the summer school home for more than 900 students during June and July.

Approximately 1500 students in four grades, nine through 12, are expected to enroll this fall for the first regular term. In grades 10-12, most students will come out of S. F. Austin High School, with some from Lanier and a few from McCallum. Ninth-grade students will come primarily from University Junior High, Pearce, and Lanier, with a few from Baker.

J. Davis Hill, formerly principal of T. N. Porter Junior High, has been on the job as principal for several months directing the summer program and preparing for the fall opening. Assistant principal will be Roland H. Johnson Jr., formerly dean of boys at S. F. Austin High School.

The majority of the faculty will be experienced teachers from other Austin junior and senior high schools.

After the school boundaries were established last year and it was known which students would be attending Reagan, meetings were held at the various "feeder" schools and the students selected their athletic team name and school colors. Athletic teams will be known as "Reagan Raiders" and school colors are Columbia blue and white.

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porter of public schools, who came to prominence in the last half of the 1800s. He served in the Texas Legislature and in both houses of the national Congress. He was postmaster-general of the Confederacy under appointment by Jefferson Davis. He is probably best known politically as the first chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission which was organized in 1891. He served on this body three terms by appointment and one term by election. In education, he is generally credited with lending strong support to sections of the State Constitutions of 1866 and 1875 which contained provisions for a vast public land domain to endow public schools.

Three years were spent in planning and constructing the school. Architects were Page, Southerland and Page. The general contractor was Ricks Construction Company. Mechanical contractors were J. M. Boyer, heating and air conditioning; C. G. Puryear, plumbing; and A. A. Electric. Except for the gymnasium, the building is completely air conditioned. Cost of planning and finished landscaping, shrubs and grass seeding, was done by Murray Ramsey. Site improvements, tennis courts, fencing, etc., were by Wilson Foreman.

The major facilities of the building include the following:

Administrative unit — central staff offices.
Academic unit — library, including classroom, seminar room and materials center; science laboratories for general science, chemistry, physics and biology; business training for shorthand, typing, bookkeeping, etc.; homemaking laboratories; English and journalism; social studies (history, civics, geography); mathematics; languages; special education; health; three student project work areas; and seven teacher work areas.

Cafeteria unit — kitchen, dining area and stage; visual education (seats approximately 120); choral music; speech; and student life center.

Industrial arts unit — five shops for materials laboratory, woodworking, general metal, electronics and drafting; four classrooms for art, automechanics theory, distributive education and related subject; and teachers' work area.

Band Hall unit — rehearsal room (seats 120), instrument storage, office, library, practice room and uniform storage.

Physical Education unit — boys' gym, seating 100 in folding stands, stage, storage and utility, concessions, locker room and showers, training room, team rooms and offices; girls' gym (no seating), classroom, office, storage, locker rooms and showers.

Reagan Football Sep. 3, 1965

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VETERANS WITH COACH GLEN SWENSON
Bill Hart starred last year at Mac, SPA

Starting From Scratch Reagan Has Spirit, Little Else

By BILL LITTLE
Sports Staff
School in the best possible manner.
If a new broom sweeps clean, Reagan should clean house.
The Reagan Raiders, just a week away from opening night against Fort Worth Tech, are eager and spirited. If that wins Reagan should be able to sleep nights.
"I've never seen such willingness and spirit as we have had here," Haven said Thursday.
"The boys are willing, as physically ready as possible, and have a real good attitude. We know it's going to take time to build collectiveness and cohesiveness, but this bunch is well on its way."
Considering that Reagan is a collection of students from Austin, McCallum, Lester and the feeder junior highs which once provided students for the rival schools, such is a welcome step for Haven.
But now they're the Raiders, with one central cause — to kickoff John Reagan High

Tom Campbell a starting end along with Bussey, and quarter- Mike Campbell are twin sons of UT football coach Mike Campbell. Both are senior lettermen from Austin.
Reven said his quarterback is "not a great passer, but he's a great scrambler. He's a tough runner, and hard to bring down. You should see him twisting and turning."
The halfbacks are junior Clay Smith and senior Paul Horton. The beef in the backfield is loaded in fullback George Robertson, a 196-pound bulldozer who could do great things for the Reagan offense.
Defensively, Raven plans to

go pretty much with his offensive crew, but guys like David Todd, Robert Kinchloe, Paul Phank, David Hunter and Walter Carr will definitely see action.
Also counted on for much work are the 11 sophomores which sparkle on the 48-man lineup. Tops among these are halfbacks Jesse Thompson and Tony Kietner, tackle Arthur Taylor and fullback Alec Pittman, son of UT coach Jim Pittman.
Reagan will use a slot formation to either side, with no flipping in the line.
"There are 18 seniors playing at Reagan. For the juniors and sophomores, looking ahead is fine. But for this edition, there is only today. And Haven and someone will also if that were."



REAGAN'S STARTING BACKFIELD SETS FOR FIRST SEASON
Fullback Robertson, halfback Smith, quarterback Campbell, halfback Paul Horton

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Regan High School Opening Photos Sept. 7, 1965

*John H. REAGAN High School
Opening Day. September 7, 1965*



Regan High School Symbols Announced Sept. 24, 1965

“Our school was named after John Henninger Reagan, who, during his lifetime, was a lawyer, surveyor, a representative in both houses of the Texas Legislature, and the Postmaster General of Texas during the Civil War. Most of all, he was noted for his honesty and integrity in all of his dealings. Our motto, “Not Without Honor,” was taken from John H. Reagan’s biography, Not Without Honor. The mascot still remains somewhat of a mystery, for who drew it is not known. It is a picture of a cowboy on a reared horse with his gun held high in the air.”



Regan High School Dedication Oct. 1, 1965

The Austin Statesman Friday, October 1, 1965

Regan High's Dedication Set Sunday at 2:30

By DERRO EVANS
Staff Writer

Austin's newest high school, the glittering \$2.2 million John H. Reagan High, will be dedicated and open to public view Sunday afternoon.

Dedication will be in the school cafetorium at 2:30 p.m. The school is located at 7400 Berkman Drive, just north of the intersection of Cameron Road and Highway 290.

Clint Small, Jr., Austin School Board vice-president, will be dedicatory speaker.

Greetings will be extended by Mrs. R. E. Crumpton, Reagan Parent-Teacher Association president, and Austin Mayor Lester Palmer. Schools Superintendent Irby B. Carruth will introduce special guests.

The invocation will be given by the Rev. Milton Dare, pastor of Memorial Methodist Church. The Reagan Band, directed by Reinhold Hunger, will play special music. Reagan Principal J. Davis Hill will preside.

Following the dedication visitors will be guided on tours of the air-conditioned building by members of school service organizations.

Regan is constructed as a series of building units connected by covered walks. Largest unit is the two-story academic building with classrooms grouped around an open court. Each cluster of classrooms is devoted to a particular subject and

contains a teachers' work area.

Each teachers' center contains desks, work room and book and general storage room. A corridor alcove, which can be seen from the teachers' center, has three carrels for individual study.

Lower floor of the academic unit houses classrooms for science, homemaking, business training and the library. The second floor accommodates English, foreign languages, mathematics and social studies.

Other major building units are: Industrial-vocational shops for art, distributive education, auto theory, drafting, electronics, metal work and wood work.

The physical education wing, housing two gymnasiums, a classroom and locker, dressing and shower rooms.

The band hall.

The cafeteria unit, also containing speech and choral rooms and an audio-visual room with seating for 150.

The administrative unit, providing offices for principals, deans and counselors; a faculty lounge, and central book and records storage.

The building was designed by the Austin architectural firm of Page, Southerland and Page.

The school is named for the Texas statesman who served in the Texas Legislature and both houses of the U. S. Congress in the late 1880s. Reagan was also first chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission.



MRS. RALPH APPLIN BRINGS LIGHT TO HOMEMAKING ROOM
Other facilities provided for science, business study



STUDENTS CHAT BETWEEN CLASSES IN PATIO OF NEW REGAN HIGH SCHOOL
Open house and formal dedication of building set for 2:30 p.m. Sunday

Regan High School Opens Oct. 11, 1965

“The second senior high to be opened here in five years is Reagan, and some 1,700 teenagers from three other high schools are learning to work together and create spirit for a new school.”

School Begins Breaking the Ice

School Correspondent
(1921-1973); Oct 11, 1965;
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New Reagan High School Begins Breaking the Ice

By MIKE COX

High School Correspondent

Austin is a growing city where things are on the move. Enrollment in Austin high schools shattered all records this year. For the many thousands of teenagers in Austin and in Central Texas, activities are at a peak. In fact, so much is going on, high school news will get special coverage in the Austin American Statesman—to keep YOU informed.

The second senior high to be opened here in five years is Reagan, and some 1,700 teenagers from three other high schools are learning to work together and create spirit for a new school.

A student council for Reagan is in the final stages of organization. The first issue of the school paper, THE REAGAN RADAR, has already been published. The paper staff is still trying to collect \$10 from each advisory to make ends meet.

Reagan Raiders are already getting a taste of college life. It costs 25 cents a semester to get a permit to park on the sprawling lot.

At Lanier, which is now in its fifth year of operation, the problems Reagan face are still fresh in the minds of most Lanierites who remember climbing over saw-horses to get to a class and wading across muddy, unpaved streets the first few months Lanier was open. So, people of Reagan, it could be worse.

With the renewal of football season and arch rivalries, the custom of painting school initials on other high school campuses is in full swing. At least two Austin schools have already been visited by spray paint happy spirit boosters. Maybe these people don't know it—but the school represented on another campus will foot the bill which averages about \$50 or \$60.

This year the Lanier Student Council has joined the Texas Association of Student Councils. The governing body at LHS is hard at work. Student Directories will be on sale in about three weeks for 30 cents.

A talent show featuring the Lanier faculty is planned sometime soon, and a homecoming dance is slated for Oct. 30, after the Lampasas-Lanier game.

The School Spirit and Sportsmanship Committee finally found out why so few students sing the Lanier song: The notes are too high! Mr. Charles Jones, the new Lanier band director, reports a new, somewhat lower arrangement will be out in about three weeks. There has also been great success in projecting the words of the school song on a wide screen during pep rallies.

The Vikettes, a new girl dance routine group, performed for the first time at the Friday morning pep rally before the Lanier-McCallum game. There are 51 girls in the group who wear short white skirts and gold blouses. Their goal is to help boost school spirit.

Iris Kolla, whose father is in the Ministry of Agriculture in Greece, is enrolled at McCallum this year. She is Austin's and McCallum's first foreign exchange student. Iris is living with Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell; Mary Campbell is a junior at McCallum and there are three other children in the Campbell family.

It was a hard road from Greece for Iris. She is one of 30 students from Greece chosen to come to America for a year of study. She had to take tests and write papers on herself and her family. On July 2 she found out she had been chosen to come to Austin.

She rode by bus from New York to Dallas and there she was met by her American family, the Campbells.

Iris finds American high school fairly easy compared to education in Greece where last year she carried 14 courses from October to July.

Iris is taking advanced courses in English, French, German, American history, and speech. She likes to read, swim and play tennis. While in Austin she is taking piano lessons. She likes the American system of dating, and has already attended her first teenage type dance. Wonder what her Grecian friends will think when she returns knowing how to do the jerk?

A homecoming dance is scheduled for later this month at Del Valle; and big plans are underway for a large Halloween blast for all Austin German clubs.

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Regan High School Student Council

Nov. 12, 1965

John H. Reagan's First Student Officers

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FIRST COUNCIL — First students to serve as Student Council officers at Reagan High School, which opened this fall, are (front row, from left) Beth Herring, treasurer; Susie Weaver, secretary; (back row) Bill Hart, president, and Jimmy Crain, vice president.

STUDENT LEADERS—Leading activities of the Student Council at Reagan High School this year are these six officers. Seated are (left to right) Madonna Doetsch, Mary Larson and the president, Paul Horton; standing, Tim Lewis, John Leigh and Tommy Walker.

Regan High School Flag 1965

Seal included
Confederate flag and
soldier.



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Reagan Speech Club officers were elected Wednesday. Adrian Acevedo is president; Tommy Phillips, vice-president; Sharon Lamme, secretary; Tim Lewis, treasurer; John Leigh, sergeant-at-arms; and Larry Leal, parliamentarian. The club is planning to attend tournaments in San Antonio and Corpus Christi this year.

The Reagan Student Council is sponsoring a deck-the-windows Christmas competition. This shows some originality — most schools this year are decking their doors.

THE BLACK PATCH, a teenage dance club which has been struggling to stay afloat since September may be washed up now for good. When the club opened last weekend, only four boys showed up, reports Miss Nelda Mathis, the owner. The club will be closed with only a slight possibility of it reopening after the first of the year. Miss Mathis is not sure yet whether or not she will open the club for a teen dance on New Year's Eve.

The Inter City Student Assembly had its organizational meeting Wednesday. Roger Friedman is president of the assembly, and Paul Fry is vice-president. The new assembly sponsor is Mrs. Jacquelyn McGee.

Thursday afternoon the assembly taped a 30 minute Christmas program for delayed broadcast on radio KTBC. One representative from each school told of his school's Christmas plans. Another program, outlining the Teen Jury plan and proposed Youth Council here in Austin, will possibly be aired in the future.

A called meeting of the assembly scheduled for next week will begin work on the sportsmanship problem before district basketball season begins.

On the subject of sportsmanship, here is an unofficial indication of the Austin high school to receive the sportsmanship trophy this year. Each Austin high school student council will select a candidate for the trophy. This is no official representation of all Austin high school votes on the matter, but LANIER HIGH was picked by an overwhelming majority by the AUSTIN HIGH council as the school with the most sportsman-like attitude of any Austin school.

Gene Attal, co-editor of the Austin High Maroon, reports that out of three senior English classes, one teacher gave no A's. But it couldn't be that bad, because the AHS editor knows of no one who made an F either.

Four Austin high schools came away with ratings from the Texas High School Press Association meeting held last weekend in Denton.

TRAVIS and McCALLUM both received All Texas ratings for their yearbooks. The JOHNSTON Shiloh was also rated. Nine journalists represented Johnston at the meet. Editor of the award winning Johnston paper is Vickie Roberts.

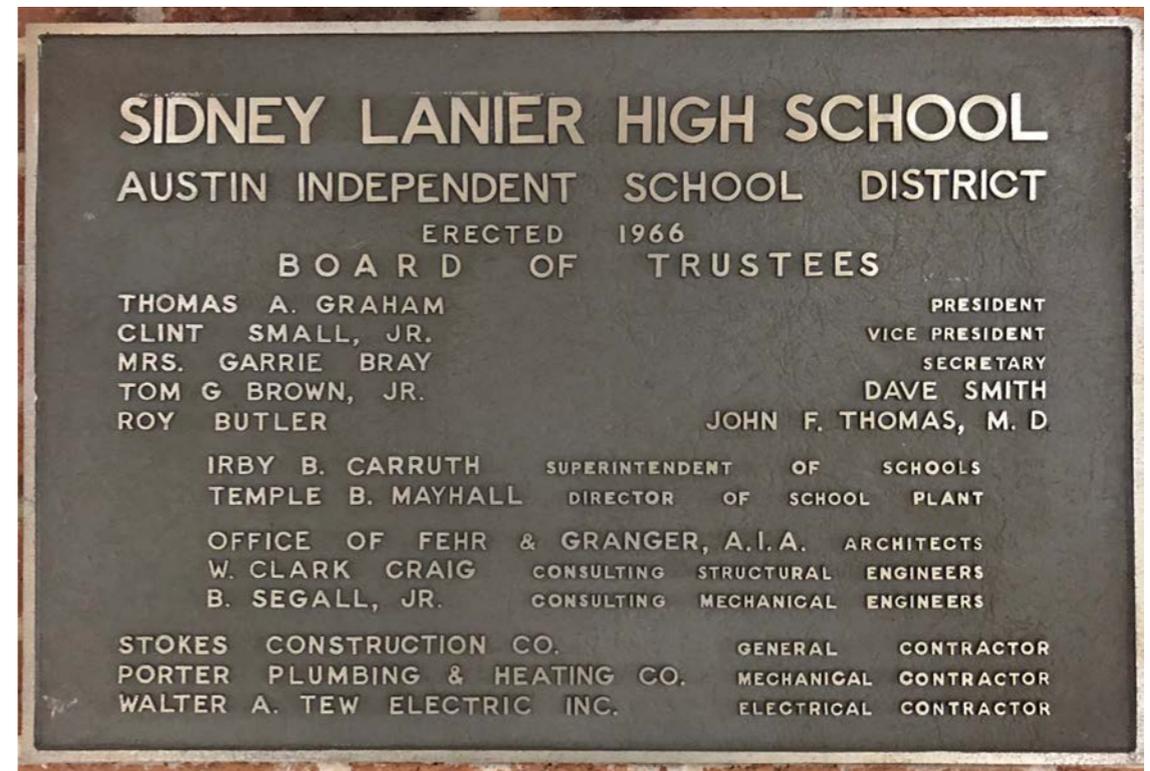
A delegation of six traveled to Denton from Austin High. The Maroon received an All Texas rating for its division. These divisions are based on school enrollment.

The publications department also received three individual awards. Gene Attal received recognition for yearbook photography. Frank Neal was awarded for excellence in layout of large and small ads.

The ST. EDWARDS Music Department is sponsoring a Holiday Musical at 3 p.m. Sunday. A second performance will be at 8 p.m. Monday. The Tiger Band, Glee Club, Mixed Chorus and ST. MARY'S Silver Belles will perform. Admission is 50 cents student, \$1 adult. The Christmas programs will be in the St. Edwards gym.

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Lanier Plaque 1966



New Building At Reagan 1967

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New Building At Reagan



John H. Reagan High School’s new academic building will open for classes in September of 1967.

This building, presently under construction, will enlarge Reagan’s capacity from 1500 to 2500 students. Next year’s projected enrollment is estimated to be 1871, with a senior class of over 300 and a freshman class of over 550 students.

With added class rooms and new students, the departments will be changed in the old academic building as well. The Business Department

will be moved into the new building to accommodate the new data-processing equipment, the old business departmental rooms being used by the Science Department. Social studies, English and math will all have three departments each. The “shacks” will be moved and the health classes will have two rooms in the new building in the department with special education.

The building presently under construction will complete the master plan for Reagan.

Reagan Tentative Alma Mater



Varsity football players are introduced during the first pep rally.

ALMA MATER

(Tentative)

Not without honor we shall always be
True to our colors, symbols of our unity
Spirit and victory, bonds which strongly tie
Our hearts, our minds together, live with honor
Reagan High.

Nobody's Perfect!

Reagan Addition Plaque 1967



Johnston Daughters of the Confederacy Give Reagan Painting Nov. 1, 1967

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UDC Chapter Gives Portrait

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Mrs. Edward N. Borkland, chapter president, made the presentation. Mrs. Chester C. Cameron, Mrs. W. G. Andrewartha and Miss Mildred Webb participated in the ceremony before the Student Council.

A native of Tennessee, John H. Reagan came to Texas in his youth, served the Republic of Texas and later studied law. He served as Justice of the Peace, County Judge and as a member of the Texas Legislature and the US Congress. Am. 11/1/67

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By KATHERINE HART

Before 1900 there were not many schools in Austin and each had its distinctive history. For instance, Fulmore Junior High, on South Congress.

In the early days there was no school in South Austin, for the Colorado River was thought of as the southern edge of Austin. But when the new iron bridge was bought by the city and county in June 1886 and no longer operated as a toll bridge, people moved freely across the river on foot, by horseback and in wagons, hacks and buggies.

By the middle 1880's there were enough settlers on the south side of the river to justify the organization of a school district within the Travis County system. Land for the new school was given by Mrs. Charles Newning and the new school was known both as the South Austin School and the 11th ward school. However, Mr. Newning suggested the name Fulmore for the school to honor Judge Zachary Taylor Fulmore, a man deeply interested in education, who was at that time ex officio superintendent of county schools, as he was County Judge of Travis County.

In 1892, when enrollment had reached about 75, the school became a part of the Austin Public School system, with Miss Mollie Dawson as its first principal under the new set-up. Minutes of the July 6, 1894 meeting of the Austin School Board have a familiar ring for they state: "The subject of crowded conditions at Fulmore school was presented to the board."

The school continued to grow until eventually a new and larger building had to be constructed, but in the meantime, there were minor improvements, and of course, occasional crises. The minutes of the School Board for June 21, 1901, record the Board's approval of a plan for providing shelves in the classroom to hold water buckets so children would have easy access to drinking water. Hooks for hats were also to be placed in each room.

In 1907, a child who spilled ink on the floor of a classroom was assessed a ten cent fine. The child refused to pay the fine and was sent home. The irate father reported the matter to the School Board but lost his case, for the minutes of March 8 of that year say that the Board ruled that the fine must be paid before the child

could return to school.

Pupils and teachers at Fulmore are alike proud of the scores of magnificent live

oak trees on the grounds, and they are all interested in these stories of the school's early days. They especially like to talk about the time the B Hall boys at the University stole the Fulmore bell -- but that's another story!

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Johnston Rams Legacy Hall In Current Cafeteria

Johnston Rams Legacy
Hall on display in
Eastside cafeteria.



Resolution of Descendants of Confederate Veterans

“Be it therefore resolved that the Descendants of Confederate Veterans does oppose any renaming of these schools by the District’s Board of Trustees Board of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion...”



RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Descendants of Confederate Veterans is charged with “the perpetuation of the memory and spirit of the Confederate soldier’s history”; and

WHEREAS, The Austin Independent School District has announced their interest in renaming the Austin area schools that were named after Confederate leaders; Robert E. Lee, Albert Sidney Johnston, John H Reagan and Sidney Lanier; and

WHEREAS, The Descendants of Confederate Veterans believes that each of these men, through word and deed were firm believers in the formal education of all people and in many cases made great and undeniable strides in the furtherance of education at all levels; and

WHEREAS, The Descendants of Confederate Veterans believes that much can be learned by the studying of these honorable men, their ties to Texas and their contributions to society as a whole;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Descendants of Confederate Veterans does oppose any renaming of these schools by the District’s Board of Trustees Board of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Descendants of Confederate of Veterans deplores racism in all of its forms from wherever the source and does heartily support the Austin Independent School District in its efforts to promote racial, ethnic, and cultural diversity so long as the cultural heritage of Texas is not forgotten, diminished or neglected.