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### The Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Council of Hope College

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29 May 1867

Holland, Michigan

At the meeting of the executive committee of the Council of Hope College, Pres. Philip Phelps Jr. was in the chair. Attenders were Rev. Peter J. Oggel, Henry G. Decker, Rev. Abel T. Stewart, and Rev. Seine Bolks. Bernardus Ledeboer, M.D., was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Solomon Cumings, M.D. Van Raalte was not present and apparently was not a member of the executive committee.

*Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Council of Hope College, pp. 7-8.*

The Pres. announced the death of Doctor Cummings. (member of the Council)  
Res. that the printing of the inaugurals be referred to the Finance Committee.

Female Education in Ladies' Dept  
The Com. appointed to carry into effect the resolution for the establishment of a Germinal Class for the Ladies Dept reported as follows "that after a careful consideration of a number of meetings (7) they deemed it best to begin without expense. They held a Conference with the Board of Trustees of the Union School and made arrangement with them by which a class of Young Ladies was to receive instruction at the College in Latin and Algebra as preparatory to higher Education, and at the same time for the present attend on the teaching of Mrs. Van Olinda, at the Union School in the other branches. The report was accepted and adopted.  
The meeting adjourned.  
Rev Mr. Bolks closed with prayer

Abel T. Stewart Secty.

The Ex. Com. of the Council of Hope College met in the study of the President at 3 P.M.  
✓ May 29. 1867

Present  
Present Rev Doctor Phelps in the chair, P.J. Oggel, Henry G Decker, Abel T. Stewart, S. Bolks

Acts Synods  
According to previous agreement with the Gen. Synod it was ordered that the expenses of the Synodical Com on Theological instruction be paid. The whole sum is \$182.

Committee  
(8) The Com. ordered the name of Bernardus Ledebuer M D appointed by the Part Synod to fill the vacancy in the Council occasioned by the death of Solomon Cumings M D of the Classis of Mich to be entered on the minutes, and proceeded to nominate members of Council not chosen by the Part Synod from the remaining Classes as follows  
From Classes of Holland, Hessel O Yntema  
From Classes of Wisconsin, Jacob Van Zanten  
From Classes of Illinois Ludovicus S Viele

Female Education  
It was stated that the Germinal Class in the Ladies Dept of Hope College had been instructed in Latin by the President, for two terms, and in algebra by Prof Crispell for one term.

The Catalogue presented for 1866-7 was adopted.

The meeting resolved to adjourn and was closed with prayer by Rev Mr. Stewart.

Abel T. Stewart Secty.

about July 1, 1867  
A special meeting of the Ex. Com was held in the College Library on the Call of the Pres. Present Rev Doctor Phelps in the chair, A. T. Stewart, Henry G Decker, B Ledebuer, M D, P.J. Oggel.

A place for permanent improvement of the grounds was submitted & after discussion was adopted.

The meeting adjourned and was closed with prayer

Abel T. Stewart Secty.

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August 7. 1867

The Ex Com met according to adjournment in the College Library at 8 P.M.

The Pres opened with prayer