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### The Meeting of the School Board of the Holland Academy

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3 September 1867

Holland, Michigan

At this meeting of the School Board of the Holland Academy, Dr. Albertus C. Van Raalte was not present nor Dr. Philip Phelps Jr. Apparently by this time, Dr. Phelps was no longer attending these meetings. Several student applications were dealt with. The student from Milwaukee, Loui[s] Kemink, was admitted and the family could meet the cost of the entire fee that was \$50 for the year. The fee included the cost for books also. Pieter Bost of Vriesland was accepted as a student at the age of twenty because he wished to prepare for teaching school.

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Meeting of the  
School Board of the Classes of Holland  
and Wisconsin.

Convened at Holland Mich. Sept. 3. 1869.

Members present: Mr. P. J. Bygel; S. Bolles; G. J. Nijhert; Mr. Dietrich DeB; J. Huyjs from A. Huemmer and the treasurer Mr. G. Walker from the Class of Holland, and Pres. J. van de Meulen and the Elder J. Krovis from the Class of Wisconsin.

Art. 1.

Pres. J. van de Meulen was called to take the chair, at whose request the meeting was opened with prayer by Pres. S. Bolles.

Art. 2.

Officers for the following year were elected by ballot as follows: for President, Pres. G. J. Nijhert; for Vice President Pres. J. Huyjs; the Secretary was elected.

Art. 3.

Minutes of the former meeting were read and approved.

## Art. 11.

The following cases from youths who applied for an education, at the expences of the Board, were considered: -viz: of

Christiaan Provoornad, 12 years of age, with Recommendation from the Consistory of Zeeland, that Boarding and books should be furnished by the Board, which was granted. of

Pieter van Naften, 16 years of age, with recommendation from the Consistory of Zeeland & Alamelarou. He, being present, was questioned as to his desire and ability for study, which was satisfactory. It being understood that his parents in some measure were able to do something towards defraying his expences, it was resolved to accept him on conditions which said Consistory should find reasonable, and which was expected that the Pres. J. v. d. Meulen, his pastor, should communicate to the Board. of

Loui Kemink, with recommendations from the Consistory of Milwaukee Wisconsin. It was stated that his parents or friends

would provide fifty Dollars annually towards his expences. Books were meant to be included in these \$50.00. Upon which it was Resolved to take him on the Board.

Art. 5.

It was brought to Notice that a certain young Man living at Breunthe had often expressed his desire for an Education, and that he seemed <sup>to be</sup> a fit and promising person for it; at which it was resolved: that at his application he would be taken up on trial; provided, the Consistory of Breunthe should deem it proper to recommend him.

Also that Pieter Best of Vriesland, 21 years of age, was very desirous to receive an Education for Teacher in the District Schools; his Pastor being present, could testify as to his Moral Characters and ability for Study, but as he had neglected, through Misunderstanding, to apply to the Consistory of Vriesland for an recommendation, he was without it, though very probably it would be given, <sup>him</sup> if asked for. Upon which it was Resolved, to accept him also, on trial.

## Art. 6.

The case of John Hoffman, of Overysel, was mentioned by his pastor: This young man was sustained by the Catechumen of that Church, but owing to the high prices of boarding and other circumstances they were \$119.00 behind. It would be hard for them to pay in the future his expenses and this debt also, it was therefore asked by the Rev. G. J. Nijkerk that this debt should be paid by the Board, promising that he would try to prevent their relapsing into debts. Upon which it was resolved: that this request be granted.

## Art. 7.

The report on the books of the treasurer was not yet completed, and could not be presented to the Board; Resolved that the Committee on account be ready to present it to the Class the following day.

## Art. 8.

The Minutes of the present Meeting were read approved and adopted. and the Session closed with prayer by Rev. S. Bolles.

J. Swemer. Secretary

Transactions  
of  
the Board of Regents  
of  
the Holland Academy.

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