

## First Meeting of the Board of Education.

At the first meeting of the Board of Education of the Town of Bethel, County of Sullivan, State of New York, held at the Town Clerk's Office on August 1st 1917 at 10 A.M. Those present were: Geo. DuBois, Geo. Margison, Edw. J. Norris and Geo. Sloane absent - Ernest Keil.

George Sloane was unanimously elected temporary chairman, and upon calling the board to order, George Sloane was unanimously elected permanent chairman for the term of one year to August first (1st) 1918, instructions from Dist. Supt. Frederick J. Lewis were then read, item no. 2. was then taken up and discussed, Edward J. Norris, proposed Ralph Van Wert of White Lake, N. Y., as Clerk of the Board - seconded by George DuBois, he was unanimously elected clerk of the board, the question of Compensation was then taken up and after discussion it was agreed that the sum be set at \$150 per year, upon a motion by Edw. J. Norris seconded by Geo. Margison this amount was unanimously agreed upon.

Item no. 3 was then taken up and upon a motion, B. W. Phillips of North White Lake, N. Y., was unanimously elected Treasurer, the matter of compensation was then brought up and discussed, it was decided to hold this over until the next meeting.

After further discussion regarding the several remaining items on the list, it was decided to hold them over until August 16<sup>th</sup> 1917 at 7:30 P. M. to which time this meeting is adjourned, when Mr Lewis advises us, he will attend the adjourned meeting.

#### First adjourned meeting.

The first adjourned meeting of the board of Education, met August 16, 1917 at 7:30 P. M. at the Town Clerk's Office, all members being present.

Motion is made and recorded that the minutes of the first meeting are approved as read.

Motion is made by George DuBois that clerk receive necessary expenses, in addition



to his salary. Motion seconded by Ernest Keil and approved by the board.

Motion made by Edw. J. Norris that the Treasurer be paid  $\frac{3}{4}$  of one percent and said treasurer furnish his own bond. Motion seconded by George Margison, but not approved by board.

Motion is made by George Du Bois and seconded by Edw. J. Norris that the treasurer be given the sum of One hundred dollars (\$100) per annum and that he furnish from a reliable Surety Company a bond at his own expense to be approved by the board. Motion unanimously carried by the board.

Motion is made by George Margison and seconded by Edw. J. Norris that the treasurer be allowed the necessary legal expenses of his office other than the bond. Motion is made by Geo. Du Bois and seconded by Ernest Keil that Mr. Frederick J. Lewis is to engage a Physical Instructor for the Town of Bethel at a sum not to exceed Twelve hundred dollars (\$1200), said instructor to pay his or her own expenses.

Motion unanimously carried by the board.

Motion was made by Edw. J. Norris and seconded by George Marjison, that the following Budget be adopted. The motion was unanimously carried by the board.

Budget adopted by the Bethel school board at a meeting held August 16<sup>th</sup> 1917 at 7:30 P.M. at the Town Clerk's Office.

Public money for  
Teachers wages — \$ 2,200.00  
Balance to be raised by tax 9,592.32.  
Total amt. <sup>\$</sup> 11,792.32

### Estimated Expenditures

1 Salary of Clerk	\$ 150.00
2 Salary of Treasurer of Board	100.00
3 Supplies	30.00
4 Salary of Physical Instruct <sup>r</sup> [-ress]	200.00
5 Attendance Officer	30.00
6 Teachers wages	\$ 6600.00
7 Janitors	250.00
8 Medical Inspection	100.00
9 Repairs and Furnace	1700.00
10. Fuel	500.00
11. Libraries	200.00

(Continued.)

12. Contingencies 932.32

Total amt. \$11,792.32

Assessed Val \$489,405. Rate \$196-100

Motion made by Edw. J. Norris and seconded by Ernest Keil that the meeting be adjourned until August 24, 1917 at 7:30 P.M. at the Town Clerk's Office.

Members present at this meeting:

George Sloane, chairman.

Ralph Van Wert, Clerk.

George Du Bois; Geo. Margison; Edw. J. Norris; Ernest Keil; Frederick J. Lewis, also present at meeting, and expects to be present at the next meeting.



Second adjourned meeting.

The second adjourned meeting of the Board of Education, Town of Bethel, held at the Town Clerk's Office on August 24th. at 7:30 P.M.

The following members being present:

George Sloane - chairman

Ralph Van Wert - clerk.

Edward J. Norris; Ernest Keil

George Margison; also four members of the Board were present.

Motion is made by Edward J. Norris and seconded by Ernest Keil.

Motion unanimously carried by the board. Resolution being that the minutes of the meeting held Aug. 16th 1917 be left on the table for discussion until George DuBois is present.

Motion is made by Edw. J. Norris and seconded by Ernest Keil unanimously carried by the board. Resolution being that the clerk of the board of Education secure the Insurance Policies of the School Districts of the Town of Bethel, and have

said Policies changed to agree with the provisions of the Township's Law, to read Board of Education of the Town of Bethel, instead of, "Trustee or Trustees."

Motion is made by Edw. J. Norris and seconded by Geo. Margison, unanimously carried by the board. Resolution being that the question of School house site in district no. 8. be and hereby is referred to Supt. Frederick J. Lewis for consideration.

Motion is made by Ernest Keil and seconded by Edw. J. Norris, unanimously carried by the board. Resolved that the School house in district no 2 be closed for the current year, and that the children of school age, of said district be conveyed to and from the White Lake School for instructions. Be it further resolved that the children be conveyed on the main road leading between White Lake and Stevensville from Van Kewen's corners to the White Lake School.

Motion is made by Edw. J. Norris, and seconded by Ernest Keil, unanimously carried by the board. Resolution being that the clerk order one whole barrel (1), and eleven half barrels (11) of Floor Oil, from the Standard Oil, Company. N. Y.

Motion is made by Edw. J. Norris, and seconded by Geo. Margison, unanimously carried by the board. Resolution being that the Teacher's be empowered to purchase necessary supplies for the schools for the time being.

Motion is made by Ernest Keil and seconded by Edw. J. Norris, unanimously carried by the board. Resolution being made that Cyrus Margison of Bethel, N. Y., be and hereby is appointed Attendance Officer for the Town of Bethel for the ensuing year at a compensation of three dollars (\$3) a day for each day of service.



Motion made by Ernest Keil and seconded by Geo. Margison, unanimously carried by the board. Resolution being that the Treasurer give an approved Surety Bond to the amount of (\$8000) eight thousand dollars.

Motion is made by Ernest Keil and seconded by Edw. J. Norris, unanimously carried by the board. Resolution being that the meeting be adjourned until August 31<sup>st</sup> 1917 at 7:30 O'clock P.M. at the Town Clerk's Office, at which time Mr. Lewis will be present.

Third adjourned meeting of the Board.

The third adjourned meeting of the Bethel School board, held at the Town Clerk's Office on August 31, 1917 at 7:30 P. M.

The following members being present.  
George Sloane, chairman  
Ralph Van Wert, clerk.  
George Margison, Ernest Keil and  
George DuBois.

Motion is made by Geo. Margison and seconded by Ernest Keil, unanimously carried by the board. Resolutions being that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as read.

George DuBois present at meeting after first resolution was read.

Motion is made by George Margison and seconded by Ernest Keil, unanimously carried by the board. Resolutions being that the clerk be and is hereby authorized to advertise for bids for the transportation of the pupils of district no 2 to the White

Lake school as follows:

Sealed proposals will be received by the Town board of Education of the town of Bethel, for the transportation of the maximum number of 18 children from Van Keuren's corners on the Liberty Road to the White Lake school and return each day the school is in session during the school year 1917-1918 starting from said corners in time to deliver said pupils at the said school in time for the opening of school and start from said school at the close of school each day in said school is in session. Said bids to be sent to Ralph Van Wert, North White Lake, N.Y., on or before the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 1917 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. when the board will open said bids. The kind of conveyance to be described in the bid or proposal and to be approved by the board of Education. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.



Motion made by Geo. Margison and seconded by Ernest Keil, unanimously carried by the members present. Resolution being that James Kelley be and hereby is engaged to transport the pupils of District no 2. to and from the White Lake School, as mentioned in the specifications for bids for the term of nine days (9) at a per diem compensation of \$2.50. beginning Tuesday September 4<sup>th</sup>. 1917

Motion is made by Ernest Keil and seconded by Geo. DuBois, unanimously carried by the members present. Motion made that the first adjournment meeting's minutes be read.

Motion made by Ernest Keil and seconded by Geo. DuBois, unanimously carried by the board, that the minutes of the first adjournment meeting be approved as read.

Motion is made by Ernest Keil and seconded by Geo. Du Bois, unanimously carried by the board that the meeting be adjourned until September 12, 1917 at 7:30 o'clock P. M., at the Town Clerk's Office. Minutes were approved as read.

Fourth adjourned meeting of Board.

The fourth adjourned meeting of the Bethel Board of Education was held at the Office of Town Clerk, Wednesday, September 12, 1917 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. The following members were present at opening of the meeting:

George Sloane, chairman

George Margison and E. J. Norris,

The clerk. Ralph Van Wert, not being present

W.H. La Polt was chosen clerk - pro-tem and as Mr Van Wert sent all the books papers etc. connected with his office, as clerk together with a written notice of his resignation, as such clerk asking that such resignation take place immediately.

Ernest Keil arrived and the resignation of Ralph Van Wert (clerk) was read by the chairman and motion made by Mr Keil, and seconded by Geo. Margison that the resignation be accepted. It was carried by all members present.

School Supt. S. J. Lewis was present from opening of this meeting; also George Du Bois arrived, after opening of meeting.



Motion was made by George Morrison and seconded by E. J. Morris, that W. H. LaPorte be appointed, clerk of the board, unanimously carried by the board.

Matter of opening proposals for conveying pupils from District no 2, proceeded and the following proposals presented:

M. N. Meddaugh	\$ 1.75
Fred Kewley	\$ 1.98
Horace Wheeler	\$ 1.75
Calvin W. Stewart	\$ 2.00
James Kelly	\$ 2.20

Motion was made whereas there appears a tie bid between M. N. Meddaugh and Horace Wheeler, and it appears that M. N. Meddaugh offers the better accommodations for transportation he be awarded the contract at \$1.75 per day. Motion was made by Geo. Du Bois, and seconded by Ernest Keil and carried unanimous by all present.

Motion was made by Geo. DuBois and seconded by Ernest Keil that the chairman of the board be and hereby is authorized to enter into a written contract with W. N. Muddaugh, to convey the pupils of dist no. 2 to the White Lake school in accordance to the advertisement for proposals issued by the board at its meeting held August 31st 1917.

Motion was made by Geo. Margison and seconded by E. J. Norris, whereas Frederick J. Lewis has succeeded in engaging a physical instructor as he was authorized to do by resolution of the board at its meeting held August 16th 1917. and whereas he has been able to engage such Instructor at a compensation of One hundred and twenty dollars per month for a term of nine months now therefore be it resolved by this board that the chairman of the board be and is hereby authorized to contract with said Physical Instructor, "Ursula E. Clark" in accordance

with the terms of compensation and service arranged by Supt. Frederick J. Lewis. Resolutions carried unanimously by all present.

Motion was made by Geo. Margison, and seconded by George Du Bois that each member of the Board be authorized to obtain flag and flag pole, and other fittings for the flag and pole, and other necessities for each district needing same, designated for him to look after as follows: George Sloane 6, 8. George Du Bois 4, 5, 11, George Margison 1, 2, 7; Ernest Keil, 9, 10, E. J. Norris, 3, 12, 13 and that each member of the board present bills for such flags etc. at a regular meeting to be held for auditing, and payment of such accounts. Carried unanimous.

Motion made by E. J. Norris and seconded by Geo. Margison that resolutions of board, made at meeting held August 24 1917, be amended to read that the Treasurer of board, give an approved Surety Bond to the amount of five thousand dollars.



Carried unanimously by board.

Motion was made by Ernest A. Keil and seconded by E. J. Norris, that the President and Treasurer of this board, be authorized to hire for the use of the schools of the Town of Bethel, in anticipation of taxes to be collected, the sum of One thousand dollars for a period of sixty days and issue a certificate of indebtedness therefor as required by law. Carried unanimous by board.

Motion was made by Ernest Keil and seconded by Geo. Du Bois that the clerk be authorized to have 100 copies of notice of penalty for damages, printed and that they be given the several members of this Board and by them placed on the school premises in their charge where they think such notices will be necessary. Carried by majority vote.

Motion was made by Geo. Margison and seconded by George Du Bois that

The chairman appoint a committee to inspect the White Lake School building, to determine necessary repairs that should be made on same school building, and that the committee report at next meeting. Motion carried unanimous and chairman appointed all members of the board as such committee.

Board voted unanimous to adjourn to meet at the Town Clerk's Office on Saturday September 22, 1917 at 7:30 o'clock P. M. Minutes read and approved.

Fifth adjourned meeting of the Board

The fifth adjourned meeting of the Board of Education, held at the Town Clerk's Office on Saturday September 22, 1917, at 7:30 P. M. The following members being present:

George Sloane, chairman

George Margison, Geo Du Bois, Ernest Keil,  
E. J. Norris.

Motion was made by Ernest Keil and seconded by George Margison that Geo. Sloane be authorized to make the following repairs on the White Lake school:

One door, locks, and hooks for cloak rooms and repair the walls of the cloak rooms, by ceiling same and repair pump and any other necessary thing except floor and sidewalls. Carried unanimously by all present.

Report of chairman, Geo. Sloane, and Andrew Mitchell, plumber in relation to the furnace in the White Lake school shows that the furnace is not worth fixing, owing to the many new pieces



to be purchased, and cost of reconstruction  
After report was heard by members of the  
board present; the following resolution was  
made by George Margison and seconded  
by Ernest A. Keil, whereas the heating plant  
in the White Lake School has become useless  
and it is absolutely necessary that a new  
plant be installed. Now therefore be it  
resolved that this board, adopt the  
hot water circulating system of heating  
said school, and that the same be  
put in as specified in the plans and  
specifications are on file, with the clerk.  
Carried unanimously by all present.

Motion was made by Ernest A. Keil and  
seconded by Geo. Margison that sealed  
proposals, be received by the clerk of  
this board, on or before the second (2)  
day of October 1917, when the board will  
open said bids. The board reserves  
the right to reject any or all bids. That  
the clerk of this board prepare copies  
of the specifications, and send them to

different plumbers, and dealers in heating plants, of the kind adopted, and post notices in Bethel; Monticello; and Liberty. Carried by majority vote.

Motion was made by George Margison and seconded by Ernest A. Keil, that the sum of Thirteen hundred dollars (\$1300) be added to the budget and collected for the purpose of using so much thereof as may be necessary to pay for the installation of a hot water heating system in the White Lake School. (Dist. 6). Carried unanimous.

Motion was made by E. J. Norris and seconded by Geo. Margison, that the Town tax collector, execute and deliver to this board a bond, to the sum of Ten thousand dollars, with sureties to be approved by this board, and that the same be presented to this board, at a meeting to be held at the Town Clerk's Office on Tuesday, October 2, 1917, at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

Carried unanimous.

Motion was made by Ernest A. Keil and seconded by E. J. Norris, that this board adjourn, to meet at the Town Clerk's Office on Tuesday October 2, 1917, at 7:30 P. M.

Approved unanimous.



Sixth Adjourned Meeting of Board.

The sixth adjourned meeting of the Board of Education, met at the Town Clerk's Office on Tuesday Oct. 2, 1917 at 7:30 p.m. with the following members present:

George Sloane, chairman;

E. J. Norris, George Margison and Mrs. DuBois

Bond of B.M. Phillips in Surety Company in the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) examined by board members, endorsed and filed. Bond of Shadow Bally with individual sureties in the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) examined by members of board, approved and endorsed, also filed.

Certificate of indebtedness as per resolutions signed by President and Treasurer of Board, and the same issued to the National Union Bank of Monticello, in the sum of One thousand dollars for a period of time from Oct. 4, 1917 to Dec. 3, 1917, and copy filed with the clerk of the Board.

Motion made by Geo. Margison and seconded by E. J. Norris that all bids on the matter of heating the White Lake School be rejected, and that the bids be returned to the persons by whom presented, and that the board obtain professional advice on the system of heating the White Lake School building that is most approved and suitable for the conditions of said school. Carried unanimous.

(George DuBois arrived and voted on above motion)

Motion made by Geo. Margison and seconded by E. J. Norris that the clerk be instructed to write Alfred W. Abrams, Visual Instructional Div. State Dept. of Education, Albany N. Y., and request the division to make a selection of 13 pictures and that they be sent to the clerk of the board of Education, and that catalogue be returned as requested. Carried unanimous.

Motion was made by Geo. Margison and seconded by Geo. Du Bois that the communication of Law Division to E. J. Norris in relation to pupils attending academic school be laid on the table, and that the clerk of the board of Education, write the Dept. in relation to the matter. Carried unanimously.

Motion made by Geo. Margison and seconded by Geo. Du Bois, that the board adjourn, to meet at the Town Clerk's Office on Tuesday October 9, 1917 at 7:30 P. M.

Motion carried that minutes be approved as read.



"Seventh Adjourned meeting"

The seventh adjourned meeting of the Bethel Board of Education met pursuant to adjournment at the Town Clerk's office at North White Lake N. Y., on Tuesday evening October 9<sup>th</sup>, 1917 with the following members present: George Sloane Ernest O. Keil; George Margison and Edw. J. Norris.

By unanimous vote of members present the clerk was directed to obtain two more flags of same grade as others were: size; 4 x 8 ft for districts 9 and 10.

Motion made by Geo. Margison and seconded by Ernest Keil, that the matter of academic tuition be laid on the table and that the clerk write "Mr John W Miller Stevensville N. Y. R. F. D. 1; requesting him to appear before the board at its next meeting, when he will be heard in the matter. Carried unanimous.,

Motion made by E. J. Norris and seconded by Ernest Keil, that the matter

of heating the White Lake School be laid on the table, until next meeting - carried unanimous.

Board took up Auditing accounts and passed upon bill amounting in total to \$672.21, Clerk read the list of bills and accounts, and the board, accepted resolution that the bills be paid as read.

Motion was made by Geo. Margison and seconded by Ernest Keil that the board adjourn to meet at the Town Clerk's Office on Tuesday October 23, at 7:30 pm. Carried that minutes be as read.

## Eighth adjourned meeting

The eighth adjourned meeting of the Bethel Board of Education, met at the Town Clerk's Office, on October 23, 1917, at 7:30 pm. with the following members present: Geo. Swan, George Margison, Geo. Du Bois, Superintendent of Schools, Frederick J. Lewis, was also present. Minutes of former meeting was read by clerk and approved.

Motion was made by George Margison and seconded by George Du Bois, that communication of S. Purman, in relation to tuition in the Jeffersonville School, be laid upon the table for further reference. carried.

Motion was carried that the clerk write R. Weiman, that it is necessary to obtain school record certificate from the teacher and present, same to Health Officer to get Employment certificate.

Motion was made by board that whereas a vacancy exists in the board of Education by the resignation of E. J.



vacancy, and such resignation has been approved by the District Superintendent of Schools and filed with the clerk of this board. Now therefore we hereby appoint to fill said vacancy until the next school meeting Harry D. Stalker of Stevensville N.Y. R.F.D. 1.

The matter of enlarging the White Lake School building to accommodate High School subjects was discussed and decided that the board await report from Supt. Lewis as to number of 8th grade pupils in the town, before taking up the matter of a Town High School.

Motion made by H. D. Stalker and seconded by Geo. DuBois that a committee be appointed by the chairman of the board to arrange with the trustees of school dist. no 2, for the purchase of the wood at the school building and also arrange for the using of the store that is now in the school house in dist. no 2. Chairman appointed as

such committee: Geo. Margison, and that  
Mr Margison arrange to deliver the wood  
and store at the White Lake School building  
Motion was made, and unanimously carried

Motion made by Geo. Du Bois and  
seconded by H. D. Stalker that the board  
of Education appoint, Miss V. M. Olmstrom  
as physical instructor for the Town of  
Bethel, and that she be allowed the sum  
of One Hundred and thirty Dollars per  
month, for a period of eight months  
and that she pay her own expenses  
carried unanimous. (The term of Physical  
Instructor began on Monday Oct 22, 1917)

Motion made by Geo. Margison and  
seconded by H. D. Stalker that the clerk  
be directed to write A. L. Pease Co.  
Buffalo, N. Y., for literature on their  
toilet plants and that the matter be  
laid upon the table for future con-  
sideration.

Board took up matter of Auditing bills, and audited bills to the amount of \$ 349.35; which have been filed and a motion of Geo Margison, seconded by Geo. Du Bois, which was carried. The bills were allowed as drawn on the treasurer for the several amounts.

Motion was made by Geo Margison and seconded by Geo. Du Bois that the Board adjourn to meet at the Town Clerk's Office on Wednesday November 7, 1917 at 7:30 pm. Carried unanimous



## Ninth Adjourned Meeting

The ninth adjourned meeting of the Board of Education, was held at the Town Clerk's Office on Wednesday evening at 7:30, o'clock. (Nov. 7, 1917). The following members being present: Ernest Keil, Geo. Margison and H. D. Stalker.

Motion was made by Geo. Margison and seconded by H. D. Stalker, that Ernest Keil, be chosen chairman pro-tem, owing to the absence of George Sloane, chairman.

The matter of report of clerk on correspondence, in relation to toilets was to the effect that no communication, had been received, by the clerk.

Matter <sup>was</sup> laid on table for future consideration. Carried by board.

Motion was made by Geo. Margison and seconded by H. D. Stalker, that the <sup>Matter of</sup> report, of Committee on wood and stove

was that George Margison, make the offer of two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per cord for the wood, that is in the school shed of district number two (2) and that he pay for delivering, said wood, to the White Lake School, a sum not to exceed seventy-five cents (\$75) per cord. Carried by all present.

Motion was made by George Margison and seconded by H. D. Stalker, that the Physical Instructor, now employed by this board, be present at the next meeting of this board, and report, as to the visits she is making to the schools of the Town of Bethel, each week, and the number of days each week she is using in the work, for which she is engaged. And that the clerk call her attention to the matter. Carried.

Motion made by Geo. Margison and seconded by H. D. Stalker, that Ernest Keit take charge of the delivery of the

oil to the different schools of the Town of Bethel. And that he get a wooden faucet for each barrel, and have bill for such delivery and faucets presented to this board for payment. Carried by board

Motion was made by those present that the clerk be authorized to issue orders on the treasurer <sup>for</sup> payment of teachers wages, transportation of pupils and wages of Physical instructor or of any other fixed charge upon the school writ.  
Carried.

Moved that bills be allowed as audited, and that orders be drawn on treasurer for the amount due to each. Carried.

Motion was made by George Margison and seconded by H. D. Stalker, that this meeting adjourn, to meet at the Town Clerk's Office, Saturday, November 24, 1917 at 1:30 O'clock. P.M. Carried

(List of Audited bills on next page.)



"Bills Audited,"

	\$	\$
Margaret V. Martin	66.70	
Hila Huetzlander	48.00	
Elizabeth E. Knapp	55.20	
Jane P. Miller	49.30	
Emily C. Scheidell	43.54	
Sarah Robb	47.52	
Lora M. Brown	50.00	
Sarah Davis	55.00	
Lillian Inyer	48.00	
Ada S. Wells	52.00	
Howard Olmsted	72.00	
Lucy Schuman	47.52	
Wm Sattel (carting Oil)	4.25	
W. N. Meddaugh (train children)	17.50	
W. N. Meddaugh (wood)	6.50	
W. M. Holmstrom (Physician)	65.00	
H. C. Olmsted (Janitor)	12.00	
Ada S. Wells ( " + supplies)	4.85	
Mrs Rose Soule (wood)	22.00	
Geo. Segar (C. School)	10.00	
Earl Van Orden (School + Supply)	19.00	
Ernest Kiel (Rep. + Sup.)	1.20	
Pierson + Webb (Supply Rep)	2.09	(over page 17)

H. D. Stalker - supplies — 1.70

Total 803.07

Special Meeting of Board of Education November 12, 1917 on call of the clerk.

At request of the chairman of the board the clerk sent notices to the members that a special meeting of the board is called to meet at the Times Office, North White Lake, Mich at 2 pm, Tuesday, November 12 for the purpose of making arrangements for buying a stove for heating the White Lake school rooms.

Board met pursuant to call with the following members present: G. Sloane, Ernest Kiel and George DuBois.

Chairman presented the subject of the meeting that as no agreeable arrangements could be made with the trustees of Dist No 2 for the wood in the shed of said district it would become

necessary to purchase a stove with grate and capacity to burn the coal now stored in the basement of the White Lake school.

Motion was made by Ernest Kiel, second by George Dubois that George Sloane be authorized to purchase a stove suitable for burning the coal now stored in the basement of the White Lake School and that he have the said stove installed in the school as soon as possible. Motion carried Unanimous.

Motion made and carried unanimous that meeting adjourn to November 24th at which time the regular adjourned meeting is called.



## Tenth Adjourned Meeting

The tenth adjourned meeting of the Board of Education met at the Times office at North White Lake, Saturday, November 24 1917. <sup>1:30 P.M.</sup> Members present as follows: Ges. Sloane, Ernest Kiel, George Mangison and H. D. Stalker.

Miss V. M. Holmstrom, physical instructor of the town was present and gave to the board verbal report of the work she is doing among the schools and particularly recommended that the floor in some of the schools be cleaned and oiled and that wash basins <sup>and soap</sup> be provided for the schools to enable the pupils to wash their face and hands during the school hours. Board recommend that maps for oiling floors and basins for schools be obtained.

The board suggested that the physical instructor make a schedule of the ~~time~~ time of day she will be at the different schools and present the same to the board at its next meeting.

Resolution presented by Ges. Mangison second

by E Kiel that the chairman and clerk of this board be and hereby is authorized to issue orders on the treasurer of the Board of Education for payment of any fixed accounts against the town school funds and that the treasurer be and hereby is authorized to pay said accounts upon order of said chairman and clerk in advance of audit by the board of Education. Carried unannounced

Resolution presented by Geo. Mangison second by Ernest Kiel that an order be issued on the treasurer in the sum of thirteen Dollars and ninety-six cents payable to Charles Winters for reimbursement of erroneous school tax paid by him for the year 1917-18 as appears upon the school tax roll of the town of Bethel and that the town tax collector be credited with the amount so collected from Charles Winters when he turns over his money to the treasurer and makes return of the roll Carried Unannounced

Resolution presented by H. J. Stalker



second by Ernest Kiel that the chairman and clerk issue order on the treasurer for the amount due CW Bardew for flags and other material bought and chargeable to the district balances on hand, and that the chairman and clerk obtain from the treasurer or trustees of the district for which the articles were purchased, an order on their collector for the amount so paid and chargeable to such districts Carried unanimous

Matter of sanitary toilets was taken up and discussed and a communication from A. L. Pease Co quoting price and information relating to their toilet system was read by clerk and as their price was higher and without material advantages over the Kaustine system, the board entered into a contract with the Kaustine Company Inc for Toilet equipment as serial specification No 3491 for the sum of Fifteen Hundred Eighty six  $\frac{27}{100}$  Duplicate



Order blank was filed with specifications to follow

Bill of Dr C Duggan for \$100 for examining the pupils of the schools of the town, was presented by the clerk and the question arose as to where Dr Duggan got authority or order to do the work, or proceed with the examination. Response was made that the matter had been talked about at an early meeting of the board of education and the general opinion was that no doubt Dr Duggan would do the work as cheap or cheaper than other physicians and the chairman concluded according to the opinions expressed that it would be acceptable to the board to direct Dr Duggan to proceed with the work. At this point he directed the clerk to prepare specifications for re-flooring the white Lake school and advertise for bids to be sent the clerk on or before the hour of the next meeting said flooring to be not  $7/8$  inches thick

and not over than 3 inch face in  
either first class edge grain Hard Pine or  
first class hardwood, to be laid over old  
floor, low spots of old floor to be furred, and  
all old floor to be covered with felt floor  
lining or one ply Roofing paper, seats  
to be removed by contractor and replaced by  
him and edge of floor around all rooms to  
be covered with  $\frac{3}{4}$  in quarter round. Con-  
tract includes all rooms and hall in the  
school building. All work to done in a  
manner to be approved by the board and  
all materials to be furnished by the contractor  
and the entire job to be completed during  
the holidays between Dec 25, 1917 and  
January 1, 1918. The board reserve the right  
to reject any or all bids.

Resolution made by E Kiel second by Geo  
Margison that board meet on Saturday  
December 8 1917 at 1:30 pm. Carried  
unanimous.

The clerk asked what disposition was  
to be made of the bill of Dr Duggan  
Motion was made by E Kiel second by B D Statker

that as Dr Duggan did the work even though the board did not pass a regular resolution it is probably all right to pay him and that the bill be hereby audited and the clerk pay same as other accounts. E. Kiel and H. D. Stalker voting in affirmative.

Motion made and carried that board adjourn to meet at Pines office on Saturday December 8, 1917 at 1:30 pm.

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December 8th 1917 - Stormy weather; no quorum present. Clerk to call members to meet Dec 15 1917. Bids filed for next meeting.

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December 15th 1917 - Stormy; no quorum present, bids continue filed. Clerk called members to meet December 22, 1917.

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Eleventh Adjourned  
Meeting of Education Board  
December 22, 1917

Meeting called to order by the clerk with the following members present: N. D. Stalder, George DuBois and George Margison. H. D. Stalder was chosen chairman. Minutes of meeting held November 24th read and approved as also minutes of November 12th that were omitted from reading at meeting of Nov. 24th.

The matter of opening bids for flooring the school rooms of the White Lake school was taken up and the four bids appeared as follows:

H. E. Williams	
Hardwood according to specifications	268.50
Pine " " "	236.40
B. N. Bell	
Hardwood, according to specifications	283.25
no bid on Pine	
J. B. Lynn	
Pine only, according to specifications	290.00

Wm J Donaldson  
Price only according to specification 345 00

Motion was made by H D Statke, second by Les DuBois that the contract be awarded to B N Bell for flooring the White Lake school according to the advertised bids and that the clause in said advertisement in relation to the forfeiture be extended to January 5th 1918 on account of the lateness of letting the job; that the flooring be finished on or before the 5th day of January, 1918; that the clerk be and is hereby appointed a committee to inspect the work when completed and that the clerk be and hereby is directed to issue an order on the treasurer payable to B N Bell in the sum of ~~Two~~ Two Hundred three Dollars and twenty five cents, when the job of flooring is approved by him.

Motion was made and unanimously carried that each member of the board of Education having charge of the schools in his territory

be and hereby is authorized to purchase shades for the school needing them and also to purchase wood for use in the schools the present winter and also for the coming year.

Motion was made and unanimously carried that the schedule presented by Miss Holmstrom, the physical instructor be and hereby rejected and that this board establish a schedule and that the clerk inform Miss Holmstrom that the schedule as presented by her does not meet the approval of the board, and that she do her work in accordance with the following schedule, viz:

Monday	9:30 A.M.	at Hurd school
"	11:00 AM	at Birch Ridge
"	2:00 P.M.	at Bowcoke
Tuesday	10:00 A.M.	Mt Hope
"	1:00 P.M.	Pleasant Pond
"	2:45	North Bethel

(over)



Wednesday	10:00 AM	Mongaup Valley
"	1:45 P.M.	Bushville
Thursday	10:00 AM	Bethel Village
"	2:00 P.M.	West Bethel
Friday	9:00 A.M.	White Lake
"	1:30 P.M.	Forestine

Motion made and carried unanimous that as John M Leager has offered a reliable insurance on a policy insuring the White Lake School and at a lesser rate than has formerly been paid to W.P. Hand of Liberty, the clerk is instructed to accept the policy of John M Leager and issue order on treasurer for the amount of premium.

Bills amounting to \$296.33 were audited and allowed, as per list filed.

Meeting called for Saturday, March 2, 1918  
at 1:30 pm — No quorum present

Twelfth Adjourned Meeting  
Board of Education met at office  
of the clerk on Saturday, March 23, 1918  
at 1:30 p.m. Meeting called to order by  
chairman at 3:00 o'clock with the  
following members present, George Stane  
Chairman; Ernest Kiel and George Margison  
Minutes of last meeting read by the  
clerk and approved.

Motion made by Ernest Kiel seconded by  
George Margison and carried that all  
the bills present at this meeting be  
allowed at the amounts claimed  
except the bill of Per J. N. Prehard  
which be allowed at \$21<sup>00</sup> instead of  
\$25<sup>00</sup> cut being made on charge for  
rental of stove.

The following resolution was unanimously  
carried that the clerk inform Otto W. Myer  
clerk of the Board of Education of Callicoon  
that he is to look to the parents of  
Samuel Perlman and Bertha Miller for  
the payment of tuition for attendance  
at Dist. No. 2 town of Callicoon as no

provision has been made by our Board of Education for tuition in his town and no cost of tuition has been asked for by any of the surrounding towns

Board adjourned after fixing date of next meeting for Friday, March 29, 1918 at 1:30 p.m. at the clerk's office.

### Thirteenth Adjourned Meeting.

Board met at the office of the clerk at north White Lake at 3:00 p.m. Friday March 29th with the following members present: George Sloane Chairman; George Mangison and N. J. Stalker.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Resignation of Cyrus Mangison, as Attendance Officer presented and accepted and a resolution was passed, unanimously, that whereas a vacancy has been caused by reason of the resignation of Cyrus Mangison



Now therefore we the members of this board present hereby appoint C. Frank Hogan camp, of North White Lake to act as such ~~Attendant~~ officer for the unexpired term.

Bills presented, filed, and clerk directed to issue orders on the treasurer for payment of the accounts

Matter of the instalation of the sanitary toilets taken up and resolution passed as follows: that the clerk write the state department of Education for information relative to the instalation of the sanitary toilets - whether they can be placed in one annex divided by partitions or whether they must be in separate annexes to the school room. Motion was made by H. D. Stalker, second by Geo. Merquion and carried unanimous. Geo. Dubois arrived at discussion of sanitary toilets. Resolution passed unanimous that this board insist that the Physical Instructor of this town follow the schedule made by

This Board at its meeting held December 27 1917 and that the clerk send her a copy of this resolution. Resolution made by Geo DuBois second by H D Stalker and carried unanimous.

Resolution presented by Geo Mangison, second by H D Stalker and carried unanimous that the Chairman be and hereby is authorized to enter into contract with the following teachers for the districts mentioned and at the compensation specified

Margaret V Martin	Wongap Valley	36 wks @ 15 <sup>00</sup>	Dist 7
Elizabeth Knapp	Bethel	36 " @ 12 <sup>00</sup>	" 11
Harvard C Elmsted	White Lake	36 " 18 <sup>00</sup>	" 6

and that Mr Elmsted receive \$4<sup>00</sup> per wk as janitor under the above mentioned contract

Motion made by Geo Mangison second by Geo DuBois and unannouncedly carried that this board adjourn to meet at same place on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1917 at 7:30 p.m.

Fourteenth Adjourned Meeting  
Board met pursuant to adjournment at  
the office of the town clerk on Saturday,  
April 27th, 1917. at 7:30 pm with the following  
members present:

George Sloane, chairman; George Mangison  
and H. D. Stalker,

Motion was made and carried that  
minutes of meeting of March 29th  
be approved as read

In the matter of the sum of \$3.88  
claimed by Hazel Comfort Sherwood for  
teachers wages claimed due for teaching  
in Dist. No. 2 for year 1916-17 the  
clerk was instructed to write Mrs.  
Sherwood that she take the matter  
up with the trustees who hired her

Motion made by H. D. Stalker, seconded  
by George Mangison and carried that the  
town clerk be allowed the necessary  
expenses in the performance of his  
duties



The board agreed without resolution that the bill of Anthony Schaefer be held till book of minutes of School Dist No. 8 can be had and wood measured, then, if bill is correct, it be paid.

Resolution passed that accounts as listed be audited and allowed in full except the account of A. Schaefer, above mentioned, and that the clerk be hereby empowered to draw orders on the treasurer for the several amounts. Audit list and bills filed.

Motion made by H. D. Stalker second by Geo. Morrison and carried that the bill of Miss V. M. Holmstrom be laid on the table for investigation. The schedule as laid down by the board has not been followed by her and this board demands from her an accounting of her tuition from March 26th to April 23rd, 1918

The clerk was directed to employ some person with conveyance, by the day

to take the sanitary toilets and outfits  
from Group and put same in basement  
of the White Lake School

Resolution presented and voted upon as  
follows:

That the clerk be instructed to write  
to the State Educational department  
for information as to the means of  
getting a truant in a truant  
school under the present law which  
denies the board the right to enter  
into any contracts; if the department  
decides arrangements can be made  
the chairman is hereby authorized  
to enter into a contract for the board  
and tuition of any delinquents

A vote was taken on the above as  
follows

H D Stalker	Aye
Geo Sloane	Aye
Geo Margison	Nay

Chairman declared the resolution carried  
Motion made by Geo Margison seconded  
by H D Stalker and carried that

The bill of Charles Gabriel, amounting  
to \$2800 for wood furnished Dist No. 5  
be sent to George DuBois for approval  
and signature for C.K. and when returned  
correct with approval the clerk issue  
order on the collector for its payment

Meeting adjourned without date.



## Fifteenth adjourned Meeting

Meeting of the board was specially called by the clerk for Saturday evening, May 11th

Board met pursuant to call at 7:30 p.m. on the date mentioned with the following members present when called to order by the chairman: George Sloane, chairman; George DuBois, George Marjison and H. D. Stalker.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Motion made by George Marjison, second by H. D. Stalker, presented by chairman and carried that the bill of Anthony Schaefer for wood furnished Dist No. 8 amounting to \$23.50 for ten cords of wood at 2.35 per cord

On the matter of the bill of Miss V M Holmstrom George DuBois made motion which was seconded by George Marjison

presented by the chairman and carried that as there has been no report on the matter from Superintendent Frederick J. Lewis the bill remain on the table.

Motion made by George Marquison second by H. D. Stalker, presented by the chairman and carried that the clerk notify Miss Holmstrom that if she expects to receive any more pay for services she must run on the schedule as set down by the board.

Resolution presented as follows:  
Whereas there appears an omission in the resolution made and adopted at a meeting of this board held March 29th 1918 by the following paragraph being left out of the minutes, viz: That all teachers in the town who are giving satisfaction and who may apply for engagement at the rate paid them last year, be engaged and enter contract with the chairman be it Resolved that as

the clerk and the members of this board recognize said omission, that the omitted paragraph be embodied in said resolution as intended to appear on said date as all the members of the board who were present at said meeting of March 29th, 1918 are here present and voting upon this resolution as follows:

George DuBois	Aye
George Margison	Aye
F D Stalker	Aye
George Hoane	Aye

Bills were presented, audited, filed by the clerk and the clerk instructed to draw orders on the treasurer for the amounts so audited and allowed.

Motion made by George DuBois second by George Margison that as the school Superintendent Frederick Lewis recommends that the teachers close their schools two days before the time of contract and to



use the time in June for the grade examinations it is hereby resolved and the clerk of this board is hereby directed to call the attention of the teachers in this town to the fact that this board does hereby approve and recommend compliance with the request of the district superintendent.

Meeting adjourned without date.

## Sixteenth Adjourned Meeting

Meeting called by the clerk and held at the town clerk's office Friday May 24th 1918 at 7:30 p.m. with the following persons present: George Sloane, chairman, George Margison, George DuBois, H. D. Stalker, and Superintendent Frederick J. Lewis.

Minutes of former meeting was read and approved.

Motion made by George DuBois seconded by George Margison that as superintendent Lewis favored paying Miss Holmstrom for the time she actually taught in the town and that she make up the lost week to close the term of eight months, the clerk is directed to issue an order on the treasurer in payment of the account for the month of April, presented by her less the salary for the one week vacation and that said bill be allowed at ninety seven dollars and fifty Cents.

On motion of George Margison seconded by H. D. Stalker the bill of twenty five dollars presented by C. A. Fillkau for wood furnished Dist No 2 on bid at last school meeting in

said district be paid and that the clerk issue order on the collector for the amount.

After a preliminary talk on the matter of learning from the State Education Department whether the board would be acting within their jurisdiction if they used funds now on hand to purchase a sanitary toilet for dist No 2 and to pay the indebtedness now existing for the purchase of such toilets Superintendent Lewis was delegated to write for such information and to report to the board.

Meeting adjourned without date.