act as secretary, who shall give bond to the State of Maryland in such sum as said board may determine, with at least two securities, to be approved by them, with the condition that he will perform faithfully the duties of the treasurer of the board of commissioners of public schools, and pay over and apply all moneys that shall come into his hands or care, as treasurer aforesaid, to such person and in such manner as the said board shall direct, and that he will keep and enter in a book a full and fair account of all moneys received and paid by him, and of all matters relating to his duties and office, and preserve the same and all vouchers relating thereto, and deliver up all books and vouchers relating to his said office, whenever required by the said board, to such person as they shall appoint to receive the same; the said treasurer shall be elected annually, at such time as the said board shall in their by-laws provide, and shall receive such compensation for his services as they may from time to time determine, not exceeding five hundred dollars per annum.

197. All powers, rights and privileges lawfully exercised by any board of commissioners, any judges of Orphans' Courts, any trustees of primary schools, or any other person or persons by whatever name designated, by virtue of any act or acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed in relation to public, primary or free schools, and all moneys, property, estates and effects heretofore vested by law in any of the said parties hereinbefore mentioned, respectively, for the use and benefit of said schools or any of them, and all rights to and interest in all funds of whatever kind dedicated to the support of said schools, or any of them, and by law made payable to any of the parties hereinbefore mentioned, are transferred and vested in the board of commissioners of public schools of Cecil county; Provided, that this section shall have no application to the rights, property and funds vested in or appropriated to the Elkton and West Nottingham Academies.

198. The board of commissioners shall have power to establish as many schools as the said school funds may be adequate to support, and in such locations as will best subserve the public interest; to employ teachers and fix their salaries, and to prescribe the course of studies and the books to be used; they shall superintend generally and particularly all the interests and operations of the schools under their charge, and shall make all such by-laws for their government, and rules and regulations for the management of schools, not inconsistent with the laws of this