

State, as they may deem expedient, and the same may modify or repeal at pleasure.

199. The said board of commissioners may lease, rent or purchase suitable buildings, and procure lots by lease, purchase or otherwise, in the name of the board of commissioners of public schools of Cecil county, and erect buildings thereon for the use of the public schools of said county, and may contract for and purchase furniture, books and stationery, and all other necessary supplies, and furnish the same to the pupils free of charge.

200. Whenever the board of commissioners of public schools may deem it necessary to dispose of any property which they may hold for the use and benefit of the public schools, they may dispose of said property by sale, lease or otherwise, and give a good and sufficient title for the same to the purchaser thereof, and the proceeds arising from such sale shall be applied to the school fund of the county, and appropriated to such purposes as are hereby authorized.

201. The said board of commissioners shall meet quarterly, or oftener if necessary, at such time and place as may be agreed upon; but the quarterly meetings shall, if possible, be held within the first ten days of January, April, July and October of each year; it shall require a majority of the entire board to constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business; the school commissioner of each district shall exercise a general supervision over all the schools in his district, and shall visit and examine into the condition of the same at least once in each quarter, and report thereon to each quarterly meeting of the board in writing.

202. The said commissioners, or any three of them appointed by the board, shall constitute a board of examiners, whose duty it shall be to examine all persons offering themselves as teachers, and if they shall be found qualified in all respects, to give a certificate to that effect, free of charge; and no person shall be employed without such certificate.

203. Whenever the board of commissioners of public schools shall think it necessary and expedient to have one or more high schools or academies in Cecil county, they may establish the same, and such high schools or academies shall be supported in the same manner, and shall be entitled to all the privileges, and shall be subject to the same control, as the public schools; the