

105. At the first meeting of the Executive Board, or at some subsequent meeting held by special adjournment, they shall proceed to the election of a president and secretary of their own board, to be chosen by a majority of the votes of the whole board.

106. The president and secretary shall hold their offices for one year and until their successors are elected, and if any vacancy shall occur in either office from death, resignation or legal disability, the board shall fill the same at the earliest practicable period.

107. Any four of said board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; and the Register of Wills of said county shall be ex-officio treasurer of the board.

108. They shall have power to establish as many schools in the county as the school fund may be adequate to support, and in such situations as the public convenience may require, and provide suitable rooms for their accommodations; to employ teachers and fix their salaries; prescribe the course of study and books to be used; make all such by-laws for their own government, and rules and regulations for the management of the schools, the ages and admission of pupils, not inconsistent with the laws of the State, as they may deem expedient, and the same to repeal and modify at their pleasure.

109. Each pupil attending said schools shall pay in advance a sum not exceeding one dollar per quarter, and the same advance shall be required for each quarter during the continuance of such pupil in the school, unless exempted therefrom by some of the school commissioners, certified to the teacher in writing.

110. The draft of the president of the Board of School Commissioners shall be sufficient authority to the treasurer to pay any sum that may be standing to the credit of the public school fund.

111*. The Executive Board of School Commissioners shall have power to lease, for one or more years, suitable buildings for the use of the public schools: and whenever the school fund shall be deemed sufficient, they may procure lots by lease or purchase in the name of Harford county, and erect suitable buildings thereon for the said public schools, and may in their discre-