

257. The one-half of the aggregate amount raised by taxation in addition to the State appropriation and other sources of revenue, shall be annually appropriated equally amongst the schools in the several districts in said county, and the other half of said fund shall be divided among the districts in proportion to the number of children each district may contain, between the ages of five and seventeen.

258. The draft of the president of the board of school commissioners shall be sufficient authority for the treasurer to pay any money in his hands not otherwise appropriated.

259. If any person shall at any time make a donation of land, or houses and land, suitable for the public schools, the board of school commissioners shall require deeds of the same to be taken in the name of Washington county, for the use of the public schools.

260. The school commissioners shall, on the first Monday in May in each year, report to the county commissioners a statement of the transactions of the board, with an account of its receipts and expenditures during the past year, with an estimate of the expense for the ensuing year.

261. The county commissioners shall annually have published in pamphlet form, not less than five hundred copies of the annual report of the board of school commissioners, and distribute fifty copies thereof in each election district in said county.

262. The legal voters of each school district shall assemble annually at the school house of the district, on such day as to them may seem most convenient, and elect from among the inhabitants of said district three discreet persons, who shall constitute a board of trustees for said school, and shall serve for one year from the date of their election, or until their successors are elected.

263. The trustees shall, immediately after their election, ascertain and report to the president of the board of school commissioners, the number of white children in their respective districts between the ages of five and seventeen years.