

LAWS OF MARYLAND.

affirmation of office prescribed by the Constitution before the County School Commissioners, County Superintendent, Clerk to County School Board, or any other officer duly authorized to administer oaths.

Location of office.

9. The office of the State Board of Education shall be in Annapolis.

Board to be unsalaried.

10. The members of the board shall receive no salary, but their actual expenses incurred in attending the meeting of the board shall be paid, and they are authorized to employ clerical assistance when necessary; the Treasurer of the State, upon the warrant of the Comptroller, is hereby authorized to pay the president of the board such amount, not exceeding two thousand dollars per annum, as he shall show to be due for the necessary expenses.

Duties of State Board of Education.

11. The State Board of Education shall, to the best of their ability, cause the provisions of this Article to be carried into effect, and may, if necessary, institute legal proceedings for that purpose with the direction and advice of the Attorney General; they shall enact by-laws for the administration of the Public School System not at variance with this Article, when enacted and published shall have the force of law; they shall have the power to suspend or remove any county superintendent who may be found inefficient or incompetent for the discharge of duties assigned him, or guilty of such moral delinquency as unfits him for the office he holds; they shall explain the true intent and meaning of the law, and they shall decide without expense to the parties concerned all controversies and disputes that arise under it, and their decision shall be final.

Ex-officio trustees.

16. The members of the State Board of Education shall be *ex-officio* trustees of the State Normal School.

To make annual report.

17. All schools and colleges and all normal school departments receiving State donations shall make a report on or before the fifteenth day of September in each year of such matters and in such form as the State Board of Education shall require; and said reports, or an abstract therefrom, shall be published by the president of the board in his annual report.

Superintendent of Public Education.

17B. The Superintendent of Public Education shall receive a salary from said appropriations for public schools, the amount of which salary shall be fixed by the State Board of Education,