

Chapter 5. District School Trustees.**31.**

See notes to sections 7 and 11.

1904, art. 77, sec. 33. 1888, art. 77, sec. 29. 1872, ch. 377. 1914, ch. 461.

34. No school house shall be used for any other purpose than public school purposes and school district meetings, unless by consent of the Board of County School Commissioners, or a majority of them; provided, however, whenever an application is made to the trustees of a school, or to the School Board, or other body having charge of school houses, signed by twenty-five citizens in the school district where the said school is situated, requesting the use of the school building for a non-partisan gathering of citizens for the presentation and discussion of public questions, or for other civic, social or recreational activities, the said school authorities shall have the authority to allow the free use of such school building or grounds of same for the purposes enumerated above; provided, however, said meetings shall be held during such hours as the school buildings are not being used for their prime purposes.

1914, ch. 461.

34A. When the citizens of any community are organized into a non-partisan, non-sectarian, none-exclusive* association for the presentation and discussion of public questions, such organization, upon request to the trustees of any school, or to the School Board, or other body having charge of school houses, may in the discretion of the said authorities, have the free use of any school building in this State, for weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly gatherings, or at such times as the citizens' organization shall request or designate, provided, however, said meetings shall be held during such hours as the school buildings are not being used for their prime purpose.

1914, ch. 461.

34B. The trustees of schools, the School Board, or other board having charge of school houses, may provide for the free and gratuitous use of school houses for such other civic, social and recreational activities, as in their opinion do not interfere with the prime use of the said school buildings or properties.

1914, ch. 461.

34C. The person or persons making application for the use of a school house for a public meeting, shall be responsible for all damage to the property occurring at such meeting, ordinary wear and tear excepted, and upon failure of the person or persons to respond in damages for any such injury to the property, the School Board or other

*Apparently a typographical error in the act.