

William H. Foster, Matthias George, and Benjamin Coppinge, be, and they are hereby appointed the first trustees of the said Academy, and the said trustees and their successors to be elected in the manner hereinafter mentioned, shall be, and they are hereby declared to be one community, corporation, and body politic, with perpetual succession in deed, and in law, to all intents and purposes connected with the said institution, by the name and style of the Union Academy, by which name and title they and their successors, shall be competent and capable in law, and in equity, to take and to hold to themselves, and their successors, for the use of the said Academy, any estate in messuages, lands and tenements, annuities, goods, chattles, monies or effects by the gift, grant, or bargain, sale, conveyance, devise, or bequest, of any person or persons whatsoever; *provided*, the same do not exceed in the whole the clear yearly value of two thousand dollars, and the same messuages, lands and tenements, and other estate, real or personal, to farm, let and put out on interest for the use of the said Academy, in such manner as to them, or a majority of them, shall seem most beneficial to the institution, and to receive the rents, issues, profits, income and interest of the same, and to apply the emoluments thereof, to the proper use and advancement of the said Academy.

Name and style

May hold property

Limit \$2,000 annual value

Dispose thereof

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That all times forever hereafter when any vacancy or vacancies shall happen in the said community of trustees, by the death, resignation or refusal of any one or more of the members thereof, or by the wilful neglect of any one or more of them, to attend the meetings of the board of trustees, for the space of one year, the remaining trustees, or a majority of them, shall with all convenient speed, proceed to elect by ballot, other sensible and discreet person or persons, of the said county, to be trustee, or trustees, to supply such vacancy, or vacancies, and in like manner shall all future vacancies be supplied by said trustees, and their successors, or a majority of them, so as to perpetuate the number from six to ten persons as trustees of the said Academy forever.

Case of vacancy or neglect

Election directed

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the said trustees and their successors by the name and style aforesaid, shall be capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be im-

Legal capacity