

adequate to support, and in such situations as the public convenience may require, and to provide suitable rooms for their accommodation, to employ teachers and fix their salaries, to prescribe the course of study and books to be used, to make all such bye-laws for their own government, and rules and regulations for the management of the schools, not inconsistent with the laws of this State, as they may deem expedient, and the same to modify and repeal at their pleasure.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That the said board of school commissioners be and they are hereby authorised to establish such grades of public schools, and in such proportion as to the number of each grade as they may deem best to subserve the public interest.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the board of school commissioners to furnish all such necessary books and stationary for the pupils of the said school, and in general whatever fuel or other supplies the school may require, to be paid for from the public school fund, and each pupil shall pay in advance a sum not exceeding one dollar per quarter, and the same advance of payment for each quarter shall be required during the continuance of such pupil in the schools, unless exempted therefrom by said board of school commissioners.

SEC. 10. *And be it enacted*, That the draft of the president of the board of school commissioners shall be sufficient authority for the treasurer of school fund of Washington county to pay any money that may be standing to the credit of the school fund in said county and not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 11. *And be it enacted*, That the board of school commissioners shall have power and are hereby authorised 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 Washington county, and erect suitable buildings thereon for the use of the said public schools.

SEC. 12. *And be it enacted*, That if any person or persons shall at any time make a donation of land or houses and land suitable for the public schools, it shall be the duty of the board of school commissioners to require deeds of the same to be taken in the name of Washington county, for the use of the public schools.

SEC. 13. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the board of school commissioners to report annually on the first Monday in May in each and every year to the county commissioners, a statement of its transac-

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Report to be published.

To establish grades of public schools.

Commissioners to furnish books, &c. and each pupil to pay in advance \$1 per quarter.

Draft of the president to be sufficient authority.

To lease, or erect buildings.

To receive donations and take deeds for the same.

Annual report to be made.