The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Howard County was called to order at 10 a.m. Present: Isaac H. Taylor, President; Mrs. Willis L. Cissel, Member; Herbert C. Brown, Secretary. The minutes of the meeting of December 7 were read and approved.

The Superintendent presented the Board with the resignation of Lionel Burgess, principal of the Ellicott City Elementary School. Mr. Burgess's reason for resigning was to accept a position with the Maryland State Department of Education in the Rehabilitation Service. The resignation was accepted.

Resignation of Lionel Burges

The Superintendent announced the appointment of J. Wilson Lord, Jr. as principal of the Ellicott City Elementary School and Mrs. Sue Jones Brown as acting principal of the Scaggsville Elementary School.

Apppointment of Wilson Lorand Sue Brown

The Board was presented with the contracts of Emma Harris as teacher of the Dayton Colored School and Miss Anna Kroll as teacher of the seventh grade at the Scaggsville School. The contracts were approved.

New Contracts

The dismissal of Henry Wigfall as teacher of agriculture in the Cooksville High School because of incompetence was recommended by the Superintendent and approved by the Board. Dismissal of Wigfal:

The Board approved a plan to visit the Elkridge Elementary School during its next meeting on February 1.

The Board visited the office of the County Commissioners of Howard County and presented its case, asking for the approval of the return of \$27 per teacher due the Commissioners from the State Comptroller to the County Board of Education, to be used as a part of the \$200 bonus to be paid the Howard County teachers during 1944. The Commissioners heard the case of the Board of Education and later in the day signified their approval of the return of the funds when received from the State Comptroller.

Payment of \$27 per teacher to Board of Education toward bonu

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Howard County was called to order at 10 a.m. Present: Isaac H. Taylor, President; Mrs. Willis L. Cissel, Member; Herbert C. Brown, Secretary. The minutes of the meeting of January i were read and approved.

Increase in wages - Mrs. Cameron

The Superintendent presented the request of Mrs. Evelyn Cameron for an increase in salary as janitor of the West Friendship school. The Board approved an increase of \$10 per month for this janitor, making the monthly salary \$70.

\$100 bonus adm. staff The Board considered the matter of including the four members of the administrative office in the provisions to receive the extra \$100 bonus which was granted to teachers effective January 1 and unanimously agreed that this action was justifiable and directed the secretary to make the changes in the salaries.

Payment of \$600 on note

The Board approved the recommendation that the interest due and \$600 on the principal be paid on the Patapsco National Bank note which funded the cost of the improvements to the Ellicott City High School.

County bonus

The Board approved the payment of the extra \$100 county bonus as part of the regular salary payments of teachers and administrators.

Wm. E. Norris & Sallie Kuykenfoll The Board approved the appointment of William E. Norris as janitor of the Ellicott City Elementary School at \$100 per month and Mrs. Sallie N. Kuykendoll as assistant janitress at \$60 per month.

N. Y. Regional Conference The Board approved the attendance of the Superintendent and a board member at the New York Regional School Administrators Conference on February 22-24.

Visit to Elkridge schools The Board visited the Elkridge Elementary and High School and inspected the elementary school with the view of acquainting themselves with the condition of this building so that recommendations might be made with respect to its repair or replacement should an opportunity be afforded at the close of this war.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

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The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Howard County was called to order at 10 a.m. Present: Isaac H. Taylor, President; Howard T. Downs, Vice-President; Mrs. Eleanor M. Cissel, Member; Herbert C. Brown, Secretary. The minutes of the meeting of February 1 were read and approved.

The Superintendent explained to the Board that substitute teachers had heretofor been paid at the rate of \$3.00 per day; that teachers had had a deduction from their pay of \$1.50 for the first six days of absence due to sickness and \$3 per day for the next fourteen days and \$5 per day thereafter; that the present rate of \$3 for substitute was inadequate and that substitutes were refusing to report for this compensation. The Superintendent recommended that this be made \$4 per day. The Board thought this still inadequate and voted to make the substitute's pay \$5 per day. The Board felt that the deductions for absence of teachers due to sichess was too high and suggested that the deduction be revised at the end of the present school year.

Increase in Substitute's Rate of Pay

The Superintendent presented the request of Carroll Thomas, janitor at the Scaggsville School, for an increase in salary. On recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board voted to increase this janitor's salary from \$70 to \$85 per month and instructed the Superintendent to advance this figure somewhat, if found necessary, to keep this janitor on the job.

Increased wages for Carroll Thomas

The Board approved the sale of the Florence School property to Raymond C. Duvall and Mary E. Duvall, his wife, in place of Fred Duvall, as recorded in the minutes of December 7. This was done at the request of Frederick Duvall through his attorney, Mr. Loughran. The Board directed the Superintendent to receive from Fred Duvall a signed statement to the effect that he surrendered his interest in the property in favor of Raymond Duvall and wife.

Florence Property Deed

The Board approved the names of Jesse M. Sirk and wife as the grantees in a deed to be signed for the transfer of title of the Annapolis Rock School property.

Annapol. Rk. property

A leave of absence for one year for Mrs. Lillian C. Fries, on account of ill health, was unanimously approved.

Leave -Mrs. Fries

The Board considered the bids of E. A. Talbott to furnish a car of Consolidation #32 high volatile 12 nut and slack coal for the Ellicott City Elementary School at \$6.65 per ton, delivered in the bins of that school and of Clark & Owings for \$6.69 and voted to accept Talbott's bid.

Bids on Coal

The Superintendent presented for consideration of the Board a floor plan for a two-story and basement consolidated high and elementary Negro school building to consist of 4 elementary rooms and 7 high school rooms, with auditorium, to be located somewheres in the neighborhood of Ellicott City. The Board approved of the plan in general and requested that it be held until such time as Federal funds were available to assist in building the school building. The Board also discussed in a general way the erection of an addition to the West Friendship school and construction of snew elementary school at Elkridge.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

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The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Howard County called for April 4 was not held for lack of a quorum. Present: Isaac H. Taylor, President; Herbert C. Brown, Secretary. The Secretary presented for the members' consideration the matter of paying Gilbert E. Harman additional bus compensation for 9 miles extra travel on the Lawyers' Hill-River Road as an extra trip; the petition of College Avenue residents for bus service over the Ilchester-College Avenue Road; authority to ask for bids on coal for the large schools to be opened on May 2; the question of paying proven qualified teachers a higher salary than their experience calls for in experience table; design for a 3-floor elementary school to replace the present structure at Elkridge; a request by the Secretary for reconsideration of the remuneration to substitute teachers to make the minimum \$4.00 and the maximum \$5.00, depending upon the qualifications of the substitutes and the amount of service rendered monthly.

The Secretary and Mr. Taylor rode over the College Avenue Road to determine how much work would have to be done on this road before it could be made suitable as a bus route.

Authority having been granted by Mr. Taylor to ask for the coal bids to be opened on May 2, the Secretary called Mr. Downs and Mrs. Cissel to confirm this authority. Mr. Downs and Mrs. Cissel also by 'phone approved the interpretation of the substitute pay action taken by the Board on March 7 and Mr. Taylor approved in person that the minimum payment should be \$\\$\\$\\$\\$\\$\\$\\$\\$\.00 and the maximum \$5.00, depending upon the qualifications of the substitute and the amount of time given to substitute work.

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Howard County was called to order at 10 a.m. Present: Isaac H. Taylor, President; Howard T. Downs, Vice-President; Herbert C. Brown, Secretary. The minutes of the meetings of March 7 and April 4 were read and approved.

Gilbert Harman's add. compensation

The claim of Gilbert E. Harman for compensation for nine miles of bus travel on the Lawyers' Hill and River Roads of Elkridge was heard and the Board directed the Secretary to pay Mr. Harman for this additional mileage, dating back to the time the bus first began to run the extra mileage.

College Ave.

The Board examined the petition of residents of College Avenue and adjacent territory for bus service and decided that nothing could be done about this matter until the County Commissioners had rebuilt this road to make it passable for a school bus.

Bids were opened to supply all of the large schools with the next winter's coal supply. The following bids were received:

		J.H. Toomey & Sons	Clark & Owings	J. M. DeLash- mutt & Son
	Elkridge High School	8.57	8.72	
	Elkridge Elementary School	8.57	8.72	<del></del>
	Ellicott City High School	8.50	8.25	
	Ellicott City Elementary School	7.25	7.00	<del></del>
Coal	West Friendship School		8.95	8.47
	Lisbon School	<del></del>	8.25	7.97
	Clarksville School	9.30	8.95	
	Scaggsville School	9.45	9.60	<del></del>
	Savage School	8.57	8.72	<del></del>
Bids	<b>.</b>	7.	•	

After tabulation of the bids, awards of bids were made as follows: (Subject to comparison with the price ceilings as established by the OPA and the Fuel Administration)

J. M. DeLashmutt & Son	Lisbon West Friendship	7•97 8•47
Clark & Owings	Clarksville Ellicott City High Ellicott City Elementary	8.95 8.25 7.00
J. H. Toomey & Sons	Scaggsville Savage Elkridge High Elkridge Elementary	9·45 8·57 8:57

at Elkridge

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posed new The Board examined a design for a 3-story elementary school/to building be erected on the present elementary school site, the rear line of the building for not to extend beyond the rear lot line of the Laynor store property, the Elkridge building to consist of 7 standard classrooms, cafeteria, auditorium, and Elem. Sch. other accessory rooms.

The Board, on review of the decision to fix substitute pay at \$5.00, again determined that this should be the standard wage.

Sub.wage \$5.00

The Secretary informed the Board that Herbert Hall's Clarksville bus contract and Brown Cissel's Cooksville bus contract would expire at the end of the present school year. The Board authorized the Secretary to extend each of these contracts for a period of three years, without recourse to invitation for bids, at the present remuneration.

Hall and Cissel's Contracts

The Board authorized a raise in salary of \$5.00 per month for Frank Wilson, janitor of the Clarksville High School.

Increase Frank Wilson

The election of Board officers was called and, on motion of Mr. Downs, it was approved that the present officers stay in office for another year.

Election of Board Officer

The Board approved the employment of Julian Wheeler as janitor of the Ellicott City Elementary School at a salary of \$125.00 per month.

Julian Wheeler

A meeting with the County Commissioners was scheduled to be held at 11:30 a.m., at which time the Board would request the County Commissioners to state the amount of county bonus which would be paid teachers during the calendar year 1945, the object being to place the Board in a position to make contracts with prospective teachers for the entire school year of 1944-1945. The present county budget expires December 31, 1944. However, Mr. Penny and Mr. Mercier were unable to attend and the meeting had to be called off.

Meeting wi th County Commissioners postponed

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

# Мау 9, 1944

A special meeting of the Board of Education of Howard County was called to order at 10 a.m. Present: Mr. Taylor, Mr. Downs, and Mr. Brown, Secretary; also present were Mr. Penny, Mr. Mercier, Mr. Curtis of the Howard County Commissioners and Mr. Hogg, Counsel for the Boards of County Commissioners and Education.

This meeting was called for the purpose of obtaining an understanding between the Board of Education and the Board of County Commissioners as to the amount of teachers' bonus payment which would be made by the County Commissioners in their 1945 levy for teachers' salaries between January 1, 1945 and June 30, 1945.

The meeting held was a very agreeable one and the County Commissioners instructed the Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools that contracts could be made with county teachers which would provide for a continuance of the present county bonus of \$200 per teacher for the entire school year extending from September 1, 1944 to June 30, 1945.

After the County Commissioners returned to their own office, the Board of Education considered the appointment of school trustees for the next school year and the following appointments were duly made:

## White Schools

Appointment

of

Elkridge - R. T. Newman; Ellicott City Elementary - Alvin Bridner; West Friendship - Harry T. Eyre; Long Corner - William Flynn; Daisy - Harvey Hill; Dayton - Roy Hill; Scaggsville - Albert D. Brady; Savage - I. J. Specht and Fred Hackley

School

# Colored Schools

Trustees

Elkridge - Frank Hawkins; Dorsey - Horace Blackston; Ellicott City - Lawrence Williams; Dayton - Joseph H. Dorsey; Highland - John H. Wise; Colesville - Arthur Hall; Guilbord - Richard Carter

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

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Teachers'
Bonus
Payment
to be
Included
in
County Levy
for

1945

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Howard County was called to order at 10 a.m., Present: Isaac H. Taylor, President; Howard T. Downs, Vice-President; Herbert C. Brown, Secretary.

The Board approved the assignment of the Henry Miller Elkridge bus contract to Mr. Downs's brother, Charles P. Downs, at the same remumeration.

Reappoint-

Assignment

of Miller

Contract

The Board approved the reappointment of Mrs. Johnson as clerk and voted to continue Miss Oldfield as attendance officer and supervisor of colored schools.

ment Clerk & Att.Off.

The Howard County Grange requested, through Mr. Jones, the use of the Lisbon school building for ritualistic meetings. The Board approved the use of this building for this purpose.

Use of LMS

The Board approved the resignation of the following teachers: Mrs. Bates, Miss Graves, and Miss Campbell from the Cooksville Colored High School; Mrs. Roberson from the Highland School; Miss Roach, Mrs. Runyan, and Miss Seem from the Clarksville High School; Miss Dorsey and Miss Beeman from the West Friendship School.

Resignations

The Board approved making the Elkridge Elementary School administratively separate from the Elkridge High School and the appointment of Miss Agnes M. Cain as principal at a salary of \$150 greater than her present regular county salary, and, in view of Mrs. Sue Jones Brown's success as principal of the Scaggsville School, the Board voted to increase her regular county salary \$100 the coming year.

Separation of Elkridge schools

Mr. Brightwell, teacher of the seventh grade at the Ellicott City Elementary School, had been accused by a male pupil of acting in an immoral way. Mr. Brightwell was called directly to the office where he admitted his guilt to the Superintendent who suggested that he present his resignation to the Board, to take effect at once. This he consented to and the written resignation was given before leaving the office. The Board formally accepted this resignation.

Resignation of Mr. Brightwell

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Brown Cissel/operates two county busses, has been in the armed service for sometime. Lee Brown, who operates the Elkridge-Cooksville bus agreed with Mr. Cissel for the purchase of the latter's two busses and the Board agreed to the cancellation of one of these bus contracts and the incorporation of both into a contract with Leo Brown for the operation of the two busses for a term of six years and a yearly remuneration of \$5,000.

Purchase of Brown Cissel's Contract Division of

Hall Bus Route The bus contract of Mr. Herbert E. Hall operating from Laurel and Elioak to Clarksville expires. The bus belonging to this route is quite old and in rather poor physical condition. Mr. Hall had refused a renewal of the contract. Edmund Scott and John Brown, bus operators at Clarksville, agreed to each take over approximately one-half of this old bus route and operate their present busses over the route for a term of one or more years, to be determined by the emergency, for an additional remuneration of \$900 each. Each bus operator felt that he would have to start his bus route approximately 20 minutes earlier in themorning. Fortunately, the two halves of Mr. Hall's route lie adjacent to Mr. Brown's and Mr. Scott's present routes and make the operation very convenient.

Teachers! Contracts The contracts of Mrs. Ina M. Langdon, teacher of commercial subjects at the Clarksville High School; Victoria R. DiDomenico, teacher of art at the Elkridge and Ellicott City High Schools; Lorretto J. Taggart, teacher at the Elkridge or Ellicott City Elementary schools, were approved.

Painting Lisbon Vance F. Hood of Lisbon was awarded the contract to paint the interior of six classrooms in the Lisbon Elementary School, the Board to furnish the paint, at a total cost of \$174.00.

Rejection of Paint Bids Bids were received to paint the interior of seven elementary classrooms at the Elkridge school and six elementary classrooms at the Ellicott City School and the exterior of the latter school. Only one bid was offered and this was rejected as being excessive. The prices of these bids were for about \$65 per room for labor only as against approximately \$29 per room at the Lisbon school and the bid to paint the exterior of the Ellicott City Elementary School was \$403.25.

Bids were opened to supply materials of instructions for the county schools. The following bids were received:

Bids on Materials of Instruction

	Pencil Paper Unlined	Paper	Pencil Paper 1	1	Manila Drawing Paper		Black- Board Cravon	Black- Board Erasers
Meyer & Thalheimer Jas. T. Vernay & Sons J. L. Hammett Co.	51.75	1 15 15		871.00	76.50 74.80	3.86 3.64 4.10	48.00 48.00 47.50	24.00 22.80 16.00

The award was made to The James T. Vernay & Sons Company, the lowest bidder.

Bids were opened to supply art materials for the Howard County schools. The following bids were received:

	Scissors Blunt	Scissors Sharp	Tonal Paper	Mounting Paper	Colored Dustless Chalk
Meyer & Thalheimor Jas. T. Vernay & Sons	21.60	33.12	25.50	38.40 93.75	21.00
J. L. Hammett Company	27.00	31.05	23.20	10.24	18.48 15.12

The award was made to the J. L. Hammett Company, of Newark, N. J., the lowest bidder.

Bids were opened to furnish janitors' supplies for the coming school year. The following bids were received:

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Bids

Supplies

	Light Floor Cil	Floor Sweeps 12"	Sweeps 16"	Sweeps	Sweeps	Toilet Brushes	Wall Brushes	Janitor
Atlas Chemical Y. O. Wilson Co. Janitors Sup. House Fitch Dustdown Co.	13.75 13.0	10.75 13.00 13.75	00 48.10	31.85	42.90 60.50 46.75	6.30	10.80 15.75	Suppli€
	Liq Wa		Sani- Flush	Dutch Cleanse	r			-
Atlas Chemical Y. O. Wilson Co. Janitors Sup. House Fitch Dustdown	93• 75• 88• 90•	00 0 <b>0</b>	15.00 14.40 16.20					

The awards were made to Janitors' Supply House and Y. O. Wilson Company, the lowest bidders.

Payment of following bills was approved:

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

July 11, 1944

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Howard County was called to order at 10 a.m. Present: Isaac H. Taylor, President; Howard T. Downs, Vice-President; Herbert C. Brown, Secretary. The minutes of the meeting of June 13 were read and approved.

Bids for insurance to cover the twenty-four school busses with public liabiliary insurance of \$10,000 to \$100,000 and property damage of \$5,000 per bus were opened. The following bids were received:

Melville Scott & Son	\$16.00 per bus	\$384.00	Bi ds
J. Frank Curtis	20.33 " "	487.92	on
W. Emil Thompson	15.20 " "	364.80	School
			Bus ·

The bid of 364/submitted by Mr. W. Emil Thompson, writing for the Commerce Insurance Company, was accepted by the Board as the lowest responsible bid. This bid was accepted subject to the approval of the State Insurance Commissioner on the liability of the Commerce Insurance Company.

The Superintendent informed the Board that Mr. Hall's bus which had been operating to the Clarksville School on the Laurel Road would be held by Mr. Hall as an emergency bus, possibly to be loaned to other bus contractors in case of need and by Mr. Hall who would consider returning it to the Clarksville run in case the Board approved and he was able to obtain a driver when labor conditions improved.

The Superintendent brought to the attention of the Board the question of deductions for teachers' absence. He explained that the State Board of Education expected to pas a by-law this fall which would give teachers absent, because of sickness and other reasons which the Board felt justifiable, full pay for a period of ten days. The Board was informed that our schedule of deductions for teachers absent because of business and other reasons was inequable in that it provided for a deduction of \$3.00 per day while the Board was paying \$5.00 per day for substitutes. The Board voted to accept the by-law to be passed by the State Department of Education for teachers absent because of sickness and that teachers absent because of business and kindred reasons should lose their entire per diem salary for each day of such absence.

Mr. Hall' Bus

Insurance

Deductions
for
Teachers'
Absence
for
Sickness,
etc.

Leave

Mrs. Cissel

The Board voted to allowa year's leave of absence for business reasons to Mrs. Beatrice Streaker Cissel.

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The Board was informed that the Superintendent had employed Norman Moxley to make plaster repairs at the Ellicott City Elementary School and the Elkridge Elementary School and reported an offer of Mr. Moxley to plaster the interior of the Scaggsville auditorium from wainscoting line five feet from the floor to the ceiling for \$500.00. The Board rejected this offer as being more than it now could afford to pay, it being calculated at the rate of about \$2.00 per yard; ordinarily, this work should be done for about \$1.25.

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Vacancies

The Board approved the teacher's contracts of the following: Ethel Mae Brown, Esther Sard Dorsey, and Esther M. MacNeill.

The Superintendent reported that he had one high school vacancy at Lisbon; two at Ellicott City; four at Clarksville; and four at Cooksville to fill and four at Ellicott City Elementary; one at Lisbon; one at Elkridge; one at Savage; one at Scaggsville; and in the Negro schools one at Ellicott City and one at Highland. He reported the supply of teachers extremely small and while everything was being done to secure replacements it was possible that school would begin in September with some of these

positions vacant.

Date for pening of chools

The Superintendent recommended the opening of the county schools on Wednesday, September 6, to be preceded by a teachers' meeting on Tuesday, September 5, and the probable closing of schools on June 7. This would provide for an 185-day school year unless the schools were closed because of inclement weather or the state of the roads. The Board approved this schedule and designated Tussday, September 12, as the date for the September meeting of the Board.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

August 1, 1944

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Howard County was called to order at 10 a.m. Present: Isaac H. Taylor, President; Herbert C. Brown, Secretary. No quorum was present. The Superintendent discussed with Mr. Taylor the status of the schools at that time but no business of an official nature was transacted.

September 12, 1944

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Howard County was called to order at 10 a.m. Present:

Mrs. Willis L. Cissel; Herbert C. Brown, Secretary. No quorum was present. The Superintendent discussed with

Mrs. Cissel the status of the schools at that time but no business of an official nature was transacted.

## October 2, 1944

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Howard County was called to order at 10 a.m. Present: Isaac H. Taylor, President; Howard T. Downs, Vice-President; Mrs. Eleanor M. Cissel; Herbert C. Brown, Secretary. The minutes of July 11 were read and approved.

The resignations of Mrs. Adah Wyatt, Miss Mildred Euzent and Jeammette Greene were approved. The contracts of Mrs. Rita Kruper, Silas Craft, Lillian Harris, Barbara Chambers, Peggy Hendricks, Edna Conrad, Ester Sard Dorsey, Ina Mae Ledbetter, Margaret Dailey, Julia Shriver, Mary Frances Shipley, Virginia Brown, Velma Ward, Evelyn Carter Robinson, Elizabeth C. Brown, Icey L. Longshore and Mary Dorsey Webster were recommended to the Board for consideration and were duly approved.

Resignations and Contracts

The Board discussed the advisability of rerouting the Poole bus so as to run between Florence Road and the Daisy Road for a part of its trip night and morning and switching the Spaulding bus schedule so that the trip run first in the morning would be run first in the afternoon, but, after considering all phases of these changes, decided that more pupils would be disaccommodated than would be accommodated by the changes and decided to leave the bus schedules as they are at present.

Rerouting of Poole bus denied

A leave of absence for Mrs. Edna M. Zepp for maternity reasons was granted for one year to date from September 1.

Leave

The Board approved the appointment of Albert Dorsey and Randolph Green as trustees of the Guilford Colored School.

Trustees

The Superintendent recommended that the Board appoint a school architect as early as possible so that plans for some of the proposed new school buildings could be gotten ready for the time when money would be available at the end of the war. The Board approved the recommendation.

School Architect

The Superintendent presented the request of Robert Stanton for an increase in compensation from \$1.50 to \$2.50 per day for the transportation of school children from Bunker Hill to Daisy to meet the school bus. The Board approved the increase on condition that Stanton would put his car in first class shape, obtain "H" license tags and rum his trips regularly.

Robert S. Stanton

Scaggaville

ancellation of Hall's contract

The Board approved the cancellation of the bus contract of Herbert E. Hall and the awarding of this contract to Harry C. Miles at the same remuneration received by Mr. Hall, this contract to run for a period of three years.

Awarding of Contract for Hall's Clarksville Bids were received to place the Hall Clarksville bus in operation over the original Clarksville route, excepting the Simpsonville-Cedar Lane road and adding the Highland-Mink Hollow Road heretofore operated by Edmund Walter Scott. The bids were as follows:

Emory N. Stull	\$1,934
John W. Bryan	2,100
A. Leo Howard	2,000
M. H. Henkel	2,000

Emory N. Stull, being the lowest bidder and the Board considering him responsible and reliable, was awarded this contract to operate for a period of three years.

The Board considered the offer of Edmund Walter Scott to take on the Simpsonville-Cedar Lane road of the old Hall bus route and drop off his Highland-Mink Hollow route and approved this transfer, no added or reduced remuneration to result in this transfer of routes. Mr. Scott requested a change in his contract so as to make the transfer of the records legal. The Board approved his request.

Edmund Walter Scott

The Board heard the request of Ross W. Hooper of \$500 per year for the operation of his West Friendship and Dorsey-Guilford school busses because of his adding new equipment to these routes. The Board refused to grant any additional compensation.

Ross W. Hooper

The Superintendent recommended that six Catholic children residing in Howard County at Annapolis Junction be allowed to ride the Charles Downs bus to Laurel where they attend St. Mildred's Academy. The Board approved the recommendation.

St. Mildred's cademy

The Board considered the number of parochial children being carried by Howard County school busses and the routes over which they are carried and set the compensation to the county bus contractors at \$18 per pupil per year, this amount to be requisitioned from the County Commissioners.

Parochial School Compensation \$18

Harry C. Miles asked additional compensation for 17 high school pupils picked up at various points between Miles' Store and Scaggsville School were they were destined to transfer to the Clarksville High School bus. The Board disapproved Mr. Miles' request.

Harry C. Miles request denied

Bus

Inspection

The Superintendent informed the Board that bus inspections this week would be held at the Daisy Garage, Miller's Garage, Parlett's Garage, and Hall's Garage for all of the county school busses. The results of the inspection will be turned over to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

# November 14, 1944

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Howard County was called at 10 a.m. Present: Isaac H. Taylor, President, Eleanor M. Cissel, and Herbert C. Brown, Secretary.

Presentation of

Budget

Regulation on Teachers!

Audit

Transfer Insurance The budget as prepared by the Superintendent, was presented to the Board and the Board considered each item in relation to the needs of the schools for the coming calendar year

and compared it with the amount requested for the present year. After this consideration, the Board voted unanimously to approve the budget and submit it to the County Commissioners for their ratification. The budget, as presented, provided for a total expenditure of \$310,090, estimated receipts from the State, \$152,639, the amount requested from the county levy, \$157.451.

The Superintendent called the attention of the Board to the proposed State by-law on absence of teachers which provided for an allowance of 10 days absence without loss of salary for personal sickness; a maximum of four days' absence without loss of salary for death in the immediate family; and where salary is deducted because of absence the amount so deducted for each days absence is determined by dividing the yearly salary by 300. The Board approved this regulation for application to Howard County.

The Superintendent advised the Board that Mr. Gillespie who made the Board's audit for several years had requested \$100 for his services this year. The Board approved the request.

The Board was advised that the present fire insurance on county school buildings had been handled through Mr. Keech of Baltimore but a request had been made that this account be transferred to Melville Scott & Son. The Board approved the transfer.

The Superintendent presented the following list of experienced school architects for consideration by the Board, looking to the employment of one of them.

List

of

Architects

James R. Edmonds
Palmer and Landin
Taylor and Fisher
Buckler and Fenhagen
Francis J. Thuman

Calvert Building 1020 St. Paul Street 1012 North Calvert St. 325 North Charles St. 11 East Lexington St.

The Superintendent wished to consider this list of architects further before finally making a recommendation.

The Superintendent requested authority to pay off the Patapsco National Bank loan, made for the purpose of improving the Ellicott City High School grounds, in December, if funds were available at the end of the present budget year. The Board approved the request.

Note at Putapsco. Bank

The Board was advised that Mrs. Edna M. Zepp who had been granted a leave of absence was again teaching at Clarksville due to the resignation of Mrs. Conrad. It was expected, however, that a regular teacher would be secured as soon as possible for this position.

Mrs. Zepp

Mr. Hooper appeared before the Board to request an increase in his contract price because he had placed two new school busses in service. After considerable discussion, the Board denied Mr. Hooper's request but agreed that a three-year extension of the contract for these two busses should be made.

Mr. Hooper

Mr. Edmund Scott appeared before the Board and explained that he was driving approximately 14 additional miles per day over and above his regular contract schedule because of increases made in his bus route. The Board voted to allow Mr. Scott an increase of \$140 per year and extend his contract for an additional three years.

Mr. Scott

Melville Scott & Son presented a proposition for the insurance against the explosion of the boilers in the various schools of the county the coverage to amount to about \$25,000, at a cost of \$176.40 per year. The Board, after careful consideration of this proposition, declined to approve it.

Boiler Insurance Disapproved

There being no further business the Board\_adjourned

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Howard County was called to order at 10 a.m. Present: Isaac H. Taylor, President; Mrs. Eleanor M. Cissell; Herbert C. Brown, Secretary. The minutes of the meeting of November 11, were read and approved.

increased pay for Wheeler and Skipper

The Superintendent brought the request of Julian D. Wheeler and William A. Skipper for increases of \$10 and \$15 respectively, before the Board. The Board, after considering that it would be practically impossible to replace these men and that janitors' salaries are not high, voted to grant the increases requested.

Restoration of \$130.02 to Mrs. Mary Parlett Webster

The Superintendent explained to the Board that Mrs. Mary D. Webster was now teaching at the Ellicott City High School under a new contract; that she had forfeited \$130.02 of salary in 1943 when she quit her job in March 1943 without the approval of the Board. The Board was asked if it would consider restoring this sum to her if she completed the present year in satisfactory manner. The Board, after consideration, voted its approval.

Ross W. Hooper

The Board was informed that Ross W. Hooper, after consideration, had decided to requested a three-year extension for his West Friendship bus contract and request no extension for his Dorsey-Guilford bus contract. The Board, after consideration, approved Mr. Hooper's request.

Edmund Scott's remuneration

The Board was informed that an error had been made in calculating the increase for Edmund Scott's bus contract when the Board had voted an increase of \$140. The amount due him was actually \$260. The Board voted to rectify the error and give him the full amount due him.

Lisbon P.T.A. Improvement Committee The Board heard the request of the Improvement Committee of the Lisbon P. T. A. in which it asked for an extension of the present road; the construction of a shop building; and the purchase of approximately two additional acres for playground purposes. The Board considered these requests justifiable and directed the Superintendent to inform the committee that the improvements would be made as means were found available.

The Board accepted the resignation of J. Roy Hill as trustees of the Dayton white school.

The Board approved the payment of teachers' salaries for December by December 22.

Payment off Teachers' Salaries

The Superintendent brought to the attention of the Board an outline of a proposed program of education for Maryland which the Legislature would be asked to support at the 1945 session. Among the points of this program were the reduction of the size of classes in elementary schools from 40 to 35 in average daily attendance; an extension of the school program from 11 to 12 years; the elimination of tuition fees at the State Teachers Colleges; the increase in teachers' salaries from a minimum of \$1,200 and a maximum of \$1,800 to a minimum of \$1,500 and a maximum of \$2,250; the provision for State aid to school libraries; the provision for an extension of the program in schools of physical education and vocational education; broader curriculum offerings; guidance; work experience and part-time education; visual education; school lunches. The State program also contemplated venturing into the field of radio education; an extension of adult education to meet postwar needs, especially with reference to the education of returned veterans and the establishement of junior colleges. The program also sought the establishment of attendance officers' salaries on the same hasis as supervisors and the inclusion of janitors, cleaners, repairmen, etc. in a social security program.

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The Board approved the contracts of Mrs. Mathilda G. Hodges and Miss L. Aurelia Dennis.

Contracts

There being no further business the Board adjourned.