

**Cartersville Board of Education
Minutes
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Held at the Cartersville School Board, Cartersville, GA

July 25, 1955

A joint meeting with the City Council was held at 7:30 P.M., at the City Hall. All members were present except President Smith. Supt. Acree was present as were members of the press. All members of the City Council were present including City Mgr. Watkins and City Clerk Smith.

Supt. Acree presented the cost of equipment needed in the two new cafeterias:

Cherokee Avenue Cafeteria.....	\$4,605.45
Summer Hill Cafeteria.....	4,485.10
Negro High School Shop.....	3,175.93
White High School Shop.....	3,597.60
Negro High School Equipment.....	7,390.10

The City Council was shown a copy of the yet unapproved proposed 1955-56 School Budget.

After some study and discussion the City Council suggested the School Board find out how the county would participate in providing funds for the Negro High School, Summer Hill cafeteria and Negro High School Shop. It was thought that the county should participate since the Negro High School is for county students as well as city students and also in view of the contract existing between the county and city on joint school ventures.

The City Council invited the Board to return before them as soon as possible with its complete request for funds for the 1955-56 school year. This is to include equipment costs and city participation in school budget. Upon receiving the recommended total cost figure the City Council would then see what could be done.

A suggestion was offered by Mr. Parmenter that possibly two class rooms could be constructed at the rear of the Douglas Street Auditorium and thus eliminate the need of transferring Douglas Street seventh grades over to the old high school building as currently proposed. There was some discussion on this by both Board and Council members. The result was the appointment of a committee by Mr. Davis presiding in the absence of Mr. Smith, consisting of Supt. Acree, City Mgr. Watkins, and Mr. Parmenter to look into the matter and report back to the Board.

At this point in the meeting the City Council adjourned and retired from the meeting.

The School Board prior to adjourning attended to the following matters:

1. Mr. Parmenter presiding for Mr. Davis in this instance appointed Mr. Davis, Mr. Bradley, and Supt. Acree as a committee to meet with the county School Board as soon as possible relative to determining the part the county might play in equipping the new negro high school cafeteria and shop in accordance with the contract existing between the county School Board and the

CARTERSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION

VS.

J. K. ACREE, SUPERINTENDENT.

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The Board after hearing evidence in this case, and after a consideration thereof, including all documentary evidence, finds as follows:

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The Board finds as a matter of fact from the evidence submitted that J. K. Acree did lower the standards as to academic requirements for graduation from the High School, and that the same was not in the best interest of the school system.

2.

The Board finds as a matter of fact from the evidence submitted that J. K. Acree did not spend enough of his time in personal visits to classrooms, did not properly observe classroom methods and has failed to properly supervise the school system in this respect.

3.

The Board finds from the evidence submitted as a matter of fact that J. K. Acree did not take proper action to determine the cause and remedy of the failures in the school system, the same not being in the best interest of the school system.

4.

The Board finds as a matter of fact that from the evidence submitted that J. K. Acree did not assume the proper responsibility and did not take the proper affirmative action personally in regard to the number of failures in the school system at the end of the first seven months of the past school year, the same not being in the best interest of the school system.

5.

The Board finds that there was not sufficient evidence to substantiate the items of 5, 6, 7 and 8 of the complaint filed by the Board.

6.

The Board finds as a matter of fact based on the findings numbered 1, 2, 3 and 4 above that J. K. Acree was inefficient in the operation of the school system for the past school year, and that it would be in the best interest of the school system that J. K. Acree be discharged as superintendent, and it is so ordered by the board that he be discharged as of this date.

This 12th day of August, 1955

Vote of members on the above order was as follows

- Percy A. Bray votes yes on items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.
- W. H. Bradley votes no on items 1, 2, 3, 4, yes on 5, no on 6.
- J. L. Davis votes yes on items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.
- Joe Nelson Jr. votes yes on items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.
- Sherman Parmenter votes yes on items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.

Votes as cast attached on page 6 of these minutes

Minutes are hereby

Attest to

Approved

Percy A. Bray

Secretary

President

MINUTES.

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION CITY OF CARTERSVILLE, GA.
October 24, 1955, at the City Hall, at 8 o'clock P. M.

President J. L. Davis called the meeting to order. Members of Board present were J. L. Davis, W. H. Bradley, Sherman Parmenter, Joe Nelson, Jr. and Percy A. Bray. Superintendent J. K. Acree was present.

Pres. Davis asked if any one had anything to bring before the Board. Supt. J. K. Acree said he wanted to deliver to each member the list requested of all the teachers, principals and supervisors. He did and the list as furnished is made a part of these minutes and inserted in the minutes book.

Superintendent Acree then discussed the teacher situation. He recommended that the Board elect the following teachers at the salaries designated, to wit:

Mr. William Carmichael--Math. & Mechanical drawing--high school at a salary of \$2600.00 supplemented \$300.00--Total \$2900.00
Mr. Robert Stone--math. and algebra--high school--at a salary of \$3500.00 supplemented \$300.00 total \$3800.00

The above named teachers were unanimously elected on-by proper motion duly made and seconded.

Superintendent Acree reported that Principal Morgan of Summer Hill High School had a request for leave of absence for Mrs. Dahlia Harland from Nov. 1st, 1955 to March 1st, 1956, as she was a maternity case. On motion properly made and seconded she was voted the leave of absence as requested. By unanimous vote of the Board Miss Clara Nesbit was elected to substitute for her during the leave of absence.

On motion of W. H. Bradley, seconded by Sherman Parmenter Miss Joyce Swann and Mrs. John Cochran were elected to teach the adult classes in the evening.

Percy A. Bray made a motion that the Board continue its membership in the Georgia School Board Association. It was seconded by Sherman Parmenter. It was unanimously passed.

Superintendent Acree gave a report on the number of failures in the school system as follows: Cherokee Ave. 73, Douglas Street 72, High School including 8th grade 155, Summer Hill grade school 28, Summer Hill High School 106

On motion properly made, seconded and unanimously passed the bills as listed Oct. 18, 1955, and inserted in these minutes and made a part hereof, were approved for payment.

Sherman Parmenter made a motion that Superintendent J. K. Acree be authorized to purchase machines up to the amount of \$900.00 for machines for the Summer Hill High School work Shop. It was seconded by W. H. Bradley. It was unanimously passed.

Sherman Parmenter made a motion that the School Board meet every two weeks concurrently with the City Council at 7:45 P. M. It was seconded by Percy A. Bray. It was unanimously passed.

Attest:

Percy A. Bray
Secretary

Approved:

J. L. Davis
President.

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 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION CITY OF CARTERSVILLE, GA.
 November 7th, 1955 at City Hall, 7:45 P. M.

Members present were J. L. Davis, W. H. Bradley, Joe Nelson, Jr Sherman Parmenter and Percy A. Bray. Superintendent J. K. Acree was present.

President J. L. Davis called the meeting to order and asked if any member or Supt. Acree had any thing to bring before the Board.

Supt. Acree presented the list of bills dated November 7, 1955, and explained certain features of some of the accounts. W. H. Bradley made a motion that they be paid, seconded by Sherman Parmenter. It was unanimously passed and bills approved. List is inserted in these minutes and made a part hereof.

Superintendent J. K. Acree reported that he was obtaining bids on painting the auditorium. He reported two bids: one for \$1425.00 and one for \$1369.50.

Superintendent J. K. Acree reported on the needs of equipment for Summer Hill High School. There was a general discussion of the matter by the members of the Board and Supt. Acree as to what was needed and the costs. It was decided without any formal vote that Supt. Acree use his judgement as to quality and price and date of delivery and installation. Then Sherman Parmenter made a motion that Superintendent J. K. Acree be authorized to consummate purchase of equipment for Summer Hill High School. Motion seconded by W. H. Bradley. It was unanimously passed

Attest:

Percy A. Bray
 Secretary

Approved 4-7-56-Road

 President.

Minutes.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION CITY OF CARTERSVILLE
January 16th, 1956, at City Hall.

Members present were J. L. Davis, W. H. Bradley, Joe Nelson, Jr. Sherman Parmenter and Percy A. Bray. Superintendent J. K. Acree was present.

President J. L. Davis called the meeting to order and asked if any one had any thing to bring before the Board.

Supt. J. K. Acree gave each member a list of the bills and also a report on the budget through December 31, 1955. The list of bills and the report on the budget are placed in these minutes record book and made a part hereof.

Sherman Parmenter moved that the bills be approved for payment. Motion seconded by Joe Nelson, Jr. Motion unanimously passed. A bill of James Bryant for \$1352.50 for painting the High School Auditorium was included in the list as furnished and approved.

Supt. J. K. Acree reported that the new Summers Hill High School building, The High School Shop, and Auditorium had been approved and turned over to the Board of the City of Cartersville. He also announced that there would be a joint concert of High School Bands at 7:30 P. M. January 21 and that the public was invited to attend. That on Jan 21 the High School band of this area would hold a meeting in the nature of clinic at the new Auditorium.

Supt. Acree reported the Mr. Larsen would end his teaching in February. He was looking over the field for a part time local teacher.

He explained that there had been a contact for the ~~care of typewriters~~ care of typewriters used in the High School with Jackson Typewriter Company and that the new contract would be for \$10.00 per machine. After a general discussion of the matter Mr. Parmenter made a motion that the contract with Jackson Typewriter Company for the care of the machines at \$10.00 each be approved. Seconded by Joe Nelson, Jr. It was unanimously passed.

There was a general discussion of the request of Cassville High School for said school to use new atheletic field. It was decided without any formal motion that Superintendent and Prof. Parker invetigate the matter and see what could be worked out.

It was called to the attention of the Board that some of the members had been approached by various organizations desiring and requesting to use the new auditorium. The matter was thoroughly discussed. Percy A. Bray made a motion that the new auditorium shall be limited in use for school and school related purposes until further approval of the School Board. Motion seconded by Joe Nelson, Jr. It was unanimously passed.

Attest: Percy A. Bray
Secretary

Approved

4-2-56 Real

President

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY
CARTERSVILLE, JANUARY 30th, 1956, at the City Hall.

The meeting was called to order by J. L. Davis, President. Members present were J. L. Davis, Joe Nelson, Jr., Sherman Parmenter and Percy A. Bray. Mr. Bradley was absent due to the passing away of his mother, Mrs. Clara Ney Bradley.

It was moved by Joe Nelson, Jr., that the Board express to Mr. Bradley its deepest sympathy and said resolution was seconded by Sherman Parmenter. It was unanimously adopted and copy of resolution is inserted in these minutes records and made a part hereof. That a proper floral offering be sent to the family. Supt. Acree said that he would see that the flowers were sent.

Superintendent Acree gave a general report on the school system. He reported that the classes taught by Mr. Larsen had been absorbed by other teachers and that no replacement was needed at this time.

Supt. Acree reported that the old curtain at Cherokee Ave. School seemed beyond repair or that the cost of repair was too great to be wise. A motion was made, properly seconded and passed that a new curtain be purchased at the cost of \$175.00 rather than attempt to repair the old curtain.

He reported that the new curtain in the new High School Auditorium needed a few minor adjustments which would be made.

He reported that Prof. Morgan and his staff planned to meet for 2½ hours twice each week preparing for evaluation of Summer Hill High School looking towards getting it accredited by the Association.

He explained that the four upper grades of Summer Hill H. S. were in need of certain materials and supplies. It was moved by Joe Nelson, Jr. that Supt. Acree be allowed to spend between \$35.00 and \$50.00 to purchase the needed supplies. It was seconded by Sherman Parmenter. It was unanimously passed.

Attest:

Percy A. Bray
Secretary

Approved

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CARTERSVILLE, GEORGIA

SCHOOL BOARD

J. L. DAVIS, PRES.
JOE NELSON, JR., V. PRES.
PERCY BRAY, SEC.
W. H. BRADLEY
SHERMAN PARMENTER

J. K. ACRE

SUMMER HILL SCHOOL

Minnie C. Smith, 1st

Pearlie C. Lay, 2nd

Bessie Shell, 3rd

Emogene Carter, 3rd

Mary E. Kay, 4th

Estelle Canty Callier, 4th

Ethel M. Moore, 5th

Fannie C. Richards, 6th

Dahlia C. Harland, 6th

Annie Mae Anderson, 7th

Robert L. Cotton, 8th

Alma Hudson, Home Ec

Beatrice Morgan, English, Latin, Music

James S. Morgan, Jr., Math, Shop, Coach

James S. Morgan, Sr., Principal

Nancy Louise Robison, English, Library

Etoile Shropshire, History, Civics

Alzina Williams, Math

Maurice Williams, Math

Edwina Woodard, Civics, Science

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James S. Morgan, Sr.
Principal
5/5/56

by the Cartersville Board of Education of ^{five} school building projects in Cartersville, Ga.

Supt. Acree submitted BUDGET FOR THE CARTERSVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1956-57. Motion Made by Nelson that be approved with the certificate by Supt. Acree be removed. Seconded by Parmenter. Motion passed ----. Supt Acree requested that certificate be shown in minutes. The following is the Certificate: The personnel considered essential for the effective operation of the Cartersville Public Schools have been secured and are listed above.

The revised copy of the School Budget for the year 1956-57 is attached and includes the salaries for the personnel listed herewith. Both the above list of personnel and the attached budget are submitted as being adequate and complete for the successful operation of the Cartersville Public Schools during the year 1956-57. Bradley voted against the motion to adopt budget as made. Copy of budget put in minutes book and made a part hereof.

Your Secretary certifies that he delivered the budget to the Clerk of the City of Cartersville on August 28, 1956.

Motion to pay bills as presented was unanimously passed.

Attest

Percy A. Bray
Secretary

Approved

J. L. Davis
President

MEETING CARTERSVILLE SCHOOL BOARD SEPTEMBER 10, 1956

The meeting of the School Board was held Sept. 10, 1956 at the City Hall. Members present J. L. Davis, Hoo C. Nelson, Jr., and Sherman Parmenter. Members absent were W. H. Bradley and Percy A. Bray. Present also were Supt. Acree and representatives of the press. Pills were presented by Supt. Acree and approved for payment.

Mr. Acree advised that the annual financial report for the State Department of Education for the year ending June 30, 1956 was ready for submission. Also ready for submission was the budget report to the State Department of Education for the year 7-1-56 to 6-30-57.

Mr. Peterson of the Meadow Gold Dairy, along with another of his company, appeared before the Board to inquire about the status regarding the school system's purchase of ice cream. He was advised that at the present there was no change.

Supt. Acree advised that students, with the permission of their parents, would be allowed to meet the rules of the State Department of Education concerning Health and Georgia History requirements in Summer School sessions. This would permit more scheduling of college preparatory subjects during the regular school session for the students that need it.

Supt. Acree reported that a survey is to be conducted concerning adult education classes.

A motion was made and passed instructing Supt. Acree to contact the City Manager regarding having a playing field in readiness for colored football games this fall. Supt Acree asked the Board their attitude concerning colored attendance at Cartersville High School football games. The Board answered that they welcomed such attendance on a segregated basis.

Attest: Sherman Parmenter
Acting Secretary

Approved

J. L. Davis
President.

Progress Report

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Progress Report to...

The Federal Government allots approximately \$75 for each child whose parent is employed in some Federal Project or enlisted in a branch of the Armed Services. There are no strings attached to these funds once a Board of Education has received them - they may be spent for any phase of the total program of school operation.

The above table is tentative and will be adjusted as additional information is furnished by eligible parents.

\$3,904 has been received for the past school year. An application is being prepared for the current year.

ADULT EVENING PROGRAM

Type Program	Vets Institutional Training Program		Adults Vocational Homemaking	Vets Academic Classes	Office Related Training - Open To All *			Total	
Name of Class	Wood-working	Auto Mechanics	Tailoring	Buss. Admn.	Adult Acadm.	Typing	-Short-hand	Bk. Kpg.	
Number Enrolled	43	13	20	19	22	44	20	29	210

* Subject to approval of the Board of Education.

The above programs of adult education do not cost the City of Cartersville a cent except for such expense as is related to the providing of facilities for the holding of classes. On the contrary, several thousands of dollars are channeled into the community each year by way of the several programs.

Similar classes can be provided for those interested in receiving the benefits peculiar to either of the classes.

EVALUATION OF SUMMER HILL HIGH SCHOOL:

For the past several months the staff of the Summer Hill High School has been preparing for an evaluation of their high school. Their work is nearing completion and will be climaxed with a visit by a professional committee on October 29, 30, and 31. This committee will spend three days reviewing the work of the staff and preparing a report which will determine whether or not the school will for the first time be approved by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

The staff is optimistic about a creditation and has carefully prepared the required formal application for the Southern Association. The final decision by the Association will be based upon the formal application and the report of the visiting committee.

RE-EVALUATION OF WHITE HIGH SCHOOL:

Since a formal evaluation of each high school which is a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools is required at least once each five years, and since the Cartersville High School was last evaluated five years ago, the high school staff is formulating plans for the required evaluation during the current year.

Friday, October 12, will be a holiday for all white children that their teachers might attend the Seventh District GEA Meeting in Rome, Georgia.

On Thursday, October 11, Cartersville will

RESOLUTION

The Cartersville Board of Education in regular session on Monday evening, December 10, 1956 unanimously instructed Superintendent J. K. Acree to proceed as follows:

"To request the State Department of Education to furnish the necessary guidance and leadership in making a complete survey of the school plants and facilities of the Cartersville City System. This survey is to embrace the previously planned survey of the Summer Hill School plant.

The basic purposes of the requested survey are as follows:

- (1) To determine the very best use of existing facilities.
- (2) To establish additional needs for classrooms, cafeterias, and other areas.

This survey is desired at the earliest practical date".

ATTESTED:

Percy A. Bray, Secretary
Cartersville City Board
of Education

RECORD OF MINUTES - CARTERSVILLE SCHOOL BOARD

The Cartersville School Board met in a called meeting on Monday evening, April 22, 1957.

Members of the Board present were: W. H. Bradley, C. J. Mullinax, Thomas Chapman, James F. Long, John E. Bridges, and Superintendent Acree.

The purpose of the called meeting was to consider ways and means of implementing the recommendations included in the official report of the School Plant Survey Committee which visited Cartersville and reviewed all units of the Cartersville School Plant on January 29 and 30, 1957.

After a careful review of the contents of this report, the following Resolution was unanimously adopted by the School Board:

"That the Cartersville School Board recommend to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that immediate steps be taken to implement all of the provisions of the official report of the professional Survey Reviewing Committee which made a careful study of the school buildings in the Cartersville City System on January 29th and 30th, 1957.

That the rehabilitation of the old High School building on Cherokee Avenue and the conversion of same into a Junior High School building for the purpose of housing the Seventh and Eighth Grades from both Cherokee Avenue and Douglas Street Elementary Schools be given first attention in complying with the recommendations of the Committee for the following reasons:

- (1) The construction of a new Negro Elementary School, Priority # 1 in the Committee's Report, can be realized when and only when additional State funds are made available. This fact is recognized by all concerned, including the parents of Summer Hill Elementary School children.
- (2) The fact that the complete rehabilitation of the old High School building will completely relieve the pressing need for additional classrooms at all white schools; namely, the High School, Douglas Street and Cherokee Avenue Elementary Schools.
- (3) That upwards of 150 Cherokee Avenue Elementary pupils are currently housed in the old plant. These children should be adequately insured against all hazards peculiar to the old building in its present condition, particularly the fire hazard.

Furthermore, that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen authorize the School Board to employ a registered architect for the purpose of developing detailed drawings and specifications to be followed in the rehabilitation of the building in question, as well as in planning for the additional units of construction recommended by the Committee.

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CIALLY ELECTED FOR THE 1960-61 SCHOOL YEAR.

THE SUPERINTENDENT PRESENTED EACH BOARD MEMBER WITH A TENTATIVE LISTING OF NEEDED EQUIPMENT FOR THE NEW BUILDING PROJECTS AT DOUGLAS STREET AND SUMMER HILL SCHOOLS. THE BOARD ADVISED THE SUPERINTENDENT TO REFINE THE LIST AND THEN MAIL COPIES OF SAME OUT FOR COMPETITIVE QUOTATIONS.

THE BOARD WAS ADVISED THAT THE LATEST ENROLLMENT DATA INDICATES THAT THERE WILL BE 89 PUPILS IN THE FIFTH GRADE AT DOUGLAS STREET WHEN THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS. THIS IS ONE OF THE TWO GRADES WHEREIN THE BOARD HAD EARLIER REDUCED THE NUMBER OF SECTIONS FROM THREE TO TWO. AFTER CAREFULLY REVIEWING THE SITUATION AND RECOGNIZING THE FACT THAT THERE WILL BE APPROXIMATELY 30 PUPILS FOR EACH OF THREE SECTIONS, THE SUPERINTENDENT WAS INSTRUCTED TO SECURE A THIRD 5TH GRADE TEACHER, AND TO DETERMINE HOW IT WOULD AFFECT THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE 1960-61 SCHOOL YEAR.

THE SUPERINTENDENT PRESENTED EACH BOARD MEMBER WITH A COPY OF A PETITION FROM A NUMBER OF COLORED CITIZENS REQUESTING THAT THE SUMMER HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING BE CONVERTED TO RECREATIONAL USAGE FOR THE COLORED CITIZENS OF THE COMMUNITY JUST AS SOON AS THE COMPLETION OF THE NEW ELEMENTARY BUILDING MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR THE ABANDONMENT OF SAME FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES. AFTER CAREFULLY CONSIDERING THE PETITION, A TRANSCRIPT OF WHICH IS SHOWN BELOW, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO REQUEST THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN TO GRANT THE PETITION JUST AS SOON AS THE SCHOOL BOARD IS IN A POSITION TO TRANSFER SAME TO THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

THE SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDED THAT THE SAME POLICY AS PURSUED DURING THE 1959-60 SCHOOL YEAR RELATIVE TO THE PURCHASE OF JANITORIAL SUPPLIES BE FOLLOWED DURING THE 1960-61 SCHOOL YEAR, NAMELY, THAT SUPPLIES BE PURCHASED FROM THE HUNTINGTON LABORATORIES, WITH THE SPECIFIC UNDERSTANDING THAT THE REPRESENTATIVE OF SAID CONCERN, MR. COREY, HOLD A JANITORIAL CLINIC PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR, PAY A SUPERVISORY VISIT TO EACH SCHOOL PLANT AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR, AND THAT HE KEEP THE PRINCIPALS AND SUPERINTENDENT INFORMED WITH REGARDS TO THE SUPPLIES ON HAND AND THE MANNER IN WHICH THEY ARE BEING USED BY THE RESPECTIVE JANITORS AND MAIDS. THE SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED ON A MOTION BY MR. HARRIS AND SECONDED BY MR. MULLINAX.

THE SUPERINTENDENT ADVISED THE BOARD MEMBERS OF THE CRITICAL CONDITION OF MR. C. R. PAYNE AND RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD CONTINUE TO PAY HIM HIS SALARY OF \$25.00 PER WEEK IN ORDER TO ENABLE HIM TO DRAW HIS HOSPITALIZATION INSURANCE AND MEET OTHER CRITICAL NEEDS. THE BOARD INSTRUCTED THE SUPERINTENDENT TO PURSUE THE RECOMMENDED PROCEDURE.

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