

## CHAPTER 129.

## STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.

S. F. 171. AN ACT to Establish and Maintain a School for the Instruction and Training of Teachers of Common Schools.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

SECTION 1. That a school for the special instruction and training of teachers for the common schools of this state is hereby established at Cedar Falls, in Black Hawk county.

SEC. 2. The school shall be under the management and control of a board of directors consisting of six members, no two of whom shall be from the same county. They shall be elected by the general assembly, two for two years, two for four years and two for six years, and the general assembly shall elect two members of said board every two years, for the full term of six years as the terms of office of the respective classes expire. Their term of office shall commence on the 1st day of June following their election. No member of the board shall be a teacher in the school or receive other compensation for his services than a reimbursement of his actual expenses to be certified to by him and paid out of the state treasury. Any vacancy occurring in the board shall be filled by the appointment of the governor.

SEC. 3. The board shall convene at the call of the superintendent of public instruction on or before June 15th, 1876, and having each qualified according to law, shall organize by the election of a president and vice president from their *member* [number,] and a secretary and a treasurer who shall be persons not *numbers* [members] of the board. The secretary shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the board not to exceed the sum of one hundred dollars and actual traveling expenses. The treasurer shall receive no compensation but shall receive reimbursement of actual expenditures.

SEC. 4. The board shall require a bond in the sum of twenty thousand dollars of the treasurer with proper and sufficient sureties, conditional for the safe keeping of funds coming into his hands. He shall receive and disburse all moneys hereby appropriated, and any other funds as the board may provide. The board may require of any other officer or employe who may be authorized to receive or pay out money a like bond.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the board, in every necessary manner with the means at their disposal, to provide for and carry out the object for which the school is established. For that purpose they shall employ competent and suitable teachers, and other employes. They shall direct, use and control all the property of the state coming into their hands for that purpose. They shall control and direct the expenditure of all moneys. They shall make all necessary rules for the management of the school and the government thereof, and shall provide for the ad-

mission of pupils from the several counties of the state in proportion to their respective population and upon the appointment of respective boards of supervisors, or as the board may direct. They shall establish and publish uniform rules for the admission of pupils thereto and such rules shall provide for equal rights in said school to all the teachers in the state, but they shall require in all cases satisfactory evidence of the good character of the pupil. They shall also further require all pupils upon their admission to the school to sign a statement of their intention in good faith to follow the business of teaching in the schools of the state. It shall also be the duty of the board to make all possible and necessary arrangements with the means at their disposal for the boarding and lodging of pupils, but the pupils shall pay the cost of the same. They shall require each pupil to pay a fee for contingent expenses amounting to not more than one dollar per month. The school shall be open during such part of the year as the board shall determine, but the sessions shall continue at least twenty-six weeks. Rules of admission to school. School year.

SEC. 6. At the close of the year, and on or before the first day of July, 1876, it shall be the duty of the board of trustees of the Iowa soldiers' orphans' home, to deliver over to the board of directors provided for herein, the buildings and grounds at Cedar Falls, Iowa, now occupied by said home, transferring for the purpose the inmates of said home to the home at Davenport. They shall also at the same time turn over in like manner all the personal property at said home at Cedar Falls, except such as is necessary for and adapted to the personal use of such inmates at Davenport, and a careful inventory and appraisalment thereof shall be made, and a proper voucher given therefor by said board of directors. To take buildings used as soldiers' orphans' home.

SEC. 7. The board of directors shall at once proceed to make such improvements and changes in said buildings and grounds as may be necessary to *adopt* [adapt] the same to the use of said school but without greater expense to the state than is provided for in this act, and shall, on or before September 10th, 1876, open the same to the use and instruction of pupils. Board may make changes in same. When shall open.

SEC. 8. In addition to the property the use of which is hereby set apart for the purposes of the school, the following sums are hereby appropriated for the establishment and maintenance thereof: \$14,500 appropriated.

For necessary improvement and repairs, three thousand dollars.

For salaries of teachers and employes, ten thousand dollars.

For contingent expenses, fifteen hundred dollars:

The amount appropriated for repairs and improvements may be paid at any time, on the order of the board, the remaining sums shall be paid in equal quarterly payments, commencing September 1st, 1876. How paid.

SEC. 9. The said board shall make, at the end of each school year, to the superintendent of public instruction, a detailed report of their proceedings during the year. Their report shall also contain the number of teachers employed in the school, with Board to report to supt. of public instruction.

the compensation of each, the number of pupils, classified ; the amount of receipts and expenditures and the items thereof, with such other information and recommendations as they may deem expedient, which report shall be embodied in the superintendent's report to the general assembly.

**Sec. 10.** This act being deemed of immediate importance, shall be in force from and after its publication in the *Iowa State Register*, and *Iowa State Leader*, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved March 17, 1876.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Leader*, March 27, and in the *Iowa State Register*, March 28, 1876.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, *Secretary of State.*

## CHAPTER 130.

### RELATING TO CEMETERIES.

H. F. 176 and  
851.

AN ACT to Provide for Condemning, Surveying and Platting Cemeteries, and authorizing all Transfers of Lots therein to be filed with and recorded by the Township Clerk. [Additional to Code, chapter 9, Title IV: "Of Townships, and Township Officers."]

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Cemeteries  
may be  
platted.

**SECTION 1.** That where there is located in any township one or more cemeteries the owner or owners of the same, or any party or parties owning an interest therein, may cause the same to be surveyed, platted and laid out into sub-divisions and lots, numbering the same by progressive numbers, giving the dimensions, length and breadth thereof, with reference to known or permanent monuments to be made; and which plat shall accurately describe all the sub-divisions of the tract of land used or designed to be used as a cemetery, said plat shall be recorded in the office of the county recorder, and filed with and recorded by the township clerk and preserved by him among the records of his office.

And plat filed  
with town-  
ship clerk.

Lots to be  
conveyed by  
deed to be  
recorded by  
tp. clerk.

**SEC. 2.** All conveyances of sub-divisions or lots of a cemetery thus platted, shall be by deed from the proper owner, which deed shall be recorded with the township clerk in a book kept by him for that purpose, for the recording of which the said clerk shall be entitled to a fee of fifty cents for each instrument recorded, to be paid by the party desiring the record made.

Trustees may  
condemn any  
lands.

**SEC. 3.** The township trustees are hereby empowered to condemn or purchase and pay for out of the general fund, and enter upon and take any lands within the territorial limits of such township for the use of cemeteries in the same manner as is now provided for incorporated cities and towns.