

LAWS OF MINNESOTA.

CHAPTER CLV.

To Incorporate the Minnesota Female Seminary

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Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That there be established at some point within this Territory, as hereinafter designated, an institution by the name of the Minnesota Female Seminary, and that Sherman Hale, William Freeborn, John H. Murphy, J. Wilson Paxton, James Sully, Isaac B. Tozer, John Burns, Henry M. Rice, C. W. Gillett, James McGinnis, Andrew Durand and John F. Hoyt, and such other persons as shall be elected to succeed them, their associates and successors in office, be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate, to be styled the Trustees of the Minnesota Female Seminary, and shall be Trustees of said corporation, for the purpose of further establishing, maintaining and conducting an institution of learning for the education of females, and by the aforesaid corporate name, to remain in perpetual succession, with full power to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, to acquire, receive, hold and convey property, real, personal and mixed, in all lawful ways. Provided always, that the annual income shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars; to have and to use a common seal, and to alter the same at pleasure; to make and alter from time to time such by-laws as they may deem proper and necessary for the government of said institution, its officers and agents; Provided, such by-laws are not inconsistent with this act, or the constitution and laws of the United States, or of this Territory.

SEC. 2. There shall at all times be twelve Trustees of said corporation, together with a Board of Visitors, to be chosen and appointed annually by the Trustees.

SEC. 3. No religious tenet shall be required of any person to entitle her to all the privileges of the institution, and no student shall be required to attend the religious worship of any particular denomination.

SEC. 4. The said Seminary shall be located west of the Mississippi, and south of the Minnesota river, at such place as the Trustees shall elect, and shall be erected on a plan sufficiently extensive to afford ample facilities to perfect the scholar: Provided, that at no time shall the Trustees be required to exceed the means under their control as Trustees.

SEC. 5. The Board of Trustees shall hold their first meeting at Saint

- Paul, within nine months after the passage of this act; Provided, that if a quorum shall fail of meeting, the members present shall have the right to organize and adjourn to such place and time as they may deem proper, to secure a quorum of the Board. Two Vice Presidents, a Treasurer, Secretary, and such officers when elected, shall constitute an executive committee, and as such committee shall have power to execute all business of the corporation committed to them by the by-laws of the institution.
- Time and place of first meeting** SEC. 6. The Treasurer, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall give bond in such penal sum as the Trustees shall direct, and with such sureties as they shall by vote approve, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties, and the delivery to his successor at the expiration of his term of office, all funds and other property and papers in his possession, belonging to said Seminary, and all other officers and agents, before entering upon their duties, shall give like bonds, if required by the Board of Trustees.
- Treasurer to give bond**
- Suits to be by summons** SEC. 7. All suits against said corporation shall be by summons, which shall be served by leaving an attested copy of the same with the President or Treasurer, at their office, at least twenty days before the return thereof.
- Classification and term of office.** SEC. 8. At the first meeting legally called and holden, the Trustees shall be divided by lot into four classes of three each; which classes shall be numbered one, two, three and four. Class number one shall hold their office until the first annual meeting of the Trustees; class numbered two shall hold their office until the second annual meeting; class numbered three shall hold their office until the third annual meeting, and class numbered four shall hold their office until the fourth annual meeting, and until their successors are elected. The Trustees at their first meeting, shall designate the time and place of their first and future annual meetings, which shall in no case be altered, except by a vote of two-thirds of the Trustees present, at a regular meeting.
- Authority to appoint officers** SEC. 9. The Trustees shall have authority to appoint and employ all officers, teachers and agents for the institution; and shall have power to displace any or all of them, as the interests of the institution may require; to fill vacancies which may happen by death, resignation or otherwise, among said officers, teachers and agents, shall be by ballot.
- To be under no particular religious sect** SEC. 10. This institution shall be under no particular sect or religious denomination.
- Powers of Trustees** SEC. 11. The Trustees shall have power to prescribe and regulate the course of studies to be pursued in said institution; to fix the rate of tuition, and other expense; to make rules for the regulation of the conduct of the students and for the expulsion of such as are disorderly; they shall faithfully apply all funds by them collected or received, according to their best judgment, in erecting suitable buildings; supporting the necessary officers, instructors and agents, in procuring books and apparatus necessary to the success of the institution. Provided, however, that in case any donation or bequest be made for purposes which accord with the design of the institution, the Trustees shall receive and accept the same, and shall apply such donation or bequest in conformity with the conditions or designs of the donor, and all corporate property belonging to the institution, both real and personal, is and shall be free from taxation.
- Quorum** SEC. 12. The Board of Trustees may meet on their own adjournment, any five of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the President, with the concurrence of two Trustees, or any four Trustees, may call special meetings of the Board, by giving notice to the mem-

bers thereof, in writing or otherwise, at least ten days before time of such meeting; and any Trustees may be removed for a neglect of duty for more than one year.

SEC. 13. The Trustees of the Seminary shall have power to establish a preparatory department, to raise, collect and receive funds, to erect buildings, appoint a Principal, Professors, and to do all necessary acts for the establishing, maintaining and conducting of the department, and all appointments and officers of said department to be governed by this charter. This act shall be construed liberally in all courts for the purposes herein expressed.

Establish pre-
paratory de-
partment

SEC. 14. Any three of the incorporators named in this act, may call the first meeting of the Trustees, by giving two weeks notice of the time and place of such meeting, and in one or more newspapers published in this Territory.

Any three may
call meeting

CHARLES GARDNER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives
JOHN B. BRISBIN,
President of the Council.

APPROVED—March first, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.
W. A. GORMAN.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a correct copy of the original bill on file in this office.

J. TRAVIS ROSSER,
Secretary of the Territory of Minnesota.

CHAPER CLVI.

An Act to Incorporate the St. Paul Water Company.

- SECTION 1. Names of corporators; body corporate.
2. Amount of capital stock.
3. Commissioners to open books; give notice; choose directors; Commissioners to be Inspectors; erect and maintain water works &c.
4. Five to constitute quorum; power of Directors;
5. Invested with right to survey and lay out sites for the erection of works; lawful to enter upon lands.
6. Manner of assessing the value of lands; give notice of assessment; take oath; give notice of meeting; report in writing.
7. Appeal in case of dissatisfaction.
8. Authorized to borrow money.
9. Punishment for injuring works.
10. Authorized to lay pipes.
11. Authorized to sell water.
12. When to be commenced.
13. Legislature may amend.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota :

SECTION 1. That R. R. Nelson, Wm. H. Morton, Wm. H. Randall, Chas. H. Oakes and B. W. Lott, and such other persons as may hereafter be associated with them, shall be and are hereby ordained, constituted and declared to be a body politic and corporate in fact and in name, by the name of "the St. Paul Water Company," and by that name, they and

Names of corpo-
rators.