

chapters two, three, four, six, seven and nine of the general laws one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 126. This act shall take effect and be in force Act takes effect. from and after its passage.

Approved March 7, 1873.

CHAPTER II.

AN ACT FOR THE REGULATION AND GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE NORMAL SCHOOLS.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. The normal schools heretofore established to educate and prepare teachers for the common schools of this state, shall hereafter be designated and known as the state normal school at Winona, the state normal school at Mankato, and the state normal school at St. Cloud, respectively. Normal schools now named.

SEC. 2. The governor of this state shall, on or before the first Friday in March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, nominate and appoint by and with the advice and consent of the senate, six normal school directors, not more than one of whom shall be residents of the same county, who, together with the state superintendent of public instruction, shall constitute the state normal school board. Three of the directors so appointed shall hold their offices for two years, and the remaining three for four years from the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three. The terms of office of each director so appointed shall be designated by the governor on the last Tuesday in February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, and biennially thereafter, the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, shall appoint three directors to fill the vacancies occurring under the provisions of this act, and each of whom shall hold his office for four years from the first day of June next succeeding his appointment. The governor shall all also, by and State normal school board. Directors, term of office.

Vacancies filled
how.

with the advice and consent of the senate, fill all vacancies that may arise by reason of death, resignation or otherwise; *Provided, further*, That one member of said board, and no more, shall be appointed from each of the counties of Winona, Blue Earth and Stearns.

Officers of the
board

SEC. 3. The officers of the state normal school board shall be a president and secretary. The members of the board, at their first session and biennially thereafter, shall elect by ballot, from their own number, a president. The state superintendent of public instruction shall be the secretary of the board.

Official oath.

SEC. 4. Each member of the state normal school board, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall file with the secretary of state an oath to support the constitution of the United States, and of the state of Minnesota, and that he will well and faithfully discharge the duties of his office.

Powers and
duties of the
board.

SEC. 5. The state normal school board shall have the general supervision, management and control of the state normal schools, and of all the property, real and personal, thereunto appertaining. They are hereby authorized and empowered to contract for the erection of all buildings connected with the schools under their charge, to appoint all professors and teachers in said schools, to fix the salaries of the same, to prescribe the courses of study, the conditions of admission, and generally to adopt all such rules and regulations as may be necessary to secure the highest efficiency of the schools. It shall be the duty of the board as a whole, or through committee of their own number, to visit and thoroughly to inspect the grounds, buildings, modes of instruction, and the discipline and management of each school at least once during each term. They shall report to the governor, on or before the first day of December in each year, through their president, the condition of each school, its receipts and disbursements, its wants and prospects, together with such recommendations for its improvement as they may deem proper and necessary.

Must report what

Model schools.

SEC. 6. The state normal school board shall have power to organize, in connection with each normal school, such model schools as they may deem expedient for the illustration of the best methods of teaching and government; *Provided*, That no more than one teacher shall be employed in either of the model schools, except at the school at Winona, where the education of the soldiers'

orphans are provided for, the board may employ one additional teacher at its discretion.

SEC. 7. There shall be no charge for tuition, the use of text books, or for incidental expenses to the students of any normal school, who shall have filed with the principal thereof a declaration of intention to engage in the work of teaching in the common schools of this state, for not less than two years after his or her connection with said school shall cease. The board may fix such rates of tuition for pupils in the model schools as in their judgment may be equitable and just. The board may fix such rates of tuition for students not intending to teach, as in their judgment may be equitable and just.

Normal school tuition free to whom.

Rates fixed by board for whom.

SEC. 8. The member of the board residing at the location of each normal school, respectively, shall receive and disburse, under the direction of the board, all moneys accruing in any manner to such school, and shall keep a full and accurate account of such receipts and disbursements, including the receipts from tuition in the model schools, and shall report the same to the board whenever they shall so direct. He shall give a bond, payable to the state of Minnesota, in such sum as the board shall direct, with one or more sureties, to be approved by them, for the faithful performance of the duties mentioned in this section.

Disbursing director for each school.

Must give bond.

SEC. 9. The members of the state normal school board, except the superintendent of public instruction, shall be reimbursed for the actual expenses incurred by them while engaged in duty for the normal schools, said expenses to be paid out of the current fund belonging to the several schools.

Expenses of board how paid

SEC. 10. All warrants upon the state auditor for defraying the expenses of the state normal schools shall be drawn by the president and countersigned by the secretary of the board.

Warrants how drawn.

SEC. 11. Nothing contained in this act shall be so construed as to impair or annul any right or obligation existing in behalf of, or against the state of Minnesota, in relation to the state normal schools at Winona, Mankato, or St. Cloud.

Obligations of state unaffected by act.

SEC. 12. It is hereby made the duty of the state normal board to limit the number of teachers, and their compensation, and all other annual expenses thereof, to the amount appropriated by the legislature for that purpose, and all expenditures made by said board in excess of the

Board must keep expenses within the appropriation

sum so appropriated, and are hereby declared to be unlawful and void, and shall be deemed a malfeasance on the part of said board, for which the members thereof can be removed from office by the governor.

Act takes effect.

SEC. 13. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Approved March 7, 1873.

CHAPTER III.

AN ACT PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES FOUR AND FIVE OF THE CONSTITUTION PROVIDING FOR BIENNIAL SESSIONS OF THE LEGISLATURE.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota :

Amends sec. 1,
Art. IV.

SECTION 1. The following amendments to the constitution are hereby proposed for publication and approval or rejection, by the people, in accordance with section one of article fourteen of the constitution, that is to say, first, that section one of article four of the constitution be amended so as to read as follows :

Biennial sessions
of seventy days.

Section 1. The legislature of the state shall consist of a senate and house of representatives, who shall meet biennially at the seat of government of the state, at such time as shall be prescribed by law, but no session shall exceed the term of seventy days.

Amends sec. 24,
Art. IV.

SEC. 2. That the following amendment to section twenty-four of article four of the constitution be proposed, that is to say, that said section twenty-four of said article four of the constitution be amended so as to read as follows :

Concerning leg-
islative districts
and term of office

Sec. 24. The senators shall be chosen by single districts of convenient contiguous territory at the same time that members of the house of representatives are required to be chosen and in the same manner, and no representative district shall be divided in the formation of a senate district. The senate districts shall be numbered in a regular series, the term of office of senators and representatives shall be the same as now prescribed by law