

CHAPTER 136

STATE TEACHERS COLLEGES

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136.01 STATE TEACHERS COLLEGES. The six educational institutions in this state heretofore designated as state normal schools shall hereafter be designated as state teachers colleges as follows: The "Winona State Teachers College," the "Mankato State Teachers College," the "St. Cloud State Teachers College," the "Duluth State Teachers College," the "Moorhead State Teachers College," the "Bemidji State Teachers College," respectively.

[1921 c. 260 s. 1] (3064)

136.02 STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE BOARD. The board heretofore in charge of the state normal schools and referred to in the statutes as the normal school board and sometimes as the state normal school board shall hereafter be designated as the state teachers college board, with the same powers and duties as heretofore, with the additions provided in section 136.09.

[1921 c. 260 s. 2] (3065)

136.03 MANAGEMENT OF STATE TEACHERS COLLEGES. The state teachers colleges shall be under the management, jurisdiction, and control of the state teachers college board; and it shall have and possess all of the powers, jurisdiction, and authority, and shall perform all of the duties by them possessed and performed on and prior to April 1, 1901, except as hereinafter stated.

[1905 c. 119 s. 1] (3140)

136.06 EXPENSES OF BOARD, HOW AUTHORIZED AND PAID. No member of the state teachers college board and no person in its employ shall be paid for any expense incurred unless it shall appear that the expense was duly authorized by the executive committee or the president of the board and an itemized, verified account of the same, accompanied by sub-vouchers where sub-vouchers are practicable, is furnished by the claimant and filed with the state auditor for his written audit. Such verification shall state that the expense bill is just and correct and for money actually and necessarily paid or to be paid for the purposes therein stated. If the expense is to be incurred in visiting another state, then, before the visit is authorized or undertaken, the executive committee or president must certify in writing the purpose of the visit, the necessity existing for the same, and the maximum expense to be incurred therefor, which certificate must be presented to the governor for his approval. If he does not approve the same, the visit shall not be undertaken. If the above provisions are complied with, the state auditor shall pay such expense account in the same manner as monthly expenses and salaries are paid under the provisions of sections 136.03 to 136.08.

[1905 c. 119 s. 5] (3144)

136.07 EXCEEDING APPROPRIATIONS; PENALTY. It shall be unlawful for the state teachers college board to permit any expenditures for any purpose in excess of the amount appropriated or contemplated by law and any member or agent of the board violating this provision shall be deemed guilty of a gross misdemeanor; and, upon conviction thereof, fined not less than \$100.00, nor more than \$1,000, or be imprisoned in the county jail for not less than six months, or by both a fine and imprisonment.

[1905 c. 119 s. 6] (3145)

136.08 AUTHORITY OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS; NEW BUILDINGS. The director of public institutions shall have and exercise full authority in all financial matters of the several institutions named in section 136.01 so far

only as relates to the erection and construction of new buildings, the purchasing of fuel, and the placing of insurance on buildings and contents.

When new buildings are to be erected and constructed by authority of the state it shall be the duty of the director of public institutions to cause to be prepared plans and specifications for the same, but in so doing he shall consult with the state teachers college board in respect to the plans and specifications and adopt and carry out, so far as he deems practicable, its requests and desires in the matter. The director of public institutions may in his discretion authorize the controlling board of any institution for which any building is authorized to be constructed to construct such building in case the cost thereof does not exceed the sum of \$5,000. If such authorization be granted, the director of public institutions shall file his written consent thereto with the state auditor and thereupon such building may be constructed under the direction of such controlling board. The controlling board shall not let any contract for the erection and construction of new buildings that may be constructed without first publicly advertising for at least two weeks in some legal newspaper published in the county where the work is to be performed for separate sealed bids for general construction, plumbing, heating, and ventilating work required in the construction of such buildings, and for separate sealed bids covering the entire work required in such construction in which advertisement the time and place shall be fixed for the opening of such bid, and that all such bids shall be opened publicly and a record of the same, giving the name of the bidder, the classification of the work or material bid upon, and the amount of the bid, shall be made and filed with the secretary of the controlling board as a public record, and that no such contract shall be made and entered into except with competent and responsible contractors and builders who can furnish a good and sufficient bond as required by law.

[1905 c. 119 s. 7; 1911 c. 36; 1913 c. 561 s. 1] (3146)

136.09 DEGREES. The state teachers college board shall have authority to award appropriate degrees to persons who complete the prescribed four-year curriculum of studies in the state teachers college.

[1921 c. 260 s. 3] (3066)

136.10 MODEL SCHOOLS. The state teachers college board may organize model schools in connection with each state teachers college for illustrating methods of teaching and school government only.

[R. L. s. 1437] (3068)

136.11 TUITION IN STATE TEACHERS COLLEGES. There shall be a charge for tuition to students in state teachers colleges. The state teachers college board shall fix rates of tuition for pupils in the model schools and fix rates of tuition for students in state teachers colleges within the minimums and maximums following:

Not less than \$5.00, nor more than \$15.00, during each of the first six quarters;

Not less than \$10.00, nor more than \$20.00, for each quarter thereafter.

A session in the summer school is to be regarded as a quarter within the meaning of this section.

Non-resident students at the time of matriculating shall pay an additional tuition fee of \$5.00 per quarter.

[R. L. s. 1438; 1933 c. 294 s. 1] (3069)

136.12 EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT. The educational management of the state teachers colleges is vested in a board of eight directors who, with the commissioner of education, shall constitute the state teachers college board. Such directors shall be appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by the senate, for a term of four years. The governor shall in like manner fill for the unexpired term all vacancies in the board. There shall be one director resident in each county in which a state teachers college is located and no two shall be residents of the same county.

[R. L. s. 1439] (3070)

136.13 ANNUAL MEETING AND OFFICERS. The annual meeting of the state teachers college board shall be held on the first Tuesday in June. At such meeting it shall choose by ballot a president, whose term of office shall be for two years and until his successor qualifies. In case of vacancy, the governor shall appoint one of the directors president until the next annual meeting and until his successor qualifies. The commissioner of education shall be secretary of the board.

[R. L. s. 1440] (3071)

136.14 DUTIES OF BOARD. The state teachers college board shall have the educational management, supervision, and control of the state teachers colleges and of all property appertaining thereto. It shall appoint all presidents, teachers, and other necessary employees therein and fix their salaries. It shall prescribe courses of study, conditions of admission, prepare and confer diplomas, report graduates of the state teachers college department, and adopt suitable rules and regulations for the colleges. It shall, as a whole or by committee, visit and thoroughly inspect the grounds, buildings, modes of instruction, discipline, and management of each college at least once in each year. It shall report to the governor, on or before December 1 in each even-numbered year, the condition, wants, and prospects of each college with recommendations for its improvement.

[R. L. s. 1441; 1913 c. 436 s. 1] (3072)

136.15 REPORT TO COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION. The president of each state teachers college shall make an annual written report to the commissioner of education on or before September 1, covering the term year of his school, and setting forth its general statistics, enrollment in each department and in each class of the college department, average attendance, the number graduating within the year, the number of teachers, the departments of each, and the general condition of its buildings, library, and apparatus, the number and names of all graduates then engaged in teaching, as far as known to him and the district or county in which each is teaching, and such other matters and suggestions as he may deem of interest to the public or conducive to the good of the college.

[R. L. s. 1442] (3077)

136.16 COMPENSATION OF BOARD. The directors shall be reimbursed for their actual expenses while engaged in duty for the state teachers colleges out of the current funds belonging to such colleges.

[R. L. s. 1443] (3078)

136.17 SUMMER SESSIONS AT TEACHERS COLLEGES. There shall be held at each teachers college in this state a summer session of 12 weeks under the direction of the state teachers college board. These summer sessions shall be a part of and in all respects be the same as the session now provided for by law. The provisions for attendance at these summer sessions shall be the same as those now in force and the arrangements of the terms in the school year shall be such as to most fully serve the welfare of rural schools. The board may in its discretion and when the interests of the state may be best subserved thereby direct that a shorter session than 12 weeks be held at any state teachers college.

[1907 c. 164 s. 1; 1909 c. 112 s. 1] (3079)