

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

FOR

September 8, 1964



NAME CHOSEN FOR SCHOOL AT 31st AND ARNOLD

Following a presentation of information concerning Maude Mary Bishop (see below Mr. Rausch moved that the elementary school building at 31st and Arnold be named the "Maude Mary Bishop Elementary School". Dr. Summers seconded.

Yea: Unanimous.

"Maude Mary Bishop (1873)

Attended Franklin Academy (Congregational School) at Franklin, Nebraska.  
(High School)

Graduated from Washburn College in 1896.

Taught 7 months in District School, Shawnee County  
Taught 9 months in Weeping Water Academy in Nebraska.

Began teaching in Topeka in January 1898:

1 year at Sumner School

1 year at Lincoln School

5 years at Quincy School

Began teaching at Topeka High School in Sept. 1903 (History) where she taught until retirement in 1941, a total of 43½ years in all.

After retirement, in 1942 she began working in the Pelletiers Lending Library, and worked in that capacity until 1947. She was transferred to the candy counter at Pelletiers at that time, where she worked until she retired on May 10, 1954.

Following her retirement from Pelletiers, she tutored Washburn students in her home, and was active in many fields up until her death. She was granted an honorary degree of Doctor of Doctor of Humanities from Washburn University just a month before her death on July 5, 1963, at the age of 89."

REPORT OF FIVE YEAR PROJECTION OF BUILDING AND SITE NEEDS

Dr. Bolton presented Part II of the Five-Year Projection of Building and Site needs study. Part I was prepared June 25, 1963. He stated that it was the plan of the administrative staff to review this study each year and revise it as necessary. The Priority List as of 6/25/64 is as follows:

1. Elementary School at 31st and Arnold. (work now in progress)
2. Replace two units of Highland Park Central Elementary School (work now in progress)
3. Expand and improve science facilities at Highland Park High.
4. Add science facilities and/or mechanical drawing room at Topeka West High School.
5. Addition at Rice Elementary School.
6. Expansion of physical education facilities at Highland Park H. S.
7. Addition at either Capper or Jardine Junior High Schools.
8. Cafeteria expansion or modification of facilities and equipment at Highland Park High School. and/
9. Four-classroom addition at Highland Park South or Highland Park North Elementary Schools.
10. Addition at McCarter Elementary School.



Mr. Richardson asked specifically about the possibility of a new science laboratory at Highland Park High School since the equipment there is outdated and the present laboratory rooms there are very small which limits enrollment in science classes.

Mr. Rausch asked about the possible study of a need for a new high school in the south area of Topeka since Dr. Blackburn and Mr. Tilzey reported that by 1969 we would probably have reached capacity of existing high school buildings. Mr. Rausch also asked about additions at Capper and/or Jardine when we have a site near 29th and Fairlawn. Jardine enrollment is now 710 with capacity at 750.

Dr. Bolton replied that he felt the need at this time was to adjust boundaries of Boswell and Landon to accommodate the overflow from Capper and Jardine.

The Board expressed appreciation to the administrative staff for the value of the revised study.

#### ENROLLMENT REPORT

Dr. Blackburn presented the enrollment report as follows:

September 5, 1963	24,201
September 8, 1964	<u>24,768</u>
Increase	567

The report showed a difference of an estimated 500 which was partially accounted for by 360 children from Forbes Air Force Base having moved from the Topeka School District due to the phasing out of one wing at Forbes. However, a new wing will be transferred into Forbes by December which will probably cover part of this difference.

Dr. Blackburn reported there are now 17 portable classrooms in use in the Topeka School system:

3 each at Highland Park North and Rice; 4 at McEachron; 2 at State Street and 1 at McClure 4C

3 at Capper Junior High and 1 at Topeka West High School.

#### EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL

Mr. Boatwright presented a recommended list of personnel for employment by the Board of Education. (See attachment #1)

Mr. Richardson moved approval of the employment of personnel as recommended. Dr. Summers seconded. Yea: Unanimous.

#### PURCHASES

Mr. Kerr presented recommended purchases and made a correction on the typed listing. (See Attachment #2)