

How fines to be disposed of.

committed], and all fines imposed and collected under this act shall be paid one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) to the complainant and one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) into the treasury of the county where such conviction takes place for the use of the common schools within said county.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 7, 1881.

CHAPTER 144.

AN ACT FOR THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

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

Name of board:

SECTION 1. The Governor, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the President of the University of Minnesota, ex-officio, are hereby constituted a Board of Commissioners on preparatory schools for the encouragement of higher education in this State. This board shall be called the "High School Board," and shall perform the duties and have and exercise the powers hereinafter mentioned.

Amount of pecuniary aid allowed.

SEC. 2. Any public graded school in any city or incorporated village or township organized into a district, under the so-called township system, which school shall give preparatory instruction according to the terms and provisions of this act, and shall admit students of either sex from any part of the State without charge for tuition, shall be entitled to receive pecuniary aid as hereinafter specified. *Provided, however,* that no such school shall be required to admit non-resident pupils unless they shall pass an examination in all the branches prescribed by law as requisite to a third grade county certificate.

Conditions.

SEC. 3. The said board shall require of the schools applying for such pecuniary aid, as prerequisite to receiving such aid, compliance with the following conditions, to-wit:

First—That there be regular and orderly courses of study, embracing all the branches prescribed as pre-requisite for admission to the collegiate department of the University of Minnesota.

Second—That the said schools receiving pecuniary aid under this act shall at all times permit the said board of commissioners, or any of them, to visit and examine the classes pursuing the said preparatory courses.

SEC. 4. The said board of commissioners shall cause each school receiving aid under this act to be visited at least once

in each school year by a committee of one or more members, who shall carefully inspect the instruction and discipline of the preparatory classes, and make a written report on the same immediately. *Provided*, that the said board may, in their discretion, appoint in any case competent persons to visit and inspect any schools, and to make report thereon, and no money shall be paid in any case until after such report shall have been received and examined by the board and the work of the school approved by vote of the board.

Board shall visit school and make a written report.

SEC. 5. The said board shall receive applications from such schools for aid as herein provided, which application shall be received and acted upon in the order of their reception. The said board shall apportion to each of said schools which shall have fully complied with the provisions of this act, and whose application shall have been approved by the board, the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) in each year; *provided*, that the total amount of apportionments and expenses under this act shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), in any one year. The sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) is hereby appropriated annually to be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated for the purposes of this act, which amount or so much thereof as shall be necessary, shall be paid upon the warrants of said board upon the State Auditor.

Applications.

Apportionment.

Amount appropriated.

SEC. 6. The members of said board shall serve without compensation, but the actual and necessary expenses of the board and of any examiner appointed by them, shall be paid in the same manner as those of State officers; *provided* that the total expenses including the apportionments to the schools aforesaid, shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) in any one year.

Board will be allowed actual expenses for services.

SEC. 7. The said board shall have power to establish any necessary and suitable rules and regulations relating to examinations, reports, acceptance of schools, courses of studies, and other proceedings under this act.

Rules and regulations.

SEC. 8. The said board shall keep a careful record of all their proceedings, and shall make on or before the first (1st) day of September in each year a report covering the previous school year to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, showing in detail all receipts and disbursements, the names and number of schools receiving aid, and the number of pupils attending the classes in each, to which report they may add such recommendations as they may deem useful and proper.

Record of proceedings.

SEC. 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 3, 1881.