

A copy from the records of the Lexington School Board passed at a meeting held at the court-house on April 10, 1935.

After a report of the decreased attendance at the colored high school during the present session and a full discussion of the reasons for this decrease, the following order was unanimously passed by the board:

1. Whereas the Lexington School Board, responding to the earnest request of a group of colored citizens who claimed that a third year of high school work would materially increase the attendance at the colored high school, employed an additional teacher and put in this third year of school work at the beginning of the present session, the members of the school board are surprised and disappointed to learn that there are fewer high school pupils enrolled than when only two years of work were offered.

2. The school board feels that they are not justified in running three years of high school work for such a small number of students. They believe that a larger number of colored people would be better served by having two years of high school free of charge than to attempt to give the third year to such a small number who are willing and able to pay a small tuition fee.

3. The Board, therefore, has decided to continue the present plan on trial for one more year with the definite understanding that unless there shall be a very material increase in the enrollment for next session, the colored high school thereafter shall be limited to only two years of work.

4. It is farther orderd that copies of this action of the school board shall be placed in the hands of the principal of the colored school with the request that he give this order full publicity among the patrons of the colored school and the colored citizens of Lexington.

*H. Waddell*

A copy from the records of the Lexington School Board passed at a meeting held at the court-house on April 19, 1933.

After a report of the deceased attendance at the colored high school during the present session and a full discussion of the reasons for this decrease, the following order was unanimously passed by the board:

1. Whereas the Lexington School Board, responding to the earnest request of a group of colored citizens who claimed that a third year of high school work would materially increase the attendance at the colored high school, employed an additional teacher and for the present third year of school work at the beginning of the present session, the members of the school board are surprised and disappointed to learn that there are fewer high school pupils enrolled than when only two years of work were offered.

2. The school board feels that they are not justified in running the two years of high school work for such a small number of students. They believe that a larger number of colored people would be better served by having two years of school work of change than to attempt to give the third year to such a small number.

3. The board, therefore, has decided to continue the present plan of trial for one more year with the definite understanding that unless there shall be a very material increase in the enrollment for next session, the colored high school thereafter shall be limited to only two years of work.

4. It is further ordered that copies of this action of the school board shall be placed in the hands of the principal of the colored school with the request that he give this order full publicity among the parents of the colored school and the colored citizens of Lexington.

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