

On the first day of April one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine, it being the day fixed on by Law for holding the first stated session of the Trustees, and a majority of the said Trustees being present to wit,

Augustin Easter, David Purvance, William Kelly, Hugh Brent, Thomas Jones, Barton W. Stone, James Matson, James Kinney and William Garrard jr.

When the Trustees proceeded to the Election of a Treasurer, and Clerk, and upon the votes being taken Augustin Easter, was elected president, Daniel Duncan, Treasurer, and William S. Allen, Clerk — who presented to the Trustees a letter from his father John Allen vouching for his proper conduct in the execution of the office of clerk, to the board of Trustees and it is ordered that the president request of the Trustees that he take charge of the said letter from John Allen to the Trustees.

Ordered that William Garrard jr, John Allen, Andrew Todd, William Kelly, and Hugh Brent or a majority of them be appointed to draw up such rules and regulations for the government of the board as they may think most proper and submit the same to the Board at their next meeting.

Ordered that every member of the Board be requested to open a subscription for the purpose of procuring money or property to enable the Trustees to get

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For donation lands located and for such other purposes as they may deem necessary, to promote the benefit of the institution.

Ordered that John Allen, Hugh Brents, John Metcalf, and Thomas Jones Jr. be appointed a committee, to receive proposals, from persons inclined to locate the said donation lands.

Resolved that the trustees do adjourn, till the 2^d Monday in May next, when they shall meet in the town of Paris, at the house of Thomas Hughes at 12 O'clock,

Willi. S. Allen clk.

Paris April 18th 1799.

At a special meeting of the board, in pursuance of a call of the president, at the house of Thomas Hughes in the Town of Paris, present. Augustus Eastin president. William Garrard, John Edwards, Andrew Todd, John Allen, William Kelly, Thomas Jones Jr, John Metcalf, James Brown Jr., and James Kinny,

The president informed the board that proposals had been made to him for the locating the lands, appropriated to the Academy.

William Garrard produced to the board a paper purporting to be rules and Regulations for the government of the board, which was adopted and ordered to be entered on the Journals.

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3. Rules and regulations proposed by the committee to draft rules for the government of the board of Trustees. Duty of the president.

1st He shall preserve decorum and order, may speak to points of order in preference to other members, and shall decide questions of order.

2^d He shall rise to put a question but may sit to state it.

3^d Questions shall be distinctly put in this form all you who are of opinion that ye say Aye, all you of a contrary opinion say No.

4th The president shall not vote unless the board be equally divided then he shall give the casting voice. Of decorum and debate

5th When any member of the board is about to make a proposition, or deliver any matter, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the president.

6th When any member of the board shall transgress the rules, he shall be called to order by the president, or either of the members.

7th No member shall speak more than twice on one question without the leave of the board.

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Moses Mitchell laid before the board pro-
posals for the locating the Donation Lands which
the board took into consideration to wit,

To the Trustees of the Bowdoin Academy the
proposals of Moses Mitchell Respectively sheweth
that the said Moses Mitchell will undertake
to locate the lands for the Seminary and attend
to every business relative to the Location, for
four hundred Dollars one hundred to be paid
in hand the remaining three hundred he would
not require until the whole business should be
completed, but your proposer will by no
means undertake to pay for the surveying
of the land, he shall however, attend to
the same and all other business relative to
to such location until the final completion
of the whole, and the said Mitchell will
further undertake that if the lands located
or any part thereof should be lost by prior
claims or otherwise that the said Mitchell
will make good such loss in the same propor-
tion to the amount given for location.

Paris April 18th 1799.

Moses Mitchell
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George Shortbridge laid before the board proposals, for the locating the Donation lands which the board took into consideration

To the Trustees of the Bourbon Academy the proposals of George Shortbridge respectively sheweth that the said George Shortbridge will undertake to locate the lands for the Seminary upon the following terms to wit, he will for five hundred Dollars one hundred of which to be immediately paid him, the remaining four hundred, will not be demanded until the business is completed, locate all the lands designated by the assembly of the state of Kentucky for that purpose, upon the best lands as yet unappropriated and if the Trustees please to insure him in the education of his children in the aforesaid Seminary, he will let the four hundred Dollars be deposited in the Trustees hands for the purpose of paying so much for the tuition of his children. The said George Shortbridge will further undertake to be at all the Expences attendant on the location, Surveying, and carrying the same into grant, and further engages, that if the lands located or any part thereof should be lost by prior claim or otherwise, that the said Shortbridge will make good such loss in the same proportions to the amount of the sum given for location.

Paris April 18th 1799

George Shortbridge

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Ordered that the further consideration of these proposals be postponed until the next meeting.

Ordered that the board be adjourned until the second Monday in May next.

Attest

Willi. S. Allen ckr.

Paris May 13th 1799

The board met according to adjournment present Augustin Eastin, William Garrard, Andrew Todd, John Allen, William Kelly, Thomas Jones, James Watson and Hugh Brent.

The president laid before the board the proposals of Justinian Cartwright for the location of the Donation land which proposals the board took into consideration. Ordered that the said proposals of Justinian^m Cartwright be rejected.

The board took under further consideration the proposals of Moses Mitchell and George Shortridge. Ordered that the said proposals be postponed for further consideration.

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Ordered that the first Monday in the months of April and October be fixed on for the stated meetings of this Board.

Ordered that Andrew Todd, Thomas Jones Jr., Hugh Brant, and John Allen, be a committee to view and report to the next meeting their opinions of the most eligible situation for the permanent seat of the Academy.

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Willm. S. Allen Clk.

Paris June 24th 1799

At a special meeting of the board in pursuance of a call of the president at the house of Thomas Hughes, in the Town of Paris present Augustin Easton William Garrard, Andrew Todd, John Allen, William Kelly, David Purvance, Barton W. Stone James Henry and Thomas Jones Jr.

Thomas Jones Jr. laid before the board proposals for locating the donation lands which the board took into consideration.

William Henry and John Boyce laid before the board proposals for the locating the donation lands which the board took into consideration to wit: We

Will locate, survey, and carry into grant as the law directs, for the sum of three hundred Dollars one third paid in cash in four months, the balance to be paid in property, one half in nine months, the other half in one year after;

I do undertake to locate the lands on what
will be counted in that part of the country first
rate lands and should any of the said lands be
lost I do oblige myself to refund a proportionable
part of the within mentioned sum, to the
quantity so lost.

William Henry
John Boyce

Ordered that the proposals of William
Henry and John Boyce be accepted of, and
that the Clerk draw up a contract, for
carrying into effect the said proposals, which
contract was executed by the parties and ordered
to be recorded.

Articles of agreement made and entered
into this 24th day of June 1799 between Augustin
Eastin, William Garrard, David Purviance,
Andrew Todd, John Allen, William Kelly,
Barton W. Stone, James Henry Thomas Jones senr
John Edwards, Hugh Brent, John Metcalf,
Alexander Barnitt, James Brown sr
and James Watson Trustees of the Bowdoin
Academy of the one part and William Henry
and John Boyce, of the other part,

9. ^{us} Witnesseth that the said William Henry and John Boyd, covenants and agrees, with the Trustees aforesaid that they will at their own charge and locate and survey and convey unto grant six thousand acres of land granted to the said Academy by the General assembly of this state, that the said locations, shall be made upon the best, unappropriated land on the South side of Green river, conformable to the said act of assembly, and the ^{said} William Henry and John Boyd further covenants with the Trustees aforesaid, that should any of the lands so located, be lost they will refund and pay back to the said Trustees a proportionate part of the sum, hereafter, agreed upon, agreeable to the quantity so lost, and they the said William Henry and John Boyd further covenant with the Trustees aforesaid, that the said location shall be made within six months and the surveys made and returned to the registers office within nine months from the date hereof and the Trustees aforesaid covenant and agree with the said William Henry, and John Boyd, that they will pay them or their order the sum of one hundred Dollars in cash, within four months from this date one hundred dollars in property within nine months from this date, and one hundred dollars in property within twenty one months from

this date as a full and complete compensation
 for their services in locating, surveying, and
 carrying the said six thousand acres of land
 into grant, and its hereby understood by the
 parties to this agreement, that in refunding
 any money on account of lands which may
 be lost, that the quality of the land shall
 be taken into consideration. In Testimony
 whereof this said Trustee for themselves and
 their successors and the said William
 Henry and John Boyce for themselves
 and their heirs Executors administrators
 &c. bind themselves for the true perfor-
 mance

Augustin Eastin Seal

Signed sealed & ackn^d in the presence of } William Garrard Seal

David Purviance Seal

Gabriel Sandy Andrew Todd Seal

Will S. Allen Seal

William Kelly Seal

Barton W. Stone Seal

James Kenny Seal

Thomas Jones Seal

William Henry Seal

John Boyce Seal

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Oba S. Timberlake presented to the board
a records book as the gift of John Edwards.

Ordered that Thomas Jones, Andrew Todd
and John Allen be appointed a committee to
make an offer to John Henry of one hundred and
fifty eight pounds three shillings and eight pence
for his lands for a seat for the Seminary and on
his not closing with the offer to report to this
board, the most proper place to fix on for
the said Seminary.

Willi. S. Allen Clk.

Paris September 26th 1799

At a special meeting of the board of Trustees in
pursuance of a call of the president at ^{the} Courthouse
in the Town of Paris present: Augustin Eastin,
William Garrard, John Allen, Thomas Jones, James
Matson, James Henry, Andrew Todd, and
Hugh Brent; The president informed the board
that John Boyde and William Henry the locators
of the land granted to the Academy had informed
him that the lands had been located, and requires
of the board, the first payment agreed on for
that purpose.

Ordered that the subscription paper marked
William Kelly N^o. 7. be put into the hands of said Kelly for
collection.

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Ordered that the subscription paper marked Augustin Eastin N^o 2. be put into the hands of the aforesaid Eastin for collection.

That the subscription paper marked James Henry N^o 3. be put into the hands of the aforesaid Henry for collection.

Ordered that those Gentlemen appointed to make those collections, pay the same into the hands of Daniel Duncans and that the Treasurer pay the same to John Boyd and William Henry or either of them.

Attest

Willi: S. Allen Clk.

Paris October 7th 1799

At a stated meeting of the Trustees of the Bowdoin Academy, in the Town of Paris. present.

Augustin Eastin, William Garrard, Barton W. Stone, Andrew Todd, John Allen, William Kelly, James Matson, James Henry, and Thomas Jones jr.

The committee appointed to make John Henry, an offer for his lands, as a seat for the Academy, reported that the said Henry, had offered to take one hundred and five pounds for the ten acres, purchased by him of Joseph Mitchell, one hundred pounds in money and five pounds in Merchandise;

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13. Resolved that this board do agree to fix on the lands
- cus of said Henry as a permanent seat for the academy
and that they do execute two bonds to the said Henry
one for thirty pounds, payable in one month, and
one other ^{bond} for seventy pounds payable the first day
of April next at which time the said Henry is to
give possession, the said Henry is only to assign to the Trustees
Joseph Mitchells Bond for a conveyance of the land
and is to be noway answerable for the Title.

Ordered that the said John Henry shall not
make any destruction of timber, rails &c. whilst
he remains in possession of said premises.

Ordered that Andrew Todd, John Allen and
Thomas Jones be appointed a committee to apply
to Joseph Mitchell for a conveyance of ten acres of
land sold to John Henry, and by him assigned
to the Trustees of the Bowdon Academy and to inquire
of him whether he will sell any part of his land between
the Limestone road and the lot aforesaid as purchased
of said John Henry, and purchase the same not
exceeding one acre and report to the next me-
ting.

Resolved (2) that the Trustees of the Bowdon
Academy take under their consideration, and
management the present school now under
the care of Lewis Masquerier, and make such
arrangements with the present teacher, or any
other that they may think proper to employ

—His as will tend best to promote the said Institution,
and that a committee be appointed to enquire
into the present state of the school; and to make
the necessary arrangements, for the winter, to
form a set of rules for its present Government
and make report to the next meeting.

Resolved that Lewis Masquerier be served
with a copy of the foregoing resolution.

Ordered that Augustin Eastin, Andrew Todd
Barton W. Stone, John Allen, William Kelly and
William Garrard jr be appointed a committee to
carry into effect the preceding resolve marked (3.)

Adjourned.

Willi: S. Allen Clk.
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The bond, papered by Mitchell to Henry for the conveyance of the
ten acres of land as aforesaid & assigned to the trustees is as follows
to wit, Know all men by these presents that I
“ Joseph Mitchell of Bourbon County District
“ of Kentucky State of Virginia am held and
“ firmly bound unto John Henry of the
“ County State and District aforesaid Taylor
“ in the Just and full sum of fifty pounds
“ of good and lawful money of the State of Virginia
“ to be paid the said John Henry or his certain
“ Attorney his heirs Executors Administrators or
“ assigns for which payment well and truly
“ to be made I bind myself my heirs Executors

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Administrators or assigns by these presents sealed
with my seal and dated this 21st day of June in the year
of our Lord 1788.

The Condition of the above obligation is such
if the above bound Joseph Mitchell his heirs Executors or
administrators do make or clear and indisputable right
to a certain tract of land lying on Stouers fork of
Sicking river containing eleven acres beginning
on the bank of Stouer joining Paulin Underwood on the
North Joseph Mitchell on the East and Joseph
Mitchell on the South and keeping a long Stouer
bank to the Beginning to the above named John
Henry his heirs Executors administrators or assigns or
upon failure of this condition the said Joseph Mitchell
do promise to repay back to the said Henry eleven
pounds of good and lawful money of Virginia and
also pay the said John Henry whatever shall be
adjudged the value of his labour on the said place
to be paid in good trade stout, horses cows then this
obligation is to be void otherwise to be and remain
in full power force and virtue in Law.

Signed sealed & deliv. by
In the presence of us
Gaven Mitchell
William Mitchell

Joseph Mitchell LS

October 7th 1799

I assign all my right title and interest of the within
bound to the Trustees of the Boulton Academy except one
acre sold to Jacob Lear but it is understood that I am
in no measure bound for the title of said land if it
should be lost by a better claim. Witness my hand
and seal this 7th day of October 1799.

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Will. Sallen

John Henry LS

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Paris February 22nd 1800

At a special meeting of the board of Trustees
in pursuance of a call, of the president at the
house of Doctor Andrew Todd, present:

Augustin Eastin, Andrew Todd, John
Allen, Hugh Brent, John Metcalfe, Alexander
Barnett, Bartow W. Stone, James Kinny,
Thomas Jones, and William Kelly.

Ordered that the original subscription
paper, be put into the hands of Hugh Brent
for collection.

Ordered that the surplus of the original
subscription after the lot is paid for shall be
applied towards the repairs of the house.

Ordered that Thomas Jones, John Metcalfe
and John Allen, or any two ^{of them} view the house,
see what repairs, are necessary and make
report likewise report the situation, as to
repairs the lot is now in.

Attest

Will. S. Allen Clk.

Paris April 7th 1800

At a stated meeting of the Trustees, to wit,
Augustin Eastin, David Purniance, Andrew
Todd, William Kelly, Hugh Brent, John
Metcalfe, Alexander Barnett, James Brown,
Bartow W. Stone, James Kinny, Thomas Jones, Jr.,
and James Mather.

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Ordered that a new subscription paper be accompanied with the old one and that the subscribers be requested to put their names to the new one and have their names ~~erased~~ from the old one, and also Andrew Todd, Hugh Brent, and Augustin Eastin, or any one of them do present the said subscription.

Ordered that two acres of land be laid off for the use of boys horses, who come from above the distance of two miles in the summer season

Ordered that one acre of ground including the house and spring be appropriated to the use of the boys for the term of one year, and that the balance to use of the teacher for the above term.

Ordered that Isaac Tull be appointed a teacher to the Bourbon Academy for one year.

Ordered that Augustin Eastin, John Allen, William Garrard, Barton W. Stone, Andrew Todd, and Alexander Barnatt, be appointed visitors to visit the academy from time to time and report to the board.

Resolved that Isaac Tull, be requested to draw up rules for the present government, of the Academy and point out such exercises as he may think proper for the students on the forenoon of saturday and present the same to the before mentioned visitors for approbation to be by them laid before the next meeting of the Trustees for their adoption.

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Ordered that Augustin Eastin, Thomas Jones,
and John Metcalf be a committee appointed
to lay off the said ground, for the use of the
teacher as they may think proper, also to
employ some person to repair the fences open
the spring and repair the house for the
reception of scholars.

Resolved that Isaac Tull be privileged
to teach thirty scholars and no more without
employing an assistant and shall have all
the tuition money; and the balance of the lot
not otherwise appropriated. The Trustees will
collect for him the money if compulsory mea-
sures should be necessary, but not to be
answerable for failure of the sums. He proposed
that the price of tuition shall be as follows
for reading, writing, and common and
decimals arithmetic eight ^{dollars} per annum
and for english Grammer, Latin, Greek,
and the sciences, four pound per annum.

Adjourned

Attest

Willi: S. Allen ch.