

State University of Kentucky.

April 15, 1909.

Upon learning of the death of a former member of our Faculty, Professor R.N. Roark, of the Eastern Kentucky State Normal School, Professor James G. White in the absence of the president called a meeting of the Faculty immediately after chapel exercises to take action relative to the death of our former colleague.

It was ordered upon motion that a committee be appointed to prepare suitable resolutions to be sent to the family of the deceased, and that a suitable floral design be sent by the Faculty to the funeral. Professor White appointed upon this committee C.W. Mathews, J.W. Pryor and A.C. Zembrod. It was suggested that those members of the Faculty who could find it possible should go to Richmond to attend the funeral as representing the Faculty, and Professor Miller was appointed a committee to see what arrangement could be made for transportation to Richmond on this occasion.

*James K. Patton* *C.W. Mathews*  
Secretary.

*Approved*  
*May 14 1909*

The State University of Kentucky.

Lexington, Ky. April 15, 1909.

In the death of our friend and former associate, Doctor Ruric Nevel Roark, we, the Faculty of the State University of Kentucky, have been called to face again the great and inscrutable mystery that ever commands our humble and obedient submission.

While we are saddened by the sundered personal ties of a strong and valued friendship, we recognize also that the Eastern Kentucky Normal School and our State have lost an able, enthusiastic and inspiring teacher, and a foreeful and devoted leader in the educational development of the commonwealth.

To the youth of the State who came under his influence, he ever strove to present by precept and example a call to high ideals and high attainment.

To the bereaved and stricken family of our friend, we extend our deepest sympathy in this hour of sorrow, and trust that in their lonely grief the conscious presence of the Great Companion may be with them.

May the tender recollections of husband and father be hallowed by the firm assurance of reunion, and the painful memory of long days of weakness and suffering be softened by the vision of a career to be further unfolded, where no bar of human limitations may check its progress.

C.W. Mathews.  
J.W. Pryor.  
A.C. Zembrod.

Committee.