

THE MINUTES OF THE SENATUS ACADEMICUS

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MINTUES OF THE SENATUS ACADEMICUS 1799 - 1842

At a meeting of the Senatus Academicus of the State of Georgia, at the State House in Louisville, on Wednesday the 27th November 1799 pursuant to public notice.

Present His Excellency Governor Jackson, in the Chair

Judge Carnes,

David Emanuel esq. president of the Senate,

David Meriwether esq. Speaker of the House. of Reps.,

Hugh Lawson,

Abraham Jackson,

Peter Early,

Joseph Clay Jun.,

Seaborn Jones,

William Stith,

George Walker

Read the Charter of the University, as also an Act explanatory of the said Charter.

Ordered, that a Committee consisting of Messrs. Clay, Stith and Meriwether, be appointed to draw up rules for the government of the Senatus Academicus.

The board then adjourned till tomorrow at half past four o'clock P.M.

Thursday 29th November 1799

The Senatus Academicus met pursuant to adjournment

Present His Excellency Governor Jackson

Judge Mitchell,	Mr. A. Jackson,
Judge Carnes,	Mr. Clay Jun.,
Mr. Prest. Emanuel	Mr. Early,
Mr. Speaker Meriwether,	Mr. Jones,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Stith,
	Mr. Walker.

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Mr. Clay from the Committee appointed to draw up Rules for the government of the Senatus Academicus reported as follows, to wit, rules for the government and preservation of good order to be observed by the Senatus Academicus.

Rule 1. Every Member shall attend and take his seat punctually at the hour to which the board stands adjourned.

2. Any member intending to speak, shall rise and address the President, and when two members shall rise at the same time, the President shall determine, which shall speak first, and the other shall be in order to speak next, if he chooses.

3. Members shall not enter into private conversation, or read, whilst any other member is speaking.

Whilst report being read was unanimously agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Speaker, resolved, that a statement of the funds of University, be now laid before this, board.

And a statement by their Treasurer, was accordingly laid before them. -

A Motion was made by Mr. Early, as follows, viz “Resolved, that it is at present expedient to establish a temporary seat only, of the University.

After having the said resolution under consideration, upon Motion of Mr. Walker, the question was postponed.

Upon motion of Mr. Clay, resolved, that a committee be appointed, to prepare a circular letter, to be addressed to the Trustees of the several Academies in this State, requiring them to inform this board, at their next Annual meeting

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of the state of their Academy, of their funds, in what they consist, if of land and houses, a description of them, their situation and probable value, of the number of Tutors and Students, the mode of tuition, and their annual expenses. And Judge Mitchell, Mr. Clay, and Mr. Early were appointed, that Committee.

Propositions from the Counties of Greene, Hancock, Wilkes and Columbia were received, and after being read, were ordered to lay on the table for the inspections of the members. -

The Board then adjourned 'till tomorrow at four o'Clock P.M. -

Friday 29th November 1799

The Senatus Academicus, met pursuant to adjournment, present.

His Excellency Governor Jackson.

Judge Mitchell,	Mr. A. Jackson,
Judge Carnes,	Mr. Clay Jun.,
Mr. Prest. Emanuel,	Mr. Jones,
Mr. Speaker Meriwether,	Mr. Stith,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Walker.
Mr. Early,	

Took up the resolution proposed by Mr. Early, to wit, the expediency of fixing upon a temporary seat only, of the University of Georgia. After some debate, Mr. Early withdrew the same.

A motion was made by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Clay that this board adopt the following resolution, to wit, "Resolved, That it is not expedient at this time to fix on any site for the University either

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temporary of permanent.” And the question being put thereon, the same was negatived.

A Motion was made by Judge Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Speaker, that the following resolution be adopted, “Resolved that this board do now proceed to determine on a place for the temporary seat of the University.” On Motion of Mr. Walker the further consideration for this resolution was postponed, until tomorrow evening.

Mr. Clay from the Committee appointed to draw up a circular letter to the several Academies reported the same, which was read, and ordered to lay on the table. The Board then adjourned until tomorrow at four o’Clock P.M.

Saturday 30th November 1799

The board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present His Excellency Governor Jackson,

Judge Mitchell,	Mr. Early,
Judge Carnes,	Mr. Clay Jun.,
Mr. President Emanuel,	Mr. Jones,
Mr. Speaker Meriwether,	Mr. Stith,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Walker,
Mr. Jackson,	

The resolution was proposed by Judge Mitchell “that this board do now proceed to determine on a place for the temporary seat for the University” was taken up and agreed to.

A Motion was made by Mr. Walker, that the following resolution be adopted “Resolved that the temporary site

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of the University be at the Present Academy of Colombia County.”

A motion was made by Judge Mitchell that Colombia be stricken out and Hancock inserted.

A motion was made by Mr. Speaker, that Hancock be stricken out, and Wilkes inserted.

A motion was made by his Excellency the President, that Hancock be stricken out, and Greene inserted. A motion was made by Mr. Lawson, that Greene be stricken out and Jefferson inserted.

And the question being put on inserting Jefferson the same was negatived.

And the question being put on inserting Greene the same was negatived.

And the question being put on inserting Wilkes, the same was negatived.

And the question being put on inserting Hancock the board equally divided, so the question was lost.

A Motion was made by Mr. Clay, seconded by Mr. Jones, that the board adopt the following resolution, viz. “Resolved that it is the sense of this board, that the President is not entitled to a vote, unless there be an equal number of votes, upon a question.”

Upon motion of Mr. Speaker resolved that this board do now adjourn untill Monday next at four o’Clock P.M. and the same was accordingly adjourned.

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Monday 2d December 1799

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present His Excellency Governor Jackson,

Judge Mitchell, Mr. Early,

Judge Carnes, Mr. Clay Jun.,

Mr. President Emanuel, Mr. Jones,

Mr. Speaker Meriwether, Mr. Stith,

Mr. Lawson, Mr. Walker.

Mr. Jackson,

The resolution proposed by Mr. Clay was taken under consideration.

A Motion made by Mr. Speaker, seconded by Mr. Jones, that the following resolution, be substituted in lieu of the one proposed by Mr. Clay, to wit Resolved that the President shall have a vote in all questions before this board, and when by adding his vote to the Minority, it shall make the votes equal, then it shall be considered the question is undetermined, And the question being put thereon the same was agreed to.

A Motion was made by Mr. Early, that this board adopt the following resolution, to wit, Resolved, that the Academy in the County of (blank) be the temporary seat of the University.

And the question being put thereon, the same was agreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. Jones that the blank

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be filled up with Colombia, and the question being put thereon the same was negatived.

A Motion was made by Mr. Early, that it be filled up with Wilkes. And the question being put thereon the same was negatived.

A motion was made by Judge Mitchell that it be filled up with Hancock. And the question being put thereon, the same was negatived.

The Motion was made by Mr. Early that it be filled up with Greene. And the question being put thereon the same was negatived.

The Motion was made by Mr. Speaker, that it be filled up with Franklin. And the question being put thereon, the same was negatived.

A Motion was made by Judge Mitchell that the further consideration of filling up the blank be postponed, until the next meeting of the board. And the question being put thereon, the same was agreed to.

The Circular letter reported by Mr. Clay being taken up, and the blanks therein being filled, the same was agreed to, and is as follows to wit "Gentlemen, The Senatus Academicus of the University of Georgia, "being empowered and directed by its Charter, to superintend the different seminaries of learning which have been established throughout the State by public funds, to suggest a plan of

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education, and to perform other Acts, which they may judge necessary for the advancement of literature in these institutions, and as it is impossible that they can execute these duties without essential information, relative to the state of the Academies, which have been formed in the different counties, and which that are desired by the Charter occasionally to obtain, request that at this meeting, on the third Monday in June next, ensuing, you will lay before their board an accurate statement of the condition of the Academy over which you preside, containing an account of the state of your funds, in what they consist, if of lands, or houses, a description of them, their situation and probable value, of the buildings, used for instruction, of the number of tutors and students, the annual expense and plan of education--The Senatus Academicus anxious to carry into full operation, the liberal and extensive principles and scheme of their Charter, as speedily as possible, and conscious, that the same anxious desire must pervade every literary body, which has been constituted for the promotion of great objects of this institution, persuade themselves, that you will be happy in aiding in this important work, and that they will be furnished with the requisite information, at the period prescribed. By order of the Board."

Upon Motion of Mr. Walker, resolved, that the secretary sign the foregoing letter, and a Copy thereof be by him transmitted to the Commissioners of the several Academies throughout this State.

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A Motion was made by Mr. Clay, seconded by Mr. Stith, that this board adopt the following resolutions viz, Resolved, That a committee be appointed to confer with the trustees, or the trustees and tutors of the Academies of the different counties and to report to this board at their next meeting, the state of the funds, numbers of tutors, and pupils therein, whether an additional Number, and what number of teachers, would be requisite for a temporary literary institution, on a plan, more enlarged than that of the Academy, under the direction and patronage of this board,- What would be proper salaries for the teachers; and what proportion of them, if monies received for tuition, should be insufficient, would probably be required from the funds of the University.

That if they should think additional teachers necessary, they recommend such candidates, as they may judge properly qualified. --

That they report to this board, what buildings or additional building, they may think proper to be erected, and the time in which, it can probably be constructed. --

That they report a plan of education, commencing with a grammar school, and including branches of education, most proper to be taught in a course of Six years. --

That they report the apparatus, and list of

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books, which will be proper, for such temporary institution, and which will not cost more than One thousand dollars. --

That they give notice in several of the Newspapers of this State, that they will receive lists of subscriptions for money, for the advancement of this institution, and that they report these also.

And the question being put thereon, the same was agreed to.

The board then proceeded to ballot for a Committee of three, when the ballots being counted out, it appeared that Judge Carnes, Judge Mitchell, and Mr. Clay, were elected that Committee. --

Upon motion of Judge Carnes, Resolved that this board do now adjourn, until the third Monday in June next, and the same was accordingly adjourned until that period.

Attest

Jas. Jackson.

J. Hamill Secy.

Governor & Presedt

Senatus Academicus

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On motion made and seconded, Resolved, that this board to now adjourn into the Senate Chamber.

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Read a letter from Mr. Elijah Clarke and on from the Honorable Mr. Baldwin to his Excellency Governor Jackson on the subject of appointing a president.

Or professor in the University, which upon Motion were ordered to be filed.

Judge Carnes from the Committee appointed to confer with the Commissioners of the several Academies throughout the State, Reported, which report was read laid on the Table.

Statement of the situation of the funds of the following Academies, to wit, Wilkes, Chatham, Burke, Warren, Richmond, Columbia Oglethorpe and Liberty were received and read. And upon Motion were referred to the Committee appointed to confer with the Commissioners if the Several Academies throughout the State, and the report of said Committee was recommitted to them for their further deliberation.

On Motion of Mr. Speaker, Resolved that the Statement of the funds of the University be laid before this board tomorrow evening,

The Board then adjourned untill tomorrow evening at half past four o'Clock.

Wednesday 26th November 1800.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment

Present His Excellency Governor Jackson,

Judge Mitchell,	Mr. Jackson,
Judge Carnes,	Mr. Early,
Mr. President Emanuel,	Mr. Clay,
Mr. Speaker Meriwether,	Mr. Jones,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Stith,
Mr. Walton,	Mr. Walker.

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The minutes of the last meeting were read & agreed to.

The Committee appointed to confer with the Commissioners of the several Academies reported, which report was read, and upon Motion

the same was taken up and read paragraph by paragraph.

A Motion was made by Mr. Walton seconded by Mr. Jones, that the blank left in the report for inserting the place where the building for a wing of the University shall be erected, be filled up with Columbia. A Motion was made by Mr. Stith seconded by Mr. Walker that it be filled up with Greene.

A Motion was made by Mr. Clay seconded by Judge Carnes that it be filled up with Franklin.

A Motion was made by Judge Mitchell seconded by Mr. Jackson, that it be filled up with Hancock.

A motion was made by Mr. Speaker, seconded by Mr. Clay, that it be filled up with Jackson.

Resolved, that the filling up the said blank be postponed till tomorrow evening.

The Treasurer laid before the board a statement of the funds of the University, Ordered, that the same do lay on the table for the inspection of the members.

A memorial was presented from the Inhabitants of Greensborough, praying a Continuation of Commons, Ordered, that the same be referred to the board of Trustees.

The further consideration of the report before the board was postponed to tomorrow evening.

The Board adjourned 'till tomorrow half past four o'Clock P.M.

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Thursday 27th November 1800

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present His Excellency Governor Jackson,

Judge Mitchell,	Mr. Jackson,
Judge Carnes,	Mr. Early,
Mr. President Emanuel,	Mr. Clay,
Mr. Speaker Meriwether,	Mr. Jones,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Stith,
Mr. Walton,	Mr. Walker.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read & agreed to.

Mr. Hamill the Secretary of this board being absent, Mr. Stith performed the Office of Secretary in his stead.

Board resumed the Consideration of the report of the Committee, and took up the resolution with the several amendments proposed thereto, for filling up the blank left in the said report, for inserting the place where the wing of a building for the University should be erected, and on the question to fill up the said lank with the word Jackson, the same was negatived.

The question was then put to fill up the same with Hancock, which was disagreed to.

The question was then put to fill up the same with Franklin, which was also disagreed to, And the question was then out to fill up the same with Greene, which was Agreed to.

On Motion of Mr. Walker seconded by Mr. Early, Resolved, that, that part of the report after words “wing of the university” to the end of the clause be stricken out, and the following inserted in stead thereof. “And that a Committee consisting of five be appointed by this board, who or a majority

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of them, are authorized to receive sealed proposals, and contract for the building a wing of the University sufficient for the accommodation of One hundred Students, of such dimensions and on such plan, as in their judgment will best promote the good of the Institution.” And on the question thereon was agreed to.

And the said report as amended was agreed to, and is as follows.

The Committee appointed by the resolution of this board, for the several purposes therein mentioned, Report,

That in pursuance of that resolution, they published a circular letter to the trustees of the Academies in the different Counties, and transmitted copies to a number of them, for the purpose of obtaining the information respecting the state of those institutions required by the said resolution.

That communications have been made directed to the President of the Senatus Academicus, by the trustees of the counties of Wilkes, Chatham, Burke, Oglethorpe, Warren, Liberty, and Colombia, from which your Committee have made an abstract, which they submit to the consideration of the board.

Your Committee recommend that a building be erected in the County of Greene, to serve as a wing to the University, and that a Committee consisting of five to be appointed by this board, who or a majority of them, are authorized to receive sealed proposals and contract for the building a wing of the University sufficient for the accommodation of One hundred students, of such dimensions, and on such plans as in their judgment will best promote the good of the institution.

That a person be appointed to instruct the Youth in the said institution, and to commence the duties thereof, as

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the presiding professor, with a Salary of One thousand five hundred dollars per Annum, as soon as he shall notify his acceptance thereof the president of this board, and for that appointment they recommend Professor Meigs of Yale College.

Your Committee find it difficult to conjecture what proportion of the salaries would be discharged by the monies advanced for tuition, but they suppose not more than one third the first year. That the committee herein before mentioned do employ a proper person to be Steward, to furnish provisions and other articles necessary for the Students, to be reimbursed by the monies to be paid by the Students at the rates to be fixed upon by the said Committee.

Your committee with deference report the following plan of education to be taught in six years, subject to the revision and alteration of the Professor to be appointed as above with the consent of the board of trustees.

In the first and second years latin and greek shall be taught, and english read occasionally at the discretion of the Tutor.

In the third year latin, greek and Kennet's Antiquities; english grammar, arithmetic, and geography; two or more of the pupils should deliver pieces committed to memory each day in rotation.

In the fourth Year, greek, latin occasionally, English grammar to be reviewed weekly. Arithmetic to be continued; Euclid's elements or some other treatise on geometry at the option of the tutor. And the students in this year should once in each week be required to write a letter or some piece of simple composition for the inspection of the tutors and pieces should be pronounced as in the last year.

In the fifth year latin and greek authors and english grammar to be occasionally reviewed; trigonometry, surveying and

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other practical branches of the Mathematics, with Algebra should be taught; composition and public speaking should be attended to as in the last year.

In the sixth year natural and moral philosophy, and the belles letters should be taught, and compositions written weekly as in the preceding Years. If either of the tutors should be acquainted with the french language, that may be taught in addition to, or instead of latin and greek as Parents and Guardians may choose.

Your committed report that the following apparatus and books be purchased for the use of the institution. To wit,

pair of globes of about twenty inches in diameter

supposed to be worth about\$130.00

Mathematical instruments including such

as are usually used in surveying.....\$170.00

School Books.

Rudiman's rudiments.....12 Copies

Cordery.....12 do.

Aesops fables.....12 do.
 Cornelius Nepos.....12 do.
 Caesar's Commentaries.....12 do. Del. Ed.
 Ovid' Metamorphoses12 do.
 Virgil..... 12 do.
 Horace..... 12 do.
 Caesar's Orations.....12 do.
 Terence.....6 do.
 Wittendal's greek grammar.....6 do.
 Greek Testament.....6 do.
 Lucian.....4 do.
 Xenophon.....4 do.
 Guthrie's Geography..... 12 do. Cary's Ed.
 Cary's Atlas.....2 do.
 Ainsworth's Dictionary. Large Edit.
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Jonhson's Dictionary.....folio.
 Young Man's best companion.....4 Copies
 Sheridan's Art of Speaking.....4 do
 Do's Pronouncing grammar.....2 do

Lowth's english grammar.....	6 do
Euclid's Elements.....	2 do
Petour's Navigation.....	2 do
Robinson's do.....	1 do
Marten's Natural Philosophy.....	2 do
Enfield's.....do.....	2 do
Blair's lectures.....	4 do
Rollin's Belles English.....	do
Hutchinson's Moral Philosophy.	
Paley's.....do.....	

Books for the use of the Students at intervals when not engaged in the Academical Studies, to wit, Rollin's Ancient History; Vertot's Rome; Ferguson's roman history; Gibbons decline & fall of the Roman Empire; Ancient and Modern Europe; Gordon's Tacitus; Livy in english; Gillies's history of Greece; Anacharses's Travels; Humes history of England with the continuations; Robinson's Works including his history of Charles the fifth, of Scotland, of America, and his India; Doctor Adam Smith's Works; Watson's history of the low Countries; History of France by ; De Ritz Memoirs; Sully's Memoirs; Voltaires Age of Loius the 14th and 15th in english; Do. Charles the 12th do.; Abbe Raynal's history of the east and west Indies in english; Ferguson's history of Civil society; Montesquieu's spirit of Laws; Vattel's Law of Nations; Blackstone's Commentaries; De Lolme on the Constitution of England; Civil Law; Pope's, Swift's, Addison's, Temple's, and Locke's Works; Bollingbroke's politicals works; Moore's travels; Blair's, Atterbury's, Seed's, Dodderidge's, Jorbin's and Witherspoon's sermons; Tiltotson's

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works entire; Newton on the Prophecies; Letters of John Newton; Scougal's life of God in the Soul of Man; Dignity of Human Nature; Paley's evidences; Burnett's discourses; Milton's

paradise lost and regained; pope's Iliad and Odyssey; Young's Night thoughts; Gay's, Parnell's and Grey's poems; Dryden's works; including his Virgil; Quintilian in English; Longinus on the Sublime, in english; Demosthenes's Orations in english, and the American edition of the Encyclopedia;

Your Committee gave notice in one of the public newspapers of Savannah, one of Augusta, and one of Louisville, that they would receive lists of subscriptions for Money, to be advanced in aid of the establishment of this institution.

The following abstract of the State of the Academies of the Counties mentioned in the report, was presented by the Committee as a part of their report

Wilkes. 513 acres of land in Colombia estimated at the value of \$500. 132 acres in Wilkes contiguous to the Academy; 811 dollars 31 $\frac{3}{4}$ Cents due by different persons; 350 dollars subscribed to be paid annually for ten years; one brick house for the Academy 60 feet long and 40 feet wide, two stories high, valued at 5202 Dollars; one Rector with a salary of five hundred dollars, and two teachers with \$480 and 96 students.

Chatham. A Donation from the State of 5,000 Acres of land in Chatham County if so much vacant land can be found therein, from which nothing has as yet been derived; 50 acres in the same

County, the titles whereof is disputed, value not known; two tracts in Effingham for which no price can be obtained; two lots in Savannah sold for 1880 dollars, but nothing paid; One tract in Chatham not known; 8 lots rented out in Savannah; 275 pounds 15 shillings due by Mess.rs Waldburgher's which is sued for.

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Liberty. 500 Acres of land in Glynn, bought for £112; 10; 0; and twelve hundred, eighty five dollars 73cts due on two bonds.

Richmond. 2 Lots in the City of Augusta, value not known, on which are two houses two stories high; other lots in the City and common value not stated, on one of them has been begun, a large brick building for the Academy; A Sum of Money due on bonds, notes and open accounts but the Amount not stated.

Colombia. 150 Acres of land in Colombia, estimated at 1050 dollars, on which stands the Academy, a brick house, two stories high, 44 feet long and 26 wide valued at 3000 dollars; 200 acres in the same County, value 600 dollars; 440 acres

land in Bryan County value 4400 dollars; the sum of four hundred dollars in subscriptions; One Rector and two teachers, no salary mentioned; 68 pupils; rates of tuition p annum, are 20 dollars for the Classical branches, and ten dollars for english, writing &c.

Warren. 800 acres land in Jefferson County bought for 1800 dollars, and the sum of 2485 dollars & 71Cts due from the State, being a balance of a donation of One thousand pounds.

Burke. 400 acres of land in Camden County bought for the sum of 640 pounds; 2 lots in Waynesborough, on which is situated a two story wooden building used for an Academy, thirty feet long & 18 wide; 3896 dollars 71 Cents due on bonds with interest, and the Sum of 360 pounds due from the State, being the balance of a donation of One thousand pounds.

Oglethorpe. 500 acres land in Colombia County bought for £562.10; and 500 acres of land in Camden County, bought for the Sum of £150, together with the Sum of \$568 dollars 15 ½ Cents due by the Trustees of Camden County.

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The board proceeded to ballot for the Committee of five, required by the foregoing report, and on the ballots being taken and Counted, it appeared, that Mr. Speaker Meriwether, Mr. Jones. Mr. Smith, Mr. Early and Mr. Clay were duly elected that Committee.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Walker, Resolved, That the President be authorised and requested to inform Professor Meigs, of his appointment, of the salary provided for his support; and the wishes of this Board, that he should commence the duties of this appointment as early as possible.

On Motion, a committee was appointed consisting of Judge Mitchell, Judge Carnes and Mr. Stith to revise and correct the minutes of the present session. The Board then adjourned to meet at the seat of the Government on the fourth Wednesday in November Anno.

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Jas. Jackson

Examined 28th Nov. 1800

Governor & President

(signed) D.B. Mitchell

Thos. P. Carnes

W. Stith

Attest. J. Hamill Secy. of the University

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Pursuant to a Proclamation by his Honor David Emmanuel President of the Senate, and Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy of this State, and of the Militia thereof, requiring the Board of Visitors and Board of Trustees of the University of this State to meet at Loiusville on Monday the 15th of June 1801, to form the Senatus Academicus.

The following members met at the State House in Louisville on Tuesday the 16th of June 1801.

His Honor David Emmanuel President of the Senate &c

Judge Carnes	Mr. Baldwin Prest. Bo. Trustees
Judge Walton	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Speaker Meriwether	Mr. Jackson
Columbia Mr. McNeil	Mr. Twiggs
Elbert Mr. Barnett	Mr. Clarke
Green Mr. Sankey	Mr. Cunningham
Hancock Mr. Lamar	Mr. Milledge
Jackson Mr. Bankston	
Jefferson Mr. Wood	
Lincoln Mr. Murray	
MacIntosh Mr. Harris	
Oglethorpe Mr. Bailey	

Washington Mr. Irwin

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

Mr. Baldwin informed this Board, that the situation of the funds of the University now admitting of paying a Person as President, whose duty it should be more particularly to superintend the literature of the State, he therefore begged leave to resign the appointment of President of the University, and he resigned accordingly.

Mr. Baldwin informed this Board, that the

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Board of Trustees had examined into the abilities and character of Mr. Josiah Miegs, and nominated him to be appointed President of the University.

The Board then proceeded to the choice of a President of the University

And upon counting of the votes it appeared, that Mr. Josiah Miegs was unanimously elected.

Resolved, that Mess.rs McNeil and Milledge inform Mr. Meigs of his appointment

AN ORDINANCE prescribing the Oath to be taken by the President of the University of the State of Georgia.

Be it Ordained, by the Senatus Academicus, that the President of the University of Georgia, before he enters on the duties of his Office take and subscribe the following Oath, that is to say, “I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Georgia, and that I will discharge the duties of the President of the University, to the best of my abilities. And agreeably to Law.

16th June 1801

Attest. J. Hamill, Secy. of the University

David Emanuel

President of the Senate

Commander in Chief &c,

and
and

President of the Senatus Academicus.

Resolved, that a Committee be appointed to draw up a Code of Laws for the government of the University, and report the same to the next meeting of this Board. And that Mr. President, Meigs, Judge Walton and Judge Carnes be that Committee.

On Motion made and seconded, Resolved, that this Board do reconsider the Resolution of the last meeting

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on the 27th of November, so far as respects the fixing the seats of the University.

Mr. Meigs President of the University attended, and having taken and subscribed the Oath of the President, took his seat as a member of the Senatus Academicus.

Resolved, that the members of this board when voting for the County in which to fix the permanent site of the University shall vote by ballot; and a majority of the votes if the Members of the Senatus Academicus present shall be necessary to a Choice of such County.

Resolved, that Mess.rs Jackson, Milledge and Baldwin be a committee to report such additional Rules for the government of this Board as they may think proper.

The Board then adjourned until tomorrow Morning Nine o'Clock.

State House, Louisville Wednesday 17th June 1801.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present, His Honor David Emanuel, Prest. Of the Senate &c

Judge Walton

Mr. President Meigs

Judge Carnes

Mess.rs Baldwin

Mr. Speaker Meriwether

Lawson

Colombia. Mr. McNeil

Jackson

Elbert. Mr. Barnett

Twiggs

Greene. Mr. Sankey

Clarke

Hancock. Mr. Lamar

Cunningham

Jackson. Mr. Bankston

Milledge

Jefferson. Mr. Wood

Stewart.

Lincoln. Mr. Murray

MacIntosh. Mr. Harris

Oglethorpe. Mr. Bailey

Washington. Mr. Irwin

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Judge Walton delivered in a Report of the Academy of Richmond County, which was read & ordered to be filed.

The Treasurer delivered in a Statement of the funds of the University, which was read and ordered to lay on the table for the inspection of the members.

It being represented to this Board, that divers suits were depending between the Trustees of the University and Individuals; which the Judges present had doubts of being carried into effect in their present form; It is the Opinion of this Board that the same be discontinued; and that it be recommended to the Board of Trustees to cause such further proceedings to be had, in the premises, as they may see fit.

Resolved, that this Board do now proceed to select by ballot, a County for the permanent site of the University. (Mr. Meigs beg'd leave to decline voting which was granted.)

And upon casting up the ballots it appeared that Jackson had seven votes; Franklin three; Hancock Seven; Greene three; and Oglethorpe two.

There not being a majority, the Board proceeded to ballot again, when it appeared Jackson had Seven votes; Franklin three; Hancock Nine and Oglethorpe three.

There not being a Majority, the Board proceeded to ballot again, when it appeared that Jackson had ten; Hancock Ten and Oglethorpe two.

There not being a majority the Board proceed to ballot again, when it appeared that Jackson had Nine; Hancock ten; and Oglethorpe three.

There not being a majority the Board proceeded to ballot again, when it appeared that Jackson had Ten; Hancock had eight and Oglethorpe had four.

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There not being a majority the Board proceeded to ballot again, when it appeared that Jackson had Eleven; Hancock Nine and Oglethorpe two.

There not being a majority the Board proceeded to ballot again, when it appeared that Jackson had twelve, and Hancock Ten votes.

Whereupon the President declared Jackson to be the County selected for the site of the University.

On Motion of Mr. Baldwin, seconded by Judge Walton, Ordered, that the resolution of the Senatus Academicus of the 27th of November last, for the appointment of a Committee of five, and for the contracting for the building a wing of the University, to be committee to Mr. Baldwin, Judge Walton and Mr. Jackson.

Resolved, that the President of the University be requested to visit the different Academies in the State, as soon as he can do it conveniently; and to admit as Members of the University such Youths as, on examination, shall appear to be qualified, directing the course of their studies under the Rectors of the respective Academies, untill proper buildings shall be erected for their accommodation at the seat of the University.

Resolved, that the President of the University be authorized to offer a reward of One Hundred dollars to any person or persons who shall give information and prosecute to conviction in any Court of the United States, or the Individual States, the person or persons who was or were concerned in the breaking open a letter from the Treasurer of the University dated the 2d of February the last, addressed to the Honorable Abraham Baldwin at the city of Washington, and taking therefrom a Post Note of the Bank of the United States for One thousand dollars.

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Judge Walton from the Committee to whom was referred the resolution of the 27th of November last, for the appointment of a Committee of five, and for contracting for the building of a wing of the University, reported as follows, to wit,

Your Committee Report, That the said Resolution be revised, in conformity to the choice of the County of Jackson made this day, for the seat of the University, in the words following.

Resolved, that a committee of five be appointed by this Board, by ballot; a majority of the members present to be necessary to make such appointment.

That the said Committee, or a majority of them, be directed and empowered, to examine the different sites in the County of Jackson, suitable for the seat of the University, and to select and appoint one the most proper for that purpose.

That the said Committee shall not be confined to the lands belonging to the Trust, and in case such selection should be made upon lands belonging to an Individual, they or a majority of them, be authorized to purchase, or to receive by the way of donation so much land as they may conceive necessary for the purposes contemplated.

Resolved also, that a Building be erected at and upon such site, so to be selected and appointed, and to be sufficient to accommodate One hundred Scholars; and that the said Committee be authorized to receive sealed proposals, and to contract for building the same, upon such plan, and of such dimensions, as in their judgment will best promote the good of the institution; and that the said Committee be also instructed to consult and advise with the President of the University in the premises.

Which report was read, amended and agreed to. Resolved, that this board do now proceed to ballot for the

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above-mentioned Committee.

And Upon casting up the votes it appeared that Mess.rs Baldwin, Milledge, Twiggs & Lawson and Judge Walton were appointed that Committee.

Resolved, that the several Counties who have made proposals in aid of the University, be permitted to withdraw the same.

Resolved, that this Boars do now adjourn untill the first Wednesday in November next.

And the same was adjourned accordingly.

Attest

J. Hamill Secy.
Of the University

David Emanuel
President

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State House, Louisville, Thursday 12th November 1801

At a meeting of the Senatus Academicus of the University of the State of Georgia

Present His Excellency the Governor,

Judge Carnes,

The President of the Senate,

The Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Senators

Mess^{rs} Jesse McCall

Easley,

Ch^s McCall

Wood,

Emanuel

Murray,

Hutchinson,

Jones,

King,

Bell,

Burnett,

Skinner,

Porter,

Statler,

Watts.

President Miegs

Mess.^{rs} Lawson, Twiggs, Clarke, O Neal, Stewart, McNeil, Walton and Mitchell.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

Mr. Walton from the Committee appointed to fix upon the site of the University, and for other purposes, reported, and delivered in a journal of their proceedings with the several documents therein referred to, which were read and ordered to be filed; he also delivered in conveyances from the Hon^{ble} John Milledge for six hundred and thirty three acres of land in Jackson County by the way of donation of the same, conditioned that the said tract of land should be accepted and approved as the site of the University – And also that the Committee had entered into divers contracts for erecting the said Building. Whereupon, Resolved, that the choice of

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the Committee so made be accepted and approved, and the several contracts so made confirmed.

Resolved, that the thanks of the Senatus Academicus be presented by the President thereof to the honorable John Milledge for his donation.

Mr. President Meigs from the Committee appointed to draw up a code of laws for the University begged further time to report which was granted.

Resolved, that the Treasurer of the University, be directed to lay a statement of the funds thereof before the Senatus Academicus tomorrow.

Judge Carnes from the Committee appointed to confer with the Commissioners of the several Academies, delivered a communication from the Commissioners of Camden County, which was read and ordered to be filed.

The Senatus Academicus then adjourned until tomorrow evening three o'Clock.

Friday 13th November 1801.

Following members met pursuant to adjournment

His Excellency the Governor

The President of the Senate

The Speaker of the House of Representatives

Mess.rs Jesse McCall

Ch ^s McCall	Easley
Emanuel	Wood
Hutchinson	Murray
King	Jones
Burnett	Bell
Porter	Skinner
Mitchell	Statler
	Watts

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President Meigs

Mess.rs Lawson,	Stewart,
Twiggs,	McNeil
Clarke,	Walton,
O Neal	Mitchell

The minutes of yesterday were read and confirmed.

Mr. President Meigs from the Committee appointed to draw up a code of laws for the University, egged further time to report, which was granted.

In conformity to the resolution of yesterday, the Treasurer delivered in a statement of the funds of the University, which was read and ordered to lie on the table for the inspection of the members.

On motion, Resolved unanimously, that the President of the University be authorized to make an application to the present Legislature, in the name and on the behalf of the Senatus Academicus for the loan of five thousand dollars.

On motion, Resolved, that when the Senatus Academicus adjourn, it shall be untill Wednesday after the first Monday in November next.

On Motion, Resolved, that the Senatus Academicus do now adjourn. And the same was adjourned accordingly.

Attest J. Hamill Secy.

of the University

Josiah Tatnall Jun^r

President of the Senatus Academicus.

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State House Louisville 12th November 1803

At a meeting of the Senatus Academicus of the University pursuant to notice.

Present, His Excellency Governor Milledge

Judge Griffin

The President of the Senate

The Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Mess^{rs} McCall,

Dickson,

Jones,

Hammond,

Harden,

Stewart,

Easley,

Walton,

London,

Spalding,

Terrill,

McGriff,

Burnett,

Barnett of Oglethorpe,

Park,

Skinner,

Mitchell,

Swilley,

Irwin,

Mr. President Meigs,

Mr. Twiggs,

Mr. Mounger,

Mr. Clarke,

Mr. Hull,

Mr. O Neal,

Mr. Carnes,

Mr. McNeil,

Read the rules for the government of the Senatus Academicus, and the Minutes of the last meeting.

Mr. President Meigs made a communication respecting the state of the Collegiate building at Athens &c.

On Motion of Mr. Spalding, Resolved, that Mr. President

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Meigs's communication be referred to a committee to be nominated by the President; who thereupon appointed Mess.rs Spalding, Carnes, Clarke, Mounger, Griffin, Irwin, and Park to report to thereon.

Mr. President Meigs from the Committee appointed to draw up a code of laws for the University reported, which report was read.

On Motion of Mr. Spalding, Resolved, That the same be taken up section by section, and the same being taken up section by section, amended, and the several blanks therein filled up, unanimously agreed to.

On Motion of Mr. Spalding, Resolved, That the code of Laws reported by the committee for the government of the Collegiate family be fairly engrossed, signed by the President of this Board, and attested by the Secretary, and that they remain in full force untill altered, amended or repealed at any future meeting of this Board.

The Board then adjourned untill 12 o'Clock on Monday next.

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LAWS OF THE COLLEGE OF GEORGIA

Chapter. I.

I. The government of the College at Athens shall be vested in the President, Professor and Tutors, legally elected, qualified, and introduced into office.

II. The President shall have power to direct in all matters relating to the College; - to govern the undergraduate Students, and the resident Graduates, and to punish all Crimes and offenses committed by them against the laws of the College; unless in cases, in which the concurrence of the Professors and Tutors is made necessary by law.

III. The Professors and Tutors, severally, shall have power to govern the undergraduate Students, and to punish them for any crime, where the penalty by law does not exceed fifty cents.

IV. Every judgment of expulsion, dismissal for fault and rustication for any term longer than nine months, shall be by the President, Professors and Tutors, and the same shall be in writing, and published in such manner as the President shall direct.

V. Any Student charged with a crime punishable by expulsion, dismissal, or rustication, shall, at least three days before his trial be furnished with a copy in writing of the charge or charges against him. And copies of all judgments of expulsion, dismissal, or rustication, on application to the President, shall be given to all persons concerned. And if any Student shall apprehend himself aggrieved by any such judgment he shall have liberty, at any time within thirty five days after the same shall have been given, of applying to the President by petition in writing,

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and on such petition the President shall, within a convenient time, order a new trial to be had, and provided, on such new trial, the former judgment shall be confirmed, such student still apprehending himself aggrieved, or, in case he shall be a minor, his parent, or Guardian, shall have the liberty of bringing a petition to the board of Trustees for relief; which petition he shall lodge with the President, within thirty days after the said new trial: and the President shall lay the said petition before the board of Trustees at their next meeting.

VI. Annually at the Public Commencement shall be appointed a committee (which shall consist of not less than three Members of the Board of Trustees) to be called the Prudential Committee; which shall be authorized and required, to order such repairs of the College and other College

buildings and appurtenances, as they shall judge necessary – to Audit the accounts of the Treasurer and the Steward – to make annual Statement and report of the expenditures of the College, and state of the Treasury, and of the revenue and funds of the College – to examine and adjust all accounts which any person or persons may have with the College, and shall lay before them; and where balances shall be found due to nay such person or persons, to give orders on the Treasurer for the payment of them, to institute or cause to be instituted in the name of the Board of Trustees suits for the recovery and preservation of the College property and interest, whenever it shall be necessary – and to do and manage all other matter and things, whereunto they are or shall be further authorized or required, by law, or by any special resolve of the Board of Trustees.

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VII. In case of the deaths of the President, it shall be the duty of the Prudential Committee to meet immediately at the College; and to make such regulations, and give such orders and directions as they shall judge necessary; which the Professors, Tutors, and Students, shall, observe untill there shall be a meeting of the Senatus Academicus,

which meeting the Committee shall call, as soon as may be convenient.

Chapter II.

Of admission into the college; of the distribution of Classes ; of Resident Graduates; and of other manners of the Students.

I. Candidates for admission into the College shall be examine by the Professors, or Tutors; and no one shall be admitted, unless he shall be found able to read, translate and parse Cicero, Virgil, and Greek Testament, and to write true latin in prose; and shall also have learned the rules of vulgar arithmetic; and shall produce satisfactory evidence of a blameless life and conversation: nor untill some sufficient person shall have given to the President and Board of Trustees a bond for the payment of his quarter-bills to be approved by the Prudential Committee, from time to time, so long as he shall continue a member of the College.

II. Every candidate, at his admission, shall receive a Copy of the Laws of the College, which being signed by the President, shall be the evidence of his admission; and being admitted he shall be obliged to pay all College-dues (except for victualling)

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when he shall be absent as well as present, so long as he shall continue, a member of the College.

III. Every Candidate for admission to an advanced standing shall be examined by the President and one or more of the Professors, or Tutors, or, under the direction of the President, by two or more of the Professors and Tutors: And no such Candidate shall be admitted to, such standing in the College, unless he shall be found fully qualified in all branches of learning proper for the same; nor until he shall have first paid to the Treasurer, a sum equal to the whole of the Tuition-money, which shall have been paid by others of the Class, into which he is admitted. And when any Scholar after a dismissal from the College, shall be readmitted, he shall first pay to the Treasurer, a sum equal to the whole of the tuition-money, which he should have paid had he not been dismissed. Any scholar, however, who comes recommended from any other college may be admitted, without any pecuniary consideration, to the standing for which he shall be found qualified on an examination, as before directed for the admission of candidates to an advanced standing.

IV. Masters and Bachelors of Arts, who shall signify to the President their purpose of residing at the College or in Athens with a view of pursuing literature, under his directions, and under the government of the College, and give a sufficient bond to the Board of Trustees for the payment of their quarter bills, shall be considered as resident Graduates and Students of the College.

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V. Every Student, whether a Graduate or Undergraduate, shall be subject to the laws and government of the College and show in speech and behaviour, all proper respect and obedience to the President, Professors and Tutors of the College.

VI. The undergraduate Students shall be divided into four distinct classes, the first Year they shall be called Freshmen; the Second Sophomores; the third Junior-Sophisters; and the fourth Senior-Sophisters: And in order to preserve a due subordination among the Students, the Classes shall give and receive, in the course of their Collegiate-life those tokens of respect which tend to the preservation of due subordination.

VII. It shall be the duty of the Senior-Class to inspect the manners of the lower Classes especially of the Freshman-Class; and to instruct them in the Customs of the College; and in that graceful and decent behaviour toward Superiors, which politeness and a just and reasonable subordination require.

Chapter III

Of the Religious worship and Order of the College: and of Monitors.

I. It shall be the duty of the President, Professors, and Tutors, diligently to inspect and watch over the manners and behaviour of the Students, and in all proper methods both by example and precept, to recommend to them a virtuous and blameless life, and a diligent attention to the publick & private duties of religion.

II. The President, or, in his absence, one of the Professors, or one of the Tutors, shall pray, every morning and evening in the

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Chapel, and read a Chapter, or some suitable portion of scripture. And every undergraduate shall be obliged to attend, upon the penalty of six & a quarter Cents for every instance of absence, and of three Cents for being tardy, or egressing, without sufficient reason.

III. Monitors shall be appointed by the President, who shall be furnished with bills, in which they shall note down those, who are absent from, come late to, or egress from, prayer or other public exercises, on which the Students are by Law obliged to attend; which bills they shall deliver to the President, a Professor, or a Tutor, whenever they shall be required.

Chapter IV.

Of the Course of Academic Literature and Instruction in the College.

I. The President, Professors and Tutors shall instruct the undergraduate students in the learned languages, the liberal arts and sciences, and the whole course of academic Literature.

II. The Senior Class shall be under the especial instruction of the President: Each Tutor shall take the care of, and instruct the particular class committed to his charge by the President. The Professors shall deliver public, and private lectures and give instruction to the classes and Students, in the several branches of science which they severally profess, under the direction of the President.

III. The established course of study in the College shall be as follows, viz.

The first of Freshman class shall study Virgil, Cicero's Oratore, Greek Testament, arithmetic, Book keeping and keeping and practice

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Elocution. The second class shall read Homer, Homer's Iliad, Algebra, Geometry, Mensuration of superficies and solids, the ascertaining of heights and distances, Conic sections, Plane and Spherical Trigonometry. Navigation, surveying, Geography, Composition, English Grammar, and practice Public Speaking. The third Class shall study Astronomy; determinations of Geographic Longitudes and Latitudes by Observations of Eclipses, and Lunar Observation, and use of Celestial Globe, Natural & experimental Philosophy. Chemistry. Botany. Cicero de Oratore, Logic. Priestly's lectures on History. Forensic Disputation. Composition and public speaking. The fourth Class shall study, Rhetoric, Laws of Nature and Nations, the Constitution of the United States, & the Constitutions of the individual States. Moral Philosophy Forensic disputation and Composition.

IV. If any Student shall appear on examination deficient in those branches of knowledge, which, according to the regular course of

literature in the College, he hath been pursuing, it shall be the duty of the President or his Tutor, to admonish him of such deficiency that he may be incited to apply with greater diligence to study: and if, notwithstanding, at the next succeeding public examination holden after an interval of at least six months, he shall appear so deficient as to be unfit for his standing, and unable with profit and reputation to pursue his studies with his Class, he shall be degraded by the President, Professors and Tutors, to the next lower class, or dismissed from the college.

V. If any Scholar shall frequently neglect the public exercises, or if he shall spend the hours of study in idleness and manifest a prevailing inclination to a dissolute behaviour; or if he entice others from their studies and draw on them into bad practices,

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he shall be dismissed from the College.

VI. On the Wednesday before the twentieth of March annually, the Senior Sophisters shall be examined, under the direction of the President, by the Professor, Tutors and other Gentlemen of liberal education, who may be present, as to their knowledge and proficiency in the learned languages, and the liberal Arts & Sciences; and being found well skilled in them, and the whole course of Academic Literature, shall be advanced to the standing of Candidates for the degree of Bachelors of Arts; and having made all necessary preparation for commencement, the President may give them leave of absence from the College, until the Saturday before the Commencement.

Chapter V.

Of Vacations, and of Absence from the College.

I. There shall be two vacations annually. The first, six weeks immediately after the commencement: the Second, Six weeks from and after the first Wednesday in December.

II. The President shall appoint some suitable person, who, during the Vacation shall take care of and prevent damages from being done to the College, or to any of the appurtenances belonging to it. And such person shall have a reasonable compensation made by him by the Board of Trustees.

III. No undergraduate shall reside in the College during any of the Vacations, without the knowledge and permission of the President.

IV. Immediately upon the expiration of every vacation,

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the undergraduate Students shall assemble at the College; and if any such Student shall not return to the College at the end of a vacation, or of the time of absence allowed him by the President, Professor, or a Tutor, and shall send no sufficient excuse, he shall be fined twenty-five Cents for every days absence; and if he shall not return to the College nor send a sufficient reason before the end of the quarter, and the fine shall be charged in the quarter-Bill, it shall not be taken off upon excuse, unless it shall mount to more than fifteen dollars.

Chapter VI.

Of the Location of the Students.

I. The President shall have authority to locate the Students in the Chambers and Studies of the College; and if any Student shall refuse to dwell in the Chamber assigned to him by the President, he shall be dismissed from the College; and if any Student shall remove from his own into any other Chamber, or make up his bed for lodging in any other Chamber than his own, he may be fined, or punished in

some other way was the circumstances of the case may require.

II. If the College chambers shall not be sufficient to receive all the Students, the President and a Majority of the Prudential Committee shall give liberty to so many as necessity shall require, to reside among the Inhabitants of Athens of a good moral character: In which case a

preference shall be requested by them, their Parents, or Guardians, that they may reside in the families to which they belong.

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III. All Scholars, living out of the College, and in Athens, shall be subject to the same laws and rules, in their chambers, as those, who reside in the College.

Chapter VII.

Of college Damages, and Assessment of them.

I. When any damage shall be found done to any chamber or any study in the College, the person or the persons to whom such chamber or study is assigned and belongs, shall make good the same, unless such damage shall have happened, while they were absent, in vacation. And when any damage is done to any chamber or study, in vacation, or to any other parts of the College, or the appurtenances thereof, at any time the same shall be assessed upon all the Undergraduate Students, and charged in their quarter-Bills: Provided always, if the person or persons, who were principals or accessories in doing any such damages, shall be discovered, he or they shall make full satisfaction for the same, and if they shall have done intentionally by a scholar or scholars, they shall each be liable to a fine not exceeding five dollars, and to any other College punishment which the circumstances of the offence shall require.

II. The President shall estimate all damages of broken glass, at the end of every quarter, and the same assess upon the Students, according to law, and charge in their quarter-Bills.

Chapter VIII.

Of the crimes and Misdemeanors

I. If any Scholar shall be guilty of blasphemy, robbery,

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fornication, theft, forgery, or any other crime, for which an infamous punishment may be inflicted by the laws of the State, he shall be expelled.

II. If any Scholar shall give or accept a challenge to a duel, he shall immediately be expelled.

III. If any Scholar shall assault, strike or wound, the President, a Professor or a Tutor--or shall designedly break their doors or windows, he shall be expelled.

IV. If any Scholar shall be guilty of prophaneness--of fighting, or quarreling--if he shall go more than two Miles from Athens without leave from the President, a Professor or a Tutor,- if he shall disturb other by noisiness, loud talking or singing during the time of study,- if he shall ring the Bell without order of permission--if he shall play at billiards, cards or any unlawful game--if he shall associate with vile, idle or dissolute persons, or shall admit them into his chamber, -if he shall instigate or advise any student to a refractory or stubborn behaviour--he shall for either of these Offenses be punished by fine, admonition, or rustication, as the nature of the circumstances of the case may require.

V. Whereas the laws of the College are few and general, and cases may occur, which are not expressly provided by law; in all such case the President, Professors and Tutors shall proceed accordingly to their best discretion, and may punish a Scholar by inflicting a fine or any other College censure, according to the nature and circumstances of his crime.

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Chapter IX.

Of the Library; of the Museum; of the Philosophical chamber and Apparatus.

I. No person, except the President, the Members of the Senatus Academicus, Professors, Tutors, Secretary, resident Graduates, and Senior and Junior Sophisters shall have the liberty of taking books out of the Library, but by permission from the President: Provided, that no student shall take more than three Books, out of the Library at one time.

II. The Librarian shall enter down in a bill, the title and size of every book borrowed out of the Library, the name of the person, who borrowed it, and the time when it was borrowed and returned; for which a reasonable compensation shall be paid by the Students.

III. The Philosophical chamber, the Apparatus Room, and Apparatus shall be under the care of the President, and the Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy, who shall be the keeper of the Museum.

Chapter X.

Of Commons.

I. The Steward appointed by the Board of Trustees, shall when required by the President provide in the College-Hall, victuals, after the manner of living in common Families, for all the Professors and Tutors, Graduates and Undergraduates, who reside in the College; and shall at all times cause the tables to be decently spread, and attended, at such a price as shall be fixed by the President and Board of Trustees. And if any Student residing in the College refuses to be in common he shall be dismissed from the College.

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Chapter XI.

Of College Dues, and Quarter-Bills.

I. The College Year shall begin at the Commencement evening. The first quarter shall end on the first Wednesday in August; The second on the first Wednesday in November; The third on the first Wednesday in February. And the fourth at the Commencement which shall be on the first Wednesday in May annually. The President may vary the ending of the three first quarters for a few days sooner or later at his discretion.

II. Towards the end of each quarter, the President shall cause to be written out a bill, with a duplicate thereof, containing the following sums, which shall be paid quarterly by each student into the College Treasury, viz^t, for Tuition six dollars; for a chamber in the College one dollar; and for ordinary repairs and other contingent charges fifty cents; for sweeping, living out of college twelve & an half cents; and for sweeping and making beds, living in College fifty cents.

III. The President having approved and signed the said bills, shall deliver one of them to the Treasurer of the College, and keep the other himself; and thereon take a writing signed by the Treasurer acknowledging his receipt of the other bill, and that he will be accountable to the President and Board of Trustees for the whole sum

therein contained. And the Treasurer shall collect the same of the Students, and shall hold it subject to the order of the Board of Trustees.

IV. Toward the end of each quarter the Steward shall write a bill of the several sums, payable to him for commons at the price stated by the President and the Board of Trustees, with

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a duplicate thereof, both which bills he shall present to the President; and the President having approved and signed them, shall deliver one of them to the Steward, and keep the other himself, and thereon take a writing signed by the Steward, acknowledging the receipt of the other bill, which he shall be authorized to collect of the Students, and apply to his own use, and if he shall not be able to collect the sums of money due on said bills, without a suit, he shall have a right to use the bond given to the Treasurer and Board of Trustees, at admission: provided he shall give sufficient security of the Treasurer to indemnify them .

V. The several sums, charged in the quarter-Bills shall be considered as due, and payable as soon as the bills are made up according to law; and the Treasurer shall be authorised to demand the same, immediately on the bills being delivered to him for collection, with lawful interest for all the time afterwards, during which they shall remain unpaid. And whenever bonds are entered for a student by nay person or persons, not resident in this State, it shall be the duty of the Treasurer, in case any quarter-bill of such Student shall remain unpaid for the term of three Months after it shall become due, to notify the President thereof; and it shall thereupon be the duty of the President to require other bonds for such Student from some person or persons resident in this State; and on a noncompliance with such requisition, (sic) such statement shall be dismissed,

VI. In case of the absence, sickness or any other incapacity of the President; and also in case the President's Office shall be vacant, the Professors and Senior Tutor at the College shall

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be authorised and required to do every thing relating to the quarter-bills of the Treasurer, and Steward, which by law the President is authorised and required to do.

Chapter XII.

Of Commencement and Academical Degrees.

I. No Scholar may expect the honor of the first degree, who hath not attended and performed the course of academical exercises, as appointed by law, for the space of four years; except such as have been regularly admitted to an advanced standing, nor unless he shall also have produced on the day before the Commencement, certificates from the Treasurer, Steward and Librarian that he has paid to them their respective dues.

II. No candidate for the second degree may expect the honor of the same, unless he shall have preserved a good moral character, and previously to the commencement shall have signified to the President, his desire of the same.

III. All candidates for either degree shall personally present, unless, in any instance, the President and the Board of Trustees shall judge it proper to confer the honor of a degree upon an absent Candidate.

IV. All academical honours shall be given by the President with the consent of the Board of Trustees, and the Candidates for the first or a second degree, shall each for the same, pay to the President four

dollars.

V. The Candidates for either degree, shall perform the public exercises which shall have been previously appointed for them by the President: and no public exhibition shall be made

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without such appointment, nor without having been previously approved by the President. The President shall begin and close the business and public entertainments of the day with prayer.

VI. There shall be no parade, illumination or fireworks at the time of Commencement, but by the permission and under the direction of the President.

VII. No scholar shall attend the instructions of any person who may undertake to teach any language, art, or science, in Athens, unless such person shall (have) liberty of teaching granted him by the President or Board of Trustees, and if any Undergraduate shall transgress this law, he shall be punished by fine or otherwise, according to the circumstances of the case.

VIII. That the students may, as far as possible, be saved from the disgrace of public and known punishment, it is declared to be the duty of the President, Professors, and Tutors carefully and critically to watch over and inspect the conduct and manners of the Students at all times, and when necessary to admonish them in a private manner.

IX. The foregoing laws shall be subject to such alterations and amendments as may at any time be found necessary.

X. These laws shall be printed and each Student furnished with a copy thereof, nor shall any student be subject to the penalties, punishments or censures herein contained, until at least ten days after he shall have been furnished with a copy as above-mentioned.

Made, enacted, and Ordained at Louisville, the Twelfth day of November, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand eight hundred

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and three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Twenty eighth.

Jn^o Milledge Governor,

(SEAL)

and President of the Senatus Acadmemicus

Attest J. Hamill Secy.

of the University.

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Jn^o Milledge Governor,

(SEAL)

and President of the Senatus Acadmemicus

Attest J. Hamill Secy.

of the University.

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State House, Louisville, Monday 14th Nov. 1803

The Board met pursuant to adjournment,

Present, His Excellency Governor Milledge

Judge Griffin,

The President of the Senate,

The Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Mess^{rs} McCall. Mitchell, McGriff,

Easly, Dickson, Barnett, Oglethorpe

London, Hammond, Skinner,

Terrill, Stewart, Swilly,

Park, Walton, Statler,

Spalding, Irwin,

President Meigs

Mess^{rs} Clarke, Mounger,

O Neal, Hull,

McNeil, Carnes.

Milledge,

Read the Minutes of the last meeting.

Mr. Spalding from the Committee to whom the communication of President Meigs was referred, reported, which report was taken up and read paragraph by paragraph, and is as follows, to wit,

“The Committee appointed to take into consideration the communication of President Meigs, beg leave to report,”

“That they have with attention considered the several important objects therein contained, and thereupon recommend the following resolutions,”

“Resolved, That an application be made in behalf of this Board, to the Present Legislature, for authority to sell

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and dispose of one of the five thousand acre Tracts belonging to the trust, or so much thereof, as will produce the amount of Six Thousand dollars, or to make a loan of that sum to the Trustees, such sum being absolutely and immediately necessary to complete the building of the University.

“Resolved, as the opinion of this Board, that leave ought to be obtained from the Legislature, to sell and dispose of in fee simple, all the lots in the Town of Athens already laid out, together with such other part of the land appurtenant as the Trustees may think proper to dispose of, except the thirty seven acres reserved for the College Yard.

“Resolved, That the President of the University be requested to direct all necessary information to be ready to be given to the Legislature, by the officers of the University.”

And on motion the same was unanimously agreed to.

On motion resolved, That this Board do now adjourn untill the Monday after the next meeting of the Legislature.

And the same was adjourned accordingly

Jh^o Milledge Governor

Attest

and President of the Senatus Academicus

J. Hamill Secy.

of the University.

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At a meeting of the Senatus Academicus of the State-House in Louisville on Tuesday the 13th of November 1804.

Present, His Excellency Governor Milledge

President of the Senate, Jared Irwin,

Speaker of the House of Rep^{tives} Ab^m Jackson,

Senators.

Mess ^{rs} McCall,	Mackintosh,	Nephew,
Jones,	Park,	McGriff,
Seagrove,	Mitchell,	Skinner,
Runnels,	Hampton,	Harden,
Foster,	Hammond,	Allen,
London,	Stewart,	Statler,
Jones,	Walton,	Moore,

Trustees.

Mr. President Meigs,

Mess ^{rs} Twiggs,	Mounger,
O Neal,	Hull,
Mitchell,	Carnes.
Marshall,	

Read the Minutes of the last meeting.

Mr. President Meigs made a communication respecting the College at Athens &c.
Ordered that the same be filed.

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Holt their Clerk,
Ordered that the same do lie on the Table.

The Treasurer laid before the Board a statement of the funds of the University, which was
read and ordered to be filed.

On motion of Mr. Hammond, Resolved, That Mess.rs Hammond, Seagrove,
Park, Hull, Carnes and D.B. Mitchell be a committee from the Senatus Academicus to examine
into the state of the finances of the University, and that the Treasurer thereof be directed to attend
the Committee, and

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give them such statements as they may require, and that the communication of President Meigs be referred to the said Committee.

A communication from the Rev^d James H. Ray in behalf of himself and the commissioner of the Greene County Academy was received and read, Ordered, that it be referred to the aforesaid committee.

The Senatus Academicus then adjourned until tomorrow evening at four o'clock.

Wednesday 14th November 1804

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present, His Excellency governor Milledge,

Judge Skrine

The President of the Senate,

The Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Mess ^{rs} Jones,	Park,	Nephew,
Seagrove,	Mitchell,	Moore,
Runnels,	Hampton,	Skinner,
Foster,	Hammond,	Harden,
London,	Stewart,	Allen,
Mackintosh,	Walton,	Statler

Mr. President Meigs,

Mess ^{rs} Twiggs,	Marshall,
Clark,	Mounger,
O Neal,	Carnes.

Mitchell,

The minutes from the last meeting were read,

The Committee appointed to examine into the state of the finances of the University &c, reported, which report was read, and is as follows to wit "Your Committee have examined

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the state of the finances as laid before them by the Treasurer of the University which they find correct and fairly Stated. They have also had under consideration the application from the Commissioners of the Greene County Academy, on which your Committee are of opinion, that the Academy of Greene County stands in need of some pecuniary aid, but that the present low state of funds of the University does not enable them to make donations, and therefore recommend that the Commissioners of the said Academy make an application to the present Legislature for pecuniary assistance, and that the Senatus Academicus do aid such application. And on Motion, Resolved, That, the said report, so far as respects the finances be recommitted, and that the Secretary of the University be directed to attend the said Committee, and give such information as be in his power;- and so far as respects the Greene County Academy that it be unanimously agreed to.

The Board then adjourned untill four o'Clock on Friday evening next.

Friday 16th November 1804

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present, His Excellency Governor Milledge,

Judge Skrine,

The Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Mess^{rs} McCall, Jones, McGriff,

Jones, MacIntosh, Moore,

Seagrove, Park, Skinner,

Runnels, Hampton, Harden,

Foster, Stewart, Allen,
London, Walton, Statler,
 Nephew,

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Mr. President Meigs

Mess^{rs} Twiggs, Mounger,
 Clark, Carnes,
 O Neal, Irwin.
 Mitchell,

Read the minutes of the last meeting

Mr. Hammond from the Committee appointed to examine into the funds of the University reported, which report was read and is as follows, to wit,

“The committee appointed by resolution of the Senatus Academicus to inquire into and report a statement of the funds of the University, report, that upon examining the accounts laid before them by the Treasurer of the University, and which they take leave to present as part of their report, they find the following result; In the Year 1799 the funds were \$6266.52 of which there was received in cash \$2941.8 $\frac{1}{4}$ and expended \$719.17 leaving a balance of Cash \$2222.80 $\frac{1}{4}$. – In the year 1800 the funds were \$8542.68 $\frac{1}{2}$ if which received in Cash and on hand \$4490.90 $\frac{1}{2}$ and expended \$254.30 $\frac{1}{2}$ leaving leaving (sic) cash in hand \$4236.89. – In the year 1801 to the 15th June the funds were \$8920.9 of which there was received and on hand \$4235. 89 and expended \$2466.75 cash in hand \$1769.14. – In the year 1801 from the 15th June to the 1st of Nov^r funds were \$8106.94 of which there was \$1909.14 cash received and on hand, expended \$813.99 $\frac{1}{2}$ leaving on hand \$1095.14 $\frac{1}{2}$. – In the year 1802 the funds were \$8713.2 of which there was received and on hand from last year &2813.14 $\frac{1}{2}$ and expended \$2627.28 $\frac{1}{2}$ leaving a balance in cash \$185.86 $\frac{1}{4}$. – In the year 1803

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the funds were \$8727.3 of which there was cash received and on hand from last year \$11,497.89 ½ and expended \$11,323.17 ¼ leaving a balance in hand of \$ 174.71 ¾. – In the year 1804 the funds were \$30, 238.90 ¼ of which there was received and on hand from last year \$ 8296.68 ¼ and expended \$ 8296.68 ¼. Of the balance of the funds of the University there is due from the purchasers of the Shoulderbone tract \$16,000. – Payable by annual installments of \$4000 – the first of which will be due on the 6th of March next, and one on each succeeding sixth of March untill the year 1808 inclusive; and the remainder accounted for in the different sums expended in Collegiate buildings and due by individuals as per the Treasurer’s abstract already referred to – that these abstracts exhibit in detail all the expenses which have been incurred by the institution from the Commencement of the building untill the first day of the present Month, all the items of which have been fully and satisfactorily explained to the Committee. The claims against the board of Trustees consist of Bills due to contractors for and purchases of material, - to Workmen, - to Officers for salaries, - to Agents of the trust and attornies for prosecuting and defending the suits in this State, as well as for advocating their claims to the five thousand acre tract of land originally granted to the Trust between the Tugalo and Keowee rives & for which a suit is now pending in the Courts of South Carolina.”

Which report was read, and on motion unanimously agreed to.

On the request of the House of Representatives, it is resolved, That the Secretary of this Board do lay before the House of Representatives a statement of the reciepts & disbursements of the funs of the board of Trustees as reported by the Committee of this board from the year 1799 to the present time.

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On Motion of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Resolved, That this board do now adjourn untill the second Monday in November, and the same was adjourned accordingly.

Attest,

Jh^o Milledge, Governor

J. Hamill, Secy

and President of the Senatus

of the University

Academicus -

At a meeting of the Senatus Academicus at the State – House in Louisville on Tuesday the 12th of November 1805.

Present. His Excellency Governor Milledge,

Judge Tait,

The President of the Senate,

Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Mess ^{rs} McCall,	Mitchell, (Hancock)	Lanier,
Floyd,	Hampton,	Travis,
Runnels,	Hammond,	Statler,
Foster,	Stevens,	Terrill,
London,	Walton,	
Jones, (Franklin)	Jones, of (M ^t Gomery)	
Park,	Moore,	

Mr. President Meigs,

Trustees

Mess^{rs} Twiggs, Clark, O Neal, Stewart, Mitchell, Mounger & Irwin.

Read the Minutes of the last meeting.

President Meigs made a communication to the Board, which was ordered to be filed.

On Motion of Judge Tait, Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to take into consideration the communication of Mr. President Meigs, and make such report thereon as they may deem necessary.

Ordered, That Judge Tait, Mr. Mitchell of Chatham, and Mr. Stevens be that committee.

The Treasurer delivered in his annual statement of the funds of the University, which was read & ordered to be filed.

On Motion of Mr. Hammond, Resolved, That a committee consisting of five members be appointed to examine the Statement of the Treasurer and report thereon, and that the Treasurer and Secretary be directed to attend them with the necessary papers and documents.

Ordered, that Mess^{rs} Hammond, Clark, Moore, Mounger, and Mitchell (of Hancock) be that committee.

The Senatus Academicus then adjourned until tomorrow evening four O'Clock

Louisville, Wednesday 13th November 1805.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present, His Excellency Governor Milledge,

Judge Tait,

The President of the Senate,

Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Mess ^{rs} McCall,	Park,	Jones, (Montgom ^y)
Floyd,	Mitchell, (Hancock	Moore,
Runnels,	Hampton,	Travis,
Foster,	Hammond,	Statler,
London,	Stevens,	Terrill,
Jones, (Franklin)	Walton,	

Mr. President Meigs,

Trustees

Mess^{rs} Twiggs, Clark, O Neal, Stewart, Mitchell, Mounger & Irwin.

Read the minutes from the last meeting.

Judge Tait from the Committee appointed to take into consideration the communication of President Meigs reported, which report was read, unanimously agreed to and Ordered to be filed.

Mr. Hammond from the committee appointed to examine the statement of the funds of the University, reported, which report was read, unanimously agreed to, and ordered to be filed.

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On Motion of Mr. Foster, Resolved, that the President of Franklin College at the annual meeting of the Senatus Academicus in the Year 1806, lay before the said Senatus Academicus a true and accurate statement of the different Academies in this State, with the names of the Rectors, the number of Students in each Academy, and the plan of education pursued: and that each member of this Board consider it as their duty respectively to communicate such information to the President as will enable him the better to comply with this resolution, and that the Secretary furnish each member with a Copy hereof.

On Motion of the Speaker of the House of Representatives Resolved, that the Secretary of this Board lay before the House of Representatives a fair and accurate statement of the funds of the University.

On Motion, Resolved, that the Senatus Academicus do now adjourn untill the Second Monday in November next, and the same was adjourned accordingly.

Attest,

J. Hamill, Secy.
of the University

Jh^o Milledge, Governor
and President of the Senatus
Academicus.

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At a meeting of the Senatus Academicus at the State House in Louisville on Tuesday the 11th November 1806.

Present his Excellency Governor Irwin,

The President of the Senate,

The Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Judge Tait,

Mess ^{rs} Whatley,	Little,	Embrie,
Rawles,	Park,	Davis,
Iverson,	Mitchell,	Statler,
Hardie,	Dickson,	Bates,
Runnels,	Walton,	Jackson,
Foster,	Moore,	
Scruggs,	Rowell,	

Trustees

Mr. President Meigs,

Mess^{rs} Twiggs, Cunningham, O Neal, Stewart, Mitchell,

Marshall, Mounger, Carnes, & Flournoy.

Read the minutes of the last meeting.

President Meigs made a communication to the Board, and on Motion of the President of the Senate, Resolved, that a Committee of five be appointed to take the same under consideration and report thereon. Ordered, that Mess^{rs} Telfair, Iverson, Tait, Cunningham, and D.B. Mitchell be that Committee.

Communication were received from the Senators of Hancock, Greene, Clark, And Oglethorpe relative to the state of their respective Academies, which were read & ordered to be filed.

Mr. Carnes gave notice that he would at the next meeting lay before this Board a statement of the proceedings to the Trustees relative to a tract of land in

the fork of the Tugalo and Keowee Rives.

The Board then adjourned until 4, oClock tomorrow evening.

Wednesday 12th November 1806

The Board met pursuant to adjournment,

present, His Excellency the Governor,

Judge Tait,

The President of the Senate,

The Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Mess.rs Whatley,	Mitchell,	Bates,
Iverson,	Dickson,	Jackson,
Hardie,	Rowell,	
Runnels,	Lanier,	
Scruggs,	Embrie,	
Little,	Davis,	
Park,	Statler,	

President Meigs

Mess.rs Twiggs, Clark, Cunningham, O Neal, Stewart, Marshall,
Mounger, Carnes, and Flournoy.

Read the minutes of the last meeting.

On Motion of Mr. Iverson, Resolved, that a committee of three be appointed to examine the proceeding of the Board of Trustees respecting the Tract of land in the fork of the Tugalo and Keowee.

Ordered, that Mess.rs Iverson, Dickson and Twiggs be that committee,

Mr. Telfair from the Committee to whom was referred President Meigs's communication stated that the committee were not ready to report, and prayed further time, which was granted.

Mr. Carnes offered to the Board the following Resolution viz. Resolved that application be made by the

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President of the Board of Trustees to the present Legislature to pass a law for the purpose of establishing a lottery to raise the sum of three thousand dollars for the purchasing of a library for the use of the University.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table for consideration of the members.

The Board then adjourned untill 3, oClock tomorrow afternoon.

Thursday 13th November 1806

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

present. His Excellency the Governor,

The President of the Senate,

The Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Mess ^{rs} Iverson	Mitchell,	Davis,
Hardie,	Dickson,	Statler,
Runnels,	Walton,	Bates,
Scruggs,	Rowell,	Jackson,
Little,	Lanier,	
Park,	Embrie,	

President Meigs

Mess^{rs} Twiggs, Clark, Cunningham, O Neal, Stewart, Marshall,
Mounger, Carnes, and Flournoy.

Read the minutes of the last meeting

Mr. Telfair from the Committee appointed to take under consideration the communication of President Meigs reported as follows, to wit,

“The Committee to whom was referred the communication of the President of Franklin College, has had the same under consideration and beg leave to submit the following, Report.

Your Committee learn with great pleasure the general good health of the students, their increase in number, & their success in the pursuit of knowledge.

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“They recognize with peculiar satisfaction the systematic arrangement of the Classes and their appropriate exercises in the prosecution of literature and science.

“Your Committee accord perfectly with the sentiments contained in the communication on the subject of the latin and French languages. The success with which, particularly, the latter is taught and the zeal with which it is studied is a pleasing trait in the character of the institution. Your committee sincerely regret that there is as yet no Library furnished the College, which they are of opinion is indispensable for entire success in a system of education.

“Your Committee therefore recommend such measure be taken by the board of Trustees as in their opinion will be most successful to secure that object.”

And the same being read was unanimously agreed to

Mr. Iverson from the committee was appointed to examine the proceedings of the Trustees relatively (sic) to their claim to the to the (sic) tract of land in the fork of the Tugalo & Keowee reported as follows to wit,

‘The Committee appointed to examine the proceedings of the Board of Trustees respecting the Tract of land in the fork of the Tugalo & Keowee beg leave to report,

“That the tract of land aforesaid containing five thousand acres was granted to the Trustees of the University, by the State of Georgia on the 21st day of September 1784, and that the Trustees remained in the undisturbed possession thereof untill the latter part of the year 1788. That disputes having arisen between the States of S^o Carolina & Georgia relatively to boundary it was recommended to them by Congress to settler their differences by a convention. That Commissioners on the part of each of the States met at Beaufort on the 24th day of April 1787, and on the 28th of the

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same month concluded a Convention by which it was agreed, that the State of Georgia ceded to the State of South Carolina all the land lying between the rivers of Tugalo and Keowee, with reservation, that such of these lands as had been granted by the State of Georgia should remain the property of the Grantees, provided the Grants were recorded in the Office of the Secretary of the State of South Carolina within one Year from the date of the Convention, and if they were not so recorded that the Grants should be adjudged void. This convention was not ratified by the State of Georgia until the 1st of February 1788, nor by the State of S^o Carolina until the 29th of the same Month; no official information was given by the state of S^o Carolina to this State that the Convention was ratified until the 26th of May 1788, when Governor Pinckney communicated the intelligence to Governor Handley. Governor Handley on the 16th of June following replied to Governor's Pinckney's letter, and sent on the Grant to be recorded. Dr. Noble W. Jones, to whom it was sent, presented the Grant to the Secretary of the State and paid or tendered the fees for recording. The Secretary after some time refused to record the Grant, saying that more than twelve months had expired from the date of the Convention; as the Secretary had the grant in his possession, The Doctor left it with him, and it is either lost or mislaid. It appears to your Committee that there was but one meeting of the Board of Trustees from the time they were constituted until the year 1798. And no steps were taken by that Board respecting the premises between the year 1788, and 1798. That the Trustees took up the subject sometimes in the year 1799, but no proceedings were instituted. That in the month of March 1803, counsel were employed to procure a Mandamus for the Secretary of State of the State of S^o Carolina to shew cause why the

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Grant should not be recorded. That a rule of the Mandamus was obtained and the deposition of Doctor Jones taken. That the judge who presided being inclined against granting the Mandamus, the proceedings were carried to the Constitutional Court in order to obtain the opinion of all Judges (of) S^o Carolina. That while the question remained doubtful, The Trustees directed Mess^{rs} Watkins & Hamill to prepare a respectful address & remonstrance to the Legislature of South Carolina on the subject, and that those Gentlemen & Tho^s P. Carnes Esq^r should attend the Legislature of South Carolina to advocated the claim of the claim of the Trust. That an address of memorial was accordingly prepared and presented to the Legislature of S^o Carolina. That the agents remained at Columbia until such time as they conceived the issue of their application would be favorable. That the Board understanding that the application had not been definitely acted upon, requested Col^l Carnes to attend the Legislature of S^o Carolina at their last session and obtain the ultimatum. That he did so, and the Legislature finally decided against ordering the

Grant to be recorded, or making any compensation to the Trust. That the Trustees finding it impracticable to effect an amicable adjustment with the State of S. Carolina, have directed suits to be instituted in the Circuit Court of the United States to try the right. Your Committee are of opinion that the present board of Trustees have acted correctly, and that they have been attentive to the interest of the institution. All of which is respectfully submitted.”

And the same being read was unanimously agreed to.

On Motion of the President of the Senate, Resolved, that the President of the Board do lay copies of the said report before the Legislature now in Session for their information and deliberation.

Mr. Flournoy presented a letter which he had received from Dr. Murray containing a statement of the funds and situation of the Richmond Academy as follows, to wit, “Dear Sir, In answer to your enquiries respecting the Richmond Academy – I take the pleasure of replying as follows, viz

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This Institution was liberally endowed by the Legislature, by appropriating the vacant Lots in Town, and by laying off an extensive Commons – These Lots have generally been sold, at different times and under various conditions, the early sales were generally for Tobacco, paper Medium &c – From the statements on record, and from the want of proper attention to the Collection of them, a great loss has been sustained by the Trust, - Some Lots which reverted to the Trustees have been again sold and altho in an improved state, have not brought the original prices – A supposed defalcation on the part of a Mr. Simmons deceased, for many years Clerk and Treasurer to the Board, an extensive purchase of a large House and Lott on the Bay, for the institution, the liberal salaries to Teachers and the small number of students paying moderate fees; have reduced the permanent funds of this Academy very much.

- “The Predecessors in office to the present Board of Trustees wishing to increase the fame & respectability of this Academy, unfortunately commenced the building of a commodious house, on a very extensive and expensive plan, which tho’ far from being finished, has cost it is supposed upwards of Ten thousand dollars; & still a heavy debt of nearly an equal amount is due for materials furnished and work done. The accounts not being settled prevents me from being minutely accurate on this subject. The permanent fund having so far back as 86 or 87 been found inadequate for the purposes contemplated, the Trustees were empowered to lease out the South Commons; which leasing has hitherto been continued, say each period of lease for seven years –

The Present lease of seven years commenced on the first day of Dec^r last - & is the principal effective Fund of the Institution –

‘The funds may be thus calculated, annual rental of South Commons, (about 414 acres) Two thousand dollars, Rent of Ferry five hundred dollars, & probably five hundred

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may be calculated upon as the amount of interest upon Lotts – The school wages, which are three, four & five hundred dollars per Quarter according to the branches of education studied may average from five to eight hundred dollars - amounting in all to upwards of Three Thousand five hundred dollars – This sum has to meet the following expenditures – The salary for this year of Rector is eight hundred dollars, superintendant of English department has six hundred, & his assistant has three hundred – Clerk’s salary, solicitors fees and Commissions on collecting say five hundred dollars – The interest upon the liquidated debts due by the Trustees, loss by failures &c &c may be equal to Five hundred dollars – To this must be added the incidental expences of keeping the building in repair & the occasional expences of rendering the apartments in the building comfortable &c.

“The apartments are thus derived – The Eastern wing is appropriated for the Stewards family on the lower floor, the upper is for the accommodation of the English Teacher one room, the pupils who board in the Academy occupy the other two rooms, & occasionally during the winter months the large room of the wing is occupied as a teaching room -

“The Center building, lower floor is fitted up as an exhibition Room. With moveable Scenery &c &c – The upper floor is occupied when the weather will permit by the higher classes, being in a very unfinished state, it cannot be employed during winter – The west wing lower apartment is appropriated to the English, writing and Arithmetic Departments. The upper three rooms thus, one for the meeting of the Trustees, the other two for the habitation of the Rector. The number of scholars has been from fifty to one hundred & sometimes upwards – At present after a long vacation which is not intended hereafter to be given, the scholars entered

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do not amount to Thirty – but as two days only of the present session have passed over a considerable addition may be looked for – The Branches of education taught here, are English, Latin, Greek, writing, arithmetic, Mathematics, Geography, Rhetoric, Composition &c &c. – The wages for teaching have been mentioned above – For Boarding in the Academy the Steward is

limited to the sum of two dollars per week and fifty Cents per quarter for firewood – It is pleasant for me to state that students have been qualified at this Academy for admission into the second and third Classes of Princeton College – A majority of the present board of Trustees having been but lately appointed have not had sufficient opportunities of investigating the amounts of the Trust; but they are determined to prosecute their investigations until they can have the whole placed in a clear point of view, when they will with pleasure submit the necessary statements to the executive in terms of the law passed to that effect – I believe it is the general opinion of the Trustees that by an economical application of the funds, the Institution may be cleared from their present burden of debt in the space of Six or Seven Years from this time – But as the preservation of those parts of the building now erected will depend upon a completion of the original plan externally; they hope they may in two or three years hence be permitted to continue their arrangements for this purpose, under the expectation of increasing the number of Pupils, or diminishing the number of Teachers – It was the opinion of the Trustees, that one vacation should only be given during the year; & accordingly the vacation commenced on the 1st of August & terminated with the 31st October – These being considered as the sickly months, & most proper for granting leave of absence to Teachers, & by giving a full quarters vacation, the Parents or Guardians of the Pupils were exonerated from the quarters wages; but I have reason to believe, that this plan will not in future be adopted; that a four or six weeks vacation in

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the fall season and two weeks at Christmas will be the plan in future arrangements of this kind. These Sir, are the few answers and remarks I can now make to your enquiries – I will be very glad to receive from the fountain head, any advice or hints which the members of the Senatus Academicus may be pleased to favour me with for the promotion of the Institution at which I have the honor at present preside – believe me they will be duly attended to, by Yours
resp^y (Signed) John Murray”

Thomas Flourney esq^r

4th October 1806

A statement was received respecting the Jefferson Academy as follows, to wit, “Jefferson Academy is under the Rectorship of the Rev^d James Lewis, has nineteen students, of which six are learning the latin language; four geography & the Mathematics; six English and Grammar & arithmetick; one English and Writing, and two Orthography – The Mathematical apparatus is a Quadrant – The Funds consist of 82 lots and a number of alleys in Louisville; Notes of land amounting to \$179.55 2/3 and open accounts to the am^t of \$155.83 1/3 – Given under my hand this 12th day of November 1806”

(Signed) “Daniel Sturges one of the Trustees of Jeff. Academy”

The motion offered yesterday by Mr. Carnes relative to a lottery was taken up and read, and upon the question being put thereon was unanimously agreed to.

On Motion of Mr. Carnes, Resolved that the resolution entered into by this Board on the 13th day of November last relative to obtaining information as to the State of funds of the different Academies throughout this State, be published in one public Newspaper in Savannah, Augusta & Washington immediately after each general election, notifying the Senators elect that this board will expect at each annual meeting to have a statement from them of the funds of the different county Academies laid before the Board, by such gentlemen as may at that time compose the board of visitors

The Board then adjourned untill 3 o' Clock tomorrow afternoon.

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Friday 14th November 1806

The Board met pursuant to adjournment

Present, His Excellency the Governor,

The President of the Senate,

Mess ^{rs} Whatley,	Little,	Lanier,
Rawles,	Park,	Embrie,
Iverson,	Mitchell,	Davis,
Hardie,	Walton,	Bates,
Runnels,	Moore,	Jackson,
Scruggs,	Rowell,	

Mr. President Meigs

Mess.rs Twiggs, Clark, Cunningham, O Neal, Stewart, Marshall,

Mounger, Carnes, and Flournoy.

Read the minutes of the last meeting, which after being amended were unanimously agreed to.

On Motion of Mr. Carnes, resolved that this Board do now adjourn and the same was adjourned accordingly

Attest,

J. Hamill Secy
of the University

Jared Irwin, Governor
& President of the Sen. Acad^s

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At a meeting of the Senatus Academicus at the State-House in Milledgeville on Tuesday the 15th of November 1808

Present, His Excellency Governor Irwin,

The President of the Senate H. Mitchell

Mess^{rs} Taliaferro, Davis, Hardie, Carr, Scruggs, S. Lane,

Burnett, Henderson, Pope, Hogan, Stewart, Spalding, Brown,

Moore, Carter, Watts, Fluellen, Powell, Talbot & Ball.

Mr. President Meigs,

Mess.^{rs} Twiggs, Clark, Stewart, Mitchell, Marshall, Mounger, Hull, Carnes, & Flournoy.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

The President of the University of made a communication to the Board, which was ordered to be filed.

On Motion resolved, that such of the Senators as are furnished with statements of the Academies in their respective Counties do lay the same on the Table to be read tomorrow.

The Board then adjourned untill four o'Clock tomorrow evening.

Wednesday 16th November 1808

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present, His Excellency The Governor,

The President of the Senate,

Mess^{rs} Taliaferro, Davis, Hardie, Carr, Scruggs, Lane, Henderson, Pope,
Hogan, Stewart, Spalding, Brown, Moore, Carter, Embrie, Watts, Fluellen, Talbot,
& Ball.

Mr. President Meigs,

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Mess.^{rs} Twiggs, Clark, Stewart, Mitchell, Marshall, Mounger, Hull, Carnes & Flournoy.

The minutes of yesterday were read.

Read the Acts for the more full and complete establishment of a public seat of learning in this State, and the Act for defining the board of visitors.

Statements of the Academies of Oglethorpe and Richmond were read.

The Board then adjourned untill four o'Clock on Friday evening.

Friday 18th November 1808

There not being a sufficient number of Members present to constitute a board, the Members present adjourned to meet tomorrow at half past nine o'Clock A.M.

Saturday 19th November 1808

The Board met pursuant to the adjournment of yesterday.

Present, His Excellency the Governor

The President of the Senate

Mess^{rs} Taliaferro, Davis, Hardie, Gresham, Carr, Scruggs, S. Lane,
Henderson, Pope, Hogan, Stewart, Walton, Spalding, Brown, Moore, Wm D. Lane,
Carter, Embrie, Watts, Fluellen, Powell,

Mr. President Meigs,

Mess.rs Twiggs, Clark, Stewart, Mounger, Hull, Carnes, & Flournoy.

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Read the minutes of Wednesday and yesterday.

Mr. Carnes from the Board of Trustees laid before this Board a statement of the funds and situation of the affairs of the University, which statement he mentioned was intended to be presented to the Legislature in conformity to their resolution of the 9th of December last, and also a report from the prudential Committee. Whereupon it is ordered that the said statement and report be referred to a Committee of five – And it is further ordered that Mess.rs Spalding, Talbot, Gresham, Hull, & Carnes be that Committee. And that the said Committee be instructed to enquire as to the expediency of making an application to the present Legislature to vest in the board of Trustees, the proceeds of the fractions in the seventh district of Baldwin County which have not been disposed of by the Legislature.

Amendment of the first Article of the fifth Chapter of the laws of College.

The said Article is hereby repealed so far as it respects the second vacation therein mentioned commencing in December, and that henceforth there shall be but one vacation for the term of six weeks thereafter and that the Annual Commencements take place on the first Wednesday in August.

The Board then adjourned untill four o’Clock on Monday afternoon.

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Monday 21st November 1808

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present, His Excellency the Governor,

The President of the Senate,

Mess^{rs} Taliaferro, Rawls, Davis, Hardie, Carr, Scruggs, S. Lane, Henderson, Pope, Hogan, Stewart, Spalding, Brown, Moore, W.D. Lane, Carter, Embrie, Watts, Fluellen, Powell,

Mr. President Meigs,

Mess^{rs} Twiggs, Clark, Stewart, Mounger, Hull, Carnes, & Flournoy.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read, and upon motion reconsidered, and after the Amendment to the laws of College being amended to read as follows, to wit,

“Amendment of the first Article of the Fifth Chapter of the laws of College.

The said Article is hereby repealed so far as it respects the first vacation therein mentioned commencing in May, and that henceforth there shall be but one vacation in each year, which shall commence in the first Monday in December and continue for the space of Six weeks thereafter. And that the annual Commencement shall take place on the first Wednesday in August, after which the students shall be indulged with eight days relaxation” Were unanimously agreed to.

The Committee to whom was referred the statement of the funds, and situation of the University, and the report of the prudential Committee, reported as

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follows, to wit “The Committee to whom were referred the statement of the Board of Trustees, relatively (sic) to the situation of the funds belonging to the institution, the sums of money which had been expended, and in general all the information which was requested of the Trust by a joint & concurred resolution, passed by the Legislature in the Month of December last, with directions also to report on the expediency of making application to the present Legislature for the proceeds of the land in the seventh district of Baldwin County, beg leave most respectfully to report, that they have attentively considered the statement made by the board of Trustees, and find from comparing the items contained in the statement with the books of the Treasurer, & Secretary of the Board, that the Receipts and expenditures of money by the Board have been such as to evince an unremitted attention on the part of the members of the board, and that the expenditures have been made with a view to economy and utility, and that as far as your committee are informed by the documents to which they have referred, all the expences incurred

have been indispensable, and have been so judiciously applied as to promote the dignity and usefulness of this very laudable institution.

Your Committee further find from a scrupulous enquiry into the pecuniary affairs of the Trust that the Collegiate building and its appendages have been reared and the expences attendant thereon discharged from the sale of Lots and Lands belonging to the Trust, and that the institution hath sustained itself, or very nearly so out of the rents and money paid for Tuition and for the ensuing two years from the twenty fifth day of December next, the term fro which the Cultivated part of the several tracts of land belonging to the Trust were

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rented by the prudential Committee, the amount to grow due from that source with the tuition money which may be reasonably anticipated to answer the purposes of the Trust. While viewing this part of the subject we are involuntarily impelled to reflect on the situation of things so far as they relate to the lands leased, after the expiration of the two years; we are convinced, from their report now before us, that the prudential Committee annexed conditions to the leases which were well calculated to preserve the lands from sustaining injury; yet when it id considered and known from universal experience that Lessees for short periods will make the most of their bargains and go the greatest lengths in the continued cultivation of the tracts, we cannot hope that the lands will yield upon rent hereafter anything like the sums they have commanded heretofore – there will therefore be a propriety in looking out at this early period for means to meet the contemplated deficiency, that the respectability and utility of the institution may not be cramped in its progress; add to this, that a Library, which will at a moderate calculation, cost the sum of three thousand dollars, and the absolute necessity which exists of contemplating the philosophical apparatus, the reasons for laying a plan which may produce funds to meet those several objects will manifestly and obviously appear; connecting that subject with the losses which have been sustained by the Trust in being deprived of the whole of the Tract in the fork of the Tugalo, and Keowee, an the greater and most valuable part of the Tract of land in Jackson County: - Your Committee do most earnestly

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recommend, that an application be made to the Legislature, by this Board, for the whole or such parts of the seventh district of Baldwin County as hath not yet been disposed of, which will, in all probability meet the exigencies of the board of Trustees – Without some aid of this sort, this institution, which hath been reared and fostered by the Legislature of the State, may experience a

reverse of fortune and reputation, which will blast the fondest and best hopes of the friends of Literature.

On the subject of the tract of land in Jackson County, granted to and heretofore considered as the property of the Trustees, your committee are decidedly of the opinion, that if a sum equal to one fourth of the real value can be had, from person disposed to take the title of the Trust without warrantee, it ought to be disposed of – The Legislature alone are competent to vest this power in the board, and from the best consideration your Committee are capable of giving this subject, such a power ought to be vested in the board of Trustees.

Your Committee, further beg leave to recommend as a subject well worthy the attention of the board of Trustees, that when they are again compelled after the expiration of the ensuing Two year leases, They lease the land belonging to the Trust, for the term of three lives, or twenty one years at least; this mode of leasing will, in the opinion of this Committee, create an interest and attachment on the part if the Lessees, which will eventually be beneficial to the Trust, and secure the renting of the unimproved Lots, all which are and must out of view when the Leases are made for a small number of Years.

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Which report being read was unanimously agreed to.

On motion, resolved that the president of the University be required to prepare and lay before each branch of the legislature a respectful address, requesting that a law should be passed vesting in the board of Trustees the proceeds of the sale of the several lots and fractional surveys of land in the seventh district of Baldwin County. And also to authorise the said Board to dispose of the tract of land granted to the Trust which is situated in the County of Jackson on terms mentioned in the said report.

The Board then adjourned untill the second Monday in November next.

Attest,

J. Hamill Secy.
of the University

Jared Irwin
Governor, & President
of the Senatus Academicus

Athens, Franklin College

6th Day of August 1810 –

This being the day pointed out by law for the meeting of the Senatus Academicus the following persons met being a majority of the board of visitors, to wit, His Excellency David B. Mitchell – Judge, Walker, Early and Carnes.

The Board of Trustees were then informed that a competent number of the Board of Visitors had convened and were

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ready to receive the Board of Trustees and form the Senatus Academicus – The following member of the Board of Trustees attended. To wit,

Mr. Twiggs

Mr. Stewart

Mr. Clark

Mr. Flournoy &

Mr. Irwin

Mr. Hull

Mr. O Neal

And thereupon the Senatus Academicus was formed.

On motion, resolved that a committee of three persons be appointed to examine and report if any and what alterations and amendments are necessary to be made in the laws of the University – Ordered that Mess^{rs} Carnes, Hull, and Flournoy be that Committee – The Board then adjourned until twelve o'clock tomorrow.

7th August 1810 -

The Board met pursuant to adjournment – present, His Excellency David B. Mitchell
President

Judge Walker, Early & Carnes –

Mess^{rs} Twiggs, Clarke, O Neal, Stewart, Hull, Irwin, & Flournoy.

The Board then went in procession to the Chapel where an appropriate discourse was delivered to the Candidates for degrees by the Rev^d M. L. Weems, and an exhortation by the Rev^d Hope Hull. The Board then adjourned ‘till half past five this evening -

Half Past five P.M.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, present as in the morning. The President of the College submitted a report as to the general state of the University which was received and ordered for the present to lie on the table.

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Resolved that it be expedient to proceed to a sale of the Lands belonging to the University as soon as an act of the general assembly can be obtained authorising the same, which resolution after being under discussion for some time was ordered to lie on the table for further consideration.

The Board adjourned 'til 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

8th August 1810 –

The Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present

His Excellency

David B. Mitchell President

Judge Walker, Carnes and Early

Mr. Twiggs, Mr. Clarke. O Neal, Stewart, Hull, Irwin, Flournoy.

A statement of the funds of the University having been laid before this board by a committee of the Board of Trustees, the same was ordered to lie on the table.

The Committee appointed to examine and report if any and what alterations and amendments are necessary to be made in the laws of the University submitted a report which was received and ordered to lie on the table. A report containing a statement of the situation and funds of the Richmond Academy was received and ordered to be filled. The Board then went in procession to the Chapel where the Collegiate exercises were performed and the Degree of the Bachelor of Arts was conferred on Armistead Cary, Peyton Cary, Henry L.O.Neal, William Mitchell and James Tait.

And the Degree of Master of Arts was conferred on Jared Irwin Jun^r M.D. and Samuel W. Meigs pursuant to an order of the Board of Trustees.

The Board then returned and adjourned 'til half past 5.

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Half past 5.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment – present as in the morning – Mr. Early moved that the resolution of yesterday proposing a sale of the lands of this Institution be taken up which was unanimously agreed to, and on the question whether the resolution should now pass it was decided unanimously in the negative.

Mr. Flournoy moved that the statement of the Committee appoin (sic) on the part of the Board of Trustees to examine into state of funds be now taken up which was agreed to.

Whereupon Resolved that the statement of the accounts and expenditures up to the first of the present month is satisfactory and that it be returned to the Board of Trustees and form a part of the annual report to the next Legislature. A statement of the situation and funds of the Meson Academy was presented and ordered to be filed. Mr. Hull moved to take up the report of the President of the College which was agreed, and the said report after being sometime discussed was ordered to lie on the table.

The Board then adjourned until half after 8 oclock tomorrow morning -

9th August 1810

The board met pursuant to adjournment. Present.

David B. Mitchell – president

Judges Walker, Early and Carnes

Mess^{rs} Twiggs, Clark , O Neal, Stewart, Hull, Irwin & Flournoy.

The President of the University submitted to the Board a letter containing his resignation as president of the University, which is a follows –

To the President of the Senatus Academicus of the University of Georgia –

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Sir,

This day completes a period of nine years since my first passing the Cedar Shoals of the Oconee. I have lived to see the spot selected for the site of the University by George Walton, Abraham Baldwin, John Milledge, John Twiggs and Hugh Lawson and become a very interesting object to the citizens of the State. At my first arrival it was a new wilderness – it is now a beautiful village containing one of the most valuable Collegiate buildings in the United States. And an experience of nine years proves that it is one of the most healthful spots in the Universe. When I left a literary Society of the first order Merit and embarked with a much beloved and numerous family from Newhaven for Savannah, I flattered myself that I might be useful to my fellow citizens by inculcating that knowledge and fixing those principles in the minds of young men which while they should influence them to respect their own rights might also induce them to respect the right of others. I have always, believed that knowledge pure and unveiled (either politically or religiously) was the true basis of the happiness of individuals or of nations Ideots and fools alone will consent to unreasonable laws, and dishonest men alone will declare their belief of that which their judgment and conscience declare to be false. I have like all other public characters been a target for the shafts of those who dread the true light of science. I have in common with my fellow Citizens many faults, but among them I deft them to find hypocrisy. I believe it to be for the interest of the University for the present moment that I should resign the office of president That resignation I now formally offer; but I trust sir that you will believe that I blame not the Senatus Academicus nor the Board of Trustees –

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They have done their duty in the best manner that circumstances would admit. To the true, real and essential integrity of the institution as expressed in the preamble to your Charter I shall always be a Cordial friend. And I trust that after I shall be laid in the grave my children and friends on a fair view of my whole conduct with all its attendant circumstances of difficulty & embarrassment will at least not blush that their father and friend was once by the recommendation of Abraham Baldwin the president of the University of Georgia.

I am Sir with the high esteem and consideration

Yours &c

Athens 9th Aug.t

J. Meigs.

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The foregoing communication being taken up, Resolved (on motion) that the resignation of the President be accepted and that the Board of Trustees be immediately informed thereof.

A communication was received from the Board of Trustees informing this Board that they had nominated the Rev^d Henry Kollock of Savannah as president of the University of this State to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Josiah Meigs, and thereupon the Board proceeded to the appointment of a president to supply the aforesaid vacancy; when it appeared that the Rev^d Henry Kollock was unanimously elected. It was then resolved that his Excellency the Governor do make a communication to the President elect informing him of his appointment.

Be it ordained that the prudential Committee or a majority of them shall exercise and perform all the duty &

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authority vested in the President by the laws of College until the president elect shall be regularly inducted into office; Except the superintendance of the academic exercises which shall be attended to, and performed by the professor of Mathematicks and Natural philosophy.

The Committee to whom it was referred to enquire if any and what alterations and amendments are necessary to be made in the laws of the University respectfully report the following as additional clauses or ordinances. In the third chapter.

It shall be the duty of the President to inculcate into the minds of the students a strict observance of the sabbath day, and on each sabbath when no sermon is preached to read or cause to be read by some one of the professors or of the Senior class a lecture or sermon which may be selected from any Moral or religious Book at the usual hour of public worship. And it shall be the duty of every student in College strictly and with becoming decency to attend in the Chapel during such exercises. And every student in College who shall fail to attend as aforesaid unless he do furnish a good excuse for such absence to be judged of by the president shall for every such neglect be publicly admonished by the president. And be it further ordained that if any Student of College shall be so far lost to his own Character or reputation as to be found in any public tavern, store, tippling shop or any other place where spirituous liquors are retailed in the Village of Athens and partaking of the liquor called for and drank at any such place he or they so offending shall for the first offence be publicly admonished and for the second rusticated.

That the 4th sec. of the 8th chapter be amended to read as follows. If any scholar shall be guilty of profane swearing of fighting or quarreling – if he shall open the door

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of a fellow student – If he shall go more than two miles from Athens without leave from the president a professor or tutor. If he shall disturb others by noise loud talking or singing during the time of study – if he shall ring the Bell without order or permission – if he shall play at Billiards, Cards, or any unlawful game, if he shall associate with vile idle or dissolute persons, or shall admit them into his chamber – if he shall instigate or advise any student to a refractory or stubborn behaviour he shall for either of those offences be punished by admonition, rustication or expulsion as the nature and circumstances of the case may require And be it further ordained that no student shall be allowed to keep any gun, pistol, Dagger, Dirk sword cane or any other offensive weapon in College or elsewhere, neither shall they or either of them be allowed to be possessed of the same out of the college in any case whatsoever.

That the third section of the fourth chapter be altered and amended to read as follows, to wit,

The established course of study in the College shall be as follows – to wit, the first or Freshman Class, shall study the French language, Cicero's Orations, Greek Testament, Arithmetic – Bookkeeping and practice eloquution. The second class shall read Horace, Homers Iliad, Algebra, Geometry – Mensuration of superfices & solids the ascertaining of heights and distances, conic sections Plane and Spherical Trigonometry – navigation surveying – Geography – Compostion, English Grammar practice public speaking and also study the French language But the french languages mat be studied by any person not a Member of the College or of the grammar school on paying the same for tuition that is paid in College. And children from the Grammar

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School may at the same time take lessons from the professor of the french language.

The Senior Sophisters shall be examined on the second Thursday in June in every year under the direction of the President and prudential Committee or a majority of them, and by such gentlemen of liberal education as may be appointed by them for that purpose.

Additional section to 5th Chapter –

The legislature by an act passed since the last meeting of this Board having directed that the meeting of the Senatus Academicus shall be at the seat of the University on the first Monday of August annually the public Commencement shall henceforth take place on the first Wednesday thereafter.

The Board then adjourned to meet at Milledgeville on the 2nd Monday in Nov^r next.

Attest,

Duncan G. Campbell

D.B. Mitchell Governor

Secretary
Senatus

& President of the
Academicus of Georgia.

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Thursday 1st August 1811 –

At a meeting of the Board of Visitors pursuant to the request of the prudential Committee, Present – his Excellency David B. Mitchell Governor, Jared Irwin President of the Senate, Judge Gresham and Judge Walker

There not being a sufficient number to proceed to the transaction of business, those present adjourned ‘til tomorrow morning 9 o'clock –

Friday 2nd August 1811 –

On this day his Excellency the Governor, Jared Irwin President of the senate, Judge Walker and Gresham attended as visitors, and adjourned ‘til tomorrow morning 9 o'clock.

Saturday 3rd August 1811 –

His Excellency the Governor, Jared Irwin & Judge Walker attended and adjourned, ‘til tomorrow morning 9 o'clock.

Monday 5th August 1811

On this day the following persons attended being a majority of the Board of Visitors, towit, his Excellency the Governor, Judges Early, Gresham and Walker. The Board of Trustees was then informed that the Board of Visitors had convened and were ready to receive them and form the Senatus Academicus. The following members of the Board of Trustees attended, to wit, Mess^{rs} Clarke, Stewart, Mounger, Hull, Carnes, Irwin & Flournoy. Whereupon the Senatus Academicus was formed and proceeded to business –

His Excellency the Governor laid before the Board a Correspondence held between himself and the Rev^d Henry Kollock, by which it appeared that Mr. Kollock declined accepting the office of President of Franklin College; - He further stated that on account of a failure in forming the Senatus Academicus in Milledgeville in November last as was contemplated, he thought it his duty to lay before the Board

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of trustees at that time a letter from the Rev^d Henry Kollock declining the acceptance of the Presidency of the University to which he had been elected in August last, that the Board might take means to procure some suitable character to fill the office of President which had become vacant by the resignation of Mr. Meigs. This Board appreciate the motives which induced the Governor to give that information to the Board of Trustees at that time, that although it was not official it was an act proper to be done under the then existing circumstances, and meets unanimous approbation of the Senatus Academicus.

Resolved that the Secretary lay before the Board of Trustees the foregoing by which they may be informed that the office of President of Franklin is vacant.

The Board adjourned for one hour –

After the expiration of an hour the Senatus Academicus met pursuant to adjournment – Present as before stated – There being no business now ready to be submitted the Board adjourned ‘til 4 oclock this evening –

At 4 oclock the Board met; Present as at the adjournment No business being now submitted the Board adjourned for an hour After the expiration of an hour the Board met – Present as at the adjournment.

The Board of Trustees communicated to this Board that they had nominated the Rev^d John Brown to the Presidency of Franklin College to supply the vacancy occasioned by the non acceptance of the Rev^d Henry Kollock. Whereupon the Board proceeded to the election of a President to supply the aforesaid vacancy, when upon counting the votes it appeared that the Rev^d John Brown was unanimously elected President of Franklin college. Thereupon Resolved that Mess^{rs} Clarke & Early be a committee to wait on the President elect to inform him of his appointment, and to know of him whether he accepts, and at what time he will attend the Board to qualify – The Board then adjourned ‘til 9 oclock tomorrow morning –

Tuesday 6th August 1811

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

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Present, His Excellency David B. Mitchell, Judges early, Gresham & walker. Mess^{rs} Clarke, Stewart, Mounger, Hull, Carnes, Irwin & Flournoy –

Mr. Early from the committee appointed to wait on the President elect, reported that the Committee had received for answer from Doctor Brown that he would attend for qualification so soon as the Board should be formed and he notified thereof. Whereupon at the request of the Board Mess^{rs} Clarke and Early notified the Rev^d John Brown that the Board was convened and ready to proceed to business – Doctor Brown accordingly attended and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by an ordinance of the sixteenth of June Eighteen Hundred and one before his excellency D.B Mitchell Governor of Georgia & in the presence of the Senatus Academicus –

Ordered that the Board of Trustees be informed thereof

Be it ordained by the Senatus Academicus of the University of Georgia that the ensuing relaxation allowed to the Students by an ordinance passed on the twenty first day of November Eighteen hundred and eight shall be and the same is hereby continued and extended from the seventh day of the present month August until the second Monday in September and that the aforesaid recited ordinance be so far suspended as relates to the eight days relaxation -

The Board then adjourned ‘til 3 oclock this evening -

At 3 oclock the Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present as in the morning - There being no business now be (sic)

submitted the Board adjourned ‘til 10 oclock tomorrow morning -

Wednesday 7th August 1811 -

The Board then met pursuant to adjournment - Present his excellency D.B. Mitchell, Judges Walker, Early and Gresham. Mess^{rs} Clarke, Stewart, Hull, Irwin, Carnes, Mounger and Flournoy.

The Board then went in procession to the Chapel where the Collegiate exercised were performed and the degree of Bachelor of Arts was conferred on Ebenezer Newton, John Howard, John Phinzy, James Thweat, John L. Wingfield, Joseph Malloy, David Callaham & James Hayes pursuant to an order

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of the Board of Trustees. The Board then returned to College. Be it ordained that from and after the fourth day of November next all monies for tuition in this College shall be paid quarter yearly in advance, and that no student be admitted to any of the College exercises until a receipt from the Treasurer for such payment be exhibited to the President.

Attest

Duncan G. Campell

Secretary of the University -

D.B. Mitchell Governor

& Presed^t of the Senatus

Academicus.

Resolved that the foregoing ordinance be signed by the president of this Board, and attested by the Secretary and published three times in one Gazette in Savannah, one in Augusta, one in Washington and one in Milledgeville, & one in Athens –

Reports of the State in situation of the Richmond and Meson academies were received and ordered to be filed -

The Board then adjourned ‘til 6 oclock tomorrow morning -

Thursday 8th August 1811-

The Board met pursuant to adjournment - Present His Excellency D.B. Mitchell, Judges, Early, Walker, & Gresham. Mess^{rs} Clarke, Stewart, Mounger, Hull, Carnes, Irwin, & Flournoy. There being no business now to be submitted, the Board then adjourned to meet on Thursday next after the first Monday in November next, at Milledgeville –

Attest

Duncan G. Campbell

Secretary of the University

D.B. Mitchell Govⁿ

& Pres^{dt} of the Senatus Academicus

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Thursday 7th Nov^r 1811 – Milledgeville –

On this day the following persons, members of the Board of Visitors met pursuant to adjournment, To wit, his Excellency David B. Mitchell , Mathew Talbot, President of the Senate Robert Iverson Speaker of the House of Representatives – Judges Early & Gresham Mess^{rs} Clarke Stewart, Carnes and Irwin – There not being sufficient number to form a Board those present adjourned untill tomorrow 4 oclock –

Friday 8th Nov^r 1811

His Excellency David B. Mitchell, Mess^{rs} Early, Gresham Talbot and Iverson attended as members of the Board of Visitors and adjourned untill 10 oclock tomorrow –

Saturday 9th Nov^r 1811 –

His Excellency the Governor, Judges Early and Gresham & Mess^{rs} Talbot and Iverson attended and adjourned to meet at this place on Tuesday the 19th Ins^t –

Milledgeville 19th November 1811 –

The following persons attended pursuant to adjournment. To wit, his Excellency the Governor, Judge Early, Mess^{rs} Talbot and Iverson, and the following Trustees, to wit, Mess^{rs} Clark Stewart, Marshall, Hull, and Irwin. There not being a majority of the Senate Academicus those present adjourned untill ten oclock tomorrow –

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20th November 1811 –

His Excellency the Governor, Judge Early Mess^{rs} Talbot and Iverson attended and adjourned untill 10 oclock tomorrow –

21st Nov^r 1811 –

His Excellency the Governor, Judge Early Mess^{rs} Talbot and Iverson attended and adjourned untill ten o'clock tomorrow –

22nd November 1811 –

On this day the following persons being a majority of the Board of Visitors attended, to wit, his Excellency David B. Mitchell, Judge Early, Mathew Talbot President of the Senate and Robert Iverson speaker of the House of Representatives. The Board of Trustees was then informed that the Board of visitors had convened and were ready to receive them and form the Senatus Academicus – The following members of the Board of Trustees attended, to wit, Mess^{rs} Clarke, Stewart, Mounger, Hull, Marshall, and Irwin – Whereupon the Senatus Academicus was formed and proceeded to business.

The following alterations, amendments and additions to the Laws of the College were proposed by the President and the same were severally agreed to.

The III Sec. of the I chap. Was altered and amended to read as follows- “The Professors and Tutors severally shall have power to govern the undergraduate students, and to admonish them in private or before the class- Provided, they do not in any case proceed contrary to the advice and direction of the President.”

The Iv Sec. to read thus –

“Every judgment of expulsion, dismissal for fault and rustication for any term longer than nine months shall be by the President, Professors and Tutors, and the same shall be in writing published in such manner as the President shall direct. Any student charged with a crime punishable by expulsion, dismissal or rustication (except in cases of riot or when the offence is within the knowledge of an Officer of College) shall (if he ha witness’s in his defence which cannot be immediately procured) at least three days before his trial be furnished with a copy in writing of the charges or charges intended to be exhibited against him. Copies of all such judgments on application to the President shall be given to all parties concerned.

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“And if any student shall apprehend himself aggrieved by any such judgment, he shall have liberty within any time not exceeding thirty days after the same shall have been given, of applying to the President by a petition in writing for a new trial, and on such petition the President may within a convenient time order a new trial to be had; and provided on such new trial the former judgment be confirmed, or the President refuse a new trial such student still apprehending himself aggrieved, or in case he shall be a minor, his parent or guardian shall have the liberty of bringing a petition to the Board of trustees for relief; which petition he shall lodge with the President within thirty days after such refusal or new trial, and the President shall lay the said petition before the Board of Trustees at their next meeting” –

The V Sec. expunged and the following substituted –

“It shall be the duty of the Faculty to superintend and take care of the College buildings and their appurtenances, and also to superintend and manage any improvements or repairs which have been or may hereafter be directed by the Board of Trustees” –

The VI Sec. altered to read thus –

“In case of the death of the President, it shall be the duty of the Senior Professor to exercise all the powers of the President until a meeting of the Senatus Academicus, which the said Professor shall call as soon as may be convenient.”

Chap II Sec I altered to read thus –

“Candidates for admissions into the College shall be examined by the President or under his direction by one or more of the Professors or Tutors, and not one shall be admitted until he shall be found able to read, translate and parse Virgil and Greek Testament, and to write true Latin in prose; and shall also have learned the rules of vulgar Arithmetic, and shall produce satisfactory proof of blameless life and conversation.”

III. Sec. altered to read thus –

“Every candidate for admission to an advanced standing shall be examined by the President and one or more of the Professors, or under the direction of the President, by two or more Professors and tutors and no such candidate shall be admitted to such standing in the College unless he shall be found fully qualified in all branches of learning proper for the same –

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VII. Sec. same Chap. – Omitted entirely –

Chap III Sec II altered to read thus –

“The President, or in his absence one of the Professors or one of the Tutors shall pray every morning and evening in the Chapel, and read a chapter or some suitable portion of Scripture. And every undergraduate student shall be obliged to attend under the penalty of admonition public or private by an officer of College for being tardy, or egressing without a sufficient reason” -

III. Sec amended to read as follows –

Monitors shall be appointed by the President who shall be furnished with Bills in which they shall note down those who are absent from, come too late or egress from prayers or other

public exercises on which the students are obliged by law to attend; which Bills they shall deliver to the President a Professor or Tutor whenever they shall be

required; and where sufficient excuses are not given for such absence, tardiness or egression the same shall be entered in a Book to be kept by the Faculty for that purpose which shall at all time be subject to the inspection of the Trustees.”

Additional Section to the III Chapter.

V. “All students are strictly forbidden to play on any instrument of music in the hours of study and also on Sundays, and they shall abstain from their unusual exercises on the Sabbath day” –

VI. No Student shall go beyond the limits of the Town of Athens without the permission from an Officer of College, nor be absent more than one day without permission from the President.

VII. If any Student shall be deficient in cleanliness in his apartment the President or any officer may order all necessary cleaning done at the expense of such student.

VIII. If any student shall refuse to give evidence respecting any violation of the laws of the College when called upon by the Faculty, he may be expelled.”

IV Chap. III Sec altered and amended to read as follows –

The established course of study in the College shall be as follows, to wit, The first or Freshman Class shall study the French Language Ciceros Orations – The Greek Testament, Xenophon, English Grammar Arithmetic and practice Elocution – The Second class shall read Horace, Homes Iliad, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Geography Compostion, English Grammar and practice Elocution, and also study the French language - ”

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But the French Language may be studied by any person not a member of the College or the college or of the Grammar School on paying the same for tuition that is paid in the College; and children in the Grammar School may at the same time take lessons from the Professor of French Language. The Senior Sophisters shall be examined on the second Thursday in June each year under the direction of the President and by such gentlemen of liberal education as may be appointed by him for that purpose.

The Third Class shall study Mensuration, Trigonometry Surveying – Navigation, - Astronomy – determination of Graphic Longitudes and Latitudes by observations of Eclipses and

the lunar observations – use of the celestial globe, Natural and Experimental Philosophy, Chemistry – Logic – Forensic disputations – Composition and public speaking – The Fourth Class shall study Rhetoric, History, the Constitution of the United States and the Constitutions of the different states – Moral Philosophy – Forensic disputations, composition and public speaking” –

Chap V Sec IV; Stricken out.

Chap VI Sec II. Amended to read as follows –

If the College chambers shall not be sufficient to receive all the students, the Faculty shall give liberty to so many as necessity shall require to reside among the Inhabitants of Athens of a good and approved Character; and the sons wards of parents or guardians residing in the village of Athens or in its vicinity may victual & live at home.

Additional Section to this Chapter

IV. It shall be the duty of the Faculty to visit the rooms of the College frequently and at irregular intervals; and all students shall be compelled to grant admittance to the College officers when they require it, and if such admittance is refused, the Officer may break the door at the expense of the Students.

Resolved that the Laws as now amended be fairly ingrossed by the Secretary and signed by the President, and that a fair manuscript copy be furnished the Board of Trustees that the same may be ordered to be printed.

Attest

Duncan G. Campbell

D.B. Mitchell Governor

Secretary of the University

& President

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The Senatus Academicus then adjourned to meet at Athens on the first Monday in August next.

Attest

Duncan G. Campbell

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Secretary of the University

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