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May 9th, 1917.

The Board of Trustees of the State Normal School met in the·

office of the Chairman, Honorable J. L. Bond, May 9th, 1917, with

the following members present:
Bond
Oliver
Lenon
Owen /

Dunaway
Hutchins
McDaniel

A letter from Dr. Jewell declining the presidency of the:<liormal ...

School was read end ordered spread upon the minutes. It is as: follows:

Honorable J. L. Bond,

President Boa.rd of Trustees, State Normal Sqhool, Little Rook, Arkansas.
My dear Sir:--

April 30th, 1917.

It is with a deep sense of' regret that I have come to
the final decision that I muet decline the honor of the presidency of the state Normal Sohool which· your .. honorable Board eo graoiousl1Y .: offered me on your own initiative ana without any candidacfl,of:'mi:'.own.

Let me assure you that J. am not insensible to the honor dohe~iile ·at your hands, and that I decline the trust with a deep sense of regret~"'";'" 'V,.':f .;>;::Z!~,
After returning f_rom Little Rook last week r:lfent'~intb

the salary schedule carefully, to see what adjustment's'coiiJ:d0 oe mi.de.; Then I wired to a few men whom I would have wanted' to help•1Wfth'ithe;
puttihg through. of the plans for reorganization .that we di e~ou·ilstW' to-
gether at Conway,· to see at what f'i'giirea they could be broug:bt:,>.1;c);:·the
State Normal School. .The replies just reoei ved this eJ1:ening show

that the present salary·hudget is n·ot·:sufficient .. to:carry outthese .. new.plans _t (ral.)Tj ET BT /Suspect <</Conf 0 >>BDC -0.035 Tc 7.0871 0 0 10.9 332.6 306.36 Tm (L