

RESOLUTIONS SUPPORTING THE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM
OF THE TENNESSEE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION AND
THE TENNESSEE CONGRESS OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS

Believing that public education is essential to the preservation of our democracy; and

Believing that we must have adequately trained teachers to maintain good schools; and

Realizing that salaries now being paid teachers are not commensurate with the services we expect for our children; and

Realizing that we must have a well-balanced school program;

We the undersigned members of the Weakley County Quarterly Court of Weakley County, Tennessee, do endorse the following legislative objectives for the betterment of our schools, and do pledge our efforts to secure their enactment into law by the 1953 Legislature:

1. Sufficient state appropriations to maintain the present foundation school program, including funds for capital outlay, during the 1953-1955 biennium, in the face of larger enrollments, improved training of teachers, and increased costs of instructional materials, supplies, and maintenance and operation of school plants.
2. Sufficient funds:
 - (a) To pay all teachers, supervisors, principals, and superintendents on a ten-months' basis at the same monthly rate as that allowed by the state salary schedule, provided that all who are now paid for ten months or more be increased by an annual amount equivalent to one month's pay on the state salary schedule; and
 - (b) To provide a further adjustment in the state salary schedule by which a maximum of \$3,000 will be allowed for teachers with a degree and fifteen years of experience, with proportionate increases for certified teachers of other levels of training and experience and corresponding increases for teachers in non-equalizing counties and cities.
3. Appropriation for teacher retirement set up in the general education program, sufficient to meet sound actuarial requirements for prior service, normal contributions and administration as provided in the Teacher Retirement Law.
4. Adequate state support for higher education.

Motion was made by Esq. W. M. Stow, seconded by Esq. J. Martin Adams, that the Weakley County Quarterly Court go on record as approving and adopting the above read Resolution. Thereupon, motion was made by Esq. D. Z. Grooms, seconded by Esq. Rice Mayo, that such motion be tabled. Thereupon, a roll call vote was had and the vote was as follows:

AYES: Dalton Glover, D. G. Barber, Doyle M. Atkinson, J. H. Jackson, I. G. Hatler, C. C. Brooks, B. F. Miller, Burnice Smith, Henry Killebrew, C. F. Edwards, C. B. Herron, Frank Lipscomb, Will Young, George Hearn, Rex Hobbs, Carlos Bridges, Rice P. Mayo, Hassell Collier, Robert Kennedy, D. Z. Grooms, Bailey Taylor, Odie Guffie, C. R. Reams, Fielden Travis, John C. Hatler, Neal Walker, Neal Tillman, Leonard Brawner, Luther Taylor, and Walter Smith.

NAYS: Birk McClain, J. Martin Adams, W. M. Stow, Horace McWherter, Seymour Buckley, Barney Bailey, Bill House, Blaine Woodruff, Paul Rushing, W. W. Marr, Tom Moore, Albert Miles, T. H. Wilson, Aaron Campbell, W. L. Lemonds, Vernon Dunn, Alpheus Parrott.

Thereupon the vote was declared to be 23 Ayes and 17 Nays, thereby tabling the motion made by Mr. W. M. Stow.