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Dr. Dabney

FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, HELD ON July 18, 1887.

"Mr. Comfort offered the following resolutions which were seconded by Mr. Scott and were unanimously passed by the Board. The resolutions are as follows, viz: Resolved that the Chairman of the Board be instructed to correspond with Prof. Charles W. Dabney, of Raleigh, N. C., with a view of ascertaining his willingness to accept the Presidency of the University in case of his election, and that he is hereby authorized to assure Prof. Dabney that in case of his election, this Board proposes to intrust to him the entire management of the financial affairs of the University; that it will vote no appropriation of funds against his wishes, and will vote all the funds within the means of the Board, which he may recommend.

(2) That we propose to invest him with full power and authority to determine the future policy of the University, such policy to conform to the Act of Congress of July 2, 1862, and to the Act of Congress of 1887 establishing the Agricultural Experiment Station and to the laws of the State, and that it will pledge to him its support in carrying out such plans as he may deem proper for the best interests of the institution.

(3) That it will hereafter elect no member of the Faculty or other Instructor of whose election he disapproves.

(4) That it will offer him a salary of \$3,500.00 per annum to be increased to \$4,000.00 as soon as it receives the Hatch fund. "