

Edwin Washington Project**White Petition**

Date	Town or School	Cross Ref	Key word(s)	Topic
Unknown (petition) April 24, 1927 (attachment letter) May 10, 1927 (attachment letter) May 10, 1927 (attachment list) Unknown (attachment list)	Leesburg HS		Appoint; Latin teacher; Metzger	Petition and attachments requesting that the board appoint Ellen Metzger as Latin teacher at Leesburg HS.

Text

To Mr Emerick, County Superintendent

We patrons of the Leesburg High School, respectfully ask you and the school authorities (?) to appoint Miss Ellen Metzger as teacher of Latin in the Public School.

Names (signed)

W. H. Maiten
Mrs. Wallace George
Chas F. Harrison
Mary Fendall Harrison
Cora Lily Alexander
Louise Jackson
Anne F. Rogers
Mamie V. Dibrell
A D Dibrell
Mrs. J. R. Lintner
Sabina F. Vaughan
Mrs. Will Caviness
Mrs. Duprey Holladay
Alice T. Black Wainwright
Mrs. Wm B. Casilear

Attachment Letter

William H. Martin
Leesburg VA

Phone in Office

MARTIN & MARTIN
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
THE GIBSON BUILDING
LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

April 24, 1927

My dear Mr. Emerick,

I thought that it may be better if I explain a little further than I did in my letter to you the other day why the list of some of the Leesburg patrons who wished to have Miss Metzger replaced in the department of Latin did not go in to you before. Last fall when we found Miss Metzger had been removed from that department there was perfect (?) consternation among many of us, but we realized nothing could be done about it until the next election of teachers. Some months ago I asked Stilson Hall what we should do about putting the matter of her reinstatement before your board. I went in to see Mr. Carr, one of that advisory board. I understood from him that he was entirely with us in the desire to have Miss Metzger restored to the department of Latin, and would do all in his power to lay the matter before your board. I then went to Mr. Littlejohn, the second member of the advisory board. By the way, Mr. Carr thought it might be well to have the list of names of those who wished this, to put before your board. Mr. Littlejohn talked as though he was entirely in favor of restoring her to the Latin department, and urged me not go around with a paper to be signed by those who wished Miss Metzger in the Latin, but to leave the matter in their hands, that he would let me know if he thought having the list would be a good thing. I so reported to more of the patrons, and I feel very badly, because had it not been for this the wishes of a large group of the patrons would have been made known to you before the election came up. One member of the advisory board I did not approach on the subject, understanding that she was thought to be, to say the least, uninterested in the matter. When I saw in the paper no mention of Miss Metzger I went at once to Mr. Carr and I understand if I am not mistaken that the board recommended Miss Stickley for the Latin, also recommending Miss Metzger for what I do not know. I know how just and fair you have always proved yourself in listening to the wishes of the patrons, and in my real distress over this matter feeling I had failed those who thought I would place this before you I could think of nothing but to send you a group of representative names. Many more would place themselves on record I know could I see then but I know you understand that. Now, as to Miss Stickley--I do not consider her a good teacher and a good many more do not. She does not drill, and you will find that I am not mistaken when you see those who have failed in her classes, and I am by far from being alone in my opinion of her as a teacher. Mr. Carr knew all this--so I think did the other members I talked to. In my opinion had I no child for whom I wished Miss Metzger's drill, I should feel that to lose Miss Metzger from the department of Latin would be a great detriment to our school.

Most cordially yours: /s/ Rib(?) Martin

THE PEOPLE'S NATIONAL BANK
OF LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

May 10- 1927.

Prof. O. L. Emerick,
Purcellville,
Virginia.

Dear Mr. Emerick:-

I thank you for yours of the 6th, with enclosure, received during my absence from the bank.

As stated in the meeting we held a few days ago I believe with Miss Metzger satisfied with the work you and she have agreed upon for her to have, and by keeping Miss Stickley in the school we will have a better faculty than we might have otherwise, and if you go ahead and decide to do as outlined then, I am sure you will have the backing of our Board here in Leesburg, as we know it is impossible to satisfy everybody.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Josephus Carr
Cashier.

JC/W.

Attachment List

Leesburg Latin Grades
May 10, 1927

II	I	I
Alma George 72	Ernest Schulke 69	Nancy Rogers 81-93
Harold Jackson 87	Ernest Beall 82	Alma Shumate 72-81
Harry Raflo 78	Summerfiled Talbott 70	Margaret Carter 89-95
Sam Alexander 69	Howard Hutchison 38	Nancy Dibrell 46-36
John Paul 60	Elizabeth Dodd 93	Wilson Eggleston 78-79
Charles Sommers 71	Ella Fowler 93	
Christian Courtney 86	Reba Turley 88	
Charlotte Duff 79	Mary Vaughn 83	
Sarah Lefferts 63	Mae Wortman 82	
Eula Kevins 73	Adrian Carter 50	
Mildred Crouch 73	Ralph Payne 69	
Doris Lambert 76	Philip Newhouse 84	
Esther Chautlin 88	Ludevish(?) Linter 57	
Betty Littlejohn 80	Herbert Shroy 64	
Helen Beale 49	Glenn Holladay 50-68	
Margaret Stunkel 86	Milton Reed 44	
Gray Hume 84	Raymond Saunders 45-83	
	Wm Martin 78	
	Bernie Deck 57	
	Estella Deck 78-49	
	Barbara Duff 71-68	
	Thelma Burke 63-70	
	Margaret Edmader 51	
	Helen Atwill 66-59	
	Mildred Trussell 76-49	
	Betty Craighill 68-79	
	Mae Eggleston 51-86	
	Mildred Beard 50	

Attachment List 2

Interview of persons favoring Miss Metzger to teach Latin.

Mr Alexander
Mrs. Alexander
Rev. Craighill
Mrs. Gibson
Rev. Holladay