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14<sup>th</sup>. Novr. [1810]

Messrs. Twiggs, Mitchell, Hull, Carnes, Irwin, Flournoy & Early having attended the Board of Trustees was formed and proceeded to business-

His excellency the Governor having communicated to this Board the answer of Doctor Henry Kollock by which he declines accepting [p 175] the Presidency of Franklin College

Resolved that it is highly important that no time should be lost in adopting the best mode in our power to provide for the exigency of the occasion: first, by keeping in operation the discipline, management and progress of the College, and secondly to obtain as early as may be, some fit and proper person to take the appointment of President. To accomplish these objects –

Resolved that the prudential committee take upon themselves the care, management and discipline (Sic.) of the institution, using their best discretion and authority over the professors, Tutors and scholars, and all other persons, matters or things connected with the institution and appertaining to the office of President untill the next annual meeting of the Senatus Academicus: And that in the meantime they publish an advertisement in such of the Gazettes as they may think proper to select, and thereby make it known, that the office of President of the college is vacant, and that a salary of not less than fifteen hundred dollars, together with a suitable house, garden &c. will be given to such a person who from his recommendations and qualifications may be chosen to preside over the College –

All persons who may offer themselves as candidates for the appointment to be requested to signify the same to the Prudential Committee in person or by letter together with the requisite profs (Sic.) of their qualifications and recommendations. ...

[p 176] ... Mr. Carnes having communicated to the Board that in a conversation with Mr. Meigs on the subject of providing a suitable place for the reception of the President and his family, he Mr. Meigs suggested that the propriety of fitting up the first set of rooms in the east end of college which might be done at a small expence; and stating at the same thime [Sic.] that when the rooms were so fitted up if the President should prefer living in the house at present occupied by him, that he as Professor would willingly reside therein and give up his residence with the appurtenances –

Thereupon resolved that the Prudential Committee be authorised to have suitable alterations made in the rooms contemplated so soon as they are assured that a proper person is willing to accept the appointment of President.