

Hiring Policy Reaffirmed Here:

School Board Gives Okay To Consolidation

Unanimous approval was given by members of the Marquette Board of Education at their meeting Tuesday afternoon to a motion favoring consolidation of the Marquette School District with districts now serves on a tuition basis—Marquette, Chocoley, Powell and Skandia Townships.

Prior to the action, President Paul Kinville reviewed discussion that occurred at a meeting held in March at the intermediate school district office with representatives of township districts to consider consolidation.

"It seems to be the feeling that there will be continuing pressure by the state so that within the next couple of years any school district in order to operate will be required to offer an educational program from kindergarten through grade 12," Kinville said.

"Following the meeting in March, our secretary, Homer Hilton Jr., sent a letter to the boards of education of the township school districts advising

made in the very near future and that the study should get under way just as soon as possible after our school expansion bond issue election.

"In my opinion, this board should do everything it can to bring about consolidation at this time, rather than waiting and having it forced on us by the legislature."

Employment Policy

Board members went on record also reaffirming a policy that has been in effect since the 1930's in regard to the school district not employing more than one person from a single household.

Kinville explained that the policy dated back to the depression days of the 30's at which time the idea was to spread around jobs that were available.

"This policy has been continued by succeeding boards, and we must make a decision regarding it in view of the large number of applications that we have at this time from spouses presently employed by the

unanimously approved continuing the employment policy.

Reporting on the annual convention of the National Association of School Boards, which he attended recently in Miami, Fla., Hilton informed the board that the most interesting session was the one pertaining to the abuse of drugs.

"There was a stimulating presentation by Lockheed Aircraft Co. on abuse of drugs, which it appears is currently a major problem for students, adults and teachers, in short the entire community," he told his colleagues.

"I have recommended that a letter be written to the Lockheed Information Service to inquire if its film on the subject would be available for board viewing. After viewing it, I believe the board should consider sending a teacher to Lockheed for training in preparation for offering a course on the subject, which it is suggested be made available at the eighth grade level."

Bothwell advised the board that arrangements have been made for a special meeting at 3:30 p.m. Thursday at Graveland Junior High to discuss the bonding proposal submitted by the Citizens Committee. Teachers and other interested school employees have been invited to attend.

The Weather

Forecast for Marquette and vic.

Proposed Constitution At NMU Loses, Students Vote Against Keeping Job Corps

Northern Michigan University undergraduates Tuesday failed to approve a proposed new student constitution and voted against retention of the Women's Job Corps Center on the campus.

In the election conducted by the Student Government Association, 927 students voted for adoption of the constitution, 698 voted against adoption and 672 abstained. However, an affirmative vote of the majority of the students casting ballots was re-

quired for passage of the measure, and the combination of negative votes and abstentions in effect resulted in defeat of the question.

On the second question on the ballot, 1,322 students voted against retention of the Job Corps center, 791 voted for retention and 172 abstained.

How Vote Was Conducted

Thirty-seven per cent of the undergraduates cast ballots in the election (2,297 out of the undergraduate enrollment of 6,

386 voted on the constitution question and 2,285 on the Job Corps question).

Student commuters cast paper ballots in the University Center, while resident students marked their ballots as they passed through cafeteria lines in dining hall complexes on the campus. The ballots were tabulated by an election committee designated by the Student Government Association.

Wording of the two questions was as follows:

1. "Do you approve of the proposed constitution of the Associated Students of Northern Michigan University?"

2. "Do you feel that the Women's Job Corps should be retained ON THE CAMPUS of Northern Michigan University?"

50 Ordered Closed

The Job Corps center on the campus was one of 59 in the nation ordered closed earlier this month by the Labor Department in a move to cut \$100 million in expenses.

The department ordered the center closed immediately, although the university's contract with the federal government for operation of the center does not expire until June 30.

Objection Filed

Dr. John X. Jamrich, NMU president, objected to federal officials against closing the center prior to June 30 on the grounds that it would be an injustice to enrollees and staff to terminate the program abruptly.

An organization called Save the Job Corps is scheduled to travel from Marquette to Washington, D.C., to appear before the House Education and Labor Committee Monday in behalf of retaining the Job Corps center here.

The NMU Student Senate was reported to have voted Tuesday night to allocate \$90 to send two student senators to Washington with the delegation from Marquette in support of the Job Corps.

On Oct. 27, 1968, Britain switched to Central European time, which is one hour ahead of Greenwich Mean Time.

U.P. TB-Respiratory Group Picks Officers, OKs Budget

Members of the Upper Peninsula chapter of the Michigan Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association met here to choose officers for the coming year and approve the 1969 budget.

The association this month began its third year of existence.

Elected officers for the coming year are: President — Mr. Jack Jacob, R.N., Director of Nursing at the Veterans Ad-

Noc College, Escanaba, for community and teachers.

In addition to these program activities, the board approved partial funding of a registered inhalation therapist salary if one can be acquired. The therapist would work with Morgan Heights Sanatorium, St. Luke's Hospital in Marquette and Northern Michigan University.

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