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SECTION I.

MATRICULATION.

I. Every student, on entering, shall subscribe to the following agreement:

“I solemnly promise, on my truth and honor, to observe and obey the laws and regulations of Dickinson College.”

After this, if he has satisfied the Faculty of his good moral character and studious habits, he shall be fully admitted as a member of the institution and his name and age, with the name and abode of his parent or guardian, registered in the Matriculation Book.

SECTION II.

DEPARTMENT OF STUDENTS.

I. The students are associated for the

purpose of improvement, and are expected to conduct themselves accordingly.

The authorities of the College make it a prime object to encourage the spirit of self government among the students; and it is desired to make good order, courtesy, punctuality, and attention to duty, established customs in the College, which the students shall take pride in perpetuating. All organizations among the students which directly or indirectly foster this spirit, as literary societies, and the Young Men's Christian Association, receive the encouragement of the Faculty.

Certain regulations are essential to the above ends and to the highest efficiency of the institution; and the following offenses are specified, as among those which must be particularly guarded against :

The use of intoxicating liquors; gambling, or playing at any game for money or other things of value; disturbing the inhabitants of Carlisle; defacing or injuring buildings, furniture, apparatus, books, or any other property in or about the College; visiting improper places of amusement; dishonesty in examinations; and all other breaches of good morals or good citizenship: refusing or neglecting, when required, to appear before the Faculty or the President; disobedience to any sentence of the Faculty; refusing to give

testimony when required by the Faculty, or falsifying therein; challenging, assaulting, or endeavoring to injure or annoy any student, in other words, hazing in every form; keeping or carrying firearms or any other deadly weapons, or using the same in the borough of Carlisle; boarding at or resorting to hotels and saloons; being absent from Carlisle at night without permission of the class dean; unnecessary noise in the college buildings or on the campus during recitation hours and after the evening bell; general athletic sports on the campus; and in general, all behavior inconsistent with the good order and prosperity of the College.

2. Failure to observe regulations of the College will result in private admonition, official notice to the parent or guardian, public admonition, suspension, dismissal, or expulsion.

3. No student, whether suspended, dismissed, or expelled, shall be restored, except upon satisfactory assurances for the future.

4. The Faculty may take notice of vicious or immoral conduct of students occurring during vacation the same as though it occurred during the session of the College.

5. As students may be guilty of dis-

orders and misdemeanors not specified in these laws, a discretionary authority must necessarily be lodged with the Faculty to meet such emergencies.

SECTION III.

ROOMS AND BOARDING.

1. The boarding and rooming of the students shall be under the direction of the Faculty.

2. Students not residing with parent or guardian are expected to lodge in the college buildings, unless special permission be granted otherwise.

3. No person shall be employed about the College to perform service for students, except by permission of the President.

Boarding clubs may be organized and conducted by the students as the needs of the College require, the same being at all times subject to the supervision and control of the President.

SECTION IV.

COMMENCEMENT AND DEGREES.

1. Commencement shall be held on the first Wednesday after the first Sunday of June.

2. On the day of commencement such candidates as the Faculty shall have pre-

viously appointed shall perform the exercises assigned them. A fair copy of each performance, after its approval by the President, shall be deposited in the archives of the College.

3. Diplomas shall be signed by the President and Secretary of the Board of Trustees, and shall be delivered on payment of the usual fee of five dollars.

4. No balls, dances, or improper entertainments shall be accompaniments of the commencement, under such penalties as the Faculty may impose.

SECTION V.

RELIGIOUS DUTIES.

1. There shall be devotional exercises in the college chapel every morning under the direction of the President and professors.

2. While students are free to choose the church they will attend, they are required to attend the regular morning preaching service of the church of their choice.

SECTION VI.

COLLEGE EXPENDITURES.

1. Term bills are payable as follows :
For the fall term before the first of October.

For the winter term before the twentieth of January.

For the spring term before the fifteenth of April.

2. All damage to the college property shall be assessed equally on all students at such times during each college year as the President may direct; with the proviso, that the perpetrator of such damage, when discovered, shall in every case make good the same, and may be subject to a fine not exceeding ten times the amount of damage done, the same to be determined by the Faculty of the College and placed to the credit of the general damage account.

Any student refusing to meet any damage assessment will not be advanced in his class, and may be dismissed from the College.

3. Any student who shall fail, within the specified time to pay the college bill, may be required, at the discretion of the Faculty, to absent himself from the recitations of his class, until he shall have complied with this rule; *Provided*, due notice shall have been given to his parent or guardian; and no student shall receive an honorable dismissal or diploma, until the bills for college fees and boarding have been settled.

4. Should a student arrive after the commencement of a session, and before one-half of it has expired, he shall pay all the college charges for the session, but at any time after that, one-half of the same.

SECTION VII.

LITERARY SOCIETIES AND OTHER COLLEGE ORGANIZATIONS.

1. The Belles Lettres, Union Philosophical and Harman Literary Societies are integral parts of the institution, under the protection and control of the Faculty, and their property is under the guardianship of the Board of Trustees.

2. Their meetings shall be at such hours as the Faculty may direct.

3. Disobedience of a Society to the requirements of the Faculty, shall subject it to a suspension of privileges during the will of the Faculty.

4. All other organizations connected in any way with the life of the College shall be subject to Faculty supervision and review.

SECTION VIII.

STANDING AND GRADING OF STUDENTS.

1. Standing shall be determined by term work and examinations.

2. Marks upon all recitations, exami-

nations, or other exercises shall be on a scale from zero to ten, unexcused absences being counted as zero.

3. In determining the standing for the Freshman and Sophomore classes, examinations shall count one-fourth, and term work three-fourths of the total; for the Junior and Senior classes the proportionate value of each shall be determined by the instructor.

4. On the basis of standing thus determined the class in each subject shall at the end of each term be divided into four groups—A, B, C, D. Students who are conditioned and required to pass another examination or to repeat the work with the succeeding class constitute a fifth group, E. Record of these groups shall be made at the end of each term and reports sent to parents or guardians.

5. Examinations shall be held at the close of the Fall, Winter, and Spring terms, at mid-year, or, by special action of the Faculty, upon the completion of an integral part of any subject. Examinations of Seniors at the end of the Winter term shall be optional with the instructors.

6. Dishonesty in any examination is a grave offense, and any student found guilty of the same shall be suspended

from College for not less than four weeks, the parents shall be notified, and the student required to leave town.

7. A student whose work is not satisfactory to the instructor may, with the approval of the Faculty, be excluded from examination thereon and required to repeat the work with the succeeding class.

8. In case of any conflict in recitation scheme resulting from a student's being required to take work with two or more classes, the study of the lower class must be pursued.

9. At the close of the year the class shall be divided on the basis of standing into four groups—A, B, C, D. Students advanced with the class, but deficient in any work, shall constitute a fifth group, E.

10. Standing shall be reported to the students, whether by instructor or secretary, by group letters only.

11. The four members of the graduating class who have obtained the highest standing for the course, shall be awarded honorary orations. The remainder of the class shall be divided into four sections according to the standing during their connection with the College.

The four students who have maintained the highest excellence in composition and

oratory during the Junior and Senior years, shall be awarded commencement orations: *Provided*, that no student shall be awarded a commencement appointment who has been connected with the College less than two years, and who has not also been connected with one of the literary societies for at least one-half of the time of his connection with the College.

SECTION IX.

ABSENCES, DEMERITS, AND DELINQUENCY EXAMINATIONS.

1. Each student shall be allowed a certain number of absences from college exercises, for which no excuse will be required; but the absence of an entire class or any large part of the same from any college requirement cannot be made a part of these allowed absences. Such absence will be treated separately by the Faculty and such penalties inflicted as it seems to merit.

2. This number of allowed absences shall be as follows :

From a one hour subject (per week,) one absence *each term* : from a two hour subject, two absences each term; from a three hour subject, three absences each term; from a four hour subject, four ab-

sences each term; from Gymnasium, two absences each term; from Church, one absence each term; from Chapel service, six absences each term.

Each absence from any college requirement during the first three days of any term shall count as two absences.

3. *Written reasons for all absences from college requirements must be presented to the Absence Committee of the Faculty within one week of their occurrence, or, in case of protracted absence, within one week of the student's return to work. No excuse for absences will be considered unless presented within this specified time.*

4. When for any necessary cause there may be protracted or frequent absence from college requirements, the student may appear before the Absence Committee of the Faculty and for reasons given, ask excuse for such absences as prescribed in paragraph three (3). and on favorable recommendations of the Committee the absences may be excused by the Faculty. *However* before such excuse will be approved by the Committee, the student must have given good and sufficient excuse, not only for the excess of absences for which excuse is asked, but also for the absences ordinarily allowed.

5. For each absence from recitation, lecture, declamation, gymnasium, or church,

five (5) demerits; and from Chapel service, three (3) demerits. Demerits for other offenses may be given according to the judgment of the Faculty.

6. Special monthly reports will be sent to parents or guardians of students frequently absent from college requirements, or doing their work in an unsatisfactory manner.

7. Forty demerits subject the student to a first reproof; sixty to a second; eighty to a third and last; and one hundred sever connection with the College for at least four weeks.

8. In case a student thus suspended be readmitted to College, demerits shall stand so far as class rank is concerned, but shall have no future disciplinary effect.

If during the remainder of the college year, demerits shall be received exceeding that fraction of one hundred equal to the part of the year remaining, connection with the College shall be severed without privilege of readmission.

9. At the end of the college year one half of all demerits above twenty five on each student's record will be carried over to the next year's record.

10. When a student is absent from any exercise, or performs it in a negligent manner, he may be required to make

up the exercise at the discretion of the professor.

11. If, *for any cause whatever*, the absences of a student in a study *shall exceed the number of absences allowed for the term in paragraph two (2)*, he shall, before being admitted to the regular examination, be required to pass a Preliminary Examination on the work of the term in said study; and if he fails to pass such Preliminary Examination, he shall be considered as having failed in the Regular Examination.

12. Special Examinations will be held during the first two days of each term, and will not be held at other times without special action of the Faculty.

13. Students failing in any Regular Examination will be required to pass on the work at some Special Examination prior to the beginning of the subject by the next class, or, failing to do this, to repeat the subject with the next class.

14. *A fee of one (1) dollar will be charged* for any of the following examinations:

For a Preliminary Examination caused in whole or part by unexcused absences; for a Special Examination necessitated by unexcused absence from a Regular Examination; for any subsequent Special Examination after a student has already

failed in a first Special Examination to pass on any given work.

No student will be admitted to any subsequent examination, until his fees for all previous Preliminary Examinations have been paid, nor to any Special Examination for which a fee is charged until he presents a receipt for the fee.

These fees will be added to the library fund of the College.

15. Entrance conditions must be passed on at some Special Examination within a year of the student's entrance to College.