

Lexington, Va.

April 2, 1923.

We, the Patrons of the Colored Public School and members of the Home and School League deem it necessary and opportune that we express our opposition to constituents of the present faculty, for reappointment as teachers for the above named School. This complaint we make general, after the observation made recently, relative to conditions which existed in the curriculum, and furthermore evident to both, patrons and school officials.

The facts sustained in our investigation constitute a general indictment against every member of the faculty excluding only Miss Laretta Price who has

at no time falsely deceived the public nor denounce the work done for the betterment of the school, and endorsed by the action of the School Board and Supt.

It is evident, that, needs of our people and their desires have been falsely represented to the school officials through the head of the faculty as our mouth piece, and as a result we have lost all future faith and confidence in them as public servants. They have deceived us, and ignored our entreaties, and councils on every occasion directed to bring about a better understanding, to affect a greater good. In no way are we able to cooperate with these constituents of the faculty, and their attitude towards us is of such a character that would not

be expected of any public servant. They live too far above the patrons or in exclusion, that no common meeting place between patrons and teachers is possible and that has lately been proven as you already know.

We further contend and sustain the fact that there has been persistent attempt on the part of certain constituents ^{to cause the public to believe} that no changes have yet been ^{in the curriculum} made, with apparent intention of minimizing our efforts, or to continue deceiving the public, and as a result making the School Board's Chairman report of changes which were made a lie or a sham also to deceive us.

We present the foregoing, general complaint, and entreat that you give us a hearing to further sustain our

opposition in particular instances with proof sufficient to disqualify either of these constituents to be trainers of the present generation. Things too numerous and ignominious to scribe or enunciate constitute our charge, and we are prepared to support them.

If it is necessary, to confirm within your minds the justification of our complaint, we therefore beg audience of you to further our claim on this most vital question.

We hope that you may look into this matter in the light of yourselves then act as you would for yourselves.

Signed:
Home and School League

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