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CHAPTER 196.

AN ACT to amend chapter 129 of the local laws of 1867, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Northwestern University at Watertown, Wisconsin."

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Board of trustees, rules subject to.

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter 129 of the local laws of 1867, is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section the following: "provided, that the board of trustees shall be subject to the regulations, rules and general supervision of the German Evangelical Lutheran synod of Wisconsin and other states," under whose patronage the university and connected colleges or seminaries are founded; and further provided, that the board of trustees shall have no power or authority to acquire, hold or convey any real property, except under the direction of the said synod, given at a regular or special meeting of said synod.

Powers of college.

Section 2. Section three of chapter 129 of ees. Rules and the local laws of 1867, is hereby amended, so regulation of that said section when so amended, shall read as follows, to-wit: Section 3. "The board of trustees of the Northwestern University shall have power, under the direction of said synod, to appoint a president of said university, and also presiding professors of any other college or seminary which may be connected with said university, or be added thereto with a view of extending the course and plan of said university, and all necessary professors, instructors and tutors of said university, or any college or seminary connected therewith. It shall have power to appoint and employ all other needful officers for said university and other institutions of learning connected therewith, and assign to them their respective duties. The board of trustees shall have power to make such regulations and rules for the admission, instruction and education of the students admitted to said institutions, as shall be deemed best to them, subject however to the approval and consent of the synod; and the said board of trustees shall with the advice of the faculty of said university or other institutions, and subject to the consent of the synod, make such rules and regulations relating to the courses of study as they deem best, and all rules for the better government of the institutions; provided however that no such rule or regulations shall be repugnant to the laws of the United States or the laws of the state, neither shall any of them exclude any person of any religious denomination whatever from equal right or advantage of education or from any of the degrees, liberties, privileges, benefits or immunities of said university or of any college or seminary connected therewith, on account of his particular tenets in religion."

SECTION 3. Section six of said chapter 129 of Board of the local laws of 1867 is hereby amended so chosen. Terms that the same when so amended, shall read as follows, to-wit: Section 6. "That subsequently the board of trustees shall be chosen as follows: The German Evangelical Lutheran synod of Wisconsin and other states shall at its annual meeting, elect one-third of the members of said board, to be elected for the term of three years and until their successors are elected and qualified; said election shall be by ballot and the per-

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sons receiving a majority of the votes shall be declared elected. Said trustees shall be members of said synod or members in good standing of congregations belonging to the synod. said synod shall have power to increase the number of trustees by a vote of said synod, taken at a regular annual meeting of said synod; but such · proposition shall be published at least twice in the official organ of said synod, before such meeting; provided however that at each time of increasing the number of trustees, the additional number of trustees to be elected shall be divisible by three, one-third to be elected for one year, one-third for two years and one-third for three years. The said synod shall have power to allow other Lutheran synods of adjacent states, to join with it in the patronage of said university and other institutions and to allow such synods to elect a specified number of trustees, who must be members of such synod or synods or members in good standing of congregations belonging to such synod or synods; provided always that the majority of trustees shall be elected by the said German Evangelical Lutheran synod of Wisconsin and other states; and provided further, that the whole number of trustees shall never exceed twenty-four."

Resignations from board.

SECTION 4. Section seven of chapter 129 of the local laws of 1867 is hereby amended so that the same when so amended shall read as follows, to-wit: Section 7. "Any member of the board of trustees may resign, by resignation sent to the president of the synod of which he is a member. And any member of the board of trustees, who ceases to be a member of the German Evangelical Lutheran synod of Wisconsin and other states, or of a synod that shall have the privilege to elect such trustees, or who ceases to be a member in good standing of any congregation belonging to said synod or synods, shall thereby lose his seat and vote, and his place shall be deemed vacant. All the vacancies shall be filled by ballot at the next annual

meeting of such synod; provided however, that the president of such synod shall have power to fill any vacancies temporarily until the meeting of such synod."

SECTION 5. Section 8 of chapter 129 of the Power of local laws of 1867 is hereby amended, so that the board to conduct certain same when so amended shall read as follows, to-departments. "Said board of trustees shall wit: Section 8. have power to carry on and conduct such preparatory departments and colleges of learning and seminaries as the said German Evangelical Lutheran synod of Wisconsin and other states may direct."

SECTION 6. Section ten of chapter 129 of the Acts of board local laws of 1867 is hereby amended so that the legalized. same when so amended, shall read as follows, towit: Section 10. "All acts heretofore done by the board of trustees of the Northwestern University of Watertown, Wisconsin, or by the German Evangelical Lutheran synod of Wisconsin or by the German Evangelical Lutheran synod of Wisconsin and other states rearding the government and maintenance of said university and other colleges of learning, are hereby legalized and declared valid and legal."

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect and be in force, from and after its passage and publication.

Approve I April 18, 1899.