

Buffalo State Hospital Board of Managers' Meeting Minutes B2811

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Overview of the Records

Repository: New York State Archives

Summary: This series of minutes documents the creation and early

activities of the managers of the Buffalo State Hospital (known

earlier as the Buffalo Asylum for the Insane).

Creator: Buffalo State Hospital

Title: Buffalo State Hospital Board of Managers' meeting minutes

Quantity: 0.5 cubic feet

Quantity: 2 volumes

Inclusive Date: 1870-1888

Series: B2811

Arrangement

Chronological.

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Scope and Content Note

This series of minutes documents the creation and early activities of the managers of the Buffalo State Hospital (known earlier as the Buffalo Asylum for the Insane). Minutes include the establishment of by-laws and of a standing Executive Committee, an Auditing Committee, and a Committee on Grounds. The extensive minutes of the Executive Committee (1870-1888) constitute the second volume of this series.

In addition to minutes of the board (1870-1883), documentation also includes a historical narrative of the creation of the institution, which can be traced to several eminent local physicians and prominent citizens who advocated for a local facility similar to the Utica State Asylum for the Insane. Also include are clippings of laws passed by the State Legislature related to the establishment of a commission to be appointed for the creation of the institution.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

Records identifying patients are restricted in accordance with Section 33.13, Mental Hygiene Law, relating to confidentiality of clinical records. Access is permitted under certain conditions upon approval by the Office of Mental Health.

Access Terms

- Clippings (information artifacts)
- Mentally ill--Care
- Buffalo (N.Y.)
- New York (State)
- Minutes (administrative records)
- Mental health facilities
- Buffalo State Asylum for the Insane