AN ACT

Amending the act of February 22, 1855 (P.L.46, No.50), entitled "An act to incorporate the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania," further providing for management by board of trustees, for membership, name and power of board of trustees and for meeting, terms and successors of board of trustees.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Sections 2, 3 and 5 of the act of February 22, 1855 (P.L.46, No.50), entitled "An act to incorporate the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania," are amended to read:

Section 2. Management by board of trustees

(a) The said institution shall be under the management and government of a board of trustees, of whom there shall be [thirteen, and seven of whom shall be a quorum], beginning with the 2020-2021 school year, not more than twenty-one voting members and one nonvoting member, competent to perform the
duties hereinafter authorized and required. A majority of voting members shall constitute a quorum.

(b) The board of trustees shall be comprised of the following members:

(1) The Governor, who shall serve as a nonvoting member, ex officio.

(2) The Secretary of Education, who shall serve ex officio.

(3) The Secretary of Agriculture, who shall serve ex officio.

(4) The Secretary of Conservation and Natural Resources, who shall serve ex officio.

(5) Nine members who are alumni of the institution elected by alumni of the institution under terms and conditions provided under the institution by-laws.

(6) Three members representing the interests of business and industry elected by regional business and industry associations under terms and conditions provided under the institution by-laws.

(7) Three members representing agricultural interests elected by regional agricultural associations under terms and conditions provided under the institution by-laws.

(8) Three at-large members who shall be elected under terms and conditions provided under the institution by-laws, one of whom shall be a student enrolled at the institution.

(c) Members shall be elected or appointed for terms of three years. A member may not serve more than nine years in the aggregate during the course of the member's lifetime. A member appointed or elected to the board of trustees as of the effective date of this subsection who has served nine or more years in the aggregate may complete the member's current term.
but shall be ineligible to serve another term at the conclusion of the member's current term.

Section 3. Membership of board of trustees; name and style of board; power of board to take and dispose of property

The [Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, the President of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, and the principal of the institution, shall each be ex officio a member of the board of trustees, which said] trustees, and their successors in office, are hereby elected and declared to be a body politic and corporate in law, with perpetual succession, by the name, style and title of the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania, by which name and title the said trustees, and their successors, shall be able and capable in law to take by gift, grant, sale or conveyance, by bequest, devise or otherwise, any estate in any lands, tenements and hereditaments, goods, chattels or effects, and at pleasure to alien or otherwise dispose of the same to and for the uses and purposes of the said institution: provided, however, that the annual income of the said State, so held, shall at no time exceed twenty-five thousand dollars; and the said corporation shall by the same name have power to sue and be sued, and generally to do and transact all and every business touching or concerning the premises, or which shall be necessarily incidental thereto, and to hold, enjoy and exercise all such powers, authorities and jurisdiction as are customary in the colleges within this Commonwealth.

Section 5. First meeting of trustees; term of office; election to choose successors

At the first meeting of the board of trustees, the [nine names] members who are not ex officio members, shall by
themselves and by lot be divided into three classes, of three each, numbered one, two, and three; the appointment hereby made of class number one shall terminate on the first Monday of October, 1856, number two on the first Monday of October, 1857, and number three on the first Monday of October, 1858; and upon the termination of the office of such directors, to-wit: on the first Monday of October in every year, an election shall be held at the institution to supply their place, and such election shall be determined by the votes of the members of the executive committee of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, and the votes of three representatives duly chosen by each county agricultural society in this Commonwealth, which shall have been organized at least three months preceding the time of election, and it shall be the duty of the said board of trustees to appoint two of their number as judges to hold the said election, to receive and count the votes, and return the same to the board of trustees, with their certificate of the number of votes cast, and for whom, whereupon the said board shall determine who have received the highest number of votes, and who are thereby elected.

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.