

7. (1.) A casual vacancy shall be created in the same way and for the same causes as are set out in section 20 of the Education Act in the case of members of an Education Board.

(2.) Every casual vacancy shall be filled in the same manner and by the same appointing or electing authority as in the case of the vacating member; provided that the member appointed or elected shall hold office only for the residue of the term of the vacating member.

(3.) Whenever a casual vacancy occurs it shall be the duty of the Board forthwith to report the fact to the Minister if the vacancy is to be filled by the Governor, or to the Secretary of the Education Board if the vacancy is to be filled by that Board, or to the appointing body in the case of a member to be appointed under paragraph (d) of subclause (1) of clause 2 hereof.

8. (1.) The appointment or election of a member to fill a vacancy caused by the expiry of the ordinary term of office shall be made in the first week of the month of December at the end whereof such expiry takes place, or as soon thereafter as may be convenient, but shall not take effect until such expiry.

(2.) The appointment or election of a member to fill a casual vacancy shall be made not later than fifty days after the vacancy occurs.

9. The Board shall hold an annual meeting in the month of February or March in each year, at such time and place as the Board shall direct.

10. From time to time as may be necessary the Board shall appoint a Secretary, and shall appoint him or some other person with authority to receive and to pay moneys on its account. The Board shall in each case forthwith inform the Minister of such appointment.

11. (1.) At the annual meeting and at such other times as may be necessary the Board shall elect a Chairman.

(2.) During the election of Chairman the Secretary to the Board shall preside. The person presiding shall have no vote; ties shall be decided by lot.

(3.) The Chairman's ordinary term of office shall be one year, and he shall be eligible for re-election.

(4.) If the Chairman shall from any cause cease to be a member of the Board or resign the office of Chairman, the Board shall, as soon thereafter as conveniently may be, elect another member of the Board to be Chairman in his stead, who shall hold office only until the next annual meeting.

12. At all meetings of the Board the Chairman, or in his absence such member of the Board as the majority of the members assembled shall choose, shall preside, and such Chairman or presiding member shall have a deliberative vote, and in all cases of equality of votes shall also have a casting-vote.

At all meetings of the Board a majority of all the members then in office shall constitute a quorum.

13. Subject to the provisions of this scheme, the Board shall make, and may from time to time revoke, vary, and make fresh regulations for the conduct of business at its meetings, for determining how meetings shall be convened, and for such other like matters as may be requisite for the conduct of the business of the Board.

14. Minutes of the proceedings of the Board shall be regularly entered in a proper book to be kept for that purpose, and at every meeting of the Board the minutes of the previous meeting shall be read over and signed by the Chairman of the meeting at which the same are read, and the minutes when so signed shall be held to be a true statement and record of the proceedings of the Board for all purposes whatever.

15. (1.) The Board shall keep full and true accounts, in which shall be entered every sum received into and paid out of the Board fund in the order of date of each such receipt and payment, including all moneys received from rents or profits derived from lands or other property, vested in the Board or under its control or management.

(2.) The Board shall cause its accounts for the preceding calendar year to be balanced, and a true statement and account to be prepared, in the prescribed form, of the receipts and expenditure of the Board and of its assets and liabilities.

(3.) All such accounts shall be audited by the Audit Office, which for that purpose shall have and may exercise all such powers as it has under the Public Revenues Act, 1910, in respect of public moneys.

16. All things required by the Education Act or this scheme to be done by the Board shall be done in accordance with and in pursuance of a resolution passed at a meeting of the Board, and no act of the Board shall be invalid or liable to be questioned on the ground that one or more than one of the members thereof was or were incapacitated, or had ceased to hold office, or on the ground that the seat of any member was vacant.

17. Subject to the provisions of this scheme, there shall be vested in the Board the whole control and management

of the Dannevirke High School, and also the entire superintendence over all the affairs, concerns, and property thereof, with full power to appoint and suspend or dismiss all masters, teachers, lecturers, examiners, and other necessary officers and servants; and in all cases unprovided for by the Education Act and the regulations thereunder, or by this scheme, it shall be lawful for the Board to act in such manner as shall appear to it best calculated to further the purposes intended to be served by the establishment of such school; and the Board shall, subject to the Education Act and the regulations thereunder and to this scheme, have full power from time to time to make, alter, and rescind by-laws and regulations for defining the courses of study and education in the school, and also for regulating the discipline and examination of the same, the conditions upon which the scholars shall be admitted, and the fees to be paid in respect of such admission, and, in general, touching all other matters, purposes, and things regarding the school.

18. (1.) The school shall provide a general course of secondary education and one or more vocational courses.

(2.) The program of each pupil shall be determined by the headmaster of the school after consultation with the parents or guardian of the pupil; but no pupils shall be compelled to take Latin or to take more than one language besides English.

(3.) The net fees to be charged to those who are not holders of scholarships or free places shall be £10 per annum.

(4.) The school year shall consist of three terms of about thirteen weeks each.

(5.) The headmaster shall cause the school to be examined during each term; provided that it shall not be necessary for the school to be so examined in any term in which it is examined by some other person appointed by the Minister or the Board; and provided further that it shall not be necessary to include in such examination pupils sitting for public examinations during the term.

19. Subject to the general direction of the Board, the headmaster shall have the following powers:—

(1.) He shall have control of the school buildings and premises, and of the apparatus and furniture thereof.

(2.) He shall have the power to recommend the appointment or dismissal of assistant teachers or of other officers of the school, and to allot their several duties; and no assistant teacher or other officer of the school shall be appointed until the headmaster has been consulted.

(3.) He shall have the power in case of grave neglect of duty or of gross misbehaviour to suspend any assistant teacher or other officer, but shall forthwith report his action to the Chairman, who shall thereupon confirm or overrule his action until the next meeting of the Board, when the matter may be determined; but the action of the headmaster shall hold good until the Chairman or the Board has determined the matter.

(4.) He shall be supreme over the discipline, and may suspend any pupil, reporting his action to the Board at their next meeting, and the action of the headmaster shall hold good until the Board has come to some determination in regard to the matter. He shall not expel any pupil without the sanction of the Board.

(5.) He shall regulate all text-books, methods, and organization in accordance with clause 18 hereof, and, subject to the same clause and to the regulations under the Education Act, shall determine the course of study for each pupil.

20. The Board may establish or license hostels or boarding-houses for the accommodation of pupils, and may place such hostels or boardinghouses under the charge of teachers of the school or other suitable persons, and shall provide for the inspection of such hostels or boardinghouses.

21. The rents, profits, and income of all real and personal estate which may be vested in the Board, or granted or acquired as a site or sites or otherwise for the benefit of the school, or given, devised, or bequeathed to the Board for the benefit of the school without any trusts or powers of a different nature being expressed in the instrument so giving, devising, or bequeathing to the Board, and all reserves of land which may be hereafter made for the benefit of the school, shall be held and dealt with by the Board under and subject to all such powers, provisions, and conditions as are contained in the Education Reserves Act, 1908, and its amendments, as if the school were a high school within the meaning of that Act.

22. Subject to the subsequent clauses of this scheme, the rents, profits, and annual income of all real and personal estate that may be vested in the Board, together with all funds which may from time to time be derived from fees or payments made in respect of pupils attending the school, together with any annual or other allowance that may be made by the General Assembly or the Government of New Zealand, shall be applied by the Board for the maintenance of the school, and the payment of the salaries and expenses connected therewith, and for prizes, exhibitions, and scholar-