

32. Allowances granted to widows and children under sections 42 and 43 of the Act shall be due and payable on the last day of each month, and, except as to the first and last payment, shall be in equal monthly instalments of £1 10s. for the widow and £1 1s. 8d. for each child.

33. The Secretary shall forthwith after the Board's decision advise the contributor or beneficiary of the same, and, where necessary, require him to elect whether he accepts a retiring-allowance or a refund of his contributions in lieu thereof.

34. The receipt of any person to whom the Board may direct any sum accruing in respect to benefits derivable under the Act to be paid shall be an absolute discharge to the Fund of all further liability in respect of the amount so paid.

35. Statistical information required by the Actuary for the purpose of valuing the Fund shall be kept by the Secretary to the Board in respect of each contributor, and for this purpose it shall be the duty of the Permanent Head of every Department to furnish any information possessed by that Department, and also to obtain from each contributor employed in his Department such statistical information regarding his family or otherwise as may from time to time be required. The Secretary to the Board shall obtain, if necessary, like information from each contributor in receipt of a retiring-allowance.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

36. The Secretary to the Board shall be the Returning Officer for the election of the elective members of the Board.

37. (1.) There shall be prepared by the Returning Officer separate alphabetical voting-lists, to wit,—

- (a.) Of all contributors who belong to the Post and Telegraph Department;
- (b.) Of all contributors who belong to the Police Force;
- (c.) Of all contributors who belong to the other Departments of the Public Service;

and such lists shall be open to inspection by contributors at all reasonable times.

(2.) The validity of any election shall not be questioned on the ground that a name wrongly appears in a list or has been omitted therefrom.

38. For every election the voting-lists shall be closed on the day on which nominations close, and shall remain closed until the election is completed.

39. Any contributor may, by notice addressed to the Returning Officer posted or delivered so as to reach the Returning Officer not less than seven days before the lists are closed, object to any voting-list on some specified ground, and the Returning Officer shall forthwith after the receipt of any such objection inquire into and dispose of the same. The contributor aforesaid may appeal to the Minister of Internal Affairs against the decision of the Returning Officer, and the Minister's decision shall be final, and the Returning Officer shall thereupon make the amendment or correction (if any) consequent upon such decision.

40. Every extraordinary election shall be held on a date to be fixed by the Returning Officer, being not later than the sixtieth day after the date upon which he receives notification of any vacancy having occurred.

41. Not less than fifty days before any election the Returning Officer shall by advertisement in the *New Zealand Gazette* publicly notify in respect of the election—

- (a.) The day and hour for the closing of nominations, being not more than thirty days before the day of election;
- (b.) The number of vacancies;
- (c.) The day on which the election, if necessary, will be held, and the hour at which the poll will be closed, which shall be 5 p.m. of that day;
- (d.) The division in the Public Service for which the vacancy or vacancies occur.

42. No contributor shall be eligible for election unless he is nominated in writing by at least two other contributors belonging to the same division of the Public Service as that of which the candidate is a member.

43. Every nomination-paper shall be in the form or to the effect following, and shall be delivered personally or by course of post to the Returning Officer:—

The Returning Officer (being the Secretary to the Board, Wellington).

I, [Name and address], being a contributor to the Public Service Superannuation Fund, and employed in the Department, do hereby nominate [Name, official title, and place where stationed] as a candidate for election to the Public Service Superannuation Board at the election to be held on the day of , 19 .

Dated this day of , 19 .

Candidate's consent to be subscribed at foot of nomination-paper.

I hereby consent to my nomination.

[Signature of candidate nominated.]