45. Not less than fifty days before any election the returning officer shall by advertisement in the *New Zealand Gazette*, or otherwise, publicly notify in respect of the election—

(*a.*) The day on which the election will be held, and the hour at which the poll will be closed:

(*b.*) The number of vacancies:

(*c.*) The day and hour for the closing of nominations, being not more than thirty days before the day of election.

46. No person shall be eligible for election unless he is nominated in writing by at least two contributors.

47. Every nomination-paper shall be in the form or to the effect following:—

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

I, [*Name and address*], being a contributor to the Teachers' Superannuation Fund, resident in the North [*or* South] Island, do hereby nominate [*Name and address*] as a candidate for election to the Teachers' Superannuation Board at the election to be held on the day of , 19 . [*Signature.*]

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.*]

Dated at , this day of , 19 .

48. If the nomination-paper does not bear the written consent of the candidate nominated, such consent may be given by him to the returning officer before the nominations are closed, and any nomination-paper shall be void if the consent of the candidate nominated therein is not duly given as aforesaid.

49. If in either Island the number of persons nominated is not more than the number of vacancies to be filled, the persons nominated shall be declared to be duly elected; but if the number of persons nominated exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled, a ballot of the contributors resident in that Island shall be taken.

50. In any case in which a ballot becomes necessary the returning officer shall, immediately after the nominations are closed, prepare and post to each contributor a printed ballot-paper containing, in alphabetical order of surnames, a list of all the duly nominated candidates for whom such elector is entitled to vote; and such ballot-paper shall be in the form or to the effect following:—

BALLOT-PAPER

For use at Election to be held on the day of , 19 , of Members of the Teachers' Superannuation Board by the Contributors resident in the Island.

CANDIDATES.

[*Full names of all duly nominated candidates, in alphabetical order of surnames.*]

DIRECTIONS.

The number of candidates to be elected is

The voter must draw a line through the name of every candidate for whom he does *not* intend to vote, and the number of names left uncancelled must not exceed the number of candidates to be elected.

The voter's name must not be written on the voting-paper.

This ballot-paper must be enclosed in a sealed envelope, and, if posted to the returning officer, must be posted on or before the day of the election, or, if delivered to him, must be delivered before the day of the election or not later than 5 o'clock in the afternoon of that day. The envelope is to be addressed "The Secretary to the Teachers' Superannuation Board (being the Returning Officer for the Teachers' Superannuation Board Election), Wellington."

51. The ballot-paper sent to each contributor shall have a number corresponding with one to be written opposite his name on the voting-list. The returning officer shall cause this number to be written on the left-hand bottom corner of the ballot-paper before it is sent out.

52. The ballot-paper, if delivered to the returning officer, must be so delivered in a sealed envelope before the day of the election, or not later than 5 o'clock in the afternoon of that day; and, if posted to him, must be posted in a sealed envelope on or before that day.

53. The poll shall close at 5 o'clock in the afternoon of the day of the election; but all valid ballot-papers shall be included and counted which are received by the returning officer in due course of post before the close of the eighth day after the day of the election.

54. A ballot-paper shall be informal in any of the following cases, that is to say,—

(*a.*) If the name of the voter appears thereon; or

(*b.*) If the names of candidates left uncancelled exceed the number of candidates to be elected; or