

(5. At any meeting of the Board the decision of a majority of the members present shall be the decision of the Board.

(6.) On all questions before the Board the Chairman shall have a deliberative vote, and, in case of an equality of votes, shall have a casting-vote also.

(7.) All proceedings and resolutions of the Board shall be recorded in a minute-book.

(8.) A resolution of the Board shall bind the Public Trustee.

(9.) All minutes or resolutions of any meeting of the Board, or a copy thereof purporting to be signed by the Chairman of the meeting, shall be *prima facie* evidence of such minutes or resolution.

(10.) Subject to the provisions of this Order, the Board may regulate its own procedure.

13. (1.) There is hereby established an account to be called the Samoan Public Trustee's Account (hereinafter referred to as "the Public Trustee's Account"), which shall be kept at the Bank of New Zealand at Apia.

(2.) The Public Trustee's Account shall be operated on only by cheque signed by the Public Trustee or the Deputy Public Trustee and by the Treasurer of Western Samoa.

(3.) There shall be paid into the Public Trustee's Account all moneys payable to the Public Trustee pursuant to any lawful authority.

14. (1.) Subject as is provided by the next succeeding clause, all capital moneys, however arising, whether after or before the coming into operation of this Order, and whether directed to be invested or not, shall, unless expressly forbidden to be invested, be one common fund, and shall be invested as provided by clause sixteen hereof; and any investments made from such common fund shall not be made on account of or belong to any particular estate.

(2.) The interest payable to the respective estates the moneys of which form the Common Fund shall be at a rate to be from time to time determined by the Administrator, acting with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council of Western Samoa, and such rate of interest shall be credited to the respective estates quarterly—namely, on the first day of January, on the first day of April, on the first day of July, and on the first day of October in each year.

(3.) On the moneys arising from one estate the rate of interest shall not exceed five pounds per centum per annum on the first three thousand pounds and four pounds per centum per annum on the excess.

(4.) Subject to the limitations aforesaid as to the rate of interest, the Administrator, acting with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council of Western Samoa, may from time to time make such regulations as he thinks proper as to the payment or non-payment of interest on moneys belonging to any estate, and as to the period from which interest, if allowed, is to be computed.

15. Moneys expressly directed to be invested otherwise than as mentioned in clause sixteen hereof shall not form part of the Common Fund, and the Public Trustee may invest such moneys in accordance with such direction; but such investments shall not be entitled to the protection afforded by clause seventeen of this Order, and any loss or deficiency in respect of any such investments, or of the money received therefrom or realized thereby, shall be borne by the estate to which such moneys belong, or if received and realized would belong.

16. Unless expressly prohibited by or under any instrument creating the trust the Public Trustee may invest all capital moneys—

(a.) In the Government securities of the United Kingdom, or of any colony or dependency thereof, issued under the authority of the Parliament or other legislative authority of the said Kingdom, colony, or dependency respectively, and secured upon the public revenues thereof: