

(xii.) (a.) On the seventh day after the day of election the Returning Officer shall open and examine all voting-papers duly delivered to him, or received by him through the post as aforesaid, and after rejecting all informal voting-papers shall prepare a list of the candidates placed in the order of the numbers of votes received by them respectively.

(b.) Where three members are to be elected, if of the three candidates who have received the greatest number of votes one is a woman, the Returning Officer shall declare these three to be elected, but if none of these three candidates is a woman the Returning Officer shall declare the two men candidates who have received the greatest number of votes, and the woman candidate who has received the greatest number of votes among the women candidates, to be elected, provided that if there be no woman candidate, then the Returning Officer shall declare two candidates who have received the largest numbers of votes to be elected.

(c.) Where the number of members to be elected is less than three, the Returning Officer shall in a similar manner determine which of the candidates has been elected, and declare accordingly.

(xiii.) If, by reason of an equality of votes given for two or more candidates, the election is not complete, the Returning Officer shall decide by lot, in the presence of two members of the Board of Managers, which candidate or candidates shall be elected, and thereby complete the election.

(xiv.) Forthwith after the completion of the election the Returning Officer shall notify to the controlling authority the names of the persons elected.

(xv.) If any dispute or question arises touching the regularity of any election, such dispute shall be determined by the Minister of Education, whose decision shall be final.

*Masterton Technical School and Elam School of Art.*

6. (i.) For the Masterton Technical School (being the school named in subsection (2) of section 113 aforesaid) there shall be five managers in addition to the managers appointed to represent the Wellington Education Board and the committee of the urban school district of Masterton (if any), provided that until an urban school district has been constituted there shall be a sixth additional manager elected by the school committees of public schools within five miles of the Masterton Technical School, and the provisions of regulation 4 hereof shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply to any such election.

(ii.) Five managers shall be appointed by the (Masterton) Trust Lands Trust so long as the trust continues to contribute to the establishment or maintenance of the school.

7. For the Elam School of Art there shall be six managers appointed in accordance with the provisions of subsection (4) of section 113 of the Act as re-enacted by section 31 of the Education Amendment Act, 1920.

8. In the case of the schools mentioned in regulations 6 and 7 hereof, the election or appointment of managers shall be held or made at the same time and, so far as conditions are similar, in the same manner as in the case of other technical schools in the same education district.

*General.*

9. (i.) One-third of the members of every Technical School Board shall retire annually.

(ii.) Retiring members shall be eligible for re-election.

(iii.) In the case of a newly established Board in the second and third year of its existence, and in the case of all other Boards in existence at the date when these regulations come into force, for the years 1921 and 1922 the retiring members shall be chosen by lot from among the original members sitting in the first year of the Board's existence or at the time when these regulations come into force.

(iv.) If the total number of members is not a multiple of three, then the number of original members nearest to one-third of the total number shall retire in each of the first two years after these regulations come into force, or after the first year of the Board's existence, as the case may be, and the remainder of the original members in the third year, and so on thereafter in rotation.

10. Within fourteen days after the election or appointment of a manager of a technical school under these regulations the controlling authority shall forward to the Minister a notification of the name and description of such manager.