

(2) Subject to the provisions of paragraph 11 hereof, if any officer of the Government service is a member of a District Board and is temporarily absent from duty, any officer of his Department having authority to act in his place during his absence from duty may attend meetings of such Board in his stead, and while attending such meetings shall be deemed to be a member of such Board.

13. The Board may at any time in its discretion revoke the appointment of any person as a member of a District Board.

14. (1) Subject to the provisions of subsection (2) of section 36 of the Act, every member of a District Board shall be paid the sum of £1 1s. for every meeting of such Board at which he shall be present, and in addition a travelling-allowance of £1 10s. per day while he shall be absent from his usual place of residence for the purpose of attending any such meeting, and also all rail, steamer, or other fares in the opinion of the Commissioner reasonably incurred by him for the purpose of attending any such meeting.

(2) The said travelling-allowance shall be for each day of twenty-four hours, commencing at the hour of the member's departure from his place of residence; and for any portion of a day the rate shall be 1s. 3d. for every hour or part of an hour of absence.

(3) Notwithstanding anything previously contained in this paragraph, the travelling-allowance payable to any member of a District Board who is an officer of the Government service shall be in accordance with the Public Service or other regulations for the time being in force governing the scale of travelling-allowances payable to such officer.

15. (1) Except as otherwise provided by subparagraph (2) of this paragraph, the decision of the majority of the members present at any meeting of a District Board shall be the decision of such Board. The Chairman shall have a deliberative vote, and in the event of an equality of votes shall also have a casting-vote.

(2) No resolution of a District Board to grant or recommend a loan shall be effective unless carried unanimously by all members present at the meeting; but the District Board may, by a majority vote, refer any such matter to the Board for its decision.

16. The Supervisor shall keep proper minute-books, in which shall be entered a full and faithful record of all the proceedings at each meeting of the District Board, with proper details of the business transacted thereat, and proper files and records of its business and transactions; and shall conduct all correspondence relating thereto.

17. The Supervisor shall give due notice to all members of the District Board of the meetings thereof, and shall prepare agenda papers setting out the business to be despatched at every such meeting.

18. The Board may from time to time prescribe and limit the duties and functions of any District Board.

19. Every District Board shall submit to the Board such reports as the Board may from time to time prescribe with reference to all applications or other matters dealt with by the District Board.

20. No expenses of management or otherwise shall be incurred by District Boards without the approval of the Commissioner.

#### *District Intermediate Credit Supervisors.*

21. (1) The Board may from time to time appoint a suitable person to be Deputy District Intermediate Credit Supervisor for any district.

(2) Subject to any directions of the Board or the Commissioner, on the occurrence from any cause of a vacancy in the office of Supervisor for any district (whether by reason of death, resignation, or otherwise), or in the case of the absence of such Supervisor (from whatever cause arising), and so long as such vacancy or absence continues, the Deputy Supervisor shall have and may exercise and perform all the powers, duties, and functions of such Supervisor, including his right (if any) to sit as a member of the District Board.

(3) If the Board has not appointed a Deputy Supervisor for any district, and the Supervisor for that district (being an officer of the Government service) vacates his office or is absent as aforesaid, then any officer of his Department having authority to act in his place on his vacating office or being absent may exercise and perform all the rights, powers, duties, and functions of such Supervisor, including his right (if any) to sit as a member of the District Board.

(4) The fact of a Deputy Supervisor or any other authorized officer as aforesaid exercising or performing any right, power, duty, or function as aforesaid shall be conclusive evidence of his authority to do so, and no person shall be concerned to inquire whether the occasion has arisen authorizing him to do so.