

11. Such election shall be held in the first week of the month of May in the year 1929 and every alternate year thereafter, or as soon thereafter as may be convenient on a date to be fixed by the Board.

12. Forthwith after the completion of every such election the Returning Officer shall notify to the Board the name of every person elected.

13. If at any election the number of candidates duly nominated is less than the number of vacancies to be filled, the Board shall at its next meeting select duly qualified persons to complete the number required.

*Failure to appoint or elect.*

14. If any appointment of a member is not made within the time hereinbefore prescribed the Secretary shall give notice thereof to the Minister, and the vacancy for which no person has been appointed may be filled by appointment by the Minister, or the Minister may direct that the body charged with the duty of appointing a member may proceed to make such appointment.

15. Where anything connected with the appointment or election of members is omitted to be done or cannot be done at or by the time hereby prescribed, or is done after such time, or is otherwise irregularly done in matter of form, the Minister may at any time before or after the time at or by which such thing is required to be done extend the time for doing such thing to such further time as he thinks fit, or may validate anything so done after the time required or so irregularly done in matter of form as he thinks fit.

*Qualification of Members.*

16. It shall not be necessary that the member appointed by an Education Board or Borough Council shall himself be a member of such body nor that a member elected by parents shall himself be the parent of a pupil.

17. Retiring members shall be eligible for membership of the Board on appointment or election by either the same or another appointing or electing body.

18. No person shall be eligible to become or remain a member of the Board if he is an alien or a mentally defective person, or a bankrupt who has not obtained his discharge or whose discharge is for the time being suspended or is subject to conditions not yet fulfilled, or if he has been convicted of any offence punishable by death or imprisonment with hard labour for three years or upwards unless he has received a free pardon or has served his sentence or otherwise suffered the penalty imposed on him, or if he receives any salary from the Board or holds any office or employment under the Board to which any fees, salary, or emoluments are attached, or if he is interested or concerned (except as a member of an incorporated company not being the manager thereof) in any contract under which any money is to be paid by or to the Board.

*Tenure of Office.*

19. Except in the case of a casual vacancy, every member shall hold office until the 31st day of May in the year 1929, and every member appointed or elected in the year 1929 or later shall hold office until the 31st day of May in the second year after the year of his election or appointment, and if on such 31st day of May the appointment or election of his successor has not been notified to the Board, he shall continue to hold office until the date on which such appointment or election is so notified.

20. Every person appointed or elected to fill a casual vacancy shall hold office for the residue of the term of office of the member whom he replaces.

21. Every person appointed or elected to membership otherwise than upon a casual vacancy shall assume office on the 1st day of June in the year of his appointment or election, or so soon thereafter as his appointment or election has been notified to the Board.

22. Every person appointed or elected to fill a casual vacancy shall assume office on the date on which his appointment or election is notified to the Board.

23. If any member dies or resigns his office by writing under his hand addressed to the Board or the Chairman or the Secretary thereof, or is absent without leave from the meetings of the Board for three consecutive months, or while holding office becomes ineligible to remain a member under clause 18 hereof, his office shall be thereby vacated and a casual vacancy shall be deemed to exist.