

School Management Committees : Meetings of Parents.

REGULATIONS, DATED 19TH JUNE, 1934, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION FOR NORTHERN IRELAND, UNDER SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION 3 OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923, AS AMENDED BY SECTION 2 OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1930, AND LAID BEFORE PARLIAMENT IN TERMS OF SECTION 99 (3) OF THAT ACT.

1934. No. 46.

WHEREAS it is enacted by sub-section (2) of Section 3 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1923, as amended by Section 2 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1930, that the members of a School Management Committee shall, to the extent of not more than one-fourth of the total number, be persons nominated by the parents of children attending the school or schools under the local management of the Committee at a meeting held in accordance with Regulations of the Ministry :

Now therefore the Ministry hereby prescribes the following Regulations for the holding of a meeting of the parents for the purpose aforesaid :—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the “ Meeting of Parents Regulations, 1934,” and from and after the date of these Regulations all previous Regulations for Meetings of Parents shall cease to operate or have effect, without prejudice, however, to anything duly performed and done before the date hereof under or in pursuance of the said previous Regulations.

2. Every Education Committee shall without avoidable delay upon the first or subsequent appointment of a School Management Committee summon a meeting of the parents of children in attendance at the school or schools which it is proposed to place under the local management of the said School Management Committee for the purpose of nominating that portion of the total membership thereof assigned to such parents under the Scheme for the constitution of School Management Committees made by the Education Committee and approved by the Ministry of Education.

In the case of a casual vacancy occurring among members nominated as herein provided by parents, the Education Committee shall in like manner as in this clause provided summon a meeting of parents for the purpose of nominating a person to fill such casual vacancy in accordance with the provisions in that behalf contained in the said Scheme.

3. “ Parent ” in these regulations shall have the same meaning as in the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1923.

4. The said meeting shall be held at a time and place reasonably convenient to the parents aforesaid.

Notice of the time and place of such meeting shall, at least seven days before the date thereof, be given in such manner as the Education Committee, with the approval of the Ministry, may determine to be suitable and sufficient.

5. Only one of the parents as herein defined of each family from which a child or children are attending a school or schools for which a School Management Committee is being appointed shall be entitled to attend and vote at such meeting, and each parent so attending shall be entitled to one vote only in respect of each person to be nominated at the meeting.

The quorum necessary for any such meeting shall be fifty, or one-fifth of the number of parents as herein defined entitled to attend and vote, whichever number shall be the less.

6. The parents present at the meeting shall elect a chairman who shall have a casting as well as a deliberative vote.

7. The parents present at the meeting shall nominate by show of hands or otherwise as the Education Committee may direct such number of persons to be members of the said School Management Committee as is assigned to them under the approved scheme aforesaid.

Provided always that in any case where the parents fail or refuse to nominate a sufficient number of representatives, then in every such case the Education Committee shall nominate such number of parents' representatives as the said parents have failed to nominate.

For the purposes of these Regulations parents shall be deemed to have failed to nominate representatives in any case where a meeting as herein provided having been duly summoned fails for want of a quorum.

8. The Education Committee shall take all necessary steps to exclude from the meeting all unauthorised persons and to ensure that only persons duly entitled thereto shall exercise a vote at the meeting and that the voting is carried out in a proper manner ; but nominations made at the meeting shall not be void necessarily by reason only of irregularities in the conduct of the meeting and may notwithstanding any irregularities as aforesaid be confirmed by the Education Committee with the approval of the Ministry of Education.

9. The Education Committee shall appoint an officer to act as clerk of the meeting who shall make a proper report of the proceedings to the Education Committee.

10. In any case of doubt or difficulty as to the construction of these Regulations or as to any claim, right or liability thereunder, the decision of the Ministry shall be final.

11. The Interpretation Act, 1921 (2 Geo. V., Ch. 4), applies for the purpose of the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the purpose of the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

Given under the Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland, this 19th day of June, 1934.

(L.S.)

A. N. Bonaparte Wyse,
Secretary.

Secondary Schools : Examinations.

REGULATIONS, DATED THE 9TH DAY OF MARCH, 1934, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND DULY LAID BEFORE PARLIAMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE EDUCATION ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923 TO 1931.
1934. No. 30.

1. These Regulations may be cited as "The Secondary School Examinations Regulations, Amending Regulations, No. 3."

2. Regulation No. 6 of the Secondary School Examinations Regulations—Statutory Rules and Orders, Northern Ireland, 1931, No. 84—(hereinafter called "the Principal Regulations") shall from the date on which these Regulations come into operation take and have effect as if the following words were not contained therein:—

"(2) in the Junior Certificate Examination—

- (a) in Domestic Economy a candidate may not pass with distinction who has not satisfied the Ministry in a qualifying practical test;
- (b) in any modern language a candidate may not pass with distinction who has not satisfied the Ministry in the oral tests;"

and the said words shall as from the said date cease to operate or have effect, Provided however that nothing herein contained shall operate so as to affect anything relating to the school year ending 31st July, 1934.

3. These Regulations shall come into operation and have effect as from 1st August, 1934, after which date they shall be read with and as forming part of the Principal Regulations.

Given under the Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland, this 9th day of March, 1934.

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(Signed),

A. N. Bonaparte Wyse,
Secretary.