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No. 60 of 1913.

An Act respecting Schools of Agriculture.

(Assented to 1913.)

HIS MAJESTY, by and with the consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows:

SHORT TITLE.

1. This Act may be cited as "*The Agricultural Schools Act*."

INTERPRETATION.

2. In this Act unless the context otherwise requires—^{Interpretation}

1. The expression "School" means a school for the purpose of teaching practical and scientific farming, household economy, domestic science and such other subjects as the Board may prescribe;

2. The expression "Minister" means the Minister of Agriculture;

3. The expression "Board" means the Board of Agricultural Education.

ESTABLISHMENT AND ORGANIZATION.

3. A school may be established in connection with each of the demonstration farms, now owned or hereafter acquired by the province.

4. The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall appoint the teaching staff for each school and shall fix the salary of the respective members of the staff.

5. The Department of Public Works shall erect, furnish and equip the necessary buildings for the schools.

6. Except as herein otherwise provided the Minister shall have charge of the government, conduct, management, and control of the schools and of the property, revenues, business and affairs thereof.

THE BOARD.

7. There shall be and is hereby constituted a Board of Agricultural Education to be composed of nine members to be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council; and of the first appointed members of the board, three shall be appointed to hold office for two years, three for four years, and the remaining three for six years, and each of them until his successor is appointed. All members of the Board subsequently appointed, except as provided for in section 13 shall hold office for six years.

8. No person shall be eligible for appointment as a member of the board unless he is a British subject and a resident of this province. ^{Disqualifications}

9. One of the members of the board shall be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council to be chairman thereof. ^{Chairman}

10. The board may appoint one of its members to be vice-chairman, and in the absence or illness of the chairman, or of there being a vacancy in the office of chairman, the vice-chairman shall act for and have all the powers of the chairman. ^{Appointment of vice-chairman}

(2) In the absence or illness of the chairman and vice-chairman, the board may appoint one of its members to act as chairman for the time being, and the member so appointed shall act for and have all the powers of the chairman.

(3) All acts which lawfully might have been done by the chairman, when done by the vice-chairman or by a chairman appointed for the time being shall be conclusively deemed to have been lawfully done, and it shall not be necessary to prove that any of the causes mentioned in subsection 1 for the vice-chairman acting or that any of the causes mentioned in subsection 2 for the appointment of a chairman for the time being in fact existed.

11. Unless and until otherwise provided by the board four members thereof shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. ^{Quorum}

12. Notwithstanding any vacancy in the board, as long as there are at least six members thereof it shall be competent for the board to exercise all or any of its powers. ^{Six members may exercise powers}

13. If a member of the board, after his appointment, ceases to be a resident of the province, or otherwise becomes incapable of acting as a member of the board, he shall *ipso facto* vacate his office, and a declaration of the existence of such vacancy entered upon the minutes of the board and confirmation of such declaration by the Lieutenant Governor in Council shall be conclusive evidence thereof.

14. In the case of a vacancy in the board caused by resignation or otherwise which shall happen before the term of office for which a member has been appointed has expired, the vacancy shall be filled by the appointment by the Lieutenant Governor in Council of a successor to the member who has died, or resigned, or otherwise ceased to be a member, who shall hold office for the remainder of the latter's term of office. ^{Filling vacancies}

15. The board, subject to the approval of the Minister, shall prepare the scheme of practical and scientific work to be done by students attending each and every school, shall prescribe the courses of study, appoint examiners, and shall in addition be an advisory board to aid the Minister in all agricultural educational work. ^{Duties of Board}

GENERAL.

16. The Minister with the assistance of the board shall make all necessary regulations for the organization, classification, government and conduct of said schools. ^{Regulations}

17. The cost of erecting and furnishing suitable buildings, and of establishing, maintaining and conducting said schools shall be paid out of the general revenues of the province and such funds as may be available for agricultural education. Cost of establishing and maintaining

18. Every student attending the full course prescribed by the board and satisfactorily complying with the requirements of the practical course as well as successfully passing the required written examinations shall be entitled to a diploma.

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