

British Guiana.

REGULATIONS PRESCRIBING THE MANNER IN WHICH ELECTIONS FOR FILLING VACANCIES ON THE MEDICAL BOARD OF BRITISH GUIANA ARE TO BE HELD.

1. These regulations may be cited as the Medical Board (Election) Regulations, 1937. Short Title

2. In these Regulations—

“The Board” means the Medical Board established under the provisions of the Colonial Medical Service (Consolidation) Ordinance, Chapter 186. Interpretation.

“The Secretary” means the Secretary to the Board.

3.—(1) Whenever a vacancy exists in the Medical Board as regards the members who are to be elected, the Secretary shall, within seven days after such vacancy occurs, cause a notice to be published in the *Gazette* and one other newspaper, fixing a day for the nomination of duly qualified persons to fill the vacancy and specifying whether the vacancy must be filled by a medical practitioner in private practice or otherwise. Notification of vacancy in Board and nomination of candidates for election.

(2) Such nomination day shall be not more than seven days after the day on which such notice is first published,

Cap. 186.

(3) Every medical practitioner registered in accordance with the provisions of the Colonial Medical Service (Consolidation) Ordinance, and no other person, shall be entitled to nominate in writing addressed to the Secretary a candidate for election and to vote at any consequent election.

(4) If only one person is nominated and accepts nomination that person shall be deemed to be elected, but if more than one person is nominated the Secretary shall immediately notify the persons nominated of their nomination and request their acceptance or refusal thereof in writing within seven days. Where a person who has been nominated fails to notify his acceptance or refusal thereof within seven days he shall be deemed to have refused nomination.

(5) The Surgeon-General shall then fix a day for an election to be held at some place in Georgetown between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays excepted, such day to be not less than ten and not more than fourteen days after the date up to which nominations may be accepted or refused:

Provided that if only one of the nominated persons accept such nomination, such person shall be deemed to be elected.

(6) If more than one person accepts nomination the Secretary shall by registered letter notify all persons entitled to vote of the date and place of election and the names of the candidates who have accepted nomination:

Provided that an election shall not be rendered void by the omission to cause notification under this regulation to be made in any particular case or cases. Where any person entitled to vote has not been notified in accordance with the provisions of this regulation he shall nevertheless be entitled to vote at the election.

Mode of
voting at
election.

4. A person entitled to vote at an election for a member of the Board shall record his vote in writing transmitted so as to be delivered at the place of election before four o'clock on the afternoon of the day on which the election is held.

Declaration
and publica-
tion of result
of voting.

5.—(1) The Surgeon-General shall cause the votes to be counted and stated and the candidate having the most votes, if otherwise duly qualified, shall be deemed to be elected

(2) Two Government Officers nominated by the Governor in Council shall be present when the votes are being counted, and shall certify in a book kept for the purpose the results of the election.

(3) The Surgeon-General shall also cause a notice to be published in the *Gazette* intimating the name or names of the person or persons elected.

(4) Where two candidates secure an equal number of votes, the day of election shall be deemed to be the day on which the vacancy occurred and a re-election in accordance with these regulations shall be held :

Provided that if at such re-election an equality of votes again results, the Medical Board shall have the power to nominate after voting by ballot which of the two candidates shall be deemed to be elected.

6. The Medical Board (Election) Regulations (No. 2) 1930, are hereby revoked. **Revocation
1930 Regu-
lations.**

*Made by the Medical Board under section 18 of the
Colonial Medical Service (Consolidation)
Ordinance, Chapter 186, on the 24th day of
March, 1937.*

J. A. HENDERSON,
Surgeon-General and Chairman,
Medical Board.

*Approved by the Governor in Council this 13th day of
April, 1937.*

GEO. C. GREEN,
Clerk of the Council.