

*Resolutions Amending Rules of the Royal Society of
New Zealand*

PURSUANT to the Royal Society of New Zealand Act 1933, notice is hereby given that the Council of the Royal Society of New Zealand has, at its meetings specified hereunder, adopted the following resolutions amending its rules, which were published in the *Gazette* on 14 November 1935, Volume III, page 3315.

- (a) A resolution adopted at the semi-annual meeting of the Council held on 27 November 1959, with reference to section B relating to proceedings of Council and Committees that the following new rules B 13-24 be inserted:

"13. The two representatives of the Fellows on the Council shall be elected in the following manner:

- (a) In 1960 and every alternate year thereafter, notice shall be posted to Fellows at their last notified address on or before 1 February intimating that written nominations proposed and seconded by Fellows and assented to by nominees shall close with the Secretary on 28 February.
- (b) Voting papers containing the names of nominees shall be posted to Fellows on or before 10 March and voting shall close with the Secretary on 31 March.
- (c) All voting papers received shall be counted by the Secretary who shall notify the President as soon as possible of the result of the election.
- (d) In the event of a tie the election shall be decided by lot determined by the Standing Committee.

14. The Council may appoint committees representing the several branches of science and called Sectional Committees. The members of each committee shall be chosen with a view to secure, as far as is possible, a representation of the several subdivisions of each branch of science, and to obtain the assistance of Fellows who are specially qualified to advise the Council in respect to particular parts of science. Where the constitution of the Fellowship is such as to make it necessary or desirable the Council shall have power to appoint non-Fellows to such Sectional Committees.

15. Each Sectional Committee shall advise the Council, or any of the officers of the Society, upon matters referred to it by the Council, or by any of the officers, and otherwise shall make to the Council such suggestions as it may think desirable touching the branch or branches of science which it represents.

16. The Council shall appoint a member of each Committee to serve as Chairman of that Committee, and to be the channel of communication between the Committee and the Council or officers.

17. The Sectional Committee shall be four or more in number, including—

- (1) A Mathematics and Physics Committee including mathematics, astronomy, statistics, and operational research, theoretical and experimental physics, meteorology, crystallography, and geodesy.
- (2) A Chemistry Committee.
- (3) A Geology and Geophysics Committee.
- (4) A Biological Sciences Committee including botany, forestry, and agricultural science and zoology.

18. The Committee shall normally consist of six members, and it shall be in the power of the Council to add to the number of any Committee, if at any time it may seem desirable to do so.

19. Any member of the Council who desires to attend the meetings of any Sectional Committee of which he is not at the time (being) a member, shall be entitled to do so and to take part in the deliberations of the Committee.

20. The duration of membership of Sectional Committees shall be at the pleasure of the Council; shall be reviewed biennially, and normally shall not exceed a period of six years at a time. The appointment of new members, after the initial setting up of the Committee in 1960, shall be made by Council, at alternate annual meetings of the Society. Vacancies, by death or otherwise, may be filled by Council, or by the Standing Committee thereof at any time.

21. Each Sectional Committee shall determine the procedure to be adopted in exercising its duties and normally shall report to Council each year in time for its findings to be considered at the annual meeting of the Society. Each Committee may, if need should arise, report at any time to the Standing Committee of the Council.

22. In reporting its findings on matters referred to it each Sectional Committee shall, through its Chairman, indicate whether it expresses a unanimous view

or a majority decision. The Chairman shall report to Council when, on an issue referred to it and after due deliberation, the Committee is divided in its opinion.

23. The Chairmen of Sectional Committees shall have the right, after joint consultation, to make representations to Council concerning the work of the committee.

24. The Sectional Committees and their Chairmen shall, in the first instance, be nominated by the President and appointed by Council, and shall commence their duties as from 31 May 1960."

- (b) A resolution adopted at the semi-annual meeting of the Council held on 22 November 1956 with reference to section F.1 relating to the Hutton Memorial Medal and Research Fund that the following be added to rule F.1.5:

"Council shall appoint a committee consisting, if possible, of three holders of the award representative of the three sciences concerned (zoology, botany, and geology) to recommend each award. This committee shall meet, the cost of one meeting to be a charge on the Hutton Fund."

- (c) A resolution adopted at the annual meeting of the Council held on 17 May 1955, with reference to section F. III relating to the Hamilton Memorial Fund that rule F. III. 4 be amended to read:

"The Hamilton Memorial Prize shall be awarded at intervals of not more than three years by the Council assembled in annual meeting, but in no case shall an award be made unless in the opinion of the Council there is evidence of scientific work of great merit."

- (d) A resolution adopted at the semi-annual meeting of the Council held on 27 November 1959 with reference to section F. IX. gazetted 15 May 1958, No. 30, p. 634, relating to the E. R. Cooper Memorial Fund that rule F. IX. 5 be amended to read:

"5. The Council shall appoint a Selection Committee to adjudicate on the applications and nominations received and recommend to the Council the person to whom an award shall be made. The Selection Committee shall consist of five members as follows:

- (a) One representative of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research.
- (b) Two representatives of the University of New Zealand.
- (c) Two representatives of the Royal Society of New Zealand."

- (e) Resolutions adopted at meetings of the Council specified hereunder with reference to section G.1 relating to Fellows that rules G.1.5 and G.1.6 (a) be amended to read:

"5. No person shall be nominated or elected as a Fellow unless he is a member and has been a member of the Royal Society of New Zealand for three years immediately preceding his nomination, or for five years at any period preceding his nomination. Provided that this rule shall not debar the election of a non-member by the unanimous resolution of Council upon special recommendation in an exceptional case and providing the non-member is residing in New Zealand."

(Amendments adopted at annual meetings of the Council held on 27 May 1947 and 19 May 1953.)

"6. (a) Each of the member bodies may nominate as many persons as there are vacancies. Each nomination must be accompanied by a statement limited to one foolscap sheet of typewritten matter of the qualifications of the candidate for Fellowship. When a candidate is nominated by more than one member body it shall be sufficient to utilise the information supplied by one member body. The consent of the candidate must be obtained in writing."

(Amendment adopted at semi-annual meeting of the Council on 27 November 1959.)

Dated at Wellington this 31st day of March 1960.

M. WOOD, Secretary.

Fellows of the Royal Society of New Zealand

It is hereby notified that, pursuant to the Royal Society of New Zealand Act 1933, the Council of the Royal Society of New Zealand, at its annual meeting held on 19 May 1959, elected the following Fellows:

Adams, William Edgar, M.SC., B.MED.SC., CH.B.(N.Z.), PH.D.(LEEDS), D.SC.(N.Z.);
Chamberlain, Edward Edinborough, B.SC., M.SC., D.SC.;
Holloway, John Thorpe, M.SC.; and
Richardson, Laurence Robert, B.SC.(MCGILL), M.SC.(MCGILL), PH.D.(MCGILL).

Dated at Wellington this 31st day of March 1960.

M. WOOD, Secretary.