

10. Voting.—Every question, the manner of voting on which is not otherwise specified in these rules, shall be decided on a show of hands by a majority of members present and voting, but any member may call for a division, in which case the names for and against shall be taken down in writing and entered on the minutes. In the case of an equality of votes the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote.

11. Motions.—Every motion or amendment shall be moved and seconded, and shall be reduced to writing and handed to the Chairman (if so required by him), and shall be read before it is further discussed or put to the meeting.

12. Notices of Motion.—Every notice of motion shall be in writing, signed by the member giving the notice, and shall be given or sent to the Secretary of the Board, who shall insert in the agenda papers for any meeting of the Board all notices of motion which he may have received prior to the day on which the agenda paper is sent out to members, in the order in which they have been received by him.

13. Rescinding of Resolution.—No resolution of the Board shall be altered or rescinded at a subsequent meeting except after fourteen days' notice.

14. Committees.—Every committee appointed by the Board shall make a report of its proceedings to the Board, and the recommendations of every committee shall, so far as practicable, be in the form of resolutions, to be considered by the Board: and the acts and proceedings of every committee shall be submitted to the Board for approval, unless the resolution of the Board appointing the committee shall otherwise direct in respect of all or any of the matters referred to it.

15. Reports.—Every report from a committee shall be submitted by the chairman of the committee (if present) who shall move that it be received by the Board, and on the motion being carried, the chairman, or any other member of the committee, may move to agree with the resolutions of the committee, and such resolutions shall be considered seriatim. And the question that the report (if necessary, as amended) be now approved shall be put from the chair, but no debate shall be allowed thereon.

16. Bills and Claims.—All bills and claims shall be examined by the Secretary, and if allowed by the Board shall be initiated by the presiding Chairman.

17. Cheques.—All cheques for the payment of money shall be signed by two members of the Board, and countersigned by the Secretary.

18. Financial Statement.—At every ordinary meeting of the Board the Secretary shall present a statement in writing showing the receipts and expenditure of the Board, including balances brought forward since the last ordinary meeting, and showing the existing balance, if any, to the credit of the Board, and the existing liabilities.

19. Decision of Chairman. — The presiding Chairman shall decide upon any point of order or procedure, and his decision shall be final.

B.—Regulating the issue of Certificates and the conditions of admission to the Roll of Midwives.

1. Candidates must satisfy the Central Midwives Board that they have reached a sufficient standard of general education, and submit the following documents, duly filled in and signed:—

(a) A certificate of birth showing that the candidate is not under twenty-one years of age;

(b) Certificates to the effect that the candidate has undergone the training set forth in C 1 (1) (2) and (3)—

(c) A certificate of good moral character. This certificate must be in the form prescribed by the Central Midwives Board. The person signing must state in the certificate that he or she has known the candidate for at least twelve months, and must append to his or her signature a statement of his or her calling or position. (Schedule, Form I.)

2. Candidates must pass an examination as hereinafter set forth. (See C. below.)

3. A candidate who has complied with the above requirements and has successfully passed the examination shall receive a certificate in the form set out in the Schedule and her name shall be entered by the Secretary on the Roll of Midwives (Schedule, Form II.)

4. The names of all women admitted to the Roll of Midwives under section 6 (1) and (2) of the Midwives Act shall be printed in one single list and in alphabetical order.

C.—Regulating the Course of Training and the Conduct of Examinations, and the Remuneration of the Examiners.

1. No person shall be admitted to an examination unless she produces certificates that she has undergone the following course of training, viz:—

(1) She must have, under supervision satisfactory to the Central Midwives Board, attended and watched the progress of not fewer than twenty labours, making abdominal and vaginal examinations during the course of labour and personally delivering the patient. (Schedule, Form III.)

(2) She must have to the satisfaction of the person certifying nursed twenty lying-in women during the ten days following labour. (Schedule, Form IV.)

The certificates as to (1) and (2) must be in the form prescribed by the Central Midwives Board, and must be filled up and signed either by a registered medical practitioner or by the Chief Midwife or in the absence of such an officer by the matron of an institution recognized by the Board, or in the case of a poor law institution by the matron being a Midwife certified under the Midwives Act or a superintendent nurse certified in like manner and appointed under the Nursing in Workhouses Order, 1897, and attached to such an institution, or by a Midwife certified under the Midwives Act and approved by the Board for the purpose.

(3) She must have attended a sufficient course of instruction in the subjects named below. (See Section 4 C)

No period of less than three months shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose.

The above certificate (3) must be in the form prescribed by the Central Midwives Board, and must be filled up and signed by a registered medical practitioner recognized by the Board as a teacher. (Schedule, Form V.)

2. Candidates who intend to present themselves for examination must send notice to the Secretary of the Central Midwives Board at least three weeks before the date fixed for the examination to commence, accompanied by the certificates mentioned in B. 1 and C. 1, and by the payment of the fee of one guinea, or, in the event of the candidate having presented herself on a former occasion and having failed to pass, the fee of fifteen shillings.