

Association or members of any committee, and they shall have power to remove any officer of this Association who is derelict in his duty, upon a two-thirds vote of all the members present at such meeting; provided, that no officer shall be removed until he shall have been notified of the intended action of the committee and afforded an opportunity to be heard.

2. All parliamentary questions shall be determined in accordance with Bourinot's Manual of Procedure at public meetings, unless otherwise ordered by the Association, including Rules of Order adopted at the organization of this Association.

3. Unless otherwise ordered, the President shall appoint all committees of this Association.

4. The meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held at such time as they may determine. Special meetings of said committee may be called by the President whenever deemed advisable, and upon the written request of any five members of the Executive Committee the President shall call a meeting thereof.

Provided, that the fixing of headquarters does not preclude the holding of Executive Committee meetings elsewhere than in Victoria, as might be necessary or advisable.

5. That at all meetings of the Executive Committee seven members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Each member of the committee shall be notified personally by mail, or telegram, to his last known address, of each intended meeting.

6. The Secretary shall receive such compensation for his services as the Executive Committee may, from time to time, determine.

RULES OR ORDER.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings and preserve order. In case of a tie the President shall have the casting vote. In the absence of the President and Vice-President, a member may be selected by the meeting to act as presiding officer.

2. A delegate wishing to speak to any question must rise in his place, uncovered, give his name and the name of the branch he represents, and address the chair. He shall be allowed ten minutes in which to speak and shall not be allowed to speak more than once upon any question unless he be the mover of a substantive resolution, or by way of explanation.

3. Two delegates shall not occupy the floor at the same time. A delegate called to order must at once resume his seat; but he may appeal against the ruling, and the decision of the meeting shall be final.

4. A motion having been passed or negatived may be rescinded or reconsidered or amended or rejected at the same meeting by the vote of a majority of the delegates present.

5. All motions must be in writing and signed by the mover and seconder before being open for discussion.

6. Any of these rules may be amended or suspended by a majority vote of the delegates without notice.

JAMES REID,
Chairman.

These By-laws may be amended at any Annual Convention of the Association upon an affirmative vote of two-thirds majority of delegates present.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

AT MEETINGS OF THIS ASSOCIATION.

1. Reading of notice convening meeting.
2. Reading of minutes.
3. Original communications.
4. Presenting resolutions.

5. Enquiries and answers thereto.
6. Presentation and consideration of reports of Officers and committees.
7. Motions.
8. Introduction and consideration of By-laws.
9. Unfinished business.
10. Election of officers and committees.

MR. CHAIRMAN.—Now, gentlemen, you have heard the interim report of the committee. What shall we do with it?

Moved by Dr. Sinclair, and seconded by Mr. Hirschfeld, that the rules of the Committee on Rules and Practice be hereby adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

MR. LAMB—I have here the report of the Committee on Resolutions, which I shall read to you:—



Mr. Mostyn Williams, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Chairman,—Your committee beg to submit for your consideration the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That the collection by the Government of dues in respect of timber and cordwood used by the owner upon mines and mineral claims for mining purposes should be discontinued.

Resolved, That the code signals for mine hoisting be repealed.

That the Boiler Inspection Act is productive of great hardships, and that the Legislature be urged to amend the same as follows:

1. To reduce the present excessive fees so that the same may conform to those prevailing in other provinces.
2. Conformity with the general practice in the other provinces and to accept the certificate of reputable boiler insurance companies.