

any supposed emergency, shall not affect the validity of the proceedings of any Meeting.

14. At all Meetings of the Council the President, or in his absence the Vice-President, shall be Chairman; or, in the absence of both, the Chairman shall be elected from among those present.

15. At all Meetings of the Council, in the event of difference of opinion, the vote of the majority shall prevail (except where otherwise required by the Royal Charter or Bye-laws); and, in case of equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a casting vote, in addition to his original vote.

16. Subject to the provisions of the foregoing Bye-laws, the Chairman of any Meeting of the Council may, with the consent of the Meeting, adjourn the Meeting from time to time and from place to place, but no business shall be transacted at any adjourned Meeting other than the business left unfinished at the Meeting from which the adjournment took place. No notice need be given of an adjourned Meeting unless it be so directed in the resolution for adjournment.

17. Except where otherwise required by the Royal Charter or Bye-laws, seven Members of the Council shall form a quorum.

18. At the first ordinary Meeting of the Council after each Annual Meeting, the Members of the Council then present shall choose one of the Members of the Council as President, and another as Vice-President, for the year following such choice; and any vacancy in either of those offices shall be filled up at the next monthly or other ordinary Meeting of the Council.

19. Minutes shall be made, in proper books to be provided for the purpose, of all resolutions and proceedings of Meetings of the Council and of the Committees thereof; and every Minute signed by the Chairman of the Meeting to which it relates, or by the Chairman of a subsequent Meeting, shall be sufficient evidence of the facts therein stated.

20. All moneys received by the Institute shall be paid into the account of the Institute at its Bankers; and cheques drawn upon its Bankers shall be signed by two Members of the Council and countersigned by the Secretary.

21. All funds of the Institute not needed immediately for the ordinary purposes of the Institute may be invested in the name of the Institute or of any two or more Members of the Council, in any securities in which Trustees are from time to time authorized to invest by virtue of the Trustee Act, 1893, or any subsequent Act amending the same, with power from time to time to sell or vary such securities. The Council may also from time to time place money on deposit with Bankers to be selected by them.

22. The Council may, with the consent of a General Meeting, employ any part of the funds of the Institute, in the payment of lecturers, or the foundation of prizes, scholarships, or exhibitions in connection with the subjects of the examinations conducted or held by the Institute as well as for any other general purposes of the Institute.

23. Notwithstanding anything herein contained, the Council may from time to time borrow money temporarily, and may pay interest thereon.

24. The Council may, with the consent of a General Meeting, make such provision for pensioning retired Officers and servants whether by agreement at the time of appointment or employment, or otherwise, as to the Council may seem just.

25. The Council may pay out of the funds of the Institute the first-class railway fare of a Member of the Council not residing or practising within the Metropolis, as defined by the Royal

Charter or Bye-laws, on each occasion of such Member attending a Meeting of the Council, or of any Committee thereof; or, being an examiner, presiding at an examination.

26. The Council shall in each year publish or cause to be published at the expense of the Institute, or otherwise, a list of the Members of the Institute, together with such other particulars in respect to the Institute or its objects as they may deem advisable; and they may in such list in their discretion distinguish, in such way as shall to the Council seem fit, the Fellows and Associates in practice and holding Certificates of Membership under Section 16 of the Royal Charter in that year, and the Fellows and Associates not in practice, or may publish the List in any other form they determine upon; and such List shall be supplied to Members and others at such prices, or gratuitously, as the Council shall from time to time determine.

27. For the purpose of publishing such List, each Member shall, in January in each year, send in to the Secretary his name and address, or place of business, failing which the List may be drawn up on such information as the Council may possess.

28. All notices required by the Royal Charter or these Bye-laws to be given to Members shall be forwarded by post to such address as may last have been registered at the Institute. And, in proving that such notice has been given, it shall be sufficient to prove that such notice was properly addressed and put in the post. Members who have no registered address in England or Wales shall not be entitled to have notices sent to them.

29. Subject to the provisions of the Royal Charter and Bye-laws, the Council may appoint Committees from among themselves, and may fix the quorum thereof, and may delegate any of their powers to such Committees, and may lay down rules for regulating the proceedings of such Committees; and the President and Vice-President shall be, by virtue of their offices, members of all Committees.

30. The Common Seal shall be kept in such custody as the Council may from time to time determine.

31. The Common Seal shall not be affixed to any instrument, except by order of the Council, and in the presence of two Members of the Council; and every such instrument shall be signed by the two Members of the Council in whose presence the Seal is affixed, and countersigned by the Secretary.

Chapter IV.—Members.

32. All admissions and elections of Members shall be by the Council, and every applicant for admission or election to any degree of membership shall satisfy the Council of his having fulfilled the conditions specified by the Royal Charter in such manner as the Council shall require, and shall also produce such evidence of his fitness to be so admitted or elected as the Council shall deem necessary; and the Council may, in their absolute discretion by resolution passed at a Meeting of the Council, at which Meeting there shall be present and voting not less than twelve Members of the Council, and for which resolution not less than three-fourths of the Members present and voting shall vote, refuse to admit or elect to any degree of membership, any person whom they shall not consider to be a fit and proper person to be so admitted or elected.

33. No person shall be admitted to membership before he has attained the age of twenty-one years.