

"That a committee be set up to consider the question of moral training in primary schools." It was decided that this proposal be considered in connection with the memorandum from the Minister re the teaching of temperance.—Withdrawn.

"That this Conference express its appreciation of the work of the *School Journal* as furnishing the pupils of our schools with interesting and instructive matter of a suitable character."—Carried by acclamation.

"That the erection of all buildings for school requirements throughout the Dominion be carried out under the direction of the Public Works Department after consultation with a committee of educational specialists; that the furnishing of all schools be carried out in the same manner." As this proposal involves an important question of public policy, this committee has no recommendation to make.—Carried.

"That it be a recommendation from this Conference to the Education Department that, at the option of Education Boards, district high schools, after their recognition by the Department, may be converted into agricultural high schools, with a head teacher independent of the primary school, the approval of the Department being first obtained." That the committee, being impressed by the importance of the remit, prefer to make no recommendation, but refer it to the full Conference for general consideration.—Withdrawn.

"That legislation should be introduced to provide that contributors to the Teachers' Superannuation Fund who retired prior to the 16th October, 1908, and whose allowances are lower than those provided under the Act of 1908 shall, from the passing of an amending Act, receive allowances calculated as under the Amendment Act of 1908."—Carried.

"That it is desirable that legislation should be introduced to enable those teachers who have hitherto found themselves unable to take advantage of the provisions of the Public Service Classification and Superannuation Amendment Act to become subscribers under suitable conditions and within six months, and be entitled to the privileges of original members."—Carried.

"That questions in model-drawing and in instrumental drawing be alternative in the Junior National Scholarship Examination." This committee has no recommendation to make.—Carried.

RALPH STEWART, Convener.

On the motion of Mr. Stewart, the report as amended was adopted.

Mr. Spencer moved, Mr. Goyen seconded, the following resolution: "That this Conference places on record its high appreciation of the long and valuable services rendered to education by Mr. W. S. Fitzgerald, Ex-Inspector of Schools, Otago, and that a suitable letter be sent to him expressing the hope that he may long enjoy his well-earned rest from arduous official duties."—Carried by acclamation.

Mr. Richardson moved, That a vote of thanks be tendered to Mr. G. Hogben, Inspector-General of Schools, for the skilful and courteous manner in which he has presided over the Conference.—Carried by acclamation.

The Chairman moved, That the Secretaries be thanked for their services.—Carried.

Mr. Gill moved, That the Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes of the last day's proceedings.—Carried.

Mr. Fleming moved, That the Press be thanked for the excellence of their reports of the proceedings of the Conference.

The Secretaries moved, That the officers of the Legislative Council chambers be thanked for their services.—Carried.

The Conference then finally adjourned.

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