

SCHEDULES

[^{F1}SCHEDULE 5

MAINTAINED SCHOOLS

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PART I

MEMBERSHIP OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF MAINTAINED SCHOOL

1.—(1) The trustees of a maintained school shall, notwithstanding anything in any instrument of government of the school, have power to enter into an agreement with the Department that paragraph 2 shall apply in relation to the membership of the Board of Governors of the school; and—

- (a) where an agreement under this paragraph is in force in relation to a school, paragraph 2 shall apply in relation to the membership of the Board of Governors of the school; and
- (b) in any other case, paragraph 3 shall apply in relation to the membership of the Board of Governors of the school.

(2) An agreement under this paragraph shall provide that the Head of the Department, before making an appointment to the Board of Governors of the school under paragraph 2 shall consult—

- (a) in the case of a Catholic maintained school, the Council for Catholic Maintained Schools; and
- (b) in any other case, the Board of Governors of the school.

2.—(1) Where this paragraph applies in relation to the membership of the Board of Governors of a maintained school, the Board of Governors shall, notwithstanding anything in any instrument of government of the school, consist of—

- (a) 9, 18 or 27 persons (in this paragraph referred to as voting members);
- (b) the principal of the school who, subject to sub-paragraph (3), shall be entitled to attend and take part in meetings of the Board of Governors but not to vote on any question; and
- (c) persons co-opted under Articles 122 and 139 of the 1989 Order who shall be entitled to attend and take part in meetings of the Board of Governors but not to vote on any question.

(2) Of the voting members of the Board of Governors—

- (a) four-ninths shall be nominated by the nominating trustees in such manner as the scheme of management of the school may provide, and at least one of the persons so nominated shall, at the time of his nomination, be a parent of a [^{F2}registered pupil at] the school;
- (b) two-ninths shall be nominated by [^{F3}the Authority] ;
- (c) one-ninth shall be nominated by the Head of the Department;
- (d) one-ninth shall be elected by parents of [^{F4}registered pupils at] the school from amongst the parents of such pupils;

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(e) one-ninth shall be elected by assistant teachers at the school from amongst such assistant teachers.

(3) Where two or more schools are grouped under one Board of Governors, the principal of a school shall not be entitled to attend or take part in any meeting of the Board of Governors whenever a matter relating exclusively to one or more of the other schools is being discussed.

(4) The Board of Governors shall, with the approval of the Department, make arrangements for the election of persons under sub-paragraph (2)(d) and (e) and such arrangements shall ensure that any vote taken for the purpose of any such election shall be by secret ballot.

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| F3 | Words in Order substituted (1.4.2015) by Education Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 (c. 12), Sch. 3 para. 1(1)(a) (with Sch. 2 para. 4(3), Sch. 3 para. 1(2)); S.R. 2015/35, art. 2(b) |
| F4 | Words in Sch. 5 para. 2(2)(d) substituted (23.3.2007) by Education (Northern Ireland) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1915 (N.I. 11)), arts. 1(4)(c), 44(1), Sch. 2 para. 27(b) ; S.R. 2007/197, art. 2(a) |

3.—(1) Where this paragraph applies in relation to the membership of the Board of Governors of a maintained school, the Board of Governors shall, notwithstanding anything in any instrument of government of the school, consist of—

- (a) 10, 18 or 27 persons (in this paragraph referred to as voting members);
- (b) the principal of the school who, subject to sub-paragraph (4), shall be entitled to attend and take part in meetings of the Board of Governors but not to vote on any question; and
- (c) persons co-opted under Articles 122 and 139 of the 1989 Order who shall be entitled to attend and take part in meetings of the Board of Governors but not to vote on any question.

(2) Where there are 10 voting members of the Board of Governors of a maintained school, then of those members—

- (a) six shall be nominated by the nominating trustees in such manner as the scheme of management of the school may provide, and at least one of the persons so nominated shall, at the time of his nomination, be a parent of a [^{F5}registered pupil at] the school;
- (b) two shall be nominated by [^{F3}the Authority] ;
- (c) one shall be elected by parents of [^{F6}registered pupils at] the school from amongst the parents of such pupils;
- (d) one shall be elected by assistant teachers at the school from amongst such assistant teachers.

(3) Where there are 18 or 27 voting members of the Board of Governors of a maintained school, sub-paragraph (2) shall apply as if for the numbers mentioned in heads (a), (b), (c) and (d) of that sub-paragraph there were substituted the fractions five-ninths, two-ninths, one-ninth and one-ninth respectively.

(4) Where two or more schools are grouped under one Board of Governors, the principal of a school shall not be entitled to attend or take part in any meeting of the Board of Governors whenever a matter relating exclusively to one or more of the other schools is being discussed.

(5) The Board of Governors shall, with the approval of the Department, make arrangements for the election of persons under sub-paragraph (2)(c) and (d) and such arrangements shall ensure that any vote taken for the purpose of any such election shall be by secret ballot.

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4.—(1) The coming into force, or termination, of any agreement under paragraph 1 and any consequential change in the membership of the Board of Governors of a school shall not—

- (a) constitute a change for the purposes of Article 14(2)(d) or (e); or
- (b) break, or otherwise affect, the continuity of employment of persons employed by the Board of Governors.

(2) Where an agreement under paragraph 1 in relation to a school is terminated, the voting members of the Board of Governors of the school nominated under paragraph 2(2)(a) and (c) shall cease to hold office and such nominations to the Board of Governors shall be made by the nominating trustees as are necessary to ensure that the membership of the Board of Governors complies with paragraph 3.

(3) Where an agreement under paragraph 1 comes into force in relation to a school, the voting members of the Board of Governors of the school nominated under paragraph 3(2)(a) shall cease to hold office and such nominations to the Board of Governors shall be made by the nominating trustees and the Head of the Department as are necessary to ensure that the membership of the Board of Governors complies with paragraph 2.

(4) Persons nominated to the Board of Governors under sub-paragraph (2) or (3) shall hold office for the remainder of the original term of office of those ceasing to hold office under that provision.

(5) The coming into force, or termination, of an agreement under paragraph 1 does not affect the membership of the Board of Governors of any persons other than those mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) or (3).]

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Order (including any effects on those provisions):

- Sch. 18 repealed in part by [S.I. 2003/435 \(N.I.\) art. 49\(2\)](#)Sch. 2
- art.77(3) revoked by [S.I. 1996/2967 reg.11\(7\)](#)