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AN ORDINANCE for accepting and adopting a certain Determination of the General Synod, Session 1926, (No. III.) intituled "Rules for the establishment of a General Board of Religious Education for the Church of England in Australia and Tasmania."

WHEREAS a certain Determination, being Determination No. III., was made by the General Synod of the Dioceses in Australia and Tasmania on the twenty-sixth day of October, 1926, intituled "Rules for the establishment of a General Board of Religious Education for the Church of England in Australia and Tasmania" a copy of which is contained in the Schedule annexed to this Ordinance AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said Determination shall be accepted by the Church in this Diocese. The Synod of the Diocese of Sydney in pursuance of the powers in that behalf conferred upon it by the Constitutions for the management and good government of the Church of England within the State of New South Wales ordains and rules as follows:—

That the said Determination and the Rules therein contained and each and every of them shall be, and the same are and is hereby accepted and adopted, and shall so far as the same are applicable be applied to the management and government of the Church in this Diocese in like manner as if the said Determination and the Rules therein contained and each and every of them had been ordained and ruled by the Synod of this Diocese.

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SCHEDULE.

GENERAL SYNOD OF THE DIOCESES IN AUSTRALIA  
AND TASMANIA.

DETERMINATION III.; GENERAL SYNOD, SESSION 1926.

(Made 26th October, 1926.)

**RULES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A GENERAL  
BOARD OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR THE  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND IN AUSTRALIA  
AND TASMANIA**

1. **Objects.**—A body shall be formed, as herein provided, called "The Board of Religious Education for the Church of England in Australia and Tasmania" (hereinafter called the Board) to stimulate and co-ordinate the work of the Church Sunday Schools throughout Australia, to provide for common needs such as literature, etc., and to forward generally the work of Religious Education.

2. **Constitution.**—The said Board shall consist of:—

- (a) Three Bishops appointed by the House of Bishops, and five members elected by the House of Representatives in General Synod at its ordinary Session;
- (b) One Clerical and one Lay Representative of each Diocese elected in such manner as each Diocese shall decide. For the purposes of this paragraph Women shall be eligible for election as Lay Representatives.
- (c) All officers of the Board and Diocesan Sunday School Organisers as ex-officio members.
- (d) Such additional members (if any) as the Board may co-opt.

3. **Executive.**—The Board shall elect triennially an Executive consisting of not more than 12 of its members, who shall carry out the policy of the Board and report to the Board. On the Executive there must be representatives of at least four Dioceses.

4. **Meetings.**—The Board shall meet at least once a year and at such times and places as the Executive shall decide.

5. The Board shall report to General Synod at each ordinary Session.

6. **Finance.**—The Executive shall draw up a budget covering anticipated expenditure for the Board's activities for each year and assess the amount between the various Dioceses co-operating.

*Determination III., General Synod, Session 1926.*

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7. The Board shall have power to appoint officers and determine the tenure and conditions of their employment and to make rules and regulations for the conduct of its business not inconsistent with this Determination.

8. Nothing herein contained shall affect, the constitution or powers of any Diocesan Sunday School Association or any Diocesan or Provincial Authority directing Religious Education in any Diocese or Province.

We hereby certify that the foregoing Determination was made by the General Synod of the Dioceses in Australia and Tasmania this twenty-sixth day of October, 1926.

H. A. WOODE  
HARRINGTON B. COWPER } Secretaries  
of Synod.

I certify that the Ordinance as printed is in accordance with the Ordinance as reported.

A. J. GOULD,  
Chairman of Committees.

We certify that this Ordinance was passed this twelfth day of October, 1927.

E. CLAYDON  
HARRINGTON B. COWPER } Secretaries of  
the Synod.

I assent to this Ordinance,

GERARD D'ARCY-IRVINE,  
Bishop Coadjutor, Commissary.

18th October, 1927.