

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gilchrist.

DELEGATE GILCHRIST: Would Delegate Morgan yield for a question?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Morgan, do you yield?

DELEGATE MORGAN: I yield.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gilchrist.

DELEGATE GILCHRIST: Would the Committee not consider this a completely proper subject for the transitional provisions, in view of the fact that every function of the Board—

THE CHAIRMAN: What do you mean by "this", Delegate Gilchrist?

DELEGATE GILCHRIST: The matter which has been struck out, because I am afraid—

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gilchrist, if the Chair may make a suggestion, I think you referred not to the transitory provisions but the schedule of legislation.

DELEGATE GILCHRIST: Excuse me, I do refer to the schedule of legislation, because this would at least permit the Committee to suggest to the General Assembly those functions which the Committee believes the Board ought to have.

THE CHAIRMAN: The Chair would suggest before Chairman Morgan answers, that in the opinion of the Chair, that would not be a proper procedure under the Enabling Act, since the schedule of legislation is limited to two categories, and this would be in neither.

Delegate Morgan, did the Chair understand your previous answer to Delegate Case to be that you could accomplish the same purpose by stating it clearly in the accompanying memorandum?

DELEGATE MORGAN: Mr. President, I thought I stated it clearly in this debate.

THE CHAIRMAN: Very well. Delegate Bamberger.

DELEGATE BAMBERGER: Mr. Chairman, I ask if the Chairman of the Committee would accept an amendment on line 11, to strike the words, "perform in such manner and," and to insert in lieu thereof, "act by majority vote and shall", so that that sentence would read, "The board shall act by majority vote and shall have such powers as the General Assembly may prescribe."

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: Mr. President, these words were put in this amendment by Delegate Sickles, and I think that he should be the one to answer this question.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Sickles.

DELEGATE SICKLES: Mr. Chairman, I have no objection to the insertion of the language, but I do not think it serves any purpose to remove the language which says, "perform in such manner," because I would think that it would be the better part of wisdom to allow the legislature to establish reasonable rules and regulations for the operation of this Board so the entire public will know, and require notices determining under what circumstances executive sessions may be held. I think that some of the colloquy on the floor indicated that there was some question about this; whether there is any foundation for it or not, I think the legislature ought have that authority to insure that we all know how this Board will operate.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Sickles, could the Chair inquire whether the purpose you sought to be served could be satisfactorily served if you struck the word, "perform," and inserted the words, "hold its meetings," so that it would read, "shall hold its meetings in such manner and have such powers"?

DELEGATE SICKLES: I think that is an improvement, and I would also agree to including the language, "decision shall be made by majority vote". It seems, however, that there might be some emergency circumstance where even if the board cannot get together and it could be established that there was emergency, that by a unanimous vote under some circumstances, they might be able to make a decision. I would not want to preclude that, but it seems to me that under normal circumstances it should be by majority vote; and this should be clearly recognized.

THE CHAIRMAN: Further suggestion, "hold its meetings or otherwise act, in such manner," et cetera. Would that meet your second point?

DELEGATE SICKLES: As I hear it, I think it does.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Bamberger.

DELEGATE BAMBERGER: Well, I would propose, then, to state the amendment as I understand it is acceptable by Delegate Sickles. I will state it by reading the sentence rather than noting what is stricken: "The Board shall act by majority