

CHAP. 221. trustees for each district, and to vote for one person as superintendent of common schools for the whole county, whose duties are hereinafter defined; and after the closing of the polls, which shall be opened at one, and closed at four o'clock in the evening of said day, the chairman and secretary of each district meeting shall carefully examine the ballots cast, and shall certify, under their hands and seals, the names of the three persons receiving the highest number of legal votes for district trustees, who shall be declared duly elected trustees of said districts, and shall serve until the first Saturday in March, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, and until their successors are duly elected and qualified; the said chairman and secretary, in each of the said several school districts, shall also carefully examine and ascertain the number of ballots cast for superintendent, and the names of the persons for whom they were cast, and the number of ballots which each received, and shall transmit a report thereof to the board of education, who shall assemble in the town of Elkton, on the seventh day after said election has been held, for the purpose of receiving said election returns, which said returns they shall then and there carefully examine, and they shall ascertain and certify, under their hands and seals, the number of votes cast for superintendent, as reported to them with the names of the persons for whom they were cast, and the number of votes received, by each person voted for, and he that has the highest number of legal votes for superintendent in the whole county, shall be declared duly elected to said office, and shall serve until the first Saturday in March, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, and until his successor is duly elected and qualified; in case of a tie, or any other failure to elect, either a superintendent or district trustees, the board of education shall proclaim a new election, giving three weeks notice, as before mentioned.

Vacancies in board of education—how supplied

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That after the first election, as provided for in the preceding section, all subsequent elections under this act shall take place on the first Saturday of March annually, of which it shall be the duty of the board of education always to give at least three weeks notice in the manner before prescribed; that on the first Saturday in March, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, and annually thereafter, the school voters of the said county shall elect one person to be chosen in the same manner as the superintendent, to serve as a member of the board of education