

19-9-56 Resignation of Chris. B. Bull.

It was resolved that Chris. B. Bull's resignation as from 15th August be accepted with regret.

(Crs. Linnaker & John)
Representation or deputation to County Roads Board.

It was resolved that the invitation of the Shire of Bungaree be accepted and that the appointment of a representative of the School Council be left in the hands of the President and the Principal.

(Crs. Waples & Small)
Refund of Fee

It was resolved that a refund of 10/- on account of Material Fee and 11/10 on account of Activity Fee be granted to Mrs K. M. Parkinson.

General Business

(Crs. Linnaker & Atwell)
Christian Education

Rev. S. Terhagan, who attended the meeting at 8-30 p.m. by invitation, for the purpose of explaining the difficulties that were facing the Council of Christian Education in providing religious instruction in State schools.

He said that the marked increase in the number of State schools during recent years and shortage of staff were the two reasons for the Council's inability to provide religious instruction on an adequate basis.

In Melbourne this was being overcome by the appointment of chaplains to schools or groups of schools in a full time capacity.

19-9-56 Chaplains had already been appointed at Collingwood, Brunswick and Footscray Technical Schools and one would be appointed this year at Prohman.

The Council of Christian Education felt that a good case existed for a similar appointment here for the two junior Technical Schools. The cost of such an appointment would be approximately £1250 per annum. That amount would need to be raised locally before an appointment would be made and in any case no such appointment could be made before 1958, as there was already a list of twelve schools requiring the appointment of chaplains. A residence for the Chaplain appointed would be provided by the Council of Christian Education. In Melbourne the money had been raised by school councils, churches, and interested groups of citizens. Industry had supported the scheme very generously. The local Council would like to know whether the School Council favours the appointment of a chaplain in a full time capacity to the two junior Technical Schools, and if so what suggestions ~~was~~ it to offer in the matter of raising the necessary funds and in implementing the ~~scheme~~ ^{idea} generally. In reply to a question Rev. Terhagan said that the Government approved of the appointment of chaplains but is not prepared to provide funds for such appointments. The President thanked Rev. Terhagan for attending the meeting and explaining the