

Any member may change the beneficiary named in his certificate or policy without the consent of such beneficiary, by complying with the by-laws of the society, order or association which issued the same.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

Approved May 21, 1919.

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CHAPTER 208.

AN ACT to create section 40.275 of the statutes, relating to the naming of schools and the providing of mail boxes therefor.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. There is added to the statutes a new section to be numbered and to read: 40.275 (1) The electors of every school district maintaining a school not located in an incorporated village or city shall at the first annual meeting after the passage of this act, select a name for such school; or, if there be more than one such school in the district, then a name for each such school. Second choice names may also be selected. If the electors fail to select such name or names the school board shall do so within ten days after the adjournment of the annual meeting. The electors at a meeting establishing such a school shall select a name therefor, or, if they fail to do so, then the school board shall do so within ten days after the adjournment of the meeting.

(2) It shall be the duty of the school board to provide and maintain a mail box for each school located on or near a rural free delivery mail route within thirty days after the first annual meeting after the passage of this act, and for any such school subsequently established the school board shall provide a mail box by the time such school first opens.

(3) The district clerk shall within five days after the naming of a school in his district, notify the county superintendent of the county in which the school is located of the name chosen and the post-office address of the school. The county superintendent shall number such letters in the order of their receipt. Within thirty days after the date of the annual meeting of the school districts after the passage of this act, the county superintendent shall carefully go over the reports of names received. He shall promptly notify district clerks of his approval of all names of school districts to which names he finds no valid objection.

(4) In the event that the same names shall have been selected and reported for two or more schools, the school for which the report was first received shall retain the name reported, except that first preference shall be given to a name by which a school has been well known for a number of years. The district clerk of each other district concerned shall be promptly notified by the county superintendent of the facts in the case. The school board shall within ten days after receipt of such notification by the district clerk select another name and the clerk shall promptly notify the county superintendent of the action taken.

(5) In case the county superintendent considers that a name reported for any school is an unsuitable or freak name, he shall promptly so report to the district clerk and the school board shall within ten days after receipt of such notification by the clerk select another name; and the clerk shall within five days after such action by the board make report to the county superintendent of the name selected. If the name thus reported is considered unsuitable by the county superintendent, the school shall be named as provided in subsection (6).

(6) In the event of failure to select a name for a school in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this act, the county superintendent shall name the school and notify the district clerk of the name selected by the county superintendent. Such notification shall be sent within ten days after the time for reporting a name to the county superintendent has elapsed. The name selected by the county superintendent may be changed by the electors at the next annual meeting, subject to the provisions of this act.

(7) The district clerk shall within five days after receipt of notification from the county superintendent of his acceptance of a name selected for a school, or of a name selected by the county superintendent, in case it shall be necessary for him to select a name, notify the postmaster on whose rural free delivery mail route any named school is located of the name of the school, the number of the district, and the name of each town, village or city of which the district forms a part, and shall give such other information as may be necessary to locate accurately each such school.

(8) In case a school is not located on any rural free delivery mail route, the district clerk shall duly notify the postmaster of the post office selected by the board as to the person or persons to whom the mail for the school is to be given when called for. The school board of any school district is authorized to rent a lock box for each school not on a rural delivery mail route and to pay therefor out of the district funds.

(9) The district clerk of each district referred to in subsection (11) of this act shall, in the case of each school located on a rural free delivery mail route, notify the postmaster of vacations other than Saturdays and Sundays and legal holidays, and shall direct what disposition shall be made of the school mail during such times. The clerk shall, in this matter, be governed by the instructions of the board, but, in the absence of such instructions he shall act on his own initiative, and during the school term the teacher or principal may be authorized by the board or clerk to act in notifying the postmaster.

(10) When a name has once been chosen for a school, as provided in this act, such name can be changed only by majority vote of the electors recorded at two successive annual meetings. In case the name is changed the district clerk shall notify the county superintendent and the postmaster as required in subsections (3) and (7).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 209.

AN ACT to amend sections 6 and 9 of chapter 48 of the laws of 1880, and to amend section 14 of said chapter as amended by chapter 89 of the laws of 1893, relating to the municipal court of Barron county.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Sections 6 and 9 of chapter 48 of the laws of 1880, and section 14 of said chapter as amended by chapter 89 of the laws of 1893 are amended to read: (Chapter 48, laws of 1880) Section 6. The municipal judge of the county of Barron shall have cognizance of and jurisdiction to hear, try and determine all actions and proceedings at law wherein the amount of debt, damages, demand, penalty or forfeiture shall not exceed the sum of * * * *two thousand* dollars, actions to recover the possession of personal property with damages for the unlawful taking or detention thereof wherein the value of the property claimed shall not exceed the sum of * * * *two thousand* dollars, and all charges for offenses arising within said county and * * * *for which the maximum punishment shall not exceed* commitment to the state prison for one year, and shall have power to sentence and commit all persons convicted for any offense of which he has jurisdiction. Said judge shall have