ARTICLE XIX.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Sec. 2. Election; terms; interim appointment; nomination; president; oath; vacancies.

The members of the board of education shall be elected from the city at large by the qualified voters of the City of Kingsport at the general city election. The members of the board of education shall be elected for terms of office of four (4) years, and until their successors are elected and qualified. A board member shall be eligible for reelection.

Two (2) members shall be elected at the general city election in May, 1981, for four-year terms, and each four (4) years thereafter. Three (3) members shall be elected at the general city election in May, 1983, for four-year terms, and each four (4) years thereafter. Such elected board members shall assume office on the first day of July following their election.

Candidates for the office of a member of the board of education shall be nominated in the same manner as is provided for a candidate for the board of mayor and aldermen of the City of Kingsport.

The members of the board of education, at the regular July meeting following a regular election shall elect one of their number president.

Before entering upon their duties members of the board of education shall take the oath prescribed by the laws of Tennessee for such officers.

All vacancies in the board of education shall be filled by election of the board of mayor and aldermen; to serve only until the next general city election when such vacancy shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term by election by the qualified voters of the city. Any member elected to serve the remainder of an unexpired term shall assume office on the first day of July following their election.