

Proposed AIMOS Rule changes - FINAL

Rule 44:

Amend to read:

44 Composition of Committee

The Committee consists of—

- (a) a President; and*
- (b) a Vice-President; and*
- (c) a Secretary; and*
- (d) a Treasurer; and*
- (e) a Past-President, as determined by rule 52*
- (e) any other ordinary members elected under rule 53.*

Rule 50:

Amend to read:

50 Positions to be declared vacant

- (1) At any election, the following positions shall be declared vacant*
 - (a) the positions of Committee members whose terms have expired under rule 55.*
- (2) The president shall -*
 - (a) hold elections for the vacant positions in accordance with rules 51 to 54.*
 - (b) determine a date for the election to be finalised which shall be no less than 7 days and no more than 21 days prior to the date of the AGM*
 - (c) publish this date on the Associations website within 7 days of such determination*
- (3) Notwithstanding subrule 1, any committee member elected to a position under rule 52 may continue to act in that position until the annual general meeting.*

Rule 51:

Amend to read:

51 Nominations

- (1) Prior to any election, the Secretary must give to each member of the Association notice of the election determined under subrule 50 (2) (b)*
- (2) The notice must—*
 - (a) specify the date of the election to be finalised; and*
 - (b) indicate the positions that are vacant; and*
 - (c) indicate the form in which nominations for those positions shall be accepted; and*
 - (d) indicate the form in which voting shall take place in accordance with rule 54.*
 - (e) be provided to members at least 21 days prior to the date of the election determined under subrule 50 (2) (b)*
- (3) An eligible member of the Association may—*

- (a) nominate themselves; or
- (b) with the member's consent, be nominated by another member.
- (3) Nominations shall be accepted by the Secretary for a period that is no less than 7 days prior to the date of the election determined under subrule 50 (2) (b)
- (4) If a ballot is required to be held under subrule 53 (4), the Secretary shall ensure that all candidates have the opportunity to provide a short statement to each member of the Association prior to the date of the election to be finalised in accordance with subrule 54 (3).

Rule 52

Amend to read:

52 Election of President etc.

- (1) Following any annual general meeting, the President who held office at the start of that annual general meeting shall convene a meeting of the Committee within fourteen days. At this meeting, the Committee shall elect from amongst their own number, the following positions —
 - (a) President;
 - (b) Vice-President;
 - (c) Secretary;
 - (d) Treasurer.
- (2) A committee member may be re-elected to any of these positions.
- (3) If the President is re-elected to that position then the current Past-President continues in that office. Otherwise, the President who held office at the start of the previous annual general meeting assumes the role of Past-President. The Past-President shall be a member of the Committee even if not elected as an ordinary member under rule 53.
- (4) Should a casual vacancy arise for any of the positions described in subrule (1), including under the provisions of rule 55 (3), the Committee shall, at its next meeting, fill the vacancy from amongst their own number.

Rule 53

Amend to read:

53 Election of ordinary members

- (1) There shall be nine ordinary members of the committee.
- (2) A single election shall be held to fill all of those positions.
- (3) If the number of members nominated for the position of ordinary committee member is less than or equal to the number to be elected, the President must declare each of those members to be elected to the position.
- (4) If the number of members nominated exceeds the number to be elected, a ballot must be held in accordance with rule 54.
- (5) The provisions of subrule 1 may be altered through the provision of rule 77. However, any such changes will not come into effect for any election for which nominations have already been opened.

Rule 55

Amend to read:

55 Term of office

- (1) *Subject to subrule (3), subrule (6), subrule 53 (5), rule 56 and rule 57, a committee member holds office until positions of the Committee are declared vacant at the third election after the election at which they were elected or at the election determined under subrule (6), whichever comes earlier.*
- (2) *A Committee member may be re-elected.*
- (3) *A general meeting of the Association may—*
 - (a) *by special resolution remove a Committee member from office; and*
 - (b) *elect an eligible member of the Association to fill the vacant position in accordance with this Division.*
- (4) *A member who is the subject of a proposed special resolution under subrule (3)(a) may make representations in writing to the Secretary or President of the Association (not exceeding a reasonable length) and may request that the representations be provided to the members of the Association.*
- (5) *The Secretary or the President may give a copy of the representations to each member of the Association or, if they are not so given, the member may require that they be read out at the meeting at which the special resolution is to be proposed.*
- (6) *Following the first election under which the provisions of subrule (1) come into force, the elected Committee shall decide by resolution which three Committee members' terms expire at the next election, which three Committee members' terms expire at the second election and which three Committee members' terms expire at the third election.*

Rule 57

Amend to read

57 Filling casual vacancies

- (1) *The Committee may appoint an eligible member of the Association to fill a position on the Committee that—*
 - (a) *has become vacant under rule 56; or*
 - (b) *was not filled by election at the last annual general meeting.*
- (2) *If the position of Secretary becomes vacant, the Committee must appoint a member to the position within 14 days after the vacancy arises.*
- (3) *Any Committee member appointed by the Committee under subrule (1) or rule 55 (3) (b) shall hold office for the remainder of the term defined by rule 55 for the member they replace.*
- (4) *The Committee may continue to act despite any vacancy in its membership.*

Rule 69

Amend (3) and (4) to read

- (3)
 - (a) *The Committee may authorise the Treasurer to expend funds on behalf of the Association (including by electronic funds transfer) up to a specified limit without requiring approval from the Committee for each item on which the funds are expended.*
 - (b) *The Committee may, in writing, authorise one person employed by the Association to expend funds on behalf of the Association (including by electronic funds transfer) up to a specified limit without requiring approval from the Committee*

for each item on which the funds are expended. Such authority shall continue until the authority is revoked by the Committee in writing, or a subsequent authority is made.

(4) All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments must be signed by 2 committee members, or by one committee member and the employee of the Association given authority under subrule (3) (b).