



Centaur Memorial Fund For Nurses

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Special Resolution 2018-1

For the Annual General Meeting on 26 March 2018

The Committee has reviewed the Constitution and has submitted a Special Resolution to members aimed at adding an aspect into the Constitution regarding membership. The logo and the address have changed in the last year, so these changes will also be reflected in the Constitution. A full review of the Constitution will be undertaken pre the 2019 AGM. This Special Resolution only addresses Corporate Membership.

The membership categories are listed below in Section 3 (Classes of Members), 4 (Membership), 5 (Life Members), and 6 (Honorary Members) for ease of reference. Section 3 and 4 are the only proposed areas of change.

25. Amendment of Constitution

“This Constitution may be amended from time to time by a resolution carried at any annual or general meeting where due notice of the proposed amendment has been given to the Secretary for circulation to the members with the Notice of Meeting”.

Existing

3. Classes of Members

The members of the Fund shall consist of ordinary members, life members and/or honorary members.

4. Membership

(a) The number of ordinary members and life members shall be unlimited.

(b) Any person who subscribes to the objectives of the Fund shall be eligible for membership in accordance with the rules of the Fund.

5. Life Members

(a) The Fund may from time to time, at any annual or general meeting, determine the fee to be paid by any member desiring to compound for his annual subscription and to become a life member of the Fund.

(b) Any ordinary member upon payment of the fee as determined by paragraph (a) shall be entitled to become a life member having all the privileges appertaining to an ordinary member of the Fund without payment of the annual subscription. Save as aforesaid a life member shall be subject to all the provisions of this constitution.

6. Honorary Members

Honorary members of the Fund may be elected by two thirds majority of members present



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in person or by proxy at an Annual General Meeting where 21 days' notice of the proposed election has been given to members.

Nominations for Honorary Membership shall be given to the Secretary at least two (2) calendar months before the Annual General Meeting referred to above and must be signed by Committee Quorum.

The committee may in its absolute discretion decline to submit such nomination to an Annual General Meeting.

Rationale

Members of the public and corporate entities wish to honour and respect the legacy of the tragic event that occurred on the 14th May 1943 off the Queensland coast when the 2/3 AHS *Centaur* was torpedoed by a Japanese submarine. The Centaur Memorial Fund for Nurses continues this legacy through the advancement of the profession of nursing by awarding annually a postgraduate scholarship to a Queensland Nurse or Midwife undertaking a Professional Doctorate or a Doctor of Philosophy in nursing or midwifery or a related discipline. A number of corporate entities have indicated their wish to support the Fund.

The Centaur Memorial Fund for Nurses Management Committee wishes to reflect this in the Constitution. Herewith we submit to the membership, issues for consideration relating to Corporate Membership.

The Benefits of Corporate membership to the corporate entity are:

- Ability to display their corporate logo on the Centaur website, and at certain events, when this is deemed appropriate
- Recognition in various ways of their contribution as Corporate members
- Networking opportunities at Centaur events
- Opportunities to provide in-kind support
- Notification of Centaur events
- Networking opportunities at Centaur events

The Benefits to the Centaur Memorial Fund for Nurses are:

- Greater recognition of the value and the legacy of the Centaur Memorial Fund for Nurses within the community
- Support in the way of funding, which will support our Scholarship funding for the advancement of the profession of nursing by awarding a postgraduate scholarship to a Queensland Nurse or Midwife undertaking a Professional Doctorate or a Doctor of Philosophy in nursing or midwifery or a related discipline
- Opportunity for in-kind support of the Centaur Memorial Fund for Nurses

All benefits to the corporate entity will be by the final decision of the Management Committee.



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Corporate Membership will be available to health service organisations, academic institutions and organisations that support the objectives of the Centaur Memorial Fund for Nurses. Corporate members are not eligible for nomination to the Centaur Memorial Fund for Nurses Committee or to take part in any election or to vote. The Management Committee may choose to invite individuals from the corporate entity from time to time, for various activities to support the Fund and its objectives.

Proposed

3. Classes of Members

The members of the Fund shall consist of ordinary members, corporate members, life members and/or honorary members.

4. Membership - Insert Section 4 (c)

4 (c) Corporate Membership – *Any corporate entity who subscribes to the objectives of the Fund will be eligible to apply for Corporate Membership.*