The Management Committee of the Macedonian Community of WA (Inc) **unanimously agreed** (on 4th Sept 2018) that the following resolutions be adopted to **comply** with the **Associations Incorporation Act 2015 as recommended below**.

There were also several “General Rule Changes” presented for consideration (overleaf).

Please note that the page numbers listed in the right-hand column correspond to the location of the new rule or amendment in the updated draft constitution.

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|  **SECTION** | **CURRENT CLAUSE** | **RECOMMENDED RESOLUTIONS*** **Moved by Philip Paioff and Seconded by Nick Cigulev**
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| **RULE CHANGES TO COMPLY WITH 2015 ACT** |
| Objects | S-3 (n) |  Change Associations Incorporation Act 1987 to “**2015”** | **p.5** |
| Income and Property | S-4 (c) |  Add the following sentence to the end of S-4 (c):*…* ***or as reimbursement of reasonable expenses properly incurred by members on behalf of the Association****.* | **p. 5** |
| Membership | S-8 | This section has been replaced with the following statement to avoid issues of discrimination re model rules:***Membership of the Community shall be open to any person who supports the objects or purposes of the Association.*** | **p. 7** |
| Community Register | S-20 | ***The register of Members of the Community is managed by the Treasurer who may appoint a Membership Officer to record and store the class and details of each Member consistent with Section 53 of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015. The minimum details shall include the full names, addresses, class of membership (Life, Ordinary, Honorary, Social or Youth), names of proposers, dates of election, period of membership and payment of required fees (in accordance with Section 21).*** | **p.8** |
| Subscriptions & Fees | S-21 (c) replacesS-19 of the current constitution. | ***c) Membership fees must be paid to the Treasurer at the commencement of each calendar year (from 1 January to 31 December). If a Member has not paid the annual membership fee by 1 April of each year, they cease to be a Member and shall not be permitted to resume their membership or exercise the privileges of a member until they pay the required membership fees.*** | **p. 9** |
| Power of the Management Committee  | S-54 | ***The procedure to be followed at a committee meeting must be determined from time to time by the Management Committee.*** | **p. 16** |
| Secretary | S-61S-62 | ***The Secretary shall deal with the Association’s correspondence and prepare notices for all meetings.*** ***The Secretary shall maintain an up-to-date copy of the Association’s rules in conjunction with the Chair of the Rules Committee.*** | **p. 17** |
| Treasurer | S-67 (ii) | (ii) ***The books of the Association must be retained for at least 7 years.***  | **p.18.** |
| Treasurer (continued) | S-69S-70S-71 | ***All payments shall be made by cheque or electronic funds transfer on the authority of the Management Committee. Cheque payments must be signed by any two (2) of the following Committee members authorised to do so including the President, Secretary, Treasurer or Vice-President. An Assistant Secretary or Assistant Treasurer may also be appointed from elected Members of the Management Committee to conduct the financial affairs of the Community.*** ***All funds of the Association must be deposited into the Association’s account within five (5) working days after their receipt.******The Association’s financial year commences on 1 July and concludes on 30 June.*** | **p.18.****p.18** |
| Inspection of Records and Documents  | S-73 | ***Members wishing to inspect community records or documents must:******(i) Contact the Secretary to make the necessary arrangements.******(ii) Not take an extract from the record but may make a copy of a document(s).*** ***(iii) Not use or disclose the information on record except for the purposes of promoting Community affairs or complying with the Act (2015).***  | **p.18.** |
| Disputes Resolution, Suspension or Expulsion | S-77***Was S-71*** | ***The Management Committee shall from time to time have full power to settle disputes, suspend or expel any Member of the Community. Conditions that may result in said actions being taken are likely to apply to Members:*** | **p. 19** |
| Dissolution  | S-83 | Which association(s) or purpose, as the case requires, shall be determined by resolution of the Members at a General Meeting ***in accordance with Section 24 and Section 25 of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015.***  | **p. 21** |
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| **GENERAL RULE CHANGES FOR CONSIDERATION AND DEBATE** |
|  |  | * Moved by Chris Angelkov and Seconded by Vic Nottas
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| Election of Members | S-17**(Current)** | From election as an Ordinary Member the person must serve a period of three (3) years before being eligible to nominate for a position as an office bearer and/or hold a position on any elected committee. | **p.8** |
| Election of Members | S-17**(Proposed)** | From election as an Ordinary Member the person must serve a period of ***two (2)*** years before being eligible to nominate for a position as an office bearer and/or hold a position on any elected committee. ***Notwithstanding, new members whose parents have been Ordinary Members for more than 5 (five) years may be exempt from the two (2) year eligibility period.***  | **p.8** |
| Management Committee | S-45 (d)To ensure consistency with S-17. | No person shall be nominated or shall be eligible to be a Member of the Management Committee unless they are a financial Ordinary Member or Life Member of the Community and have been an Ordinary Member for at least ***two (2) years or meet the conditions stated in Section 17***. ***This resolution only applies of we change S-17 as indicated above.*** | **p. 14** |
| S-45 (a) (ix)S-45 (a) (xiv) | Property Structure and Maintenance to ***“Property and Maintenance”***Internal Control Committee to ***“External Affairs”*** | **p.14** |

Copies of the current constitution (2013) and draft constitution (2018) are available on the

MCWA website or at the front bar of the Community Centre in North Perth for member reference.