



The Organ Music Society of Sydney Inc.
Incorporating the American Guild of Organists (Sydney Chapter)

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NOTICE OF A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

OF

THE ORGAN MUSIC SOCIETY OF SYDNEY INCORPORATED

NOTICE is hereby given that there will be a Special General Meeting of The Organ Music Society of Sydney Incorporated (the "Society:") at 2.30 p.m. on the 24th July, 2010 at the Chapel of St. Joseph's College, Mark Street, Hunters Hill for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions as special resolutions.

Resolution 1:

Rule 14(3) of the Rules with Statement of Objectives and Activities of the Society is amended by the substitution of "five (5)" for "three (3)".

Resolution 2:

Rule 2 of the Rules with Statement of Objectives and Activities of the Society is amended by the substitution of the following for all the words that follow the heading of that rule:

- (1) A person who is a member of the association on the date on which this provision takes effect remains a member of the association until that person ceases to be a member of the association under these rules.
- (2) A person is qualified to be a member of the association if the person is a natural person who has:
 - (a) applied for membership of the association in accordance with rule 3, and
 - (b) been approved for membership of the association by the committee of the association.

and Rule 3 is amended by the substitution of the following for all the words that follow the heading of that rule:

- (1) An application by a person for membership of the association:

- (a) must be made by the applicant in writing in the application for membership form last approved by the committee or in such other form as the committee, either generally or in any particular case, may approve, and
 - (b) must be lodged, together with the sum payable under these rules by a member as entrance fee and annual subscription, with the secretary of the association.
- (2) As soon as practicable after receiving an application for membership, the secretary must refer the application to the committee which is to determine whether to approve or to reject the application.
- (3) As soon as practicable after the committee makes that determination, the secretary must:
- (a) notify the applicant, in writing, that the committee approved or rejected the application (whichever is applicable), and
 - (b) if the committee rejected the application, within a reasonable time refund to the applicant the sum paid under these rules by the applicant as entrance fee and annual subscription.
- (4) The secretary must, on acceptance of the application, enter the applicant's name in the register of members and, on the name being so entered, the applicant becomes a member of the association.

and Appendix 1 is deleted.

Voting

Under Rule 31, members may vote in person or by proxy. Rule 33 provides that a member is entitled to appoint another member as their proxy by notice given to the secretary no later than 24 hours before the time of the commencement of the Special General Meeting convened by this notice. A proxy form is set out hereunder.

Reasons for the Amendments

Resolution 1:

Rule 14(3) provides that the president of the Society may be elected to that office for a maximum of three (3) successive terms, but may subsequently be elected as another office-bearer or ordinary member of the committee of the Society. Resolution 1, if it takes effect, will allow a person to be elected as president for a maximum of 5 years.

Resolution 2:

At present, a person wishing to become a member of the Society must complete an application in writing in the form set out in Appendix 1 to the rules. This form requires a member to nominate an applicant and the nomination to be seconded. The form and this procedure has proved to be time consuming and unduly cumbersome. The committee wishes to replace the form with a simplified form. The new form will be prescribed by the committee and can be changed by the committee from time to time.

Dated 18th May, 2010

Geoff Lloyd

Secretary